

Bodyguard 1331

Chapter 1331: Give it to You

So, Xiaoke was mumbling to herself while eating the porridge. She thought that she should try and see if she could get some extra money from them before leaving... Yes, that would be good! After all, thieves used skills to survive. It was a test of skill. They didn't use weapons or fight in the open. That was what gangsters did!

But, with the thieves' sects getting bigger and bigger, some people stopped following the rules- some of the newcomers became greedier and greedier. Although, due to the big names at the top, they didn't do it in the open, working in the shadows instead. The more skill you had, the more you got!

Of course, with the thieving groups in the cities, those weren't considered part of the sects- they didn't have traditional honor or anything like that. It was why Xiaoke got ganged that day.

"Want some porridge?" Old Hei brought out two cans of it for Lin Yi. "Don't worry. I'm not that dumb as to poison it. There's Old Hao here. You don't have to worry! Plus, with the things you said the other day, I'd always believe them over doubting them."

"Not hungry." Lin Yi took the porridge and put them on Xiaoke's table. "Here, for you."

Xiaoke didn't reject it, taking it instead. She couldn't bear to eat porridge like this even if it were a few kuai, let alone ten thousand kuai!

Old Hei shrugged, not saying anything.

The couple's personalities were a bit weird, and everyone had gotten used to it.

After a while, Old Hao came to Old Hei's tent with some men, a bit embarrassed once he saw everyone here, "Old Hei, we can start the operation now?"

"Yeah, we're scouting today. Everyone, come on- let's go," Old Hei nodded, "This time, the benefits are all shared- I hope nobody hides any skills or anything, just put out what you can do! Otherwise, we'll suffer losses as a group!"

"Naturally- it's not the first time we've worked together, anyway." Keng Bro nodded.

"I'm not as experienced like you guys, but my tech is top grade!" James said, "I'll help wherever I can."

"Hmph, as long as I get my twenty percent, of course," Lin Yi said coldly.

"Alright! Old Hao is here, too, it's settled then," Old Hei was evidently a careful person, repeating something that had already been decided on, again and again, afraid that something would go wrong, "We'll gather here after half an hour, and go scout together!"

The crowd gave a response and went to get prepared. Lin Yi, Lingshan, and Yutian, on the other hand, sat there as if they didn't hear Old Hei.

"Aren't you guys going to prepare?" Old Hei asked.

“No need.” Lin Yi said flatly, “It’s just scouting, why would we bring so much stuff with us?”

Old Hei shrugged, leaving Lin Yi alone. The person clearly didn’t want to be having conversations- what a weird personality! With that mask all day, too. Maybe he had a lot of enemies because of his shitty behavior, and he didn’t want people to know what he looked like because of that.

Xiaoke didn’t go, as well- she felt a sense of familiarity towards this husband of the couple. It was a woman’s sixth sense, or maybe the sense of a thief- but she felt like she met him before!

Old Hei started packing his things, and Xiaoke finally couldn’t help but raise her head to size, Lin Yi, up.

“What’re you looking at? You want to die,” Lin Yi knew that Xiaoke had suspicions, so he had already adjusted his voice- but still, Xiaoke might see something wrong. This was one of his instincts.

Xiaoke spat out her tongue- leaving Lin Yi alone after his meanness.

Half an hour later, everyone was back with their tools, with Old Hei in front of them- they moved to the tomb.

The tomb was located in a mountain vein under the mountain- it was the steep drop type of mountain, and people wouldn’t go down there if they didn’t know there was a tomb there! It was all boulders, with no grass and no animals- nobody would go down to frolic.

At the edge of the cliff, Old Hei’s men brought out the heavy machinery parts, setting up the heavy machinery.

“My men will stand guard up here- but for fairness’ sake, you can have your men stand guard too.” Old Hei said.

The purpose of doing that was so that Old Hei wouldn’t just come up by himself and leave everyone at the bottom of the cliff!

Keng Bro and James and Old Hao left men standing guard up there, but not Lin Yi, “We’re just three men, no need for that. You can just go up last later!”

“Naturally.” Old Hei paused, nodding. He had the most men up here, so him going up last was also fair. Of course, he didn’t know that Lin Yi was just confusing him with these words- with this sort of height, even a Golden class could jump down, let alone a Mystic.

Old Lin kicked him down a mountain cliff once, and he didn’t die from it! Of course, this wouldn’t kill him now.

The machinery got Old Hei, Old Hao, James, Keng Bro, and Lin Yi’s group down, before moving all the other followers of other groups.

The entrance to the tomb was on the cliff wall, but this was certainly not the main entrance, just a hole for thieves. The real entrance still wasn’t discovered!

Old Hei, Keng Bro, James, and Old Hao, along with Xiaoke and Lin Yi’s group, went into the hole. It was a medium-sized one. They didn’t know what it was for, but there was a path in front of them. Evidently, a path forced open.

Old Hei squatted down and checked some details on the sides of the entrance before nodding. "Looks like everyone kept their word- no one entered privately first!"

"Naturally!" Keng Bro and James nodded, "Honor is a big factor in this industry, after all."

"Hmph, honor? Scared of dying, more like. This tomb has a lot of things that could kill you- if you could just stride in easily then it'd be empty already. You guys would have taken everything!" Lin Yi's words made everyone blush, but those words were true. Indeed, if it weren't for the fact that the tomb was extremely dangerous, they wouldn't have waited so long!

Chapter 1332: Missing One Person

Old Hei smiled awkwardly but didn't say anything. After the men were all assembled, he walked into the tomb right away, leading to a long hallway that went left and right. Old Hei went left.

Lin Yi wasn't too certain regarding the situation inside the tomb since the couple didn't mention too much of it in their journal. Bojia did give some theories and instructions regarding some traps and mechanisms but forgot about the simple safety stage of entering the tomb.

Lin Yi didn't say anything since he didn't know anything, following behind Old Hei and the others in the dark tomb. Old Hei had light, but there wasn't any other source of light in here- it was especially eerie.

At first, it was alright, but after a couple of dozens meters, the cold started hitting them, along with a smell of rot and mold. It didn't feel comfortable.

Luckily, the surface of the tombs seemed complete with no debris or obstruction. They moved quickly.

Sometime later, they heard a sudden clicking, and everything turned black!

The group was made up of veteran tomb robbers, and naturally, they didn't believe in ghosts or anything- but they still stopped dead in their tracks.

"Shit, the searchlights out of battery? I charged it yesterday!" Old Hei cursed. "Who was the one who charged it?"

"Hei Bro, I checked it just now. I checked the remaining power too, and there weren't any problems..." A big man said carefully.

"God damn it, who has a torchlight? Give me one!" Hei Bro shook his head. The chances of the searchlight suddenly breaking down was less than one percent, but here it happened! It was too late to go get a new light now, but they only had one searchlight this time!

This was big equipment with a big battery, and it wasn't convenient to bring it.

Someone passed him a flashlight, but it was a lot weaker than the searchlight. Even the searchlight couldn't shine far, after all.

But it was better than nothing- they couldn't see clearly, but it worked a little.

“The ones behind me, hold hands! Don’t get left behind!” Old Hei shouted. He turned to one of his men. “Mister Qiu, please go at the back and put some stone dust as markers, we can’t get lost!”

“Yes, Hei Bro!” The man nodded and ran to the back.

Lin Yi looked at this Mister Qiu- he was a Golden Class early phase peak- Old Hei actually had practitioners with him!

After that was done, Old Hei walked forward with his flashlight for a hundred meters- they couldn’t see the end. Lin Yi frowned but didn’t say anything since the other guys were quiet.

A couple of hundred meters later, Old Hei stopped all of a sudden, bringing everyone to a halt.

“No, This isn’t right! Wrong-way!” Old Hei suddenly said a worried look on his face as he turned around. “We only walked for more than ten minutes last time before arriving at the entrance of the underground palace, but now it’s been half an hour!”

“Seriously? How did that happen?” James said, shocked. “What kind of guide are you?”

“Shit, I knew something was up, we’ve been walking so long! My legs are all wobbly!” Keng Bro complained.

“Stop arguing, Old Hei, what happened?” Old Hao spoke up, interrupting everyone. He was the only one who hadn’t been in here before, so naturally, he didn’t know.

“Old Hao, we seemed to have gone the wrong way- this path doesn’t end, we need to go back right now!” Old Hei said.

“We? It’s you who went the wrong way!” Keng Bro said.

“Alright, this isn’t the time to be pushing blame- Old Hei didn’t mean it, let’s go back first!” Old Hao kept his composure, not panicking.

“That’s all we can do! Mister Qiu, lead us back with the stone markings!” Old Hei said to the back of the team.

But no one replied.

“Mister Qiu?” Old Hei asked again.

No reply.

“Mister Qiu? You there?” Old Hei started to look worried.

“Ah-!!” A call came from behind them, a shriek of horror!

Old Hei subconsciously ran to the back of the team, with everyone looking there as well- one of the men was holding to a severed arm, crying out!

There was some clothing on that arm, too- from Mister Qiu!

“Mister Qiu!” Old Hei said, shocked as he looked at that arm, speechless! “Where is Mister Qiu? Why is there only an arm left?”

“I... I don’t know...” The man was pale and shocked as well. “When you were calling Mister Qiu, I didn’t hear him reply, so I looked back, and I saw nothing... in my hand was his arm..!”

Everyone was already worried that they’d gone the wrong way, so something happening like this shook them to the core!

Old Hei didn’t look good at all- if he didn’t know Mister Qiu’s strength, he would assume that this man had done something, but he was a Golden class early phase peak! Getting instant killed without a sound? Just how strong was the enemy?

“Who is it? Who did that?” Old Hei was starting to panic- Mister Qiu was his biggest card, and now he got killed all of a sudden. They couldn’t even know who did it! Was someone in this team capable of that?

Lin Yi was shocked as well as he looked at the arm! He was confident that he could do the same thing to Mister Qiu without a sound, but this was also based on his assassin’s skills- if it were just a Mystic practitioner, doing this with absolutely no sound to alert Lin Yi at all was very difficult to do!

Chapter 1333: Wrong Way

Just how strong was this person? Was he an Earth class? Was there an earth class hiding here that didn’t want to be noticed?

He scanned everyone in the group, with no avail- there were some practitioners here, but the most powerful was Golden class late phase peak, there wasn’t even a Mystic!

But these were the strongest ones the graverobbers could get. After all, Mystics wouldn’t be selling their lives for them like this. They would rather be some bodyguards for the rich!

Plus, there were many Mystics who were hired by the noble houses since they were the rarest of the rare in the common world. Let alone Earth class fighters!

And now, there was a dean man in front of them, who had died without them noticing. The only possibility was that this person wasn’t in their team, but someone in the shadows, hiding after doing the kill!

Of course, the other possibility was that there was a physical practitioner of Earth class here- Lin Yi’s trump card wouldn’t be able to identify his strength unless he saw him make his move! After all, getting to Earth class as a physical practitioner was extremely difficult- even a noble house like Wu Chentian’s didn’t have an Earth class physical practitioner!

Mister Qiu’s death made everyone pale, especially Old Hao. He looked at Keng Bro, James, Lin Yi, and Lingshan, eyes sharp. “Which one of you did this? What is the benefit of this? We’re all lost and can’t even go back, what’s the point of this?”

“Old Hao, that’s not a fair accusation- why would it be us?” Keng Bro wasn’t pleased. “Couldn’t it be that Mister Qiu who killed himself, who knows? Why don’t you ask Old Hei, who knows if it’s his idea to play severed arm like this, planting the blame on us to reap all the rewards!”

“Bullshit! Even if I wanted to break an arm, I wouldn’t let Mister Qiu do it!” Old Hei was pissed off- his practitioner died all of a sudden, and he still had to be suspected? “Mister Qiu is a Golden class early phase peak that I spent a lot of money on, why would I let him die? I have plenty of men here that I could let die if I really wanted, why would I do that to my practitioner?”

“Hmph, the guy’s dead, you can say he’s a Mystic, and we wouldn’t be able to prove it!” Kang Bro said coldly.

“Alright! Put this aside first, and let’s discuss- what should we do now?” Old Hao said with a dismissive hand, helpless. “Old Hei, something’s up with this path.”

“Yes! It only took more than ten minutes with five to six hundred meters, but now it’s been half an hour. It’s been a kilometer, and there’s still no signs of the end! It’s a wrong path for sure...” Old Hei shook his head, “I let Mister Qiu take the back because of that, but...”

“Who knows what you were planning. Maybe you let us here on purpose!” Old Keng was a rough man, and with all the piss he had in his bladder, he had to relieve it.

“Shit! Old Keng, you say shit like that again and see if I’ll shoot your face off!” Old Hei was getting pissed as well- he pulled out the gun at him.

“Heh, heh, shoot me then. You’re a dog coward if you don’t!” Kang Bro knew that Old Hao was here, and Old Hei wouldn’t just do something like that.

“Old Hei- you’d dare?” Old Hao said.

The gun cracked into a bang! Old Hei actually fired! If Old Hao didn’t say that, he wouldn’t be as reckless, but Old Hao’s “you dare?” made him boil. Why wouldn’t he dare do that?

His practitioner died out of nowhere, and he was pissed enough as he was- and these guys were suspecting him of acting? So what if he killed him?

Kang Bro couldn’t even cry out before plopping on the ground, dead. Everyone looked at Old Hei in shock- James’ men pulled their guns out as well, pointing at Old Hei. They didn’t want to end up like Old Keng!

“Old Hei, what are you doing? Why would you kill him?” Old Hao scolded.

Lin Yi looked at Old Hao- was he actually stupid or pretending? Of course, Old Hei would shoot when he said that to him!

“Old Hao, you saw it too, he wanted me to shoot. He said I was a dog coward if I didn’t shoot! I had no choice!” Old Hei hmphed coldly and turned to James. “Don’t follow suit, or we’ll all die here!”

Old Hei’s men raised his guns at James’ men as well!

“Enough! Even if Old Keng’s words aren’t pleasant, you didn’t have to kill him. I’m still here, aren’t I?” Old Hao said helplessly, “Our mission now is to escape, not fight amongst ourselves! If you want to follow, then follow. If you want to have revenge for Old Keng, then go to war with Old Hei, I won’t get involved- finish the fight, and we’ll go back!”

Old Keng’s men wouldn’t continue working for him now that he had died, other than two of his right-hand men. With that thought, they put their guns down, except for those other two- who got killed by Old Hei’s men!

The situation now was clearly in Old Hei’s favor- getting revenge for Old Keng was a bad move.

“Alright, let’s go back.” Old Hao left it at that.

They walked back with holding hands, but this time, they moved much slower.

A while later, they all stopped!

Because, in front of them, the road split into two! Nobody knew where they’d come from, and there were no stone dust markings- Mister Qiu must’ve died here.

“What do we do?” The people in front turned around.

James opened his mouth and wanted to yell at Old Hei and blame him since he was the one leading everyone here- until he remembered what happened to Old Keng! He shut up- he was the only foreigner here, too. It wouldn’t be his interest if he fought.

“What path should we take, Flying Sparrow girl?” Old Hao sighed and looked at Xiaoke. “You should be better at these things as a Flying Sparrow sect member- which path leads us out?”

Chapter 1334: Which Way?

Xiaoke frowned- these two paths were the same at all; there was no way she could find anything different about them!

“I can’t make a decision here- there aren’t any markings or anything, with no mechanisms or traps. It’s just two paths- I can’t tell.” Xiaoke said bluntly. She didn’t want to mislead anyone.

“Old Hei, what about you?” Old Hao said disappointedly as he looked at Old Hei.

“I don’t know either...” Old Hei shook his head. This tomb was very uncommon, with all the entrances unmarked. There weren’t any hints at all- how did the people who built this even navigate, did they use maps every time?

“Then let’s go to the left- this time, all of us will put stone dust markings on the ground as we walk forward. I’ll guard us against the back! It shouldn’t be a problem!” Old Hao sighed.

“Alright, I agree.” Old Hei said after thinking about it- With Old Hao at the back, it should be fine.

“I agree, as well!” James nodded. He had to- going right by himself was just more dangerous.

“Alright, it’s settled then!” Old Hao nodded.

“You guys go left then; I’ll go right.” Lin Yi said flatly.

His jade was alerting him the moment he got close to the left- there was nothing good waiting there.

“What? You’re not moving with everyone?” Old Hao wasn’t too pleased with Lin Yi going against the flow. It was his suggestion, after all.

“Is there a problem with me going, right?” Lin Yi hmphed coldly.

“Do what you want then! Let’s go.” Old Hao was quite pissed at Lin Yi, not following him. He had a cold hmph in response.

Old Hei, however, frowned. He remembered what he overheard when he was listening to Lin Yi’s tent.

Did he have full confidence that the right side was a good path? Why else would he go against every single one and go, right? With that thought, he hesitated. “Old Hao, maybe we should go right as well!”

“What, you believe him?” Old Hao’s face looked displeased.

“I agree with going right too!” Xiaoke said. She didn’t know why, but she didn’t like this Old Hao very much. She preferred supporting the couple.

Lin Yi was already walking to the right already, with Lingshan and Yutian walking behind.

Old Hei hesitated and went with them. Seeing Lin Yi walk with such big strides made him convinced that Lin Yi knew what he was doing! Xiaoke followed as well, with James tailing them.

Old Hao glared for a moment- he was the one with the most authority here at first, but now no one was listening! Even the Old Hei who hired him was listening to the graverobber couple!

But he could only follow since everyone was going right now- he sighed, put away his anger, and walked on.

The right path wasn’t long, and after a while, they came to another two paths.

Everyone blinked at the two paths- what was going on? They were following Lin Yi, so they couldn’t see too far ahead. It was too late when they saw the split.

“This... How do we proceed,” Old Hei asked hesitantly beside Lin Yi? Did Lin Yi know what he was doing?

“Let me take a look.” Lin Yi stood at the two paths, sensing the danger- but the jade didn’t alert him at all. Both were safe?

Lin Yi frowned, unable to make a decision right away!

“What’s wrong?” Old Hao spoke up. “Don’t know where to go now? I told you all to go left, and none of you listened, you had to follow him!”

“That’s...” Old Hei didn’t know which one to side with now. “Do you know where we’re going?”

“I didn’t ask you guys to follow; you came on your own.” Lin Yi said faintly, not giving him any hints at all. “You can go back if you want.”

“Let’s go back then; we’ll go from the left!” Old Hao spoke up.

Old Hei and James looked at each other- both of them looked hesitant.

Lin Yi gave Old Hao a glance before stepping towards the right path. Since there wasn’t any danger, then any would do. All roads lead to Rome, right? Maybe both were exits.

Lingshan and Yutian trusted Lin Yi one hundred percent, especially Yutian! He was someone who lived in the jungle with him before. Lin Yi was a very strong mentor, able to identify the traps that the enemies lay and avoid them with complete ease. He had super agility and logical thinking, so Yutian never doubted him at all!

Old Hei hesitated a bit but still followed. While the couple was an arrogant duo, they were very careful people- they clearly cared a lot about their lives, and they wouldn’t do anything to get themselves killed!

Old Hei followed, and so did Xiaoke. James hesitated a bit, but went with them as well, leaving Old Hao with a pissed off face. But he followed them as well.

One hundred meters later, Lin Yi suddenly stopped.

“What’s wrong?” Old Hei paused- there wasn’t a split in front, what was he doing?

“Look behind you!” Lin Yi turned around flatly.

Lin Yi had been paying more attention this time- the pathway had a slight curve- this should be where the two paths met!

As expected, there were two paths behind them, the same as the split they saw earlier! They came out of the right path!

“Ah! Another split!” Old Hei said, surprised.

“If I’m not wrong, we would come out from here if we went left earlier. These two paths are connected.” With that, Lin Yi continued walking.

Old Hei didn’t hesitate anymore, he followed behind Lin Yi right away! Xiaoke and James did the same, along with a very pissed off Old Hao.

Chapter 1335: Earth Class Threat

After walking a while, they came to a three-way split! Three of them looked the exact same, and anyone without a map would be lost!

Lin Yi stood at the three paths, testing them, and choosing the right path without much hesitation! The middle path was the only one the jade warned him off, and it gave off a strong alert! Lin Yi naturally chose the right path again.

The others followed Lin Yi, and even Old Hao didn’t say anything anymore.

After a few hundred meters, Lin Yi stopped again- but there wasn't a split in front of them!

Old Hao subconsciously looked behind him- there were no splits there as well. Why did Lin Yi stop?

"Your man died here," Lin Yi said flatly.

"Ah?" Old Hei paused, shining a flashlight upwards- there were blood splatterings up there, although you need to be paying attention to see it.

"So, that means this is the right path?" James said happily.

Old Hei didn't look pleased. "All roads lead to Rome- who knew if the left path would've led here as well!"

But nobody argued with him about that- they were all enticed by the prospect of success.

"But, where's Mister Qiu's body?" Old Hei looked around, confused. There was no corpse.

"I don't know." Lin Yi said. "I'm not obligated to look for the corpse for you. If you want to, you can stay and search."

"No... I'll follow you!" Old Hei completely believed Lin Yi now- fortunately for him, he listened to his conversation last night, making him trust him like this. Otherwise, he might not make it back!

This time, there were stone dust markings, evidently left by Mister Qiu- with his corpse nowhere to be seen. This made Lin Yi guess that there was a practitioner hidden here!

Of course, Mister Qiu was too far away from Lin Yi back then, with so many people holding hands. It was a long line. He didn't even feel the practitioner's aura, but if they were closer, he would've.

"It's here!" Lin Yi stopped and turned around suddenly. "This is where we made a mistake!"

There was another entrance- they went the wrong way!

"Right, I remember now, there was a big rock blocking the entrance here before, I went the wrong way because the rock was gone! I kept looking for the rock earlier. I didn't know it had been removed already!" Old Hei slapped his head. "Who moved the rock?"

Lin Yi frowned- he seemed to have gotten himself involved with a plot, and there was an Earth Class involved in this plot as well! He thought that a Mystic was already the strongest they would encounter in this thieves' group, but this was out of his expectations.

But he didn't regret coming here- even if he knew that there was an Earth class beforehand, he would still have come. He would do this for Xiaoxiao- no matter the cost, even if it was an Earth Class threat!

If he was going to stop him, he'd use his energy bomb and blast him! He might still live after destroying him, but he'd be dead for sure! So even if an Earth class came, it would pressure Lin Yi, but it wouldn't push him away from this tomb mission.

"Someone entered this tomb!" James remembered the rock as well, "Someone came in before we did!"

“But, the markings I made in the entrance, they weren’t meddled with...” Old Hei frowned, suspicious. “Although, if your qinggong is good enough, you’d be able to avoid messing up the small markings, the point is I’m the only one who knows how the markings work...”

Old Hei’s words were inaccurate to Lin Yi- even he could come into the tomb without breaking the markings, let alone an Earth class! This guy was looking down on Mystics and Earths too much.

“This tomb- only we know about it. Who else came here?” James frowned.

The two looked at each other and turned to Lin Yi!

Lin Yi didn’t know if he should be amused or something when these guys were suspecting- he didn’t know if the real couple came here before them, but he was here for the first time!

“Hmph, if it were me, why would I bring you guys out? Are you retarded?” Lin Yi smiled coldly.

The two had already gotten used to Lin Yi’s speaking style. Yes, if it were him, he had no reason to bring them out!

But... Could it really be Old Keng who did it? But he was dead now. There was no proof.

“You’re right! It’s thanks to you this time- it’s probably that Old Keng who did all this.” Old Hei hmphed.

“I’m continuing to the underground palace, are you guys coming or leaving?” Lin Yi didn’t want to spend time bullshitting with them. He was here for the fruit, nothing else.

“I think that we should go back and make discussions and plans?” Old Hao suggested, “Things aren’t going well today, with two men dead already- one of which we don’t know the cause of his death! We need to understand what we’re dealing with first!”

“Oh, you guys go back first.” Lin Yi said faintly. To Lin Yi, the biggest enemy here was the Earth class- the others were basically nothing to him!

“I feel that Old Hao is right...” Old Hei sighed. Without Mister Qiu’s protection, Old Hei was at a disadvantage- he evidently wanted to go back and get some more practitioners.

“That’s true. We don’t have to rush it today. We should make a detailed plan...” James didn’t want to go on, as well. He still hadn’t recovered from the shock from what happened today- going back to rest and tackling the tomb again would be better!

Chapter 1336: Xiaoke’s Suspicions

Lin Yi didn’t care if these people followed him, but Lingshan did give him a look, hinting him.

Lin Yi remembered suddenly that this was Lingshan and Yutian’s mission this time- they were here to catch these guys, so they were important to him!

Lingshan didn't want to go tomb raiding on her own, that was a bonus to their mission. She wanted to be monitoring these people, so she'd be able to call for backup surrounding them at the first notice! She was worried these guys would give up after seeing how dangerous the tomb was!

If that were the case, then it'd be a lot harder to apprehend them if they left. Lingshan wanted to go back first.

Lin Yi sighed. He was worried, but remembering that Xiaoxiao was already frozen, it shouldn't be a problem if they postponed one day. The tomb wouldn't run away or anything, and even if these guys gave up he could raid the tomb himself.

"Alright, let's go back then. We'll make a plan!" Lin Yi nodded.

Old Hao let out a breath of relief, his face friendlier as well. "We'll go as a team then- what if something went wrong, after all."

Everyone went up by the machinery, although this time Old Keng and Mister Qiu weren't with them!

Mister Qiu was fine, but Old Keng had men up there! How would Old Hei handle this? Or, did he already contact his men into killing Old Keng's men?

Old Keng's closest aides weren't there anymore by the time they got up, with only some of his men turning to Old Hei's team.

That was how the world was- Old Keng was dead, and there was no reason for these men to fight for him to their deaths.

But Lin Yi didn't care about all this. Old Hei was a tragic chess piece as well- though it seemed as if he got some benefits, killing Old Keng and getting his men, Lin Yi felt that he was being used as well!

There was an immense net covering everyone here, with a puppetmaster behind them pushing them according to his plans.

Lin Yi looked at these thieves coldly and didn't say anything, leaving for his tent with Lingshan and Yutian. After two steps, he turned around to Xiaoke. "Be careful. This place is dangerous, and with that little skill you've got, it's best if you go home!"

"Ah?" Xiaoke paused- she wanted to say something, but Lin Yi left already.

Nobody paid any heed to that, that was how the couple was, after all, barking at people like that. Old Hei thought that Lin Yi was just making a statement about how useless Xiaoke was, indirectly targeting that Old Hei!

Could it be that they didn't like the splitting of the rewards? It was normal; perhaps, since Old Keng died today, he had a fifteen percent extra. Were they interested in that?

Old Hei's face was a bit dark as he thought about that- he knew that it would be impossible to raid this tomb without Lin Yi's help now. They even almost got lost today! If he didn't give Lin Yi more benefits, he might just up and leave. Then it would be completely hopeless.

With their personality, it really was something unreasonable that they would do. Old Hei thought about it and decided to give a part of this benefit to Lin Yi. After all, he was an important team member.

“Everyone, get some rest, come to my tent later, and we’ll talk about the plan!” Old Hei said to everyone. “Hope that you’d give some more ideas later, Old Hao...”

“Hmph! Some people already don’t care to listen to what I have to say!” Old Hao hmped, pissed off as he looked at Lin Yi’s leaving figure. “Old Hei, don’t bring people who don’t follow the plan next time!”

“Old Hao... That’s how the couple is, but they’re capable people, that’s for sure. We need them for this raid...” Old Hei said. He was in a difficult position, but he was already a bit displeased with Old Hao already. He wouldn’t have told him if he’d known about this, not only was he not helping, he was causing some trouble!

But now that he was here already, he couldn’t just ask him to leave or anything. It was a bit troubling.

“He just got lucky, not a big deal.” Old Hao hmped.

Lin Yi and Lingshan and Yutian went back into the tent, with Yutian checking for bugs right away. Lin Yi waved a hand. “It’s fine, don’t waste your strength- he’s not so dumb as to use this tactic twice to irritate people. He doesn’t want to piss us off yet.”

Lin Yi left out a piece of information, and that was the fact that his jade didn’t alert him at all. The tent was safe.

“You’re right- they still need you to help them with the raid, but Lin Yi, how did you know which path to take?” Yutian nodded, surprised as he thought about what happened today. He knew that Lin Yi was good at stuff like this, but there weren’t any hints or anything in the tomb, yet Lin Yi found the correct way!

“Instinct- you believe that?” Lin Yi smiled, not really wanting to get into the explanation of his jade. He just shrugged.

Yutian paused but nodded. “Yeah, of course. Why not?”

“Ha...” Lin Yi smiled. “Alright, let’s not talk about this- let’s talk about the tomb. You guys should be prepared. There’s probably a practitioner here!”

“Practitioner? You mean the one who killed Mister Qiu?” Lingshan and Yutian weren’t stupid- they guessed the problem as well. “Is that Mister Qiu really a Golden class early phase peak?”

“Yes, Old Hei didn’t lie.” Lin Yi nodded. “Someone who can kill him with one hit so silently can only be an Earth class, or maybe a Mystic late phase peak, although even I have no guarantee of just killing Mister Qiu completely silently...”

Chapter 1337: Big Chance

Of course, Lin Yi didn't add the fact that there were assassination techniques as well as a poison that could off Mister Qiu, but Mister Qiu was killed with brute strength alone, in silence.

Killing Mister Qiu, who was holding hands with everyone, without people noticing, wouldn't work if the killer used poisoning or assassination. Both of them would make Mister Qiu's body stop for a bit, resulting in the person he was holding hands with turning to look. They would notice.

So, in order to do this without people noticing, he needed to cut off Mister Qiu's arm right away, almost in the same instant as killing him! Mister Qiu would have to be dead before he could even react to the pain! This wasn't assassination anymore; it was a direct, daylight killing!

Lin Yi naturally had no guarantee of performing this! But the enemy did it!

Plus, Lin Yi didn't even feel the strength and aura of this person. The jade didn't alert him as well, meaning that only Mister Qiu was targeted, not him, and not Lingshan, Yutian, or even Xiaoke.

The alert system of the jade was quite interesting- Lin Yi himself didn't fully understand it. It was as if it knew his heart, identifying his allies and enemies. It would work if Lin Yi decided that someone was a friend.

It was like a network of friends, applying only to those he was friendly with.

"Earth class!" Lingshan and Yutian were substantially shocked by Lin Yi's words, looking at each other with open mouths, "Isn't that the type of strength you see in the legendary hidden houses?"

The two were both from noble houses, and naturally, they understood what being Earth class meant. Even Mystic late phase peak was very rare.

"I don't know- the world has plenty of weird stuff there. Although, from your perspective, there are only the hidden houses who have Earth class practitioners, there might be earth class fighters that the black groups control as well. Like this thieving world, for example..." Lin Yi said.

"You're right!" Lingshan said. "My thinking was too limited- I was thinking of only the legal ones, not considering the underground groups!"

"If an Earth class really is here, I don't advise fighting him. I don't have a full guarantee of doing anything to him, and having your men catch him would only be even harder. No one would be able to stop him if he wanted to run with someone." Lin Yi said faintly. "You guys should change your plan a bit. Don't go into something that you can't handle..."

Although, if Lin Yi really did want to have a fight with this Earth Class, it wasn't as if he had no chance. But there was something important he came to this tomb for, and if this guy doesn't meddle with him, he didn't care what he did!

He didn't really mind if Lingshan and Yutian could complete their missions or not. The situation was a bit special now. He needed to prioritize Xiaoxiao.

Yutian and Lingshan smiled bitterly, silent. They naturally knew how powerful Earth class fighters were, with even Mystics being really strong people already! Even Lin Yi said he couldn't guarantee anything.

They didn't know which of the graverobbers was that capable, getting even an earth class...

“We’ll have to see how things turn out then...” Lingshan sighed, “I wasn’t able to stop Old Hei from killing today, either; I didn’t make it...”

Lingshan naturally didn’t want anyone to die here- they wouldn’t be able to get the things they’ve stolen, too.

“That’s one less person- the more people that die, the more I can be sure of which side the Earth class belongs too,” Lin Yi said casually.

Lingshan and Yutian were deep in thought. They made some changes to their plan as Lin Yi called the Chu house.

Goudan’s voice came through. “Hello? How are you?”

“Er Goudan, it’s me- how are you doing?” Lin Yi didn’t think that Goudan’s voice would be so civilized all of a sudden, even saying ‘how are you’ on the phone.

“Boss, it’s you!” Goudan was a bit emotional. “It’s fine here; I sent the three sis-in-laws to school this morning. I’ll get them tonight! Don’t worry, boss, anyone who touches them will die instantly.”

“Alright.” Lin Yi smiled. “Right, how’s Weiwu? Bring him to the police station to an officer called Liu Wangli later; I’ll talk to him about it.”

“General Weiwu? Alright!” Goudan nodded. “Alright, I’ll do that in a bit.”

Lin Yi suddenly remembered General Weiwu when they were in the tomb- if he were here, then he’d have less trouble and more guarantees. After all, dogs had powerful noses, and this would also be a backup of Lin Yi’s! If he didn’t fight to earth-class, that would be better, but if they did fight, he could use the bomb and also use General Weiwu as a healing trump card, repairing his damaged nerves quickly!

If he didn’t have Weiwu with him, it’d be bad if he died all of a sudden in the tomb!

After calling Goudan, he got Lingshan to call Wangli and have him bring the dog over. Lin Yi would drive out to personally get him.

In the Xiao’s villa, Xiao Ji was hurriedly calling Xiao Ben to come back from the company.

In House Xiao, the business part was all Xiao Ben managing it, while Xiao Ji spent his time as the head of the house, not doing anything, in name only. Although this was better for Xiao Ji.

“Brother, what happened for you to call me back so suddenly?” Xiao Ben said as he rushed home.

“Brother, good news! Lin Yi is out, and isn’t home- this is the best time for us to get Chu Pengzhan!” Xiao Ji said. “A while back, we weren’t able to touch House Chu, and that’s really big pain for me! This is a chance we can’t miss!”

Chapter 1338: Getting Ready

“Oh? Lin Yi’s not home? Where did you get this information? Is it reliable?” Xiao Ben’s eyes lit up.

“Very reliable! I saw with my own two eyes that Lin Yi left the villa, and I wanted to check again, so I got Xiao Wangba and Xiao Wangdao to go to his school to check. Lin Yi wasn’t at school!” Xiao Ji said.

“Alright, confirm it a bit more- if he really isn’t here, we’ll make our move!” Xiao Ben said after a sigh. He didn’t want to let go of this chance either- he’d wanted to make a move on Pengzhan for a long time.

“Actually, second brother, our House Pi practitioners have already recovered- even if Lin Yi was here, it shouldn’t be a problem, we could let them cripple him!” Xiao Ji said. “They’re strong enough to just slap him and that Li Fu around if it weren’t for that Mister Warrior!”

“You’re right, but this is assuming our House Pi fighters help out. If they don’t, nothing will work!” Xiao Ben said. “We don’t even need to talk to Pengzhan if they were willing to help. We could just have them cripple Li Fu and Lin Yi, take Pengzhan’s daughter, and tell him to pay up!”

“Brother, I think we should discuss with them first- tell them our intentions. After all, all benefits we get are mostly for House Pi, anyway. I’m sure the Pi masters would be willing to help if there were benefits in store for them!”

“You’re actually right, big brother- this makes so much sense! Even if we take House Chu, a great portion of it is for House Pi. Of course, they’d be willing to help!” Xiao Ben slapped his thigh, feeling like everything made sense!

He always complicated thinking about it, feeling that it’d be like commanding the Pi masters.

He forgot about one simple thing- the things they were doing now were for the sake of House Pi’s benefit!

And so, Xiao Ben and Xiao Ji went to talk with the Pi masters, telling them about their intentions. Of course, Xiao Ben mentioned that the benefits would mostly be for House Pi! Pengzhan’s business is very large, and just taking some of it was already a big deal.

“Naturally, that isn’t a problem!” Pi Yangyang nodded without hesitation. He was pissed already when he got sent to the hospital. If it weren’t for the fact that he was a Mystic, along with special House Pi medicine materials, he’d be in the hospital bed for months!

And he was just getting frustrated with nowhere to relieve himself when all of a sudden a punching bag called House Chu came along!

“We’ll treat it as exercise, then!” The other Pi nodded as well.

“That’s great! Since both masters are fine with it, we should move as soon as possible- how about tonight!” Xiao Ben said. “At night, Chu Mengyao would be back from school, and the Golden class early phase physical practitioner Li Fu would be fetching them. Lin Yi might also appear, but he might not as well. Please, don’t hold back and just cripple both Li Fu and Lin Yi. It’d be best if they died! Then we’ll just take Chu Mengyao, and the mission’s done! Leave the rest to us by then!”

“That’s easy, no problem!” Pi Yangyang nodded proudly. “What is that Lin Yi’s strength? Mystic mid-phase spiritual practitioner?”

“Yes, a Mystic mid-phase!” Xiao Ben nodded, naturally unaware that Lin Yi was mid-phase peak already.

“A small mid-phase Mystic- I’ll kill him with one slap.” Pi Yangyang nodded. He was the type who liked to bully those weaker than him.

“At night, Xiao Wangba and Xiao Wang Dao will accompany you two masters to stop Chu Mengyao’s car. They know which car it is, they’ll tell you from afar. Us two brothers- it’s not ideal for us to appear in the scene.” Xiao Ben said.

“Alright, no problem!” Yangyang guaranteed.

Wangdao and Wangba were really happy that they were given such an important task, doing a mission with two Mystics- that was a glorious thing indeed. And so, they called their closer friend Wu Chentian at first notice.

“Wu Bro, it’s Wangba!” Wangba called Wu Chentian’s phone, “Do you have time tonight?”

“I’m free, what’s up?” Chentian had nothing much to do other than analyze how to pursue Su Jingyi. He didn’t even go to his company a few times up until now.

“You see, Wu Bro, you hate that Lin Yi kid, right? Today our House Xiao’s Pi masters are planning on kidnapping Chu Mengyao, and they’ll probably get into conflict with Li Fu and Lin Yi- my dad told them to kill Lin Yi right away. Wu Bro, are you interested in seeing that?” Wangba asked.

“Kill Lin Yi?” Chentian paused. He hated Lin Yi, but he only wanted to mess with him a bit and force him away from Jingyi. Why would he kill the guy? He may be an arrogant man, but he wasn’t a poisonous one! Killing Lin Yi was something that gave him a shock.

But that was House Xiao’s business, and they had hidden House Pi backing them up. He naturally had nothing to say. Fine, they could kill Lin Yi if they wanted, but hopefully, Jingyi wouldn’t blame him after Lin Yi died. He was just a Golden class; after all, how was he supposed to fight in a battle between Mystics? House Wu wasn’t their equal at all!

“Right, that Lin Yi’s a Mystic as well- this is a battle between master fighters! And it’s physical practitioners versus spiritual practitioners, aren’t you a practitioner too, Wu Bro? You could come learn something from their fight!”

Wu Chentian didn’t want to go at first, worried that Jingyi would ignore him once she knew the truth, but Wangba’s words changed his mind! He was right. The fight was between masters, and there were physical practitioners as well. He could learn quite a bit, and who knew if just one minor move from their side would enlighten his own practicing? He started getting interested...

Just a look, then? It wasn’t him who was going to kill Lin Yi, anyway, it was House Pi and House Xiao. He had nothing to do with it! “Alright then, I’ll go and see if I can learn something...”

Chapter 1339: Er Goudan’s Move

“Then it’s decided! Wu Bro, maybe you can drive to House Xiao first. We can go over together!” Wangba said.

“Alright, I’ll go.” Chentian nodded.

House Xiao called Chentian over to take a look was actually that they could get to show off their strength- let them see how tough the hidden House Pi was. This would let the other noble houses know how strong they were!

“Well?” Xiao Ben asked after Wangba hung up.

“He said ‘yes.’” Wangba nodded.

“All right, that’s good- this time, we’ll push our family name loud and far. The noble house meeting is coming up with the support of House Pi. We’ll get a good spot for sure!” Xiao Ben said gleefully.

At night, Er Goudan was in Uncle Fu’s Bentley, going to Songshan’s First School Goudan sat in the co-pilot seat, like a bodyguard as he stared at his surroundings alertly!

This was a mission boss Lin Yi gave to him- he couldn’t mess it up.

Uncle Fu felt a bit amused at Goudan’s behavior- where did Lin Yi find a weird guy like this?

Mengyao, Yushu, and Tang Yun came out very soon. The three were evidently not too happy these days, not getting used to losing a friend all of a sudden.

The three got on the car, and Mengyao gave Goudan a nod as a greeting.

Uncle Fu drove the car and headed back to the Chu villa.

Things were all peaceful when a van without a license plate stopped in front of them- another SUV blocked them from the back, as well. They couldn’t move.

Uncle Fu stopped the car, his face tense. He still remembered this scene that happened awhile back.

“Miss Chu, stay in the car- don’t get out no matter what!” Uncle Fu said seriously as he prepared to get off.

He knew that these were enemies, but he had to tank them- this wasn’t for his job as a bodyguard anymore. These years, he treated Mengyao as one of her own! He couldn’t let her get hurt!

But, before he could even get out of the car, the van’s door opened up. An old man and a young man jumped out, wearing white practitioner’s clothes!

“This is bad; it’s House Pi’s practitioners!” Li Fu frowned.

“Li Fu, Lin Yi, come out and die!” Pi Yangyang said arrogantly. He couldn’t see the situation inside the Bentley because of the stained glass.

Some distance away, Xiao Wangba, Xiao Wangdao, and Wu Chentian were in another car, quietly watching.

“That’s a Mystic late phase peak spiritual practitioner for you, that looks so cool!” Chentian said as he watched enviously, “When will I become like that?”

Chentian was one who admired the strong- that was only natural; after all, he was a practitioner in a noble house. It was a normal dream.

“Haha, don’t worry, Wu Bro, after this is done we’ll let House Pi’s masters teach you a thing or two, you’ll learn really quickly!” Wangba said.

“Oh? That’s great! Thank you for that, Wangba.” Chentian said happily. His grandpa was a Mystic as well, but there were limits. If a different Mystic physical practitioner gave him pointers, it would benefit him tremendously.

“No need to thank me. Let’s watch the show!” Wangba said with a wave of his hand.

Yangyang walked up to the Bentley very arrogantly, slapping his palm onto the Bentley and denting it in, leaving a handprint!

“Get out, hurry up and get out or I’ll blow this car away!” Yangyang said loudly.

“Seriously? The Pi’s kungfu is this tough? That’s some iron fist right here!” Chentian said, impressed. “I practice iron fist kungfu too, but I can’t make such a perfect palm print like that! Damn, I need to ask him some pointers later!”

“Of course, Mystics are of a different class!” Wangdao said gleefully as he looked at Chentian’s lit up eyes. House Xiao was always the one being envious of other houses practitioners, and now it was flipped over!

On the other hand, Uncle Fu was going to get out when Goudan stopped him, “These two old bastards dare to cause trouble, I should’ve just killed them in one shot last time! Don’t worry; I’ll go kill them with one hit!”

Goudan remembered Lin Yi’s words very clearly- he couldn’t have mercy when it came to his enemies. His body was a bit special, and if the enemy had a chance to retaliate, he’d be doomed!

Only then did Uncle Fu remember that there was a monster in the car! This was someone who sent these two Pi’s to the hospital before, so why was he scared now? Just let Goudan finish them off!

Goudan jumped out the car, and without another word, sent a fist to Yangyang’s chest!

A huge boom sounded, and the cocky Yangyang was sent flying a dozen meters, slamming into a telephone pole, evidently going to die soon. A big hole could be clearly seen in his chest- Goudan made a complete hole!

The other Mister Pi was feeling rather cocky as well and was about to add some words of his own when Yangyang finished in order to release his anger from the hospital, but before he could say anything, some guy jumped out and sent Yangyang flying!

Mister Pi was at a loss for words- what happened? Why was Yangyang gone all of a sudden? Why was there someone this strong in the Bentley?

But his eyes rested on Er Goudan- his entire body shivered in fear! Wasn’t this that great warrior who called himself Grandpa Er Goudan?! Why was he in this car?!

“Great warrior, why... why are you here...” Mister Pi’s words were fumbling over each other.

Goudan had chosen the stronger one first, killing him with one blow without holding back one inch. He naturally knew Yangyang's strength, and so he went with all his strength. But Mister Pi still hadn't made a move yet- this made Goudan quite glad indeed! If he didn't hit Goudan now, he wouldn't have a chance!

Chapter 1340: Take me as Your Follower

In truth, it wasn't that Mister Pi didn't want to retaliate, it was that he didn't dare to! From his perspective, Goudan was someone of a higher plane of existence, and was already traumatized by him back then! He just killed Yangyang with one hit, too- this wasn't someone he would dare fight!

And the only thing he could do was to beg- he couldn't say anything else!

"Speak! Who sent you? Is it that Gou Huli, that damned hag?" Goudan met Huli first when he encountered House Xiao, after all. It was the first one that came to mind. "Speak, or I'll stomp you to death!"

"I- Aah!!" Mister Pi was just about to speak when his legs gave out from pain!

Goudan stepped twice onto his legs, breaking them! Mister Pi wasn't as strong as Pi Yangyang, but dealing with Er Goudan was something he was completely capable of. And so, Goudan removed any threat he could pose beforehand, turning him into a cripple first. "Tell me who sent you!"

"I... Aahhh!" Mister Pi was about to speak when he heard another cracking sound- more pain came from his arms!

Before he could even speak, Goudan stomped on his right arm, breaking it completely!

Mister Pi's eyes were rolling backward as he cried out in pain. "I'll... I'll talk, don't kill me... Don't..."

"Alright, speak," Goudan said as he stepped on his left arm, breaking it as well.

The goal was simple- he couldn't let this Mister Pi have any chance of retaliation! He had to disable all of his limbs first before he could start a safe questioning.

"Aghh..." Mister Pi was being bombarded with pain right now- he was about to speak already, why was this guy still stepping on him? Could he let him finish his sentences?

Some distance away, House Pi's two brothers were completely shocked- what sort of practitioner was this, killing Yangyang in one hit and crippling all Mister Pi's limbs without letting him say anything?

Was he interrogating him or beating him up?

Only Wu Chentian, however, was feeling impressed and emotional. Just how strong was this man, wasn't this too much? Killing a Mystic late phase peak physical practitioner with one hit? Just how much of a master was he?!

He was already impressed enough with the pit Pi Yangyang made on the car, but this guy made an entire hole through Yangyang's chest, killing him instantly!

“I’ll talk... It’s House Xiao... House Xiao’s the one who told me to kidnap Chu Mengyao. It’s not my fault; I’m not the mastermind, it’s House Xiao...” Mister Pi said completely- he wasn’t a Xiao, he had no reason to defend House Xiao!

And he was about to die! He had no time to be considerate for House Xiao!

“Oh, it is House Xiao, after all!” Goudan nodded and pulled him up before throwing him at the van, bursting him through the metal and into the van. He stopped breathing.

Goudan patted his hands and spoke handsomely, “Boss said that anyone who dared touch Chu Mengyao must die immediately.”

With that, he put a foot on the van and kicked it away for the Bentley.

Goudan was about to get in the car when someone came charging out, landing into a kneeling position on the ground. “Shifu, please accept me as your disciple! You really are the strongest of the strongest amongst physical practitioners. Please take me as your disciple...”

It was Wu Chentian! He couldn’t let this chance go after seeing how strong Goudan was! He was at least an Earth class, for sure, being able to kill a Mystic late phase peak practitioner with no effort? How was that any lower than Earth class? He was probably higher than that!

“Who are you?” Goudan said, wondering where this guy came out from. He felt a bit troubled.

“I’m Wu Chentian, the heir of House Wu.” Chentian introduced himself. “I’m a physical practice as well, but I’m only Golden class early phase...”

“Oh, then scram, I don’t have time to be making disciples. I still have to help my boss be a bodyguard right now.” Goudan waved his hand impatiently.

“Ah? Then I can just be your follower, it’s fine!” Chentian said, changing his tactic.

“Follower? What can you do?” Goudan was about to reject him, but he thought that perhaps it might be useful to have someone run errands.

“I can do anything! Anything you don’t want to do yourself, for example, I can do! As long as you can teach me a move or two sometimes!” Chentian remembered to mention his goal.

“Oh, I’ll think about it then. I still have to ask my boss. If he lets me take you as my follower, then fine, but if he says no, you’ll have to go play yourself.” Goudan said.

“Ugh... Who’s your boss then?” Chentian paused and asked.

“My boss is Lin Yi. You wouldn’t know him anyway.” Goudan said impatiently, “Alright, go back first; I’ll tell you after I ask him.”

“Lin Yi?” Chentian paused- why was it, Lin Yi? Wasn’t that his love rival?

He suddenly remembered that this was Chu Mengyao’s car he came out of, and Lin Yi was Mengyao’s bodyguard- so Lin Yi asked his follower to protect Mengyao for him, this made sense!

But, it was still confusing- Lin Yi was the boss of this powerful monster? Didn't that mean that Lin Yi was stronger than him? If he called Goudan his boss, then Lin Yi would be his boss' boss... Would he still have any hope of getting with Jingyi then? Wouldn't he be fighting his boss' boss for her?

That was evidently impossible. If he called this man boss now, he would have to give up on Jingyi... He started struggling and hesitating.

But the promise of power... He couldn't just give up on that, and the chance was right in front of his eyes! Once in a lifetime chance!

Just thinking of the things that he could learn from Goudan made him certain that his family would benefit directly from it! They'd get stronger!