

Bodyguard 1481

Chapter 1481:

On top of that, the success rate was also extremely low. The reason why it was called a pill was because both of them were just medicine makers- they were not elixir refiners. They could only modulate herbs into a pill but not refining them to elixirs.

"I..." Yu Bing smiled bitterly. Initially, he was planning to give Yu Ning a surprise by telling him the good news of meeting Lin Yi. He knew that Yu Ning would have been delighted beyond belief, but.... who would have thought that this surprise became a piece of bad news. He didn't know how to explain it all of a sudden.

After all, Lin Yi was attacked right before his eyes while he was completely helpless in the situation.

"What's wrong? Big brother? From your tone, you don't seem to be enjoying it there?" Yu Ning asked.

"This.... I have a bit of bad news.... Sister, you have to stay strong..." Yu Bing hesitated.

"What news? What is so terrifying that you can't say it? Big brother, just what has happened over there?" Yu Ning panicked as her heart tightened, "Did you face any trouble there?"

"No, not me... sister, did you know who I meet in the inn here?" Yu Bing smiled bitterly.

"Who?" Yu Ning froze and asked.

"Lin Yi!" Yu Bing answered.

"What! You saw him there?" Yu Ning was excited and surprised at the same time, "You met him? Does it mean that he's also attending the test..... no that can't be right, you were talking about bad news.... is the bad news related to him?"

Yu Ning's awareness brought her back to reality, could it be that something had happened to him?

"Yeah...." Yu Bing had to let the cat out of the bag. Instead of hesitating and dragging, he decided to tell Yu Ning the whole story from the head to toe as he started compiling everything that happened together and make it into a speech.

"What! He lost all his strength.... enemy was from the ancient sect...." Yu Ning was astonished to hear what happened. She did not blame her brother for not standing up for Lin Yi as she knew that being a hidden noble house was nothing before the eye of an ancient sect. She also knew how strong the opponent was. Even if her brother stood up to help, things would still not have ended well for them, either! It was a wise choice not to stand up, his decision was accurate- one couldn't just use their emotions to act!

"Yeah.... I'm truly sorry, sister. I couldn't help at that time..." Yu Bing smiled bitterly as he explained.

"Father has high hope on me, the future of House Yu lies on this test.... I can't lose my strength yet...."

"I understand... but he..." Yu Ning shook her head- she understood where her brother was coming from, naturally, she wouldn't blame him too, "I was so excited when you told me that he had the strength of a peak mid-phase of the mystic class.... but he lost his strength suddenly...."

"That's the main reason why I'm calling you right now. I planned to hide this from you, not wanting you to be upset of the news," Yu Bing said, "But I need your help if we want to recover Lin Yi's strength- we need a large number of herbs that can boost one's strength like the soul gathering pill. Our house has a stock but there's a limit to how much I can get in my hands... the rest is up to you now...."

"But... I'm not even a practitioner, how can I just request for them out of the blue, I've never requested them before, have I?" Yu Ning flinched. What her brother suggested was really in order for them to help Lin Yi recover his strength, and she would do anything for him!

The night they spent together during that valentine's day was something that she could never forget in her entire life- her heart had long belonged to Lin Yi.

But Yu Ning was not a person who acted on her emotions- she knew that if she were to ask for the pills from her family out of a sudden, they would surely suspect something was going on. She had to have a strategy beforehand....

"So we need to think this through but everything just happened so fast, I don't have a plan just yet," Yu Bing smiled bitterly, "I just wanted to tell you first so we can come up with a plan together.."

"Sure, I'll start thinking about it!" Yu Ning didn't dare to procrastinate on things that were related to Lin Yi.

"Okay, I will leave the rest to you. Remember don't let anyone know about this, I'll call home to report my situation now!" Yu Bing sighed. Although he didn't have the mood to call his home now, reporting his safety to his family was still important.

"En.... brother..." Yu Ning hesitated.

"What? What's wrong?" Yu Ning spoke the moment Yu Bing was about to end the call.

"Can I.... talk to him?" Yu Ning built up her courage as she asked.

"Tomorrow maybe... I'll try to change his mind, but now he's resting in his room. I think he doesn't want to be disturbed so maybe we can do it tomorrow instead?" Yu Bing said.

"Okay...." Yu Ning nodded- she could understand how sad Lin Yi would be now. Losing one's strength was something every practitioner didn't ever want happening, "However, brother, please tell Lin Yi that I will do my best to help him. Ask him to have faith in me, I will make sure things work out in our way, even if it's impossible now... I believe... I can still help him! Please advise him not to give up on himself!"

Yu Ning got so pumped up- she almost exposed her own secret... that she was capable of inheriting the cultivation of the ancient art. This secret was confidential even within the House Yu, other than Yu Ning herself, only old Elder Yu and Yu Xiaochen knew about this, and even Yu Yi hadn't been told about this top secret.

“En! I will!” Yu Bing didn’t ask but he had already figured it out when he was younger. After all, this was House Yu’s ultimate secret, if his dad didn’t want him to know, naturally, he wouldn’t ask unnecessary questions that would trouble his sister!

After all, this wasn’t about his sister’s and his relationship anymore, this was about breaking the rules of House Yu. Yu Bing had to take this seriously.

After reporting his safety to his family, Yu Bing had lost the motivation to bond with the other participants. He lied in his bed and decided to rest early. Although, he couldn’t fall asleep with all the thoughts in his mind, he had nothing better to do....

Zhao Qitan, Zhao Qijiu and Yu Shan were on their way back to the inn from the restaurant. It was already three in the morning, and they were obviously very happy, celebrating. However, there was one person ahead of the trio, this person had just joined their party not long ago.

However, this mysterious guy was no simple man, otherwise, there was no way a person like Yu Shan- who came from the head of hidden house, Hidden House Yu- would be treating him with full respect and honor!

“Nitian bro, having you in our party is the best blessing we could ever ask for! I believe we will have a ridiculously good outcome from this test!” Zhao Qibing was fired up- having a connection with an ancient noble house was beneficial in every aspect!

Chapter 1482: Ancient Noble House

One had to know that ancient noble houses and ancient sects both held the same amount of power and the young man at the front of the group was an heir from the ancient noble house Feng- his name was Feng Nitian!

His name was intimidating but his abilities were even more overbearing. With him in their party, Zhao Qitan believed that he and Yu Shan could pretty much pass the test with their eyes closed!

“We can be only so sure, naturally, there will be other participants from the ancient sects or ancient noble houses too, I’m not alone,” Feng Nitian might have said it in a humble manner but he wasn’t humble in the slightest from his expression, “However, since everyone is from the same rank, they will more or less give us some face!”

“Yes! yes!” Yu Shan wasn’t showing any sign of weakness, either, “Nitian bro’s reputation is far superior to us, having Nitian bro in our party is our honour! The three of us are blessed!”

“This time around, if someone is unwilling to admit defeat, we can show them the overpowering arts you have here, Nitian bro!” Zhao Qitan started mentioning the ancient arts. Nitian’s arts were completely overpowering- it was an art that defied logic or the sky! The Sky Defying arts was on a completely different existence from all the other arts!

Feng Nitian had displayed his strength in front of them just now which was the main reason why they were all licking his ass, otherwise, it would be a little pointless if Feng Nitian was just a member of the

ancient noble house. All of them were from the same starting point, and while mutual respect was required, currying favor to this extent was not necessary!

The participants were all here for the test, so it was impossible to get any benefits out of them, but what surprised them the most was Feng Nitian's sky defying arts! Participants from the ancient sect and noble house were really different, after all!

It was completely different from a hidden noble house, the difference between them was insurmountable!

The so-called Sky Defying arts were indeed overpowering! Feng Nitian's arts was somehow unique in it's own way, he could control a small part of his surrounding as his own territory and the people who were within his territory were immobilised. While the area he could control was small and the time was short, but it was more than enough! Being in the third level, the amount of time he could immobilise people was three minutes and the radius was around three metres.

Imagine an invincible master locked in place, completely unmovable- wasn't that the same as witnessing his own death? This was how overpowering Feng Nitian's sky defying arts was! Of course, this mysterious arts could only be performed by two people so far, other than the House Feng's old elder, it was him!

The prerequisites to learn this arts were so extreme, ordinary people could never actually learn it. Hence, Feng Nitian was prioritised in House Feng, receiving extra attention than others. The purpose of him coming here today was not only for the test, but he was also here to create a name for himself, a reputation that could proclaim the name of House Feng and as well as in preparation to be the next leader of House Feng!

Once Feng Nitian became the young master of the house, then the seat of the current generation leader would naturally fall into his father's hands- he had a chance to outplay his uncle and kick him out of the game now!

Of course, even if Feng Nitian didn't participate in this test, he could very much use the great favor he already received from the house and his own abilities and strength to become the young master. However, this process was just a little slower than showing his outstanding results in the ice palace test so he decided to come here and make a name of himself, he couldn't wait anymore as his uncle and cocky brother were pissing him off in the house!

Hence, as long as he could pass- staying in the top three throughout the test, he would be able to win some treasure and his position in the house would be secured. Although the ancient noble house Feng didn't lack any treasure, this was all for the honor, not for the items.

Feng Nitian, naturally, didn't mind recruiting some lackeys from the hidden noble house nor did he mind giving them a helping hand too!

As far as Feng Nitian was concerned, there was nothing that could obstruct him during the test- people were just looking to kill themselves if they had the balls to come near him. He could injure them as much as he liked and steal their hard-earned points as he wished. Excelling in the test would be a piece of cake!

“Sky Defying arts consumes a lot of my pure qi so I can’t use it very frequently, at most three to five times I would say!” Feng Nitian waved his hand, “So you guys have to work hard too!”

In actuality, with his current strength, he could only use the arts maximum three times. He was just trying to boost his own ego by exaggerating it a little.

“That’s more than enough, we can rely on your arts only when someone is trying to steal our points and we can’t beat them in a fight!” Yu Shan suggested.

“Sure, you guys can take this as training too! Otherwise, if I were to use my arts everytime we face an enemy, then the whole point of the test will be pointless,” Feng Nitian tried to act cool around them.

“Indeed, indeed!” Zhao Qitan and Yushan both nodded.

The four of them headed back to the inn to see six people sitting in front of the inn! Five of them were surrounding one guy and that guy in the middle seemed to be practicing.

“What are they doing?” Feng Nitian furrowed his eyebrows and pointed at Zhang Naipao.

“It kills me, I’ve no idea too. Nitian bro, should I go ask them?” Yushan asked.

“Okay, you go ask them!” Feng Nitian nodded, “The pure qi in this area is certainly thicker but that didn’t mean that they should practice in the open air, they could pretty much do the same in their own room, right?”

“Hey, you people, what are you guys doing?” Having Feng Nitian backing him up, he finally had the courage to show his true colors.

Zhuang Niaopao and gang had their attention on Zhang Naipao so when someone shouted at them suddenly, they were all surprised! As furious as they were, they didn’t dare interfere with Master Pao’s practice, so all of them chose to ignore Yu Shan.

“Mother f*cker, I’m talking to you guys! Are you guys deaf or something?” Yu Shan was pissed when he saw no reaction from them, “Open your dog eyes and see the person right across you guys, he is Nitian bro from the ancient noble house, how dare you not come and greet him?!”

Looking at how cocky the person right in front of them was, Zhuang Niaopao and his gang were frustrated, they wanted to beat the crap out of him but before they could stand up, they heard something!

What? Ancient noble house Feng?!

Zhuang Niaopao and his gang quickly stood up and apologized as they explained, “Truly sorry about that, the inner disciple of Everyday and Ever Day ancient sect is practicing, we have to provide him support right now!”

Although they had the support of Zhang Naipao, they couldn’t offend people from the ancient noble house, either!

Chapter 1483: Late Phase of the Mystic Class

If the person right across of them was a disciple from a hidden noble house, they wouldn't give two shits to him but things were different now as the person was from an ancient noble house! His rank was as high as the disciple from the ancient sect! They couldn't possibly offend a person this powerful!

"What? A disciple from an Ancient noble house?" Feng Nitian was startled by the news- he didn't know that the person in the middle was from an ancient noble house. If he knew, he wouldn't have disturbed him. One of the reasons why he was here was to make connections with the disciples of the ancient sect and noble house, so that he would gain more support during the election when selecting the new head of the house in the future!

So when he heard that they were protecting the disciple from the ancient sect, "Excuse us, we didn't mean to disturb! When this brother is done with his practice, please forward a message to him, telling him that I, Feng Nitian from the ancient noble house will come to his room personally to apologize!"

"No problem, Nitian bro!" Zhuang Niaopao quickly nodded. Zhuang Niaopao was no stupid, Nitian might have said that he will be going to Naipao's room to apologize but it was just a courtesy, he knew the difference between them.

"So what's going on? Why is he practicing here?" Feng Nitian was curious as he asked. Being in the ancient sect, he believed that they wouldn't lack any ideal location to practice. Why in front of the inn in the middle of the night?

Zhuang Niaopao didn't have the courage to hide their situation as he told Nitian everything that had happened just now.

Naturally, Lin Yi's name became Ling Yi in the ears of Zhao Qitan, the names were similar after all so he assumed that Zhuang Niaopao was bad at pronouncing.

"What? Ling Yi is now disabled?" Zhao Qitan was taken aback. It was such a waste putting in so much effort to pull him to his side. If he knew that he was an enemy of the ancient sect, he wouldn't have invested so much time on him!

Yushan, on the other hand, was excited to hear the great news! This time around, his big brother was really in danger now, the friend that he just recruited into his party was now disabled. Hahaha, why would he not be cheering at the news?

Yu Bing, let's see how are you going to fight me now? I have Feng Nitian from the ancient noble house Feng, and what do you have? The only ally you have is just an ordinary man now. You have no more cards to play in this game anymore!

After five years of training in the ice palace, the throne of House Yu will be mine! You will be nothing in front of me!

"I see!" Feng Nitian nodded. His expression remained the same but he was astonished inside. He thought that his arts was already very overpowering, who would have thought that the person across of him could absorb the pure qi from his enemy, wasn't this ridiculous?

Of course, in the eyes of Zhao Qitan and Yushan, Zhang Naipao's arts was overpowering too but they believed Feng Nitian's sky deying arts wasn't inferior to him. Both of them were equally powerful but

they couldn't pick two sides, could they? Now that they had Feng Nitian in their party, naturally, they wouldn't go curry favour with Zhang Naipao now.

"I shall take my leave and stop disturbing our brother there then, please excuse me," Feng Nitian said humbly and brought Zhao Qitan and his gang away from the group as they entered the inn...

It was five in the morning now, and suddenly, the pure qi in the atmosphere thickened as if it was all concentrated at one point.

People with experience knew what was going to happen- it was the sign of breakthrough! People who were far could not sense it, but the people inches away could sense it clearly!

"A breakthrough is happening soon! Guys, be cautious of your surrounding!" Zhuang Niaopao demanded everyone to pay attention.

"Yes!" Everyone responded seriously.

Meanwhile, Feng Nitian and his gang stopped chatting and went to the window to check what was going on, "The guy is going to break through soon."

Right after Feng Nitian finished speaking, Zhao Qitan and Yushan could feel the difference in concentration. They were from the hidden noble house, after all, their senses were one grade lower than Feng Nitian who was from an ancient noble house. Not having the strong sensitivity Feng Nitian possessed was totally normal.

"Boom-" The pure qi that had gathered at one point violently exploded suddenly and disseminated...

"Late phase of the mystic class! He has reached the late phase of the mystic class, what an overbearing art he practices! Feng Nitian sighed.

"Yeah, but Nitian bro, you aren't half bad, either!" Yushan quickly added.

"Hehe, late phase of the mystic class, huh? Same level as me, it's nothing," Feng Nitian waved his hand, "Let's continue the topic we had just left off, you guys want to know more about an ancient noble house?"

Previously, Feng Nitian was explaining what he knew about the ancient noble houses and sects to them. Of course, what Feng Nitian told them was no secret, it was all general knowledge that everyone from the ancient ranks knew but it was something totally new to the disciples of the hidden noble house. Feng Nitian didn't mind explaining to them and at the same time, he could use this opportunity to raise his reputation and position in front of them!

However, the moment Zhang Naipao broke through, the boss of the inn squinted his eyes. He looked at Zhang Naipao who was in front of the inn and looked up, a flash of amazement could be seen in his gaze, his voice was low as he whispered to himself, "Did the guy on the first floor just breakthrough as well? Could it be..... it seems like the test this time is going to be pretty interesting!"

The boss' eyes went back to their previous state of calm and returned to his work.

"Hu....." Lin Yi let out a long breath, his lips curled into a smile, "Finally.... Zhang Naipao, I really have to thank you for helping me level up, without you I wouldn't have had this opportunity!"

Lin Yi had been feeling a sign of a breakthrough recently but had only been lacking an opportunity. Today was the day, however, as he fully utilised the given opportunity and broke through into late-phase! This was a serendipitous encounter.

Lin Yi stretched his body, he couldn't have felt any better with the upgrade! He broke through naturally this time- it was extremely relaxing compared to the method he had been using. At least his shirt was still intact and he didn't suffer as much compared to when he had to compress his qi.

"Jiji..." Skybolt pig was envious as he stared at Lin Yi. This little fellow still couldn't understand how Lin Yi did that- he was an ordinary person not long ago and now he had just broken through into the next level? Just what was this sorcery?

"He... Little guy, you want an upgrade too?" Lin Yi had now cheered up because of the breakthrough, so naturally, his attitude towards Skybolt pig became more friendly as well.

"Jiji..." Skybolt pig quickly nodded.

"Okay!" Lin Yi accepted his request happily, "With this breakthrough, I'll make you a mystic pig in one go too!"

"Jiji!!" Skybolt pig was excited and started dancing when he heard Lin Yi's promise.

"But locating the Fire Spirit's fruit is your mission, okay? You have to search for it with all your full strength!" Lin Yi reminded.

Chapter 1484: Being Punched in the Face

"Jijiji!" Skybolt pig nodded in agreement.

"Come here, little guy!" Lin Yi held Skybolt pig up and went into the jade space.

He could feel that Skybolt pig didn't practice any arts, the pure qi in his body was all accumulated from consuming rare herbs- it was kind of similar to his own energy and so the energy that went into the Skybolt pig's body instantly merged with its own energy!

Lin Yi could tell that a spirit beast's energy had the same element as his own. No wonder General Weiwu could use it to level up and the so-called healing type spirit beast was just a spirit beast who had the ability to transfer its own energy to another body. Since General Weiwu knew how to do that coincidentally, he was labelled as the healing type by Elder Yu!

Other spirit beasts had their own special abilities, but the energy inside them was the same as the universal energy Lin Yi possessed. Most of them didn't know how to transfer the energy so even if their energy was universal, they were not able to utilise it.

Hence, only the Dragon Arts of Mastery that Lin Yi practiced could be used by others. This was one of the weaknesses that spirit beasts had.

It was already morning when Skybolt pig broke through into the mystic class. Lin Yi patted on the little fellow's back and smiled lightly, "Done, little guy, go hide somewhere and play, I need to go meet my old friend now!"

Yu Bing probably didn't have a good night's sleep, did he? Thinking until this point, Lin Yi was touched by his sincerity, he was an enemy to the common and hidden noble house Yu but his friendship with Yu Bing was genuine. He didn't care if Yu Bing was treating him as a friend because of Yu Ning or what, but since Yu Bing was a sincere friend- he was substantially grateful to him!

If he was given a chance to show his gratitude, he would gladly fulfil his demands but it seemed like Yu Bing didn't have any requests right now.

Skybolt pig who had just broken through into the mystic class was over the moon and the excitement sent it into a frenzy but as soon as he heard Lin Yi's order, he was a little reluctant to hide in a corner. Before the test started, Lin Yi didn't want people knowing the existence of Skybolt pig as it would only cause more commotion around him!

After the test started, everyone would be his enemy anyway. Lin Yi wasn't afraid that someone would come and steal the pig away from him. He was ready to all out battle them if they ever came near him but he believed that these people wouldn't notice Skybolt pig's true ability- they would only assume that this was an offenceless mystic spirit beast. After all, many spirit beasts could be found in ancient sects as they would keep them as. They might have the strength of a mystic class, but their destructive power was far weaker than any ordinary mystic class master- they couldn't do much harm to people.

Lin Yi pushed the door open and entered into the hallway to see Zhao Qitan, Zhao Qijiu and two strangers walking towards his direction. One of the strangers had some similarities with Yu Bing, so he assumed that it was Yu Shan from hidden House Yu but as for the other one, Lin Yi had never seen him before but he did look familiar to him too... he couldn't tell who was it though.

"Isn't this Ling bro over there? How are you? I heard that you were injured, I wanted to pay you a visit yesterday but was afraid that I might disturb your rest. But is everything alright?" Zhao Qitan pretended to be kind as he greeted Lin Yi.

Zhao Qitan's shrewdness was obviously a little higher than Yu Shan's. Although he knew that it was impossible for Lin Yi a part of their team, especially as he was disabled now, he still greeted him with insincerity anyway. After all, they were once drinking buddies.

"He, thank you for your concern, brother Zhao. I'm fine, no big deal," Lin Yi smiled and nodded. He had no ill feelings towards Zhao Qitan as of now. This person was tricky but he was so much friendlier than Zhao Qibing. His instinct told him that he was probably on a bad terms with Zhao Qibing just like how Yu Bing and Yu Shan were like fire and water.

"No big deal? I suppose you know that you're useless now and wanted to tell my brother you're leaving, right?" Yu Shan commented with disdain, "But my brother does really have a stroke of bad luck, recruiting an ally who had just become disabled, what a tragedy!"

Yushan was still pretty respectful when he first came here but now that he had Feng Nitian as his boss, his inner cockiness expanded to a point where he started acting as big as Feng Nitian, himself.

“Kacha,” The door beside Lin Yi’s room opened abruptly to show a furious Yu Bing staring daggers at Yu Shan, “Yu Shan, what did you say! Why don’t you repeat it again?”

“Huh? What? Did I say anything wrong? Did I step on your nerve and you’re feeling the pain now? You’re so hurt that you even jumped out of your room?” Yu Shan sneered at Yu Bing.

“Yu Shan, you’re getting ruder and ruder,” Yu Bing was pissed at his brother’s attitude, “I can choose to stay quiet when you are attacking me, but I can’t allow you to make fun of people’s tragedy as if it’s a joke!”

“Who do you think you are?” Feng Nitian was irritated by Yu Bing’s lecture. He wanted to have breakfast but was stopped by this person, naturally, he wouldn’t be pleased.

“Who are you? This is House Yu’s business, it has nothing to do with you!” Yu Bing couldn’t believe that there was someone to defend Yu Shan.

“Nothing to do with me?” Feng Nitian raised both his arms up and made a gesture with his fingers. He snorted coldly, “Ignorant trash. Killing you is as simple as a piece of cake!”

“Pah!” Feng Nitian sent a slap to Yu Bing’s face loud and violently and pulled his hand back for another slap, “Pah!” Yu Bing was slapped on both sides of his face!

Yu Bing, on the other hand, was still standing there, immobilized. It was as if he was standing there voluntarily to get beaten up, not even putting up a single struggle.

Lin Yi who was not far behind him could see Yu Bing’s expression. It was full of hatred and rage but why wasn’t he defending himself? The scene surprised Lin Yi very much!

No matter how he looked at Yu Bing- he was no coward! Even during yesterday’s dire situation, Yu Bing still wanted to stand up for Lin Yi but was stopped by Lin Yi’s signal. However, it was different today, what was going on? Why wasn’t Yu Bing fighting back?

Nitian, on the other hand, casually clapped his hands and said, “Let’s go, I’m starving like crazy. This trash is such an annoyance, talking so much bullshit early in the morning!”

Lin Yi hesitated but did not interfere in the fight because he couldn’t tell what Yu Bing was planning. Why would he endure this humiliation under the bright daylight? Was there something that he had missed? Since Yu Bing wasn’t fighting back, naturally, Lin Yi wouldn’t attack Nitian.

Chapter 1485: Astonishing

When Feng Nitian left, he didn’t even look back while Yu Shan, on the other hand, burst into laughter, “Big brother, what’s the matter? Does it feel good? You think you are so tough? You’re just a piece of garbage in front of Nitian bro! HAHHAH!”

There was a flash of anger flashed across Yu Bing’s expression but he couldn’t respond to it. This made Lin Yi even more puzzled!

It was only until the four of them were far away and nowhere to be seen when Yu Bing raised his clenched fists up high to the sky, "What is this wicked art? I couldn't even fight back? Could it be that.... he was from an ancient sect? The sect that has mastered the legendary Territory arts?"

As furious as Yu Bing was, he was not stupid enough to seek for revenge immediately. He was extremely skeptical of the arts as he had never heard of any hidden noble house or normal sect possessing this arts. Looking at how overpowered Zhang Naipao was yesterday, Yu Bing could somehow confirm that Feng Nitian must have come from an ancient noble house or sect!

On top of that, the arts he was practising was similar to the one his grandfather mentioned- it was a legendary art that could take control of a certain territory once the practitioner had mastered it but mastering the arts was no easy task. Besides, one's potential had to also be taken into account, not everyone was fit for this arts so Yu Bing didn't put much attention into it when he heard about it from his grandfather.

But now that he had experienced it for himself- he knew how scary it was!

That moment he was in Nitian's territory, he couldn't move an inch as if he was in chains. The rage was boiling inside him but he couldn't release it at all, immobilised.

If Feng Nitian really wanted him dead, did that mean that he would just have to witness his own death with his own eyes, unable to do a thing about it?

How terrifying was that!

"What? That guy was from an ancient sect?" Lin Yi couldn't understand what Yu Bing was saying, "You were saying territory?"

"Did you know? Lin.... Ling Yi, when I was slapped just now, my whole body was immobilised, I couldn't even resist! It felt like there was an invisible power suppressing my body and restricting my movements!" Yu Bing smiled bitterly, "If I was not wrong, that guy must have come from an ancient noble house or sect. We can't be enemies.... with those people.... Never mind... just like yesterday, the arts that they are practising aren't something we can casually compare with. They are from a totally different tier...."

"Another ancient disciple?" Lin Yi furrowed his eyebrows- no wonder Yu Bing's expression looked weird just now, "I thought that there was a reason behind your passiveness, otherwise, I would have helped you...."

"Luckily you didn't help me, or else you would have been beaten up too...." Yu Bing sighed, "Never mind, just forget about this. People from the hidden houses always get slapped in the face by the ancient house, this is nothing unusual- just forget about revenge, I can only think that I was unlucky...."

"Forget about revenge?" Lin Yi asked back faintly.

"Naturally... right, how do you feel? Are you still upset? Judging from your expression, you seem to have recovered from the tragedy? Were you able to think things through?" Yu Bing waved his hand as he dismissed his thought and started asking about Lin Yi.

"I'm fine, let's talk in your room," Lin Yi pointed at Yu Bing's room.

Although there wasn't anyone in the corridor of the inn, who knew if someone was eavesdropping on them? It was always better to discuss an important topic in their rooms.

"Sure, let's go," Yu Bing nodded and turned around- he wanted to tell Lin Yi about his plan with his sister too. He wanted Lin Yi to be worry free, otherwise who knew if he would secretly leave and give up on himself? This was an outcome he and his sister didn't want to happen.

Lin Yi followed Yu Bing to his room and closed the door behind him, "Boy, this test seems pretty interesting now. We have a Zhang Naipao and now another ancient noble house participant, we finally have some worthy opponents!"

"We?" Yu Bing was taken aback, "You're still trying to participate in the test? You can't be joking right? Lin Yi, even if you have lost all your strength, you shouldn't force yourself, and of course, you shouldn't give up on yourself, either. I've talked to Xiao Ning about your situation... don't worry, both of us will help you!"

"You told her?" Lin Yi couldn't help but smile bitterly.

"I hesitated for a long time but still felt that I couldn't hide this from her. Yes, I knew that she would be worried if I told her but I needed her help to get the pills from the house," Yu Bing continued, "Rest assured, you have Xiao Ning and me, we will help you to embark on a practitioner's journey again..."

"You.... you're so fast...." Lin Yi shrugged his shoulder, he didn't know if he should be laughing or crying, "I told you that I would be fine yesterday.... I'm alright, I don't need any pills...."

"Lin Yi, with our current relationship, you really don't have to hold back. Don't be so formal with me," Yu Bing insisted.

"Why would I be formal with you? We are already old friends and all...." Lin Yi continued, "But I really don't need them... and I don't have to restart my journey, either...."

"What are you talking?" Yu Bing was puzzled, "Don't tell me you are having a mental breakdown from the incident yesterday?"

Lin Yi had no other choice- he activated the arts of dragon mastery. The strength of the late phase mystic class was presented right in front of Yu Bing. Actions spoke louder than words. Lin Yi knew no matter how many times he told him he was fine, Yu Bing wouldn't possibly believe him so instead of defending himself, he showed his true strength to him!

"Enemy?" A strong aura filled the room immediately, and subconsciously, Yu Bing thought that an enemy was approaching. The truth dawned upon him when he realised that the person across of him was the one emitting the intense aura. He widened his eyes in disbelief, staring at Lin Yi as if was seeing a ghost, "You... you... how...."

"Late phase of the mystic class.... I broke through," Lin Yi stopped emitting the aura and deactivated the arts of dragon mastery.

"You.... weren't crippled? You broke through?" Yu Bing couldn't believe the fact that Lin Yi had recovered, "Didn't you lose all your strength yesterday?"

"I lost them yesterday but after a good sleep, all my energy and strength has been replenished," Lin Yi continued, "I told you that I'll be fine, I'm really alright... all good!"

"F*ck!" Yu Bing suddenly realised that Naipao and Nitian who were both from the ancient realm weren't even as powerful as the person right in front of him! He lost his strength yesterday and still could breakthrough this morning!

One really had to admit that his grandpa had misjudged Lin Yi. If Xiao Ning wasn't the hope of House Yu, they could just pull Lin Yi to their side by putting him together with Xiao Ning and their house would flourish! This guy was just too overpowering, was he a cockroach? He was heavily injured yesterday and now, he was fully recovered by the next day?

Chapter 1486: Rumors

"Keep this from Zhang Naipao, I want to give him a surprise," Lin Yi said.

"Of course!" Yu Bing quickly nodded, "You really did give me a good fright yesterday! I still thought that you were trying to console me, who would have thought that you were speaking the truth!"

"It's okay, let's go grab something to eat. We can try getting some information too?" Lin Yi wanted to get some information out of Feng Nitian. It was always good to learn about your enemy before entering the battle field.

"My condition right now.... I can't just go out like that, right?" Yu Bing pointed at the swollen cheeks and smiled bitterly.

Lin Yi activated the art of dragon mastery and gently rubbed against Yu Bing's face with his palms.

"Done, we can go now, can't we?"

"Done?" Yu Bing flinched. Was this a joke? But then he just realised that he couldn't feel the pain anymore! He touched his cheeks subconsciously to find out that the swollen parts were back to normal- it was as if they had never been swollen in the first place!

"Yeah!" Lin Yi confirmed as he nodded.

"I'm going to go insane soon!" Yu Bing looked at Lin Yi, there was a hope in his eyes, "You actually do have the ability to heal? How is that possible? I thought only people from House Sun could do that? Are you somehow related to them?"

"Related? I don't think so.... but if you really want to know, House Sun's Sun Jingyi is my half lover..." Lin Yi said.

"Half lover?" Yu Bing startled but he didn't ask further than that. He wondered why Lin Yi would accept Sun Jingyi and other women but not Xiao Ning? Was it really because of the resistance from his family?

"It's a fake one," Lin Yi smiled, "We are just lover by name, let's go and get something to eat."

"Sure..." Yu Bing took a deep breath in. In these two days, he had encountered and witnessed all sorts of despicable men, his heart was pounding like the hooves of a deer! Yesterday was Zhang Naipao and

today was Feng Nitian. However, things didn't just stop there, the person right in front of him was far more powerful than the two of them and he had almost taken him out of the list!

At this point, Yu Bing was impressed at how good his sister's eyes were. His father was really an idiot for distancing away from Lin Yi. Lin Yi was from a totally different existence but his dad and grandpa couldn't see any value in him!

One had to know how valuable House Sun's arts were. Even the hidden noble house and normal sect fought to form alliances and engagements with them, let alone the common noble houses! Back in the days, there was once an engagement between House Sun and the ancient sect, what they were looking for was none other than House Sun's special healing ability and the ability to transfer one's strength to another!

However Lin Yi could also heal people too, just like House Sun. But did he have the same limitation?

Thinking until this point, Yu Bing couldn't hold back his curiosity as he asked, "Lin Yi, is your healing ability accessible to everyone?"

"Yeah, even animals too," Lin Yi nodded.

"Even animals...." Yu Bing took a deep breath again. He found hope in Lin Yi's answer, "How about an ancient spirit beast? Does it work?"

"Maybe...." Lin Yi nodded and looked at Yu Bing with questioning eyes, "Why do you ask?"

"When Xiao nNing was young, she rescued an injured ancient spirit beast, since then, it has been staying in our home. We've invited countless of doctors to medicine makers to treat the beast but no one could treat it. Luckily, the ancient spirit beast is a tough one and as long as he has pure qi in his body, he can prolong his life. My sister has been taking care of it all these years...." Yu Bing explained, "My sister hopes that she can someday find someone to heal this ancient spirit beast, do you think you can help?"

"...." Lin Yi couldn't believe his question would bring him to a problem this big. If Lin Yi were to accept Yu Bing's request now, he would inevitably meet and interact with Yu Ning but could he still reject Yu Bing's request?

There was no way he could reject this request. Even if Yu Bing didn't ask for this favor, it was just a piece of cake to Lin Yi. He still remembered when he was injured, Yu Ning wanted to tell him something and that message alone was more than enough to make Lin Yi offer his help!

Hence, Lin Yi smiled bitterly and said, "If there's an opportunity, naturally...."

"Definitely," Yu Bing could understand what Lin Yi was trying to say, he smiled.

Both of them left the inn and walked towards the nearest hawker stall. Many participants were there to eat as well. The story of Lin Yi being crippled by Zhang Naipao was no secret so when they saw Lin Yi here, all of them stared at him with mixed feelings.

Some pitied him, some laughed at him, some were celebrating at his misfortune but some wondered why hadn't left the place, what exactly was he still doing there?

However, Lin Yi ignored all of them and found himself a table as he sat down with Yu Bing. He casually ordered some food and started eating.

Many of the people there were just curious about the situation but when Lin Yi and Yu Bing started to eat, they couldn't be bothered by Lin Yi anymore as they continued the topic they had left off. However, some conversations changed topics to Zhang Naipao and Feng Nitian when they saw Lin Yi right across them.

"Did you see him? We can't possibly offend Zhang Naipao from the ancient sect, otherwise, we would become the next victim like Ling Yi there!" One of the disciples from the hidden noble house lowered his voice as he commented. Although his voice was low, Lin Yi and Yu Bing didn't have trouble hearing them. Everyone was a practitioner here, the distance wasn't very far either, so naturally, they could hear it loud and clear!

However, Lin Yi and Yu Bing acted like nothing happened- they were here for information, of course, they wouldn't make a fuss and just sat there, gathering information as silent as possible.

"Yeah, that Zhang Naipao is just too strong but I heard that Feng Nitian is also equally strong! His sky-defying arts is super overpowering!" Another disciple from a normal sect interrupted, "I heard that he knows how to use territory..... the thing that happened just now, did you guys see that? The person beside Ling Yi, Yu Bing. He was slapped by Feng Nitian under the control of territory. He couldn't even fight back, how overpowering was that!"

"Feng Nitian is from the ancient House Feng, does that mean that he is at the same rank as an ancient sect. We are just participants from hidden noble houses and normal sects, we can't possibly make them our enemies!" The other guy added, "During the test, we should avoid them at all cost. Meeting them will only die faster."

"Aye, yeah, yeah, we can't offend them. We better hide properly. However, those two are considered the unluckiest ones, aren't they? Offending both ancient ranking disciples at once... they can only give up on the test, otherwise, during the test..... hehehe, we all know what the outcome will be like!" The guy from the hidden noble house sympathized.

Chapter 1487: Tell You a Good News

"Yeah, what a bad luck, but there's nothing we can do, we can't offend people from the ancient sect and noble houses!" The disciple of a normal sect nodded in agreement, "However, I personally think that this has nothing to do with us, as long as we move each step carefully, we will manage. We can't care about how people are doing already!"

"Yeah yeah!" Another guy nodded.

After the meal, Lin Yi and Yu Bing both stood up and left the hawker centre. They had gathered enough information for the day, the person Yu Shan had been hanging out this morning was called Feng Nitian. He was from the ancient house Feng and used the legendary sky defying arts that could immobilize people for three minutes.

“What do you think? Do you have a plan?” Yu Bing became concerned after hearing all the conversations from the crowd! They already had bad blood, he believed that during the test, Zhang Naipao would surely eliminate Lin Yi without holding back this time!

Meanwhile, Yu Shan had now started mixing with Feng Nitian. He reckoned that Yu Shan would surely use Feng Nitian’s power to destroy him- he would do anything to obtain the title as head of House Yu! Hence, Lin Yi and Yu Bing now had the two greatest enemies in the whole test! Yu Bing just couldn’t calm down after imagining their strength!

Lin Yi might be mysterious too but after all, two fists were still inferior to four fists. On top of that, Feng Nitian’s sky defying arts was something to consider as well. At the very least, Yu Bing still hadn’t figured out how to solve this problem! This was one of the most ancient and legendary arts they were facing, common arts were in no way as powerful as theirs.

The feeling of being immobilized had been etched in Yu Bing’s memory. He was really unmovable at that moment and if Feng Nitian were to kill him, Yu Bing really could not do a thing about it!

“It’s not a big deal, right?” Lin Yi said faintly, “I might not have a complete plan on how to defeat them yet but we can still take a risk and try to take them down first!”

Opposite to Yu Bing, Lin Yi was feeling at ease when he heard the discussion from the crowd. Whether it was Zhang Naipao or Feng Nitian, the both of them had cultivated within their house or sect but had zero experience in fighting. Lin Yi believed that he had a better advantage than them in this field!

Hence Lin Yi could make use of his advantage and bypass the disadvantages. As long as he could find a way to counter their ultimate skills, winning against both of them would be so much easier!

Although Lin Yi had yet to form an idea, he felt that finding a solution was just a matter of time- it was not hard.

“Sure,” Yu Bing had placed all his hope on Lin Yi. It would be great if Lin Yi could come out with a strategy to counterattack them but he couldn’t lower his guard down just yet. If he were to withdraw himself from the test now, it would mean that he had lost to Yu Shan. In other words, there was no possibility for him to be the head of House Yu even with the support from his father and grandfather.

Things didn’t seem smooth and easy at all!

Lin Yi could sense the anxiousness in Yu Bing’s tone. After returning to the inn, before going back to his own room, Lin Yi patted on Yu Bing’s shoulder as he consoled, “Don’t worry, as long as these two people from the ancient rank don’t attack me first, I won’t do anything to them. Otherwise, I’ll make them return home in a wheelchair!”

“Ha, okay! Having this reassurance relaxes me a lot!” The tension that had been building up in Yu Bing’s mind could finally be released. Remembering how powerful Lin Yi was, Yu Bing had no doubt that he might really be able to pull things off miraculously!

Lin Yi started thinking about strategies as soon as he returned to his own room. Yu Bing, on the other hand, called his sister immediately.

“Brother.... How was it, is he okay?” Yu Ning and Yu Bing had the same issue- both of them hadn’t slept too well because of Lin Yi. Yu Ning was thinking about how to approach her family for the pills, but also, she was worried of Lin Yi’s safety. She had been holding her phone the entire time, waiting for her brother to contact her.

So when the phone rang, Yu Ning picked it up immediately.

“So fast?” Yu Bing, on the other hand, was surprised at the speed. He understood how worried his sister was, smiling, “Xiao Ning, were you worried?”

“En.... Brother, you still have the mood to crack a joke in a situation like this?” Yu Ning was a little displeased but the person over the phone was her brother so she held back her anger.

“Hehe, crack a joke? Big brother has no time to joke with you, okay?” Yu Bing didn’t want to tease Yu Ning anymore as he went straight to the point, “Sister, I’ve got a piece of good news for you!”

“What good news? I don’t want to know about that first,” Yu Ning continued, “Brother, please tell me his condition first, how is he?”

“Sister, stop being so worried! Are you sure you don’t want this piece of good news? This good news is related to Lin Yi though!” Yu Bing smiled.

“Lin Yi? What good news? Is he....” Yu Ning furrowed her eyebrows slightly, a smile on her face, “Did something good occur?”

“Sister, your eyes..... are really overpoweringly sharp! I can’t deny the fact that you’re really good at judging people!” Yu Bing exclaimed, “Did you know? Yesterday, Lin Yi was crippled, he really lost all his strength. There wasn’t any pure qi left in his body, I could totally feel how weak he was. He was even weaker than an ordinary person but you know what happened this morning when I went to look for him?”

“What.... did he recover half of his strength?” Yu Ning took a wild guess. Although she knew it was impossible since as far as she was concerned, she had never heard of things like that before. However, since her brother was praising Lin Yi and her foresight, then Lin Yi must have achieved something relatively great so Yu Ning decided to bet on it.

She was embarrassed at her brother’s compliment but she didn’t have time for that anymore.

“Nope, guess again!” Yu Bing shook his head.

“Then.... did he recover one-third of his strength?” Yu Ning lowered her hypothesis. After all, the first guess was a little too unrealistic.

“Sister, couldn’t you be more fearless in guessing? Do you really think that your vision is this bad? Think properly, this is something really “overpowering”!” Yu Bing shook his head.

“He recovered all his strength? That can’t be right? That would be so unreal! Impossible!” Yu Ning was astonished.

“Nope he didn’t recover all his strength.” Yu Bing answered.

"I knew it... it's impossible to get back all his strength from just one night...." Yu Ning calmed her heart down with a few pats, she was really surprised by his brother.

"I haven't finished yet...." Yu Bing continued, "He did not recover all his strength but he broke through as well. He was peak mid-phase of the mystic class but today he has the strength of a late phase mystic class master!"

"Ah?" Yu Ning almost threw her phone away as the shock was just too great. She held onto her phone tightly as her breathing became irregular, "Brother.... you... are you serious? You're not lying, are you?"

"Why would I lie to you? Do you not believe in your foresight?" Yu Bing couldn't help but smile bitterly at his sister's reaction. In fact, he had the same reaction too when he learnt of the news.

Chapter 1488: People from the Ice Palace

"That is so ridiculous, did he really breakthrough?" Yu Ning felt that she was really blessed, her brother was right- her vision was indeed overpoweringly sharp! She really felt that Lin Yi was no simple man and he was no way inferior to her in the slightest!

"Yeah, now that I've told you about this great news, you don't have to worry anymore," Yu Bing continued, "If there's nothing else, I need to make another call now. The plan we had discussed earlier will no longer be needed."

"En...." Yu Ning nodded happily.

As for the obstacle of facing the ancient noble houses and sects, Yu Bing didn't mention a word about them. He realised that he was a little overreacting, for instance, Lin Yi had told him that he was going to be alright but he overreacted and told her sister the news and made a big fuss out of it.

So Yu Bing had become smarter this time around, he decided to tell his sister everything after the test. They might actually pass the tests, only God knew!

Yang Qiqi had been staying in the room ever since she arrived at the inn. Her personality had always been like this, cold and unfriendly. Her aim was simple- she was here to participate in the test only.

So she had totally no idea what had happened in these two days. What more, she didn't know Lin Yi was here too!

Around eight at night, there was a deafening sound that came from the outside of the inn!

"Attention to all the participants of the ice palace test, the time for checking in has already ended, please proceed to register yourself later. Attention to all participants, please gather at the plaza in front of the inn ten minutes later to pay the test deposit! We will not serve any latecomers!" The voice was loud and deep, one could tell that the person shouting was a master as well. However, everyone who was familiar with the voice could tell that it belonged to the boss of the inn!

Earth class master! Lin Yi was slightly impressed. Besides, when he was here to check-in, he couldn't detect his strength. In other words, this old man had something up his sleeves to hide his real strength! It was really an eye-opening moment for Lin Yi, he could tell the difference between an ancient sect and

a hidden noble house now, both of them were really a totally different existence! People from the ancient sect were really different!

Lin Yi walked out from his room and at the same time, Yu Bing's door opened as well. Both of them eyed each other and got ready to head downstairs together. However, Yang Qiqi came out of her room too, shock registering on her face when she saw Lin Yi not far from her!

Yang Qiqi didn't understand- why was this guy here? She cursed her bad luck. Seeing him made her recall the memories of her being seen naked. Yang Qiqi wanted to kill him but she was no match to him, and on top of that, he was still her saviour- this really put Yang Qiqi in a difficult position!

She hadn't recalled the memories before because she hadn't seen Lin Yi- she even tried to forget Lin Yi and not think about him. After all, she had treated him like a nightmare.

However, now that she locked eyes with Lin Yi, the unpleasant memories flooded back into her mind. She furrowed her eyebrows and looked away- ignoring him.

At the same time, Zhao Qitan, Zhao Qijiu, Yu Shan and Feng Nitian came out from their room too. Zhao Qitan had the same friendly greeting when he saw Lin Yi, the chemistry didn't change because of what had happened that morning, "Ling Yi bro, are you still planning to join the test?"

Because Lin Yi and Yu Bing were both heading downstairs, naturally, it meant that they were going to register and pay the deposit now. He was amazed, even in this situation Lin Yi still wanted to attend the test? Without his strength, wouldn't he be committing suicide?

"Yeah," Lin Yi nodded and didn't explain much.

Yang Qiqi, on the other hand, heard that Lin Yi was being called Ling Yi. Her eyes narrowed, Ling Yi? His name was Ling Yi? How was that possible? Wasn't his name Lin Yi? Right, he might not want people to find out his real name so instead of using Lin Yi, he changed it slightly to Ling Yi!

Right, Ling Yi is such a pleasant name, he is not worthy of that. But this bastard, how dare he called himself that name! Hah, if given opportunity, I won't let you go for sure! How dare you impersonate Ah Yi bro's name!

"Some people are really fearless!" Zhang Naipao's voice rose up into the air. He saw Lin Yi and couldn't believe that this guy was still here, why was this crippled guy still here? However, Zhang Naipao wouldn't touch a crippled like him now, if he could, he wanted to kill Lin Yi in the presence of Liang bro. Killing Lin Yi now would only displease Liang bro, "Thank you for the hard-earned pure qi, hahaha, I got to break through all because of you, keke, feels good!"

"I don't mind," Lin Yi said faintly.

"Hahaha!" Zhang Naipao burst into laughter.

"Naipao bro, you are indeed strong, and congratulations!" Feng Nitian said cheerfully. Both of them belonged to the ancient rank, there was no point making enemies of each other. After all, they were the strongest here, if they were to get into a fight, other participants would just sit aside and eat popcorn to enjoy the show, there was no fun in doing that!

Besides, both of them were here for a similar reason- one wanted to be the next head of the house and while Zhang Naipao wanted to become the big elder's disciple. Making connections was beneficial to them! So they stopped accepting people into the gang after the first day. It would lose the original purpose of forming a gang if they accepted just anyone into the party. Fighting against each other was the last thing they wanted.

Meanwhile, this morning, both of the parties had come to an agreement to not interfere with the other party throughout the test. They would target others and snatch all of their points!

"Nitian bro, you are strong too. I'm afraid that I will probably lose to you in this test!" Zhang Naipao smiled. In fact, he was speaking the truth, if Feng Nitian were to activate his territory art, no one could possibly stop him at that point! However, Zhang Naipao wasn't worried at all, he could force the participants to hand over their points by threatening to suck their strength away from them!

Listening to both of them bullshitting behind him, Lin Yi's lips curled into a cold smile. You guys are still planning to battle? We shall wait and see!

Lin Yi and Yu Bing came down side by side, ignoring the crowd at the back. Yang Qiqi, on the other hand, followed tightly behind Lin Yi to the ground floor.

Meanwhile, Zhuang Niaopao scoffed coldly when he saw the shadow of Yang Qiqi.

Chapter 1489: Test Rules (Part One)

Zhuang Niaopao had always had an eye on this Yang Qiqi, but Naipao didn't seem to have any interest, so he couldn't do much about it. He could only smile coldly for now, and find a way to get her during the test!

The owner of the inn said they had ten minutes, but would any of these participants dare be slow? It wasn't even five minutes when everyone had gathered again in the clearing; Lin Yi and Yu Bing were the first to return and found a spot, sitting cross-legged on the ground. The other disciples that came over took their example and sat down in their spots.

The inn owner, however, stood emotionlessly in front of a podium in the clearing, his strength as an Earth class late phase peak completely unconcealed. Beside him was a girl clothed in white, seeming to be under twenty years old- but with Lin Yi's intuition and years of medical appearance, he knew that this girl wasn't that young, but was at least over thirty years of age! She had only maintained her appearance extremely well! Was this related to her practitioner's arts, or was it because she had entered Sky class?

But entering Sky class didn't mean you could regain your youthful looks- your appearance could only be maintained at the age where you entered Sky class! Did that mean that this woman became Sky class under twenty? Was that even possible?

Or could it be that they had certain elixirs that maintained youth? He had heard of something like this before in Liju's notes, but while this elixir did maintain your looks it couldn't make you live forever. Even so, it was already a Golden class fourth level elixir. Refining it was extremely difficult with a very low success rate. The Ice Palace sect really would be quite amazing if they had managed to make it!

Very soon, all the participants had arrived, all sitting cross-legged.

The woman nodded faintly after seeing everyone gathered, "Since you're all here, let's begin! I am Little Qing, a servant of the Ice Palace Sect Master. I will be the one leading you to the testing area!"

The person speaking may be a servant, but no one dared to look down on her- just looking at how the inn owner treated her respectfully, one could tell that she was not ordinary. After all, the inn owner was Earth class late phase peak, half a step away from Earth class- yet he still treated this servant with so much respect. One could only imagine her position.

A servant of the Sect Master... If that sect master was a legendary figure, then one could imagine her direct servants to be at the same level of those elders!

"You may call her Elder Qing or Director Qing," The inn owner reminded, incase any of these people called her Little Qing as well- it would sure cause quite some trouble.

Naturally, the audience here was not made up of idiots- they wouldn't have the right to join this test if they couldn't even be aware of that! This was just the basics for elites like them.

"Among you, most of you came from hidden houses and sects, but there are also some of you who came from ancient sects and ancient houses!" Qing said with a pause as she looked across the disciples, "But in the Ice Palace, there is no special treatment- we will judge you the same as others. Do not think that you are above the rules just because of your position- or the Ice Palace sect will stop your right to participate and notify all the ancient groups, putting you on the blacklist!"

Other than Naipao and Nitian, many of the participants all tensed at the words- wasn't the Ice Palace sect too powerful? They're not giving the Everyday and Every Day Sect or the ancient house Feng any face at all!

But Naipao and Nitian knew best- in the ancient sect, the Ice Palace was at the top of the world- when the other proper sects went after the Everyday and Every Day sect back then, the Ice Palace did not participate. If they had, the sect would not be in as good a place as they were in now!

The Ice Palace Sect was in a more neutral position, staying away from the proper sects and demon sects while avoiding conflict as well, putting their focus in only practicing. It was also why the Ice Palace Sect had the most Sky class masters.

"Do not worry, Elder Qing- Brother Feng and I are in Ice Palace territory- we will honor Ice Palace territory rules!" Naipao said as he cupped his fist.

"Yes, Brother Naipao is right- we are here for the test, and will follow rules like all participants!" Nitian said.

"Very good!" Qing nodded, "Now, I will briefly explain the rules of the test- if there is anything you disagree with, you can leave. If not, you can pay the fee and start the test tomorrow morning! Little Li, give the rules."

"Yes, Elder Qing!" The inn owner nodded and started giving out the rules, "This test will take place over three days, with the location being the ice mountain outside of the Ice Palace. During the test, you will need to collect certain medicine and ingredients, under extreme conditions. These will gain you points,

and will be judged based on the quality of the medicine. Naturally, you can all take from each other, but remember one thing- you may injure others, but you may not kill. Any who breaks this rule will receive heavy punishment from the Ice Palace!”

This rule was something that hadn't been present before- in the past, the sect wouldn't interfere with deaths, but this was different. They had an ancient house and ancient sect here- they had set this rule for the sake of safety!

The first reason was in case the ancient groups' disciples would act with not a care in the world, massacring hidden house and sect disciples- the second was also in case these other disciples all joined together to wipe out the ancient house and ancient sect disciples. These two possibilities would simply cause too much conflict, resulting in the Ice Palace incurring the rage of multiple powers!

Not only would they lose the ability to earn money through these tests, they would also suddenly become enemies of the Everyday and Every Day sect and House Feng.

But, as long as these people weren't killed, it would be fine. It was a test, after all, and injuries only meant you weren't good enough. But, as long as the Ice Palace guarantees your life- whether or not you recover from your injuries will not be a matter of the Ice Palace.

Chapter 1490: Test Rules (Part Two)

Just as the rules came out, everyone was stunned- these weren't the rules that their elders had told them about, though most of them were still quite happy about it. At the very least, they wouldn't have to lose their lives now!

The strong ones naturally didn't think much about it, but many of the Mystic early class fighters here were a lot more relieved now that this rule was established.

At the same time, a lot of the people took a glance at Lin Yi, feeling that this rule just so happened to be tailor made to Lin Yi! The guy had just lost his strength and was weaker than a normal person- this rule would make it that people could not do much to him! Accidentally using too much strength would just outright kill the guy, so they really couldn't touch him!

Not only would they get disqualified if they mess up and kill him, they would have also broken The Ice Palace's rules and cause even more trouble- as a result, most of the participants immediately had the same thought. Be away from Lin Yi as far as possible!

“Following on from that, during the test, everything will be recorded on a electrical card that will possess your scores. It will be displayed there!” The inn owner said, “During the test, if you were to have your items taken from someone else, the scores would shift as well! One thing to take note of, however, is not to damage the ingredients for the sake of stealing! This would not lead to more points, but actually deduct points from your current score!”

“A card? I thought it was a jade?” A disciple evidently had heard that it was a jade- he couldn't help but ask.

“That was an object we had previously used in past tests- technology has gotten better, and we’ve gotten better technological facilities. The cost for using the jades as recording devices had become too high,” The inn owner explained, “Alright, anything else you don’t understand? If that’s it, I’ll have you all register and pay the fee!”

The crowd all shook their heads, indicating no- what a joke, they came here to take this test, why would anyone leave for some small change in the rules? It’d just turn their trip into a waste of time and effort.

“Alright, starting from this row then- one by one, line up and register, as well as swipe your card for the payment!” The owner said to the practitioners nearest to him.

“Yes!” The frontmost practitioner walked over and filled in their information, and was about to pay up when the owner waved his hand.

“Give me your hand, I’ll test your strength!” The inn owner said faintly.

“Can’t I just channel my practitioner’s arts? Do I have to extend my hand?” The practitioner asked, confused.

Lin Yi narrowed his eyes as well- he hadn’t seen this guy before, and it was because he had hidden in his room the whole time without coming out. It was only until the inn owner had gathered them here that he saw him for the first time!

But that wasn’t what Lin Yi was paying attention to, however. This man was actually an Earth class early phase spiritual practitioner, and had already passed the requirement parameter! No wonder he looked so tense when the inn owner wanted to check his strength!

“No need- take out your hand!” The inn owner said faintly.

“I...” The practitioner hesitated, but still extended his arm. He still secretly chanted his practitioner’s art, however, suppressing his strength to that of a Mystic late phase peak, not showing his strength as Earth class!

“Told you you don’t need to do that,” The inn owner said as he eyed him coldly before tending to the registration info, “Chao Mountain Sect’s disciple Wo Jindao, impersonating a practitioner of Mystic late phase peak strength and hiding his strength as an Earth class early phase- is now disqualified from the test. The Chao Mountain sect will be placed into the black list, disallowed from participation for ten years!”

“Damn!” The disciple looked downrodden after hearing that- he thought that he would still be able to get through while hiding his strength, and now even his sect was banned from entering the test in ten years!

But naturally he didn’t dare argue with the people of the Ice Palace- with that, he quietly left and went back to his own sect.

Seeing this, everyone here was stunned- Lin Yi included! This inn owner was quite a man, after all! Not only was he able to hide his own strength, he could tell his opponent’s strengths just by touching his hand!

Lin Yi had that ability too, but he was using the Art of Dragon MAstery, it was his golden trump card! Meanwhile, this inn owner, someone who seemed like a mere servant of the Ice Palace, already had something of that skill!

“Anybody else hiding their strength? If you leave by yourself now, I won’t pursue responsibility of your sect or family. Otherwise, if I were the one to find out, I’ll ban your house or sect for ten years from the test as well!” The inn owner said as he gazed down the participants.

A couple of the disciples stood up, shaking their heads with a bitter smile as they left to the car park. Evidently, they had all been hiding their strengths- Lin Yi even looked at them, and to his surprise, realized that there was even an Earth class mid phase there!

Lin Yi hadn’t been checking everyone one by one after all, so this came as quite a shock.

“That’s it? Let’s continue then- but if some of you are still hiding, don’t blame me later!” With that, the inn owner pointed to another practitioner, “Your turn.”

“Yes!” It was Naipao’s follower Zhuang Naipao, who walked over respectfully and gave his information before extending his hand.

“Alright, Mystic mid phase peak,” The inn owner nodded and looked at his inf,. “Hidden house Zhuang’s Zhuang Niaopao, you can go to Elder Qing and swipe your card!”

“Yes!” With that, he walked over with a bank card in his hand...

All the other participants followed suit, one after the other.

One thing Lin Yi had noticed was that there were people who were ‘freelancer practitioners,’ in other words, people who didn’t belong to a sect or house. But the inn owner didn’t seem to care much at all- as long as they qualified, they were allowed to pay.

This really solved a major problem of Lin Yi’s- he wouldn’t know how to explain where he came from otherwise.