

The Strongest

Chapter 161 - Frightening Damage

Seeing these item's Attributes, even Shi Feng himself was greatly shocked. It was the first time he had witnessed the Attributes of a Fragmented Legendary ranked item. In his previous life, the Attributes of Fragmented Legendary ranked items were all kept secret by their respective owners, so others could only guess the actual Attributes.

He truly did not think that the Heavenly Dragon's Breath would be so powerful. Instead of increasing a fixed amount of Attributes, it had a percentage-based increase of the user's Attributes.

It was no wonder the powerhouses who possessed Legendary ranked items claimed that only a powerhouse could use the full potential of such items. Even if a weakling obtained one, the bonuses would not be significant.

If Shi Feng could equip the Heavenly Dragon's Breath right now, with his current Attributes, he could easily kill a Level 20 elite player. Unfortunately, with the equipment requirements of 200 Strength, 200 Agility, and 120 Intelligence, Shi Feng could only helplessly stare at it. Right now, his Strength was only at 111 points, with only 123 points in Agility, and a measly 50 points in Intelligence. He was still far from possessing the required Attributes.

With the Magic Weapon he possessed, he would obtain two more Free Attribute Points than other players for each level up. Even so, if he wished to equip the Heavenly Dragon's Breath, he needed to be Level 20, at the very least, and own a full set of Level 20 Fine-Gold Equipment.

"Blackie, see if you can equip Mavis's Guard and the Ring of Glory," Shi Feng handed the two pieces of equipment to Blackie.

Shi Feng had made considerations when he chose these two pieces of equipment. He could not always carry everyone in the party, as he still had many things he needed to tend to. However, if he wanted his party to level up quickly, the party needed a powerhouse to lead it.

Meanwhile, the matter regarding an Epic Weapon was extremely important. The person he could trust the most was Blackie; so he could feel secure passing both the Mavis's Guard and Ring of Glory to Blackie. With the improvement brought about by these two pieces of equipment, Blackie's damage output might even surpass his own. After all, his Magic Weapon was currently only the equivalent of a Dark-Gold Weapon. It was still a distance away from rivaling an Epic Weapon. Moreover, Blackie was a mage class, and Blackie's grinding speed was originally faster than his. In addition, the skills Mavis's Guard granted were extremely powerful. Blackie would have a much easier time leveling up the party than he would.

"This... alright, then."

At first, Blackie hesitated. He felt that he did not possess the qualifications to wield this Epic Weapon in the least. However, looking at Shi Feng's serious attitude and trust, he nodded his head earnestly.

Although the requirement of 80 Intelligence was very high, Blackie was already Level 11. His character's Attributes massively increased. He also had a few pieces of Secret-Silver Equipment. After he added all his Attribute Points he received from leveling up into Intelligence, he just barely reached the staff's requirement, managing to equip Mavis's Guard. Right now, Mavis's Guard was a Level 11 Epic ranked staff. The staff increased numerous Attributes. There was also an additional critical Attribute that gave a 20% chance of magical attacks achieving a critical hit. It was much more powerful than Blackie's original goal.

Mavis's Guard also reduced the level requirement for equipment by 5 Levels. After Blackie equipped the Ring of Glory and the previously obtained Level 15 mage-class Mysterious-Iron Equipment and Bronze Equipment, he was completely born anew. He now gave others a faint oppressive feeling.

"This isn't real, right? My Intelligence has reached 186 points!" Blackie exclaimed, looking at his Attribute Panel.

Compared to before, the 186 Intelligence was more than double what he had before, not to mention the increase in his magic damage. His overall Attributes had exceeded even the currently most powerful mage-class by at least twofold. He could possibly one-shot a properly-gear Level 10 MT.

“Too powerful!” Lonely Snow gazed at Blackie’s dazzling Attributes with admiration. Even so, he would not feel jealousy over Blackie. After all, this was a natural matter as he had only recently joined Zero Wing Workshop. Just the aid he received in leveling up and the amount of Secret-Silver Equipment were already unimaginable, not to mention receiving an extremely important item such as an Epic ranked item. On the other hand, it would be extremely strange if he received an Epic ranked item that he could use right now.

Moreover, when Lonely Snow looked at Shi Feng’s carefree reaction as he gave Blackie the Epic ranked item, he knew that, as long as he performed well in Zero Wing Workshop, there was bound to be a day where he could obtain his very own Epic ranked item as well. Hence, he did not need to be jealous over Blackie.

“An Epic Weapon is as frightening as expected,” Shi Feng said with a smile, looking at Blackie’s Attributes.

Normally, an Epic ranked item’s level would grow along with its user. Only when Blackie reached Level 60 could he display the true potential of Mavis’s Protection. The potential displayed by the Level 11 Mavis's Guard was but the tip of the iceberg.

Moreover, Shi Feng knew of plenty of locations which hid Epic ranked items. However, he did not have the ability to retrieve them right now. He also did not have a powerful team, so he had no way of obtaining those Epic ranked items at the moment. He could only wait until his Workshop developed before setting out to claim them.

“Brother Feng, let’s go kill some Elite monsters! I want to see the awe of an Epic Weapon!” Blackie looked at Shi Feng, restless with anticipation.

“Fine; let’s go look for some, then,” Shi Feng replied with a smile. During that year when he held his first Epic ranked item, he, too, was as excited as Blackie right now. He had been extremely eager to test out his strength on powerful monsters.

Very quickly, under Shi Feng’s leadership, the trio located a Level 17 Rare Elite, the Swamp Lizard.

[Swamp Lizard] (Rare Elite)

Level 17

HP 200,000/200,000

“I’ll lure it over. Lonely, try to restrict it as it attempts to spit out grey fog and use caution. Blackie, pay careful attention while you kite it. Make sure you maintain your distance from it,” Shi Feng spoke in the party chat.

The Swamp Lizard was the most challenging Rare Elite in the Silent Swamp. If it was not for reaching Level 12, the Abyssal Blade having upgraded to Level 10, and Blackie’s possession of Mavis’s Guard now, he would not have chosen to fight this monster at all.

The Swamp Lizard was a physical melee-type monster. However, it could deal a lot of damage. With a single claw attack, it could take away more than half of a normal Level 15 MT’s HP. Its attacks also carried an additional petrification effect that slowed the target. Moreover, the Swamp Lizard’s

Movement Speed ranked at the very top of all the monsters found in the Silent Swamp. If a normal Level 15 party met it, the usual result would be a party-wipe.

Soon after, Shi Feng circled the Swamp Lizard. Without holding back, he activated the Ice-Blue Devil Flame. He then used Wind Blade, his swords piercing towards the back of the Swamp Lizard.

Two damages of -288 and -224 points appeared above the Swamp Lizard's head.

Compared to when Shi Feng dealt with the Three-headed Snake Demon, his damage had greatly increased. However, to the Swamp Lizard, which possessed 200,000 HP, such damage was negligible. With an angry bellow, the Swamp Lizard slashed its claws at Shi Feng.

Shi Feng dodged to the side, sending a Level 7 Chop slashing towards the Swamp Lizard's waist. A damage of -1058 popped up above the Swamp Lizard's head.

The Swamp Lizard immediately released a pained wail; its steel-like tail turned into a black shadow as it swiped at Shi Feng.

Shi Feng quickly reacted; he leaped into the air and dodged the attack, distancing himself from the Swamp Lizard at the same time.

Lonely Snow took this chance to use Charge on the Swamp Lizard, interrupting the Swamp Lizard's follow-up attack. He then sent a Violent Strike at the Swamp Lizard's back, causing -28 damage.

Lonely Snow nearly spat out blood when he witnessed this damage. However, he was utterly helpless about it. Not mentioning the level suppression, the Swamp Lizard's physical defense was extremely high.

Moreover, Lonely Snow could only deal this amount of damage due to reaching Level 11 and wielding a Secret-Silver Weapon. Otherwise, he wouldn't even deal over 10 damage.

"Let me see just how amazing you are, Mavis's Guard!"

Blackie had waited in frustration. He shot out a Level 7 Dark Arrow strengthened by the Mavis's Guard. When the skill blasted the Swamp Lizard's body, a damage of -712 points appeared above its head. Immediately after, Blackie's attack triggered the passive skill on Mavis's Guard, the Spear of Light. A silver-colored Spear of Light struck the Swamp Lizard once more, landing a critical hit of -1354 damage; the damage was far more powerful than Shi Feng's attacks.

Immediately after, Blackie used Evil Whip. Nine thick chains constricted the Swamp Lizard. When the Swamp Lizard broke free from one of the chains with much difficulty, a damage of -116 points appeared above its head. By the time it broke free from all the chains, Evil Whip had caused close to -1,000 damage.

Due to Blackie's Intelligence reaching over a hundred points, he activated the Intermediate Hidden Passive Skill for Intelligence, Quick Chant. The passive greatly reduced the time required for chanting spells, increasing Blackie's rate of attack. As a result, damages in the hundreds continuously appeared above the Swamp Lizard's head in quick succession, its HP decreasing like water flowing from an opened tap.

"This is too powerful!"

"This is an Epic Weapon?"

Lonely Snow was tongue-tied from watching this scene; Blackie was similarly dumbfounded.

In addition to Shi Feng controlling and damaging the Swamp Lizard, before even a minute had passed, the Swamp Lizard fell dead. It dropped four items in total: a Level 15 Mysterious-Iron Equipment and three rare materials.

“Come on; let’s look for a place with plenty of monsters to release the Stars of Light,” seeing that even normal spells were so powerful, Shi Feng highly anticipated witnessing the staff’s additional AOE spell.

Chapter 162 - Chieftain One-eye

Level 15 monster area, Silent Swamp.

“Leader, where are we headed?”

“Brother Feng, wasn’t there a herd of Swamp Hippos just now?”

Blackie and Lonely Snow followed after Shi Feng all this time, moving deeper into the Silent Swamp. They could not figure out just what kind of monster Shi Feng intended to test the Stars of Light on.

“The Stars of Light has a Cooldown of half an hour. It would be a huge waste to use it on just a group of Level 15 common monsters. Right now, we’re going to a place with monsters that are much stronger and more numerous,” Shi Feng explained.

Even the Level 17 Rare Elite Swamp Lizard died with ease. It was obvious just how high Blackie’s damage had become, not to mention a skill like the Stars of Light. The skill could possibly one-shot the Level 15

Swamp Hippos with only 2,000 HP each. That would not properly display the true might of the Stars of Light.

Only by seeing the skill's full potential could Shi Feng make an accurate judgment. He could then let Blackie lead the others to the most suitable high-level monster area to level up. That way, be it Martial Union or Underworld, neither could locate Blackie and the others, much less surround them.

Under Shi Feng's lead, after the trio reached the core area of the Silent Swamp, they discovered a large, naturally occurring, marsh. All around, there were a total of five groups of Level 20 Swamp Rhinos. Occasionally, they spotted a few Level 20 Elite Twin-horned Rhinos. There was also a small island situated in the middle of this large marsh, and a gigantic figure laid flat on this island. This gigantic figure was a two-story-tall rhino. From a distance, the trio could vaguely see the information of this large rhino. It was a monster named Rhino Chieftain One-eye.

"Brother Feng, isn't this a little... too dangerous?" witnessing so many Level 20 rhinos gathered together, Blackie felt his confidence waver.

[Swamp Rhino] (Common Monster)

Level 20

HP 3,200/3,200

[Twin-horned Rhino] (Elite Monster)

Level 20

HP 17,500/17,5000

[Rhino Chieftain One-eye] (Special Elite)

Level 20

HP 50,000/50,000

Common monsters were still fine. However, it would be extremely dangerous to tangle with Elite monsters, not to mention Special Elites. Even if Shi Feng were very powerful, and his movements extremely agile, when surrounded by so many monsters, he would still meet his end.

“Only here can the Stars of Light display its true might. I’ll think of a way to lure even more monsters, so choose when you cast the spell carefully,” Shi Feng surveyed his surroundings, his mind planning his route.

“Leader, this is too dangerous. On the off chance that we die, it would be a huge loss,” Lonely Snow opposed.

The monsters here were not numbered in the twenties or thirties, but in the hundreds. Every one of them could trample a Level 15 player with ease, not to mention the Elite monsters or the Special Elite monster. Moreover, with their currently low levels, the monsters would have an easier time discovering them. They could easily be surrounded, and at that time, only death awaited them.

“If I activate a Speed Scroll, my speed will be faster than theirs. However, when I lure all of them over, Blackie, I need you to use Guardian of Light on me, then use Stars of Light. You don’t need to panic. Just maintain a calm heart, and you will be fine,” seeing Blackie’s nervous expression, Shi Feng spoke with a smile.

“I get it,” Blackie nodded, suppressing the panic in his heart.

Soon after, Shi Feng sent Blackie and Lonely Snow to a slightly elevated location. On his own, Shi Feng activated a Speed Scroll before rushing towards the rhinos.

The rhinos immersed in the marsh quickly discovered the intruder. After all, Shi Feng’s level was simply too low. He was only Level 12, and there was a huge distance from Level 20. In addition, Shi Feng did not attempt to hide his movements in the least, making it even easier for the monsters to discover him.

Within moments, over twenty rhinos stood and rushed towards Shi Feng.

Although the marsh did not reduce Movement Speed by half, it still reduced it by 30%. Fortunately, this Movement Speed reduction was also effective against the rhinos. Now that Shi Feng had used a Speed Scroll, catching up to him was impossible.

Shi Feng followed along the route he had planned before and circled the central island. He intended to lure all the rhinos in the marsh, aside from the one atop the central island. The Rhino Chieftain One-eye on the central island was extremely difficult to deal with, and it would be a huge loss if he lost his life as a result of an accident. Hence, Shi Feng had no intentions of luring it.

“Brother Feng!”

“Leader’s movement technique is truly powerful. If I were in his place, those rhinos would have already turned me into meat paste.”

Standing on high ground, Blackie and Lonely Snow watched Shi Feng use various movements and methods to dodge the attacks from the group of rhinos. They could not help but wipe away the sweat permeating their foreheads. The number of rhinos Shi Feng lured grew larger and larger. He had only run half the distance, yet, he lured over a hundred rhinos. Every time he dodged an attack, the rhinos would dangerously scrap past his body.

However, after witnessing this scene repeat itself over and over, Blackie and Lonely Snow discovered that Shi Feng successfully dodged every single time. He would always dodge the attack at the very last millisecond. He relied purely on technique to do so, and there was not a hint of luck or coincidence at all.

Blackie and Lonely Snow both engraved this scene deeply into their minds, resolving themselves to learn from Shi Feng in the future. With an expert like Shi Feng demonstrating the moves, they would not have to spend time slowly exploring these techniques. After watching for only a moment, the two of them had benefitted greatly. They could not help but wish they could try out these dodging techniques right this instant.

Just when Shi Feng thought that all was within his control...

An Elite Twin-horned Rhino suddenly appeared in front of Shi Feng, charging at him.

Although Shi Feng used Parry to block this attack, his entire person was still sent flying. By rotten luck, he landed on the edges of the central island, alarming the Rhino Chieftain One-eye.

Discovering that a human had disturbed its rest, One-eye abruptly stood up. It glared at Shi Feng with its blood-red eye, its front hoofs gouging the solid ground as it released an angry roar. Suddenly, it charged at Shi Feng with its steel-like horn.

Compared to the other rhinos, this Rhino Chieftain One-eye possessed an extremely fast speed, and not even the marsh could impede its immense charging power.

This was the Rhino Chieftain One-eye's skill, Violent Charge.

Even a Level 20 MT would instantly die if One-eye's horn smashed into them.

"Come," knowing that he wouldn't be able to dodge, Shi Feng activated Defensive Blade. He then used Chop, the Abyssal Blade slashing at One-eye's horn.

Due to the Defensive Blade's absolute defense effect, Shi Feng did not retreat by even an inch. Instead, a damage of -367 points appeared above the Rhino Chieftain One-eye's head.

Such a tough defense! Shi Feng was slightly shocked.

However, Shi Feng did not intend to continue entangling with the Rhino Chieftain One-eye. The moment One-eye used War Trample, Shi Feng used Silent Steps to appear behind a Swamp Rhino that was 30 yards away, successfully evading One-eye's attack.

"Aoo!" One-eye became further enraged when it saw that its target had evaded. It immediately charged at Shi Feng. However, it did not use Violent Charge this time, so its speed was only slightly faster than the other rhinos.

“Blackie, use the skill,” after arriving at the appointed location, Shi Feng stopped and spoke into the party chat.

Although his plan did not include luring the Rhino Chieftain One-eye, the plan still had to proceed. He simply had to be more careful now.

“Leave it to me,” Blackie had long since waited with anticipation.

Immediately, a golden brilliance descended upon Shi Feng’s form. This was the effect of the first additional skill of Mavis’s Guard, Guardian of Light. For 20 seconds, Shi Feng became immune to all magic damage. He also enjoyed 80% physical damage reduction and 5% HP recovery every second.

Following which, Shi Feng activated the Tier 2 Life Shield, his maximum HP soaring.

Over 200 rhinos surrounded Shi Feng. If it were a Level 20 MT standing in place of Shi Feng, that MT would have long since been trampled to death. However, Shi Feng could hold on. Through evading alone, Shi Feng managed to dodge over 60% of the attacks sent at him. In addition to Guardian of Light recovering 5% of his HP every second, he was able to hold onto his life.

“Almost! Shine out, Stars of Light!”

When Blackie saw all those monsters grouped together, he used Mavis’s Guard’s other skill, Stars of Light. After chanting the final verse of the incantation, Blackie lost half of his mana in an instant.

Immediately after, Blackie pointed his staff towards the sky. The dark clouds hovering above the large marsh were instantly pierced and disappeared. The sky trembled, and suddenly, a gigantic golden magic circle appeared in the sky, shining down on the core of the Silent Swamp.

Chapter 164 - The First Crisis

Cola was at a loss when he heard Shi Feng's words.

Show the strength of Zero Wing Workshop?

Others had constantly targeted the three of them, so they had been hiding in Red Leaf Town all this time. They had no chances to leave town to grind and quest, and they were all only Level 7 right now; they were only slightly stronger than the average player. They had no chances of competing with the members of other Guilds at all. If this situation continued, their levels would, sooner or later, fall behind even the average players.

Is leader telling us to go level up? Cola grew excited at the thought of this possibility. This is too great! We're being stifled to death by constantly staying in town. It would be fine even if we have to slaughter our way out.

"You three wait for me inside the Hotel in the Trade Area; I'll be there soon," Shi Feng did not further explain, only revealing a faint smile.

"Brother Feng, what happened to make you so happy?" Blackie curiously asked, seeing Shi Feng's joyous smile.

“Something good. You two, stay here and continue leveling up. I’ll bring Cola and the others later on. After you carry them to Level 10, go to White River City to do some high-level quests,” Shi Feng said.

“Brother Feng, rest assured; now that I’m fully geared in Level 15 Bronze and Mysterious-Iron Equipment and possess Mavis's Protection, carrying Cola and the others will be a breeze,” Blackie assured his leader. He was Level 13 right now and even had an Epic ranked staff. If he could not carry Cola and the others to Level 10 quickly, he might as well revert to playing with mud rather than play God’s Domain.

“When Cola and the others see our levels, they will be shocked. And when they see Blackie’s Epic ranked staff, the Mavis's Protection, they will be stunned speechless. I am even eager to see their expressions,” Lonely Snow joked.

“That’s right! Cola and the others could not possibly imagine that, within just a short few hours, we went from hiding from Martial Union’s pursuit to reaching to Level 13. We’ve taken the top three rankings within the Star-Moon Kingdom and even possess an Epic Weapon now. Compared to before, it is like the difference between heaven and earth. If I were in their shoes, even I wouldn’t believe it,” Blackie grew even more joyful at the thought of the shocked expressions of Cola and the others.

“You guys...” Shi Feng helplessly smiled at the sight of his two teammates. Soon after, he took out a Return Scroll, teleporting to Red Leaf Town.

At this moment, there were a lot of changes occurring in Red Leaf Town as well. The number of players purchasing equipment in the Trade Area grew larger and larger, and an endless stream of shouts for purchase filled the air of the Trade Area. There were many new players walking around and looking at the stalls set up throughout the street, looking for required items and equipment.

Meanwhile, inside the Hotel at the Trade Area...

“I’ve previously asked you guys to collect Hard Stones, so just how many have you actually collected? Why is the number of Whetstones still zero?” Unstable Devastation’s expression turned grim as he asked; he abruptly stood up after taking a look at his subordinate’s report.

“Boss Unstable, under your commands, we desperately tried to purchase all the Hard Stones available. However, we’re not sure why, but Hard Stones are extremely scarce on the market right now. Moreover, they’re very expensive. After much determination, we only managed to collect slightly more than four stacks. However, our Guild has only recently started nurturing Forgers, so their success rate of making Whetstones is extremely low. So...” that subordinate timidly said.

Peng!

Unstable Devastation slammed his fist onto the table, snarling, “You bunch of useless wastes! I clearly notified you all of this matter long ago, and three or four hours have passed already. Yet, you guys couldn’t even produce a single Whetstone? How is the elite team supposed to level up this way? Why do I even need you guys here?”

“Boss Unstable, maybe the other Guilds have discovered the issue of their weapons deteriorating quickly? Maybe that’s why we only managed to purchase a few stacks of Hard Stones?” the Berserker, Five Rats, said.

“That’s a high possibility. After all, it isn’t only our Guild leveling up in high-level monster areas. However, Hard Stones aren’t exactly rare, and they can be obtained from Level 2 monster areas or

above. Moreover, normally nobody touches those things, so there should be a huge stockpile available in Red Leaf Town right now. There should also be plenty of players selling them on the Auction House. We also discovered this matter fairly quickly, so even if the other Guilds have taken action, it is impossible for them to buy them all out immediately!" Unstable Devastation nodded, then shook his head again. He could not make any sense of the situation.

After they started hunting Ye Feng's party, they discovered that the durability of their weapons fell extraordinarily fast. In the beginning, they paid no attention to it, only focusing on leveling up and their search for Ye Feng's party. However, before they found Ye Feng, their equipment and weapons were already close to scrap. Without a choice, they had to give up their search for Ye Feng, returning to town to repair their equipment.

Although the journey back wasted a lot of time, the elite team's equipment was extremely precious. If they did not repair it all in time, resulting in their equipment turning into scrap, the Guild would suffer an irrecoverable loss. Moreover, without the equipment, they would also have no way to grind and level up. Thus, they needed to return and repair their equipment.

After repairing their equipment, Unstable Devastation began hearing complaints from his subordinates. The repair fees were too expensive, they said. The cost of repairs had nearly depleted all the money they had. As for classes that wore plate armor, they were even forced to borrow money from others for the repair fees.

This situation dumbfounded Unstable Devastation.

These players were all elites amongst elites. Normally, they carried a lot of money on their persons, and they were considered wealthy. However, their wealth was not enough to cover the fees.

Unstable Devastation quickly discovered the crux of the problem. The lower the remaining durability of a piece of equipment was, and the higher the level of the equipment was, the more expensive the resulting repair fee would be. Grinding high-level monster areas greatly depleted equipment's durability.

Making a trip to-and-fro from town to these high-level areas also required them to waste at least two to three hours. Moreover, they could, at most, stay for three to four hours at these high-level monster areas before they needed to return to town to repair their equipment. This meant that they had to spend almost half their time in God's Domain just traveling.

As a result, the time needed for a single level-up almost doubled.

If they could negate the travel time, their leveling speed would surpass the other players.

When Unstable Devastation thought of this crucial matter, he immediately instructed his subordinates to look for a solution to this problem. The resulting solution was the Whetstones. Although this item could only repair a small amount of durability of a weapon, even that small amount was enough. Compared to equipment used for protection, a weapon's durability decreased at a much greater rate. If they used Whetstones to repair their weapons, the total cost would be much less than repairing it at the Smithy. Hence, Unstable Devastation quickly ordered his subordinates to purchase Whetstones. However, they quickly discovered that forgers did not normally create this item as its cost was simply too high. Moreover, Whetstones normally did not sell at all.

Unstable Devastation could only take a step back once again, and instead, choose to purchase Hard Stones, the materials required to make Whetstones. Hard Stones were also relatively cheap items. They were mainly used to create Whetstones and certain engineering components. Each stack was only around 30 Copper Coins, and there were 20 in a stack, which meant that they could make 20 Whetstones from a single stack of Hard Stones.

However, Unstable Devastation had received even more shocking news. If they could not purchase Whetstones directly, then so be it. However, how could Hard Stones be difficult to purchase as well?

In reality, it wasn't just Martial Union who had discovered this problem; the other Guilds had also discovered this issue. By the time they tried to purchase Hard Stones, they suddenly discovered that, be it the Auction House or the stalls in town, there were only scarce amounts of Hard Stones remaining. It was far from enough for the forgers in their own Guilds to create Whetstones with.

Elsewhere, Shi Feng had just set foot on the main street of the Trade Area. He watched as the various large Guilds tried to purchase Hard Stones at a high price; they purchased each stack for 80 Copper Coins. The price of Hard Stones had more than doubled. Immediately, Shi Feng felt an intense joy in his heart.

The moment he had long awaited had finally arrived.

However, this was only the beginning. He still wanted to add oil to the fire, causing the price to soar sky-high.

Chapter 165 - A Foolish Choice?

Shi Feng completely ignored the high prices these Guilds were willing to pay. He headed to the appointed Hotel directly.

He had stockpiled Hard Stones for so long, to the point where He had purchased 90% of the Hard Stones available in White River City. Thus, he would not reveal his hand just for this little bit of profit.

Right now, the danger of equipment durability was only beginning. Along with the constant increase of players' levels, they would head towards monster areas of a higher level. Very quickly, players would discover the problem regarding their equipment durability and the importance of Whetstones. If they did not possess Whetstones, it would greatly affect their leveling speed, and as a result, others would

increase the gap between them. This result had caused the demand for Whetstones to soar; they were as popular as the commonly used Regeneration Potions and Mana Recovery Potions.

Meanwhile, Hard Stones were required to make Whetstones. Along with the growing demand for Whetstones, the prices of Hard Stones would still increase by several folds.

In Shi Feng's previous life, Hard Stones once sold for a maximum price of 3 Silver Coins per stack; its price had increased by tenfold from the original. Right now, due to God's Domain's evolution and the investment of major corporations, the available resources were more precious than in Shi Feng's previous life. Most likely, the prices of Hard Stones would increase to record highs. The current price of 80 Copper per stack was only the beginning.

Red Leaf town, Trade Area, Black Rose Bar.

At this moment, Fire Dance had gathered her entire team to discuss matters regarding the team's future development.

Fire Dance's team often frequented this Black Rose Bar, as it occupied a more secluded region; very few players came to this place. Thus, this place became the gathering spot for Fire Dance's team. Every time they completed a Dungeon raid or obtained some precious item, they would come to this bar to celebrate.

"Fire Dance, we understand what your intentions are. However, I will still tell you the same thing. We are only playing God's Domain to pass the time, and we don't have any great ambitions. We prefer to be free, and we aren't planning to earn any achievements through God's Domain. If you want me to join that person called Ye Feng's team, I can only tell you that I'm sorry."

“That’s right, Fire Dance. If it were a normal situation, maybe joining would be fine. However, Ye Feng has a beef with Martial Union, and right now, Martial Union targets us too. Martial Union has already put out the word that, if we do not sever our relations with Ye Feng and apologize to them, we won’t ever need to think about leaving town to level up and quest. If we leave town, they’ll just kill us and send us back. If we join Ye Feng’s team, won’t we end up in an even worse situation?”

“That’s right! Martial Union is just too powerful right now. There is no way Ye Feng can establish himself in Red Leaf Town. If you want us to join Ye Feng’s team, I can only look for another way out of this.”

“I, too, share this opinion. We have lost a lot of our levels, and our average right now is only Level 5. We can only apologize to Martial Union if we want to have the possibility to continue mingling in Red Leaf Town. If we join Ye Feng’s team, we’ll truly be finished.”

“According to my investigations, the Martial Union branch in Red Leaf Town is completely under the control of that person called Unstable Devastation. He has gathered all the players from Martial Union in five different towns to Red Leaf Town, and he is prepared to go all-out developing in Red Leaf Town. There are many experts from Martial Union in Red Leaf Town right now. Their Guild’s treatment is generous, and its development rate is impressively fast. I heard that their member count has already exceeded 1,000, and amongst them, there are over 200 elite members. They are much stronger than before.”

“Martial Union has the ability to constantly target us and prevent us from leaving town to grind and level up. We can afford to provoke them any longer.”

“Even if we reach Level 10 and go to White River City, Martial Union’s member count would have exceeded 10,000 by then. It would only be a simple matter for them to deal with us. It was a mistake to provoke them right from the very beginning. Our only way out of this mess is to offer them an apology.”

“Right, I agree as well. Our original goal in playing God’s Domain was simply to mess around. We are completely different from that Ye Feng who has embroiled himself in a fight with Martial Union. If you, Fire Dance, wish to join him, please don’t drag us in as well. We don’t wish to be under surveillance 24 hours a day.”

Fire Dance did not expect everyone to voice their opinions. They all expressed their refusal to join Shi Feng’s team, and they even wanted her to apologize to Martial Union.

“Hah... I understand. I’ll only ask this one last time, then.

“If there are any of you willing to join Ye Feng’s team with me, please stand by my side.”

Fire Dance understood their troubles. Previously, they were all veteran gamers of virtual reality games. However, the virtual reality games they played before only had a player base in the hundreds of thousands. Even until the later stages of the game, a top-tier Guild would only have several thousand members. On the other hand, God’s Domain had made clear to them the true meaning of a large Guild and the true power of a game with over two billion players across the globe.

God’s Domain was completely different from any other virtual reality games. It had utterly shattered their concept of virtual reality games, as it was practically a second reality.

Previously, they didn’t think there was anything special about the various large Guilds. Only now did they truly understand how frightening a Guild could be in a virtual reality game. Just the members of Martial Union inside a single town reached the thousands, and it was still increasing. If they reached White River City, their member count would break into the tens of thousands. A team of independent players like themselves could not afford to provoke such a large Guild.

Moreover, such a large Guild like Martial Union was only an unrated Guild. As for third-rate, second-rate, and first-rate Guilds, they were tyrannical existences.

Although Martial Union was a very frightening existence in Red Leaf Town, Ye Feng's shocking performance had been deeply engraved onto Fire Dance's soul. She truly thought that she had wasted her time playing those other games before. Right now, only the thought of following Ye Feng filled her heart. She wanted to get to know and experience the world of apex experts.

"Fire Dance, wake up, alright? We will not follow you. Right now, our only way out of this mess is to apologize. Haven't you always dreamt of becoming an expert in God's Domain? If you continue fighting it out with Martial Union, you will head away from that goal. Stop being silly and acting foolish."

After Fire Dance finished speaking, aside from Water Buffalo, there was not a single person who walked towards Fire Dance's position. They all had their heads lowered, feeling that Fire Dance was simply too foolish. She had truly been bewitched by that Ye Feng for her to dig her own grave by joining him.

"Alright, since you guys have decided, Water Buffalo and I will join Big Brother Ye Feng by ourselves," Fire Dance's mood sank after hearing everyone's decision. They had joined each other after much difficulty, dreaming of reaching some achievements in God's Domain. Yet, the result was such in the end.

Soon after, Fire Dance opened her friends list, selected Ye Feng, and contacted him. Previously, she had told Ye Feng that she would contact him after speaking with her team. Now that everyone had finished their discussion, she had to notify him.

"Big Brother Ye Feng, I'm done on my side," Fire Dance said, disappointed. Although she had long since guessed such a result, she originally thought that three to five others would follow her. Now, however, there were only two of them. She was too embarrassed to even speak of this matter.

"That's great! How many people do you have? If we have enough, we can raid a team dungeon."

At this moment, Shi Feng had just finished meeting with Cola and the others. He was prepared to focus fully on establishing a core team for Zero Wing. Before that, he sent Cola and the other two to visit the Auction House to purchase some bags with larger capacities, a large amount of Mana Recovery Potions, and some refreshments. He also asked Violet Cloud to join Blackie to grind and level up. However, he did not think that Fire Dance would contact him just in time. Her timing was impeccable.

Chapter 166 - Initial Formation of the Team

“There are only two, Water Buffalo and myself. Everyone has their own opinions, so I can’t demand this of them,” Fire Dance nearly choked on her words after hearing Ye Feng’s excited tone.

“Two people? That’s not too bad,” Shi Feng lightly laughed. “Do you guys have anything you need to do right now? If not, you can join me.”

In reality, Shi Feng did not particularly mind the matter with Fire Dance’s teammates. Previously, Fire Dance mentioned that her teammates were not ambitious and that they were only casual players in God’s Domain. Hence, it was best for Shi Feng if all of these people did not join him; it would save him a lot of trouble. He also did not need to waste time on training them.

“I don’t have anything else to do here; Water Buffalo and I will meet you.” Previously, Fire Dance had worried that she would disappoint Ye Feng with the news. However, after listening to his relaxed tone, she could not help but sigh in relief.

After disconnecting the call, Fire Dance and Water Buffalo bade farewell to everyone else. They did not know when they would meet again.

“Hah... I truly can't understand her. Why is she so obsessed with that guy?” an Assassin in leather armor said after Fire Dance departed. He could not help but sigh.

“I'm also very curious about that Ye Feng. Just what is so good about him? If she becomes Martial Union's enemy like this, by the time we enter White River City, she might very well still be in hiding in this town, not daring to leave. Would there even be a meaning to such a gaming life?”

The team members that chose to stay behind voiced their confusion, one after another.

Meanwhile, at the fountain plaza of Red Leaf Town, although it was still daytime in God's Domain, the benches that decorated the plaza were currently overcrowded with players. All around, one could see couples flirting with each other; the scene was the complete opposite of a battlefield.

“Big Brother Feng, sorry for making you wait,” upon her arrival to the fountain plaza, she discovered Ye Feng enjoying the breeze as he waited for someone.

“No worries. All our members are finally here now. In the future, we will all be members of the same team. Let me introduce you all, then,” Shi Feng smiled as he started introducing each of the team members.

There were a total of six members present, excluding himself: the Guardian Knight, Cola, the Oracle, Drowsy Sloth, the Summoner, Gluttonous Mouse, the Cleric, Violet Cloud, the Assassin, Fire Dance, and the Berserker, Water Buffalo. With all six of them, they could be a standard Dungeon party. Fire Dance, being Level 9, was the highest leveled player amongst them. Following her was Violet Cloud and Water Buffalo, who were both at Level 8. The remaining were all Level 7.

Looking at how Violet Cloud had raised herself to Level 8 just through cooking, the effort and suffering she had gone through were obvious. If it were not for Shi Feng's stern command, Violet Cloud would not intend to go out to grind at all. She rather preferred continuously cooking and earning money.

When Cola and the others saw Fire Dance's level, admiration filled their hearts. Moreover, she was also a great beauty.

They only reached Level 8 with Shi Feng's guidance. Even if Martial Union had not killed them, sending them back to Level 7, they would only be Level 8. They were still far from Level 9. Moreover, Fire Dance's equipment was extremely high quality. She also possessed a few pieces of Secret-Silver Equipment, while the others were Mysterious-Iron. One could see that Fire Dance was definitely an expert, far more amazing than themselves.

As for the one who managed to recruit such an expert beauty into the team, Cola and the other two could not help but give Shi Feng a thumbs-up. This was as expected of their leader!

As for Shi Feng's level, nobody in the team could discern it, as Shi Feng had hidden his information with the Demon Mask. The others could only see 'Unknown.' However, nobody felt concerned about his actions. Shi Feng constantly felt like a mysterious expert to them; so it was only natural that they could see his identity.

"Big Brother Ye Feng is amazing as expected! We've only been apart for half a day, yet the pressure you give off has massively increased!"

After Fire Dance met Ye Feng again, she could clearly feel that he was different from before. He was like an unsheathed sword, and her six senses told her that Ye Feng had become much stronger.

“Since everyone is familiar with each other now, I’ll tell you guys what you need to do next,” Shi Feng said formally.

However, just as Shi Feng was about to reveal their goal, a group of players suddenly appeared and surrounded the fountain plaza.

“Martial Union is dealing with an issue; all those uninvolved, leave immediately!”

Martial Union’s members chased away the other players, taking complete control of the fountain plaza.

“Ye Feng, you’ve made me look for you for a long time now,” a scholarly youth said as he stepped out from the crowd. This was Unstable Devastation.

There were over 400 members of Martial Union crowding the fountain plaza. When Cola and the others saw all these players, they immediately panicked, their expressions turning solemn.

“What? You want to take action here?” Shi Feng swept a glance over the players from Martial Union. The majority of them were Level 5 or Level 6; only a minority were Level 8 or Level 9 elites.

“How could I possibly be such a brute? I’m only here today to give you all a final warning,” Unstable Devastation said with a smile.

Last time, he had taken a huge loss because of Ye Feng. If he could, he really wished to kill Ye Feng now. However, they were right in the middle of town. If he killed Ye Feng here, he might implicate Martial Union as well. However, if he mobilized a dozen or so players against Ye Feng, they would only be helpless against him, disgracing Martial Union’s reputation. This was not a result he wished to see.

“Warning? We’ve already reached the point of no return. Your warning holds zero meaning to me; it is only a bunch of nonsense,” Shi Feng laughed.

“You are still so fearless, even when faced with so many of our members; I truly admire you for that. Unfortunately, your strength is limited; you are not an opponent for Martial Union at all. My warning isn’t actually directed at you,” Unstable Devastation clapped his hands, shifting his sights towards Cola and the others. He then coldly said, “This time, my warning is for the teammates standing behind you. You all better come to your senses. If you sever your relationship with Ye Feng immediately, I assure you that I will not pursue past matters and let you all go.”

“Of course, if you resolve to stand with the powerless Ye Feng, prepare to suffer the rage of Martial Union. I admit that killing Ye Feng himself is extremely difficult; however, it is only a simple matter for Martial Union to exterminate you all.”

Although Unstable Devastation smiled as he spoke, Cola and the others could only feel a deep chill from his words.

They could not help but admit that Unstable Devastation’s words sounded logical. They were not top-tier experts, and they did not possess that many lifesaving skills that could help them escape. Although Martial Union could not kill Ye Feng, that did not mean they could not get rid of them. As proven, they had died once before already. There would definitely be a second time in the future. If such a situation continued, they would not have a future in God’s Domain to speak of.

Looking at the panicked and hesitant expressions on Cola and the others, Shi Feng spoke not a single word; he remained silent as he stood there.

This move of Unstable Devastation's was extremely vicious. He wanted Shi Feng to taste the betrayal of his closest friends. Not only would it reduce his overall power, but it could also become a hit to his heart.

Unfortunately, Shi Feng was no longer the arrogant brat that he used to be. On the contrary, he wanted to use this plan of Unstable Devastation's to refine the members of his elite team.

In the future, the team he led would have to face off against many powerful foes. If they could not handle the challenge before them right now, how could they succeed in the future?

Shi Feng did not desire teammates who only enjoyed the good times, but could not suffer through the bad with him.

This could be Shi Feng's test for them. He wanted to see just what sort of choice they would make in such a situation.

After quite some time had passed, Cola and the others exchanged glances with each other, smiles on their faces. They had all made their decisions, and they all stood by Shi Feng's side without hesitation, having zero intentions of leaving.

Cola, Drowsy Sloth, Gluttonous Mouse, and Violet Cloud were originally players who others looked down on. They lived at the very bottom of God's Domain, and they only possessed the levels and equipment they had today because of Shi Feng's help. By becoming enemies with Martial Union, at worst, they would only revert to their original states. So, how could they possibly betray Shi Feng in this sort of situation?

As for Fire Dance and Water Buffalo, they had long since steeled their hearts to follow Ye Feng. They wished to experience the world of top-tier experts, and faced with such a threat, they paid no mind at all.

“Unstable Devastation, even in death, we would never betray our leader. If you have the ability, then come!” Cola laughed loudly as he looked at Unstable Devastation.

“Good! Very well said!” Unstable Devastation smiled with indignation, saying, “Don’t say that I never gave you a chance. This is something you’ve all chosen for yourselves, so don’t blame me for not lacking courtesy. Boys, get them!”

Originally, Unstable Devastation thought that he could take this chance to shame Ye Feng, turning him into a laughingstock. However, he truly did not think that these people would be so muddle-headed. They must’ve eaten something wrong to follow Ye Feng so steadfastly. Otherwise, Ye Feng must have shown a hopeful fantasy, letting them think that they still had a future.

Since he was already here, he would not let Ye Feng and the others escape unscathed.

Chapter 167 - The Disparity Between Realms

Immediately, more than 400 players in the fountain plaza surrounded Shi Feng and the others. They all unsheathed their swords and armed their crossbows as they eyed their prey.

However, to Shi Feng’s surprise, none of them showed any intentions of rushing forward.

Instead, they parted to the sides and opened a path, letting through twenty-odd players.

When these twenty-plus players arrived by Unstable Devastation's side, their complexions were as gloomy as water, and their expressions numbed. These players' levels were not high; only around Level 5 or Level 6. Their equipment was also nothing special. Compared to the elites of Martial Union, the difference was just too great. They did not seem like players from Martial Union at all.

"I'll be looking forward to your performances," Unstable Devastation spoke to these newcomers harshly. He then turned his sights towards Fire Dance, revealing a fierce sneer as he looked forward to the start of a good show.

These newcomers nodded their heads indifferently. They took out their weapons and walked towards Shi Feng.

In the distance, Fire Dance and Water Buffalo were immediately stunned when they saw these players.

"You guys... why are you all with Martial Union?" Fire Dance loudly questioned these players.

The twenty plus players that walked over were not strangers to Fire Dance. On the contrary, they were the ex-companions with whom Fire Dance shared both bitter and sweet times.

At this moment, Unstable Devastation looked at Ye Feng, laughter escaping his mouth as he said, "Hahaha! Ye Feng, I am an extremely generous person. Previously, these players aided you in killing many of Martial Union's members. I've promised them that, as long as they kill you and your companions, I will forgive all of their past transgressions, and Martial Union would no longer seek trouble with them."

“Ye Feng, don’t you think that you should do something for them to compensate their losses?” Unstable Devastation jeered. Ye Feng had embarrassed him greatly last time, so he would not let him off the hook so easily.

He eagerly wished to see whether Ye Feng would dare take action or not. As long as Ye Feng took action, the headline on tomorrow’s official forums would be: Publicly acknowledged Swordsman expert is an extremely treacherous person! He willingly killed his allies to save himself! At that time, only tatters would remain of Ye Feng’s reputation. Unstable Devastation wanted to see just how Ye Feng intended to mingle in God’s Domain in the future.

Unable to endure it any longer, Fire Dance abruptly burst out in rage. Her eyes sent a chill as she glared at Unstable Devastation, yelling loudly, “Unstable Devastation, you despicable little man! These people have all killed your Martial Union members under my commands! If you have the guts, then come at me!”

Originally, Fire Dance felt extremely joy for being able to join Ye Feng’s team. She did not think that she would cause Ye Feng such a mess. If Ye Feng killed all of these people right now, others would gossip, and nasty rumors about him would spread. Ye Feng would be slandered as a merciless person, a person willing to kill even those who had helped him in the past.

Although this matter was not of her doing, these people were still her past companions. She was responsible for leading them to kill the members of Martial Union. Now that these people had betrayed her and sided with Martial Union, bringing trouble to Ye Feng, she felt extremely apologetic towards Ye Feng.

“Fire Dance, we have no choice in this matter. We have to do this if we wish to obtain Martial Union’s forgiveness and continue playing in Red Leaf Town.”

“Fire Dance, this is our only way out. We hope that you can understand.”

“That’s right! They forced us, left us no way out. Let us kill you just this once!”

Fire Dance’s companions closed the distance as they spoke. Some of the mage classes even started chanting their spells, prepared to launch their attacks.

“You guys...” Fire Dance’s complexion turned extremely ugly. She immediately turned towards Ye Feng, apologetically saying, “I’m sorry, Big Brother Ye Feng! I will definitely give you an account of this matter!”

“Unstable Devastation, you best listen up! I, Fire Dance, will immediately leave the team right now. I will no longer have any relations with Big Brother Ye Feng, so let me shoulder this debt between us!” Fire Dance immediately left the party. After her public declaration, she unsheathed her daggers as she walked forth, towards her companions. She intended to deal with these companions of hers personally. That way, Ye Feng would not experience in any sort of slander.

After seeing this, Unstable Devastation’s complexion turned pale with anger. He did not think that this woman called Fire Dance would be so determined.

“Fire Dance, aren’t you just making things harder for us? Regardless of the circumstances, we were once companions in the past. How could you treat us like this?”

“That’s right! We’ve gone through life and death so many times together. Are you really going to treat us like this?”

Fire Dance’s previous team voiced their accusations, one after another. These accusations deeply pierced Fire Dance’s heart. The laughs and suffering they went through together, all the bonds had

simply turned to smoke. The only thing she could do was hold back her tears and kill the emotions in her heart.

“Fire Dance, are you going to be so heartless as to kill us?” a middle-aged Assassin wearing grey-colored leather armor asked resentfully.

His words had immediately caused Fire Dance to pause.

However, immediately after, this middle-aged Assassin stabbed his dagger towards Fire Dance’s heart.

Dang!

Before the gleaming dagger could reach its target, a pitch-black sword blocked the attack.

“Fire Dance, you’re not taking me, the team leader, seriously, are you? Since you’ve already joined my team, you are still a member of our team until this leader decided to kick you out. I will not acknowledge your selfish retirement from the team.”

“Now that you are a member of our team, this team leader has the responsibility of shouldering everything for you. So, in regards to your painful memories, I will help you purge them all.”

Ever since Shi Feng re-entered God’s Domain, he no longer cared about what others thought of him, because only weaklings would mind how others looked at them.

“Oh, right. I forgot to mention one more thing to you guys. Anyone who joins my team has to keep in mind one important thing; if you constantly mind how others look at you, you will never truly improve your own strength and techniques. You don’t have to care how others look at you. It is enough as long as you advance on the path that you wish to take. Only with that can you become a true expert.”

Shi Feng suddenly appeared in front of Fire Dance. To Fire Dance, he towered like a mountain before her, blocking any and all dangers from reaching her.

“Big Brother Ye Feng...” Tears inadvertently leaked out from Fire Dance’s eyes; Ye Feng’s actions and words truly touched her heart. After listening to his words, it was as if the door to the realm of experts slowly opened for her. Maybe her hesitation held her back from becoming a true expert.

So what if he killed them? Who cared about others’ opinions? The strong would never pay attention to such small matters. The only things they needed to consider were the courage to forge ahead and constantly raising their own strength!

By the side, after Water Buffalo listened to Ye Feng’s words, his heart was inexplicably moved. He would never have thought Ye Feng would be such a dependable person; a person others could admire.

Meanwhile, Cola and the other two merely exchanged glances with each other, smiles plastered on their faces.

That’s right! This was the leader that they respected and admired!

Immediately, Cola and the others stepped forward, one after another, blocking Fire Dance.

“Well said! So? What are you guys still waiting for?” Unstable Devastation felt extreme joy. He had recorded all of Ye Feng’s words. When the time came, he could deny his actions.

“Ye Feng, you despicable little man! We’ve already helped you so much, yet, in the end, you still wish to kill us? You are simply inhuman!”

Fire Dance’s ex-companions cursed, enraged. They all rushed at Ye Feng, one after another, intending to slash and bash him to death.

Shi Feng smiled disdainfully at their actions. Looking at the twenty plus melee and mage class players launching their attacks at him, Shi Feng only lightly waved the Abyssal Blade.

Thundering Flash!

Three electric arcs instantly weaved across the bodies of the twenty plus players. Damages ranging from -500 to more than -1,000 appeared above everyone’s heads, instantly killing everyone.

Meanwhile, the green prism marker above Shi Feng’s head instantly turned bloody red, giving others a chilling feeling.

“Big Brother Ye Feng!”

“Leader!”

Fire Dance and the others immediately panicked. If a player actively killed other players within a town, the guards would hunt them until death. Moreover, after the offending player revived, the guards would toss them in jail. Judging by the intensity of Shi Feng's red name, he would lose at least three levels after death, maybe even four.

"Hahaha! Ye Feng's name is finally red! Without the town's protection, we can kill you here without any repercussions and make you lose all of your items!" Unstable Devastation laughed madly, saying, "Everyone else, get him! I will immediately promote whoever manages to kill Ye Feng into the leader of an elite team!"

However, immediately after Unstable Devastation finished his words, a familiar voice sounded from behind him.

"Has Ironsword Lion never told you how he died?" Shi Feng asked coldly, appeared behind Unstable Devastation after using Silent Steps.

Chapter 168 - God-ranked Expert

Ye Feng had previously killed over twenty players in a single move. The frightening damage that he dealt that was over -1,000 points completely shocked all of the surrounding onlookers, and now, Ye Feng had appeared right behind Unstable Devastation.

Unstable Devastation was both shocked and angered.

Indeed, he did not know how Ironsword Lion had died. However, the current Ye Feng was far more powerful than he imagined; Ye Feng's strength exceeded his previous estimates. If he received an attack

from Ye Feng right now, he would unquestioningly die. Unstable Devastation almost instinctively used one of his lifesaving skills. He dashed forth, unhindered, then leaped high into the air. He was currently immune to all restricting effects, and by the time he landed, he was already twenty yards from his original location.

Shi Feng merely smiled at Unstable Devastation's reaction. With his current reaction speed and powerful Attributes, it would be an extremely easy task to destroy Unstable Devastation. Or, speaking from another perspective, Unstable Devastation had zero chances of retaliation.

However, since Unstable Devastation dared to make enemies with him, the Martial Union player needed to prepare to enter hell.

It would be too good of an ending if he allowed Unstable Devastation to die, just like that.

He wanted Unstable Devastation to feel despair in front of absolute strength and then die.

"Shield Warriors and Guardian Knights, block him! Elementalists, use Ice Spheres! Focus all attacks and eliminate him!" before Unstable Devastation even landed on the ground, he calmly gave out commands.

Reacting quickly, the Shield Warriors and Berserkers immediately used Charge at Shi Feng.

Seeing that more than ten warriors charged at Shi Feng and were about to stun him...

Shi Feng abruptly leaped up, the Abyssal Blade carrying with it the power of thunder and lightning as he landed.

Boom!

A wave of thunder and fire devoured all of the warriors. Even the highest leveled Shield Warrior could not react in time and activate Shield Wall before Shi Feng's Thunder Flame Explosion devoured him. The Shield Warrior received a critical hit of over -1,700 damage, dying instantly. However, even a normal hit of more than -800 damage was enough to critically slash a Level 9 Shield Warrior's HP, not to mention the Berserkers with less HP and Defense. They all died in the blink of an eye, leaving behind a pile of equipment.

The remaining survivors were all Level 8 Shield Warriors. They were the fortunate ones, spared from a critical hit. However, even though they were alive, they suffered a Fainted state for 4 seconds.

When the players from Martial Union witnessed this scene, they all stared in shock.

Previously, it was no big deal when Shi Feng had instant-killed those crippled Level 5 to Level 6 players. However, the players he had just killed were no random Tom, Dick, or Harry. They were all Level 8 or Level 9 elites of Martial Union.

"Healers, quickly heal them! Ranged players, attack with everything you've got!" Only now was Unstable Devastation aware of how formidable Shi Feng was. His monster-like Attack Power could even instantly kill a Shield Warrior that boasted the highest Defense amongst all classes. No one present could defend against his attacks. Fortunately, they had the advantage of numbers. They could exhaust Shi Feng to death.

Immediately after several heals landed on a Shield Warrior, pulling his HP back up to half, another of Shi Feng's slashes landed on the Shield Warrior's HP. A huge damage of over -700 points appeared above the Shield Warrior's head, his HP plummeting to zero; his body fell to the ground.

Following which, with every slash of his sword, Shi Feng culled the lives of the surviving Shield Warriors. Even if the Shield Warriors possessed the Defense of heavy armor and passive skills that reduced the damage they received, every one of Shi Feng's casual attack caused around -300 damage. The healers could not maintain the Shield Warriors' HPs at all. As for the Berserkers without heavy armor, a single sword strike dealt them over -400 damage.

Very quickly, the remaining Shield Warriors lay flat on the ground. At this moment, the Guardian Knights all activated Protection Blessing as they rushed forward. Meanwhile, the mages behind them shot out streak after streak of magic.

Fireballs and Ice Spheres flew at Shi Feng, one after another. Shi Feng activated Wind Steps, avoiding more than half of the ranged attacks. Immediately after, he rushed after Unstable Devastation.

Although Shi Feng dodged more than half of the spells, there were still a few occasional spells that hit him. However, the damage these spells dealt nearly dazzled the backline mages.

Even when blasting a Level 9 MT, skills such as the Flame Explosion and Great Fireball could deal over a hundred damage. However, none of them had actually dealt more than 20 damage to Shi Feng. The highest damage was only -15 points, while a majority of the spells only dealt single digits. To Shi Feng, who possessed over 1,500 HP, these spells simply tickled. Shi Feng's automatic recovery alone regenerated 30 HP for him every five seconds. This indicated that, even if Shi Feng received the ice and flame magic attacks from a normal Level 7 or Level 8 Elementalist, Shi Feng would not die, even if he did nothing.

Shi Feng's was currently Level 13, and these mages had no idea. Shi Feng also had 20 points in both fire-type and ice-type resistance. Even without the level suppression of four or more Levels, their damage to Shi Feng would not exceed forty points.

There were many mages on Martial Union's side. However, their damages were too pitiful to watch. Standing behind Shi Feng, Drowsy Sloth and Violet Cloud merely used one heal each, and within an instant, Shi Feng's HP was already back to full.

Faced with another wave of melee classes charging at him, Shi Feng activated Dark Violet Dance, using the 12-yard cone attack. Taking a step forward, Shi Feng instantly circled the Guardian Knights, and like a ferocious lion, he pounced on the other melee classes.

Before one of the Swordsman could even use Parry, Shi Feng's sword sent him flying. The Swordsman died in mid-flight, dropping a piece of equipment as his body disappeared.

To Shi Feng, these Swordsmen and Assassins' attempts to block him were meaningless. With a single Earth Splitter, more than ten players lost their lives. Shi Feng's attacks were all one-hit kills. With over one hundred points in Strength, he could snap a Common Weapon in half with his bare hands. As for the current Shi Feng, who held the Abyssal Blade and Silver Lake in each hand, a simple slash from either weapon could easily send the Assassins and Swordsmen flying and greatly damage their weapons. For some who reacted slower and failed to block Shi Feng's attacks, they died under a single slash. Not only did their defensive equipment's durability greatly decrease, but they also dropped a level and lost a piece of equipment.

However, this was all; there was still the cleaving effect. Before the players behind could make sense of things, they lost close to half of their total HP, and in the next moment, even that remaining half vanished. As a result, a group of players lay dead on the ground after meeting their inexplicable demise.

Within a short five seconds, Martial Union lost over a dozen elite members and several dozen average members. Shi Feng was like the god of death that caused people's hearts to shudder. Meanwhile, Unstable Devastation stood only several meters away from that frightening god of death. Shi Feng's chilling gaze landed on Unstable Devastation, the intent he radiated sent a chill down the surrounding Martial Union players' backs. Just looking into Shi Feng's cold eyes caused them to retreat backward inadvertently.

"Everyone, block him for me!"

Even when bombarded with so many spells and sieged on all sides by so many players, Shi Feng still walked forth, step after step, leaving behind a massacre as he advanced. It was the first time Unstable Devastation felt such a deep-seated fear. To Unstable Devastation, Shi Feng was no longer a player, but a devil. There was also the tangible killing intent that surrounded Shi Feng. Although Unstable Devastation knew that this was only a game, the realistic effects of virtual reality caused Unstable Devastation to forget that this was just a virtual world completely. He had even forgotten how many elites of Martial Union had died and how grave losses were to Martial Union.

The only thing Unstable Devastation knew was that he was in an extremely dangerous situation. If he did not escape immediately, only death awaited him.

Immediately, Unstable Devastation activated a Speed Scroll. He then turned and ran.

Shi Feng simply smiled at Unstable Devastation attempt to escape. With a single Wind Blade, his sword pierced towards Unstable Devastation's back.

Unstable Devastation spun around, firing an arrow from his bow in an attempt to hold Shi Feng back. However, he immediately discovered that Shi Feng was truly too frightening. Shi Feng's pitch-black Abyssal Blade easily split the arrow, and in the blink of an eye, Shi Feng arrived in front of him. A silver glow pierced his heart, and immediately after, another black glow slashed across his neck. Unable to stop his HP from madly decreasing, his HP reached zero in an instant.

Even until death, Unstable Devastation wore a stupefied expression. The others from Martial Union were similarly shocked as they witnessed this sight. Unstable Devastation was one of the big bosses of Martial Union. He was also a Level 9 Ranger. Yet, when facing Ye Feng, he had no power to retaliate at all. Just how strong was this Ye Feng?

Shi Feng noticed a Secret-Silver ranked longbow dropping after Unstable Devastation's death. He casually picked up the longbow and placed it in his bag. He then turned to look at the other members of Martial Union.

Although Shi Feng did not take any action, only sending them a glance, his might had already deeply engraved into their minds.

The members of Martial Union all halted their actions, inadvertently backing off. They all revealed fearful expressions as they looked at Shi Feng.

Why hadn't the town guards arrived yet?

This thought suddenly appeared in their minds. They felt that only the guards could protect them from Shi Feng's attacks.

However, from the moment Shi Feng began his assault to the moment Unstable Devastation died, only a brief eight or nine seconds had passed. Even if the town guards hurried over, they would need at least ten minutes before they arrived.

Faced with the members of Martial Union who dared not move, Shi Feng only swept a glance at them; he did not rush up and kill them. The Cooldown for most of his skills had almost finished. Although he could kill a sizable chunk of Martial Union if he continued his spree, he would run the risk of paying with his and his teammate's lives, and this was not an ending that he wished to see.

Meanwhile, Shi Feng's actions had caused plenty of the surrounding onlookers to become tongue-tied.

A single glance from Shi Feng was enough to petrify the hundreds of players from Martial Union. This power was just too frightening.

“Just who is this guy?”

“Is he a god-ranked expert?”

The onlooking players were with both curious and shocked as they watched Shi Feng. He had single-handedly faced off against several hundred players and even managed to kill tens of players without receiving any damage. Even a god-ranked expert was not capable of such a feat.

After some time, the town guards finally arrived.

“The guards are here! We’re saved!”

Seeing dozens of guards in silver heavy-armor rushing over, the members of Martial Union sighed in relief.

Chapter 169 - The Most Awesome Red Name

At this moment, thousands of players surrounded the fountain plaza of Red Leaf Town.

Due to the increase of new players in God’s Domain, Red Leaf Town had become the most prosperous town among the few surrounding towns. The player count in Red Leaf Town was already close to 20,000. Hence, the scene of Martial Union suddenly chasing away all the players from the town’s fountain plaza would naturally attract the attention of other players; curiosity would grow over the disturbance.

This wasn't limited to independent players; even the other large Guilds had sent players over to investigate what Martial Union was up to.

When all these players arrived, they discovered that Martial Union currently attempted to carry out a vendetta against an independent player. Moreover, they did so right in the middle of Red Leaf Town. However, Red Leaf Town possessed a protective mechanism for players. If they started a battle here, the town guards would definitely appear. Not only would they kill red players on the spot, but they would also jail them upon revival. No matter how one looked at it, killing someone in town was unwise. Both sides would only suffer losses.

At this stage of the game, no matter how many players one had on their side, they still would not dare provoke the town guards.

Every player clearly understood how powerful these guards were.

As these guards would normally patrol around the town, players could easily find one and observe their statistics.

The normal guards alone were Level 60, while the guard captain was a Level 80 Elite. It would not matter how many players went up against them; any who resisted would only meet their demise. To put it another way, the current players in God's Domain had no abilities whatsoever to retaliate against the town guards.

However, nobody would have imagined that someone would actually take action. Moreover, the one who took action was that independent player.

Originally, everyone thought that the independent player was fated to die.

In spite of that, the results exceeded everyone's expectations. One man alone had massacred the players from Martial Union, instilling a paralyzing fear. This feat was too heaven-defying!

Unfortunately, even if that independent player were powerful, he would still die at the hands of the town guards. Who told them to start a fight right in the middle of town?

The town guards that hurried over had surrounded the fountain plaza, detaining all of the players involved in causing this ruckus.

"Big Brother Ye Feng, I'm sorry! It's my fault for dragging you into this mess!" Fire Dance apologized as she walked over.

Shi Feng's character name had begun to turn black due to the high intensity of the red color. Just looking at it caused one to shudder. Including her past companions, Shi Feng had killed more than a hundred players during this battle. With this Crime Value, if Shi Feng died, he would lose at least seven Levels. Meanwhile, the town guards had them surrounded. The guards would kill all Red Players, leaving Shi Feng no chance to escape.

This was still not the most important point. After the guards killed him, Shi Feng would immediately revive in jail, and his Crime Value would determine the duration of his imprisonment. With Shi Feng's Crime Value, he would be locked up for around a week before he could clear away his Crime Value.

The players of Martial Union watched Shi Feng with ridiculing expressions. Although they, too would receive punishment, compared to Shi Feng, theirs would significantly pale in comparison.

"Relax," Shi Feng laughed.

Cola and the others had smiles on their faces. It was especially true for Violet Cloud. This was not the first time she had experienced such a situation. Martial Union had also caused the previous incident she encountered. She would have never imagined that history would repeat itself.

The reactions of Shi Feng's teammates confused Fire Dance and Water Buffalo.

Why, as teammates, were Cola and the others not worried for Shi Feng one little bit?

"Big Sister Fire Dance, you should relax. Our leader isn't an ordinary person," Violet Cloud giggled as she spoke.

The moment Violet Cloud finished speaking, a guard, donned with silvery-grey-colored heavy armor, walked up.

"Esteemed Lord Demon Hunter, we meet again. How may I be of service to you this time?" the guard captain was all smiles as he greeted Shi Feng respectfully.

Compared to the last meeting, Shi Feng's current reputation was much higher. Hence, the guard captain spoke to Shi Feng with even more respect.

Although Shi Feng and his teammates felt that the guard captain's actions were only natural, this scene shocked the other onlookers. It was especially true for the members of Martial Union; their eyes nearly popped out of their sockets in shock. Shi Feng was clearly a devil of massacre, yet, instead of quickly killing him, the guard captain spoke to him with such regard? What was going on in this world?

“Isn’t that person Ye Feng?”

“I remember him. Last time, he killed the members of Martial Union right in front of the guards. In the end, he got away with simply paying a small sum of money. I was dumbfounded at that time, but later on, I found out that if a player became a noble, they gain special privileges. Even if he killed players right in front of the guards, he would not receive any sort of punishment. At worst, he would have to pay a small compensation fee.”

“How could Martial Union be so forgetful this time? They still dare to take action against Ye Feng inside of Red Leaf Town. Don’t they know that Ye Feng is a noble of Red Leaf Town? How foolish could they get?”

“You might not know this, but the Martial Union in Red Leaf Town has already changed. The previous members have long since left the Guild, and Unstable Devastation is the new leader. Right now, the members of Martial Union are all players called in from other towns. A large majority of them also consist of newcomers, so they have no idea about this matter at all.”

Some of the players aware of the previous incident simply shook their heads while laughing. They felt that Martial Union, as a Guild, was truly beyond salvation. At the very least, before they tried to deal with Ye Feng, they should have investigated and tried to understand more about him. Regardless of what others said, Ye Feng was one of the few players who managed to clear the Hell Mode of Dark Moon Graveyard.

Hearing the explanation from these knowledgeable players, the faces of everyone from Martial Union turned grim. Only now did they know why Shi Feng behaved so calmly. However, now that matters had reached this point, they could only glare at him, their gazes full of reluctance.

“Esteemed Lord Guard Captain, this isn’t the first time these people from Martial Union have provoked me in town. I wonder if there is any way to prevent such incidents from happening in the future?” Shi Feng asked with a smile.

“Esteemed Lord Demon Hunter, since this Guild called Martial Union has a record of past offense, with My Lord’s high status, you can employ your rights to chase this Guild out of Red Leaf Town. However, you will have to pay a fixed amount of reputation to utilize this right. What will My Lord decide?” the Guard Captain stated.

Originally, Shi Feng simply inquired. After all, without a definite degree of status, he could not employ such a right. However, he never imagined that a Demon Hunter would have such a high social status. Hence, he asked, “How much do I have to pay?”

“Since Martial Union does not possess any members of nobility in Red Leaf Town, My Lord only needs to pay 100 Red Leaf Town Reputation Points,” the guard captain said.

“I understand.” Shi Feng only had 130 Red Leaf Town Reputation Points right now. However, spending 100 points as a precautionary measure was nothing of significance. He had the Demon Hunter title in any case; he would be a noble wherever he went, and he did not lack such a small amount of Reputation Points. “I wish to employ this right.”

System: You have used your special privileges; Reputation in Red Leaf Town reduced by 100 points. Red Leaf Town will deport all members of Martial Union.

“As you wish, Esteemed Lord Demon Hunter!”

Immediately, the guard captain gave out the deportation order to his subordinates. However, all members of Martial Union currently in the fountain plaza would first sit in jail for three hours before their removal from Red Leaf Town. As for the other members of Martial Union, the guards would immediately exercise them from Town, and any who resist would be immediately killed.

Simultaneously, all members of Martial Union within Red Leaf Town received the deportation notice. The notice stunned every one of them, and even Unstable Devastation, who just revived with a stomach full of anger, was dumbfounded.

He had already given up on his plan to develop Martial Union in five different towns, and after much difficulty, he only just managed to solidify Martial Union's foundation in Red Leaf Town. Just as he was about to welcome a bright future, that future shattered.

"How could this be? Just what happened?" Unstable Devastation's mental state was a mess right now. Everything had happened far too quickly for him to react.

He had wasted so much manpower, resources and a great amount of time, yet it all had gone to waste.

Just who was this Ye Feng?

Why did he possess such great authority? How could a Red Player have the authority to deport an entire Guild from a town?

For a time, countless questions darted through Unstable Devastation's mind. However, regardless of how hard he racked his brain, he could not think of any way to deal with this matter. He also could not change the fact that they were being deported. He could only watch as guards walked up to him, intending to chase him out of Red Leaf Town.

Everyone had sentimental attachments for their homeland. If they suddenly moved, within a short time, they could not adapt to the new location.

It was even more so for average players. They would not suddenly accept having to leave the location with which they were most familiar. Thus, they all promptly chose to leave Martial Union instead.

For a time, the member count of Martial Union frantically decreased. Only a few moments had passed since the deportation started, and the member count had already dropped below 500. The majority of the members who stayed mostly consisted of the members that Unstable Devastation had originally brought over from other towns. Hence, they did not choose to leave the Guild immediately. However, leaving for another town now would greatly impact their leveling speed. As a result, the Guild's development would stagnate for a long period.

The loss they incurred was simply immeasurable.

Watching the town guards deport the members of Martial Union, the onlooking players were at a loss; they were shocked into speechlessness.

Just what was happening here?

Could that Red Player be the new mayor of Red Leaf Town?

However, compared to Martial Union's exorcism, the members of other Guilds concerned themselves with another matter.

"Boss, I've discovered big news here. Look at the recording I just sent to you."

"Vice-Leader, I discovered another god-ranked expert."

“Big Bro, something big happened in Red Leaf Town. Someone in the fountain plaza has flipped over Martial Union’s several hundred players by himself, and even the guards could do nothing against him.”

The members of various large Guilds started contacting the upper echelons of their Guilds. They intended to report this unbelievable incident, letting the upper echelons determine their next move.

Originally, these upper echelons refused to believe the reports. However, after watching the irrefutable evidence, they were all greatly shocked.

Could a single player be so strong?

Shi Feng had killed a Level 9 Shield Warrior in a single hit. Moreover, they were very familiar with this Shield Warrior. He was Cold Mountain Fighting Spirit, the core MT of Martial Union’s elite team, and he was fully geared with Mysterious-Iron Equipment. Yet, he still died from a single hit.

“Xuanzi, listen up. You must keep an eye on him. I’ll hurry over there now. For such a god-ranked expert to actually be an independent player, we must recruit him. Remember, you absolutely cannot provoke him. If any problems occur, it’ll all be on your head,” Undefeated Wolf, the Vice-Leader of the third-rate Guild, Heaven’s Crown, said sternly.

“Boss, rest assured; I’ll keep an eye on him. I will not let him out of my sight.”

At this moment, the upper echelons of the various large Guilds had made a similar decision: to recruit Shi Feng into their Guilds, no matter what it took. One could no longer use the normal standard to judge a great expert like Shi Feng. He was a tactical-ranked expert that could single-handedly decide the results of a team battle. If they could recruit him, be it Team Dungeons or fighting field Bosses, he would have a decisive role.

Chapter 170 - Famous

After the guard captain respectfully left, Fire Dance finally understood why her new teammates were not concerned one bit for Shi Feng.

However, more questions tumbled through her mind now.

Just who was Shi Feng?

Standing by the side, Water Buffalo finally managed to shut his hanging jaw. There was a saying commonly used in virtual reality games; a team's achievements depended on their leader. Right now, even the guard captain treated Shi Feng with such respect. With a team leader like Shi Feng, just to what heights would he lead them?

In God's Domain, gaming experts like Shi Feng were definitely highly sought after characters. With a simple word from Shi Feng, countless large Guilds would be willing to offer a high price to recruit him into their Guilds; even first-rate Guilds were no exception. Water Buffalo never imagined that Shi Feng would form his own team instead. Meanwhile, the players who joined such a team would become the envy of others.

Previously, the main reason Water Buffalo willingly joined Shi Feng's team was his trust in Fire Dance. Meanwhile, Fire Dance was, more or less, an expert herself. As for Water Buffalo, he had his own hero's dream, and he only joined Fire Dance's team to learn various techniques from her.

Since the beginning, this was the first time Water Buffalo truly felt fortunate for being able to join Shi Feng's team.

However, it was not due to Shi Feng's terrifying Attack Power. Instead, it was because of the techniques Shi Feng displayed during battle. Be it dodging, angles to attack, timing, or a confident grasp of the surrounding terrain, Shi Feng was extremely precise with all of these aspects. Otherwise, Shi Feng could not have made fools out of Martial Union.

Moreover, Shi Feng was a righteous person. Regarding potential, Shi Feng stood at the apex of the virtual gaming world. If Water Buffalo could learn even a little from this new team leader of his, he would have no troubles with becoming a normal expert. If he followed Shi Feng's guidance, he might even set foot in the unreachable world of top-tier experts.

"Ugh... there's too many people here. Let's go to a restaurant with fewer people before we continue our discussion." Shi Feng surveyed his surroundings, discovering that there were over three or four hundred players staring fervently at him. This was not a suitable place to speak about his future plans.

Cola and the others nodded; they could no longer endure the countless stares either.

These gazes all belonged to independent players that wished to join their team. Among them, there were plenty who were Level 7 or Level 8. There were even quite a few wealthy players who offered tens of thousands of Credits in exchange for power-leveling, or in some cases, assistance with their quests.

There were also plenty of good-looking female players running up, asking to become friends. That aroused the envy of many male players. However, they were helpless in the face of Shi Feng's ferocity. Shi Feng was like a hero from ancient times. In this day and age, men who possessed powerful techniques were very attractive to beautiful women, not to mention a god-ranked expert like Shi Feng.

However, something more amazing occurred simultaneously. The various large Guilds in Red Leaf Town flooded Shi Feng with communication requests, wishing to chat with him; he rejected them all.

“Sister Fire Dance, you have to strive harder! This is a great chance for you right now. In the future, as leader’s popularity grows larger and larger, who knows, there might be even more powerful beauties joining the team!” Water Buffalo nudged Fire Dance, laughing quietly.

“Scram! Who said that I wanted to become Big Brother Ye Feng’s girl-girlfriend!” Fire Dance stuttered, a light blush suddenly appearing on her cheeks.

Atop a hill, outside Red Leaf Town, hundreds of Martial Union’s members gathered. They could only observe Red Leaf Town from the hilltop, not daring to go near the town.

“Despicable! Despicable! That damnable Ye Feng! All my plans have been ruined now because of him!” Unstable Devastation coldly glared at Red Leaf Town, his heart burning with anger.

Previously, he had looked down upon Shi Feng. He merely thought of Shi Feng as a vagabond expert; how powerful could he be?

Only now did he realize the crux of the problem; Shi Feng was no ordinary expert. As proven, he was even capable of deporting their entire Guild. If Unstable Devastation had known of this matter earlier, he would not have taken such a foolish action.

Ye Feng, you will only enjoy this glory for the moment. Very quickly, the footage that will ruin you will dominate the official forums. When that time arrives, everyone will condemn you. Although I can’t kill

you, it will be enough if I can annoy you to death. We'll see if you can establish your own team with your reputation in tatters. Without a team, a person's strength is limited. When we enter White River City, I'll deal with you slowly. I don't believe that you can deport Martial Union from White River City as well! Unstable Devastation laughed contemptuously. He then uploaded the footage he recorded to the official forums, and while doing so, he instructed his subordinates to hype things up. To save his own life, Shi Feng slaughtered his own companions. Sooner or later, Shi Feng's name would fall into ruin. Who would dare team up with such a person then?

Inside a restaurant in Red Leaf Town, Shi Feng finally managed to break away from all the pestering that had overwhelmed him. Nobody could disturb him inside a private room.

After spending more than ten minutes discussing and arranging the necessary tasks for Cola and the others, just as they were about to take action...

"Leader, as expected, that Unstable Devastation has retaliated. Right now, a video has appeared on the official forums. The post also stated that, in order to save your own life, you willingly killed your own companions; extremely despicable. There are also plenty of people slandering you below the post," Cola said.

Fire Dance and the others took a look at the post as well.

God-ranked expert is a despicable little man! Proof available!

Immediately, the team's expressions turned livid. They did not imagine that their former companions would behave so shamelessly. They actually stood up to accuse Shi Feng. They had clearly received Shi Feng's reward, yet, they worded it as if they had only attacked Martial Union because of their friendship

with Shi Feng. After they realized their wrongdoings, when they tried to denounce Shi Feng, he killed them all. Such a treacherous little man did not deserve to be called an expert. However, as Shi Feng was too strong, and they were only a group of weaklings, they were powerless to seek justice; they could denounce Shi Feng online.

The proof lay in their previous leader, Fire Dance, joining Shi Feng's current team; it was irrefutable, solid proof that Shi Feng could not challenge.

Shi Feng was originally very famous throughout White River City. Not only did he clear the Hell Mode of a Team Dungeon, but he also enjoyed an indistinct relationship with the Snow Goddess, becoming the envy of others. Now that a scandal about him surfaced, in addition to the post being extremely one-sided, Shi Feng became everyone's target. All kinds of curses were written in response to the post. Some of Shi Feng's previous supporters also voiced their shock at Shi Feng's hideous behavior, exclaiming their bad judgment from before.

Instantly, this post became the most viewed topic in White River City. Its view count soared, far surpassing the post made during the war between Black Flame and Hammer Trading.

"Leader, let's start a counterattack right now!" Cola could no longer endure this travesty. Unstable Devastation was simply too despicable. He had failed to defeat Shi Feng in an upright battle; so, he retaliated from the shadows, slandering Shi Feng's reputation. Although Shi Feng did not suffer any substantial losses, he still needed to establish his own Guild in the future. Those players blinded by this matter would certainly not join a Guild with such a leader. How were they supposed to develop their Guild? How could they compete with those large Guilds?

"Hahaha! It is truly well said, with both proof and logic! I'm so touched; I'm tearing up!" Shi Feng could not help but laugh after seeing the post.

Shi Feng had seen such tactics countless times in his past life. Among them, Unstable Devastation had used such tactics more than a dozen times to deal a hit to his enemies. Shi Feng could not help but admit that the tactic was indeed effective. However, so what?

Unstable Devastation was the same as in the past. In the end, he could still not become the Guild Leader of Martial Union, and his strength in the later stages of the game was even weaker than Ironsword Lion by several stages.

In front of absolute strength, all minor tricks were pointless.

“Alright, everyone’s dismissed. Go to the Silent Swamp and meet up with Blackie and Lonely Snow. Also, take these two Group Isolation Scrolls. Find a place inside of town to use these, then leave town and head for the Silent Swamp,” Shi Feng took out two Tier 1 Group Isolation Magic Scrolls, handing them to Fire Dance and Cola.

The Group Isolation Scroll allowed players to enter Stealth mode and increased Movement Speed by 10%. It could only be used in a non-combative state, and it had a duration of half an hour. The Stealth effect would break when players entered combat. With this item, Cola and the others could easily meet up with Blackie while avoiding surveillance.

The group departed from the restaurant. Meanwhile, Shi Feng headed towards Red Leaf Town’s Town Hall by himself.

“Unstable Devastation, I’ll teach you, right now, that, no matter what tricks you have up your sleeves, in front of absolute strength, it is all meaningless,” Shi Feng smiled as he closed the official forums. He then entered the tightly guarded Town Hall.