

Emperor 2251

[Chapter 2251: Beauty's Smile](#)

“Eat mud?” Li Qiye chuckled and said: “Then I better prepare myself.”

Having said that, he headed for the boat.

“What do you want?” Zhang Yan frowned after seeing Li Qiye approaching closer.

The latter climbed on and smiled: “If you all want to bet, then how can I do so with this dirty outfit?”

“Get down, you don’t belong here.” Zhang Yan unhappily said.

Earlier, it sounded as if Zhang Yan was doing Li Qiye a favor. Alas, he only viewed the guy as a tool to liven up the atmosphere. He didn’t give a damn about the guy so he naturally didn’t want him here. How could a nobody, a dirty one at that, be qualified to stand on their boat? A “beggar” like him would only dirty their boat.

“Is that so?” Li Qiye was already on the deck, leaving muddy footprints everywhere.

“Scram, you aren’t qualified to stand here!” Hu Qingniu became annoyed and shouted.

“Get down now or we’ll throw you off!” Two youths took the initiative and stopped Li Qiye in his path.

These were prodigies that look down on vagrant cultivators, treating them like ants.

They simply joined the bet earlier just to increase the stake and make it more interesting for the two ladies so that they would smile.

They would never allow someone like him to be on the same boat as them. His unkempt and dirty appearance only made it worse.

The other youths have already worsened the situation before the two girls could say anything.

“You’re only a pawn in this bet, not qualified to sit with the betters. Leave now, don’t dirty Goddess Qin’s boat with your smelly feet.” One of the two youths shouted.

Li Qiye ignored them and told the two girls: “I’m covered in mud, help me tidy up.”

This frank command shocked the young ones here. How dare this junior treat the two ladies like maids?!

“How impudent!” They all cried out.

Zhang Yan and Hu Qingniu were the most affected. Qingniu was ready to kill as he threatened: “Fool, daring to disrespect the ladies? I will have your hea-...”

However, the rest of his words was stuck in his throat. The cold Mu Yalan came over and held Li Qiye’s arm, seemingly afraid of him tripping over. On the other hand, Qin Shaoyao was taking off his muddy outer robe.

The two girls didn’t care about the mud dirtying their own clothes while tidying him up like two maids.

“You’re muddy too, a bath is necessary.” Shaoyao said.

"I'll go get things ready." Yalan immediately left.

Shaoyao walked Li Qiye into the underdeck and slightly pouted: "First Sister got scared out of her mind in the last several days because of you."

"Just a quick trip, don't worry about this trivial matter. Just one wave is enough to take care of them." Li Qiye said with a smile.

Meanwhile, the crowd on deck became silly and stunned with their mouth agape and their wits gone.

These two girls were the jewels of Longevity Valley, famous and beautiful. Many considered them to be unreachable yet lovable goddesses. They were now acting like maids towards Li Qiye, gentle and obedient. This was a treatment none of the crowd could enjoy.

Those who shouted at Li Qiye earlier were especially embarrassed. Zhang Yan and Hu Qingniu had nothing to say earlier. They tried to hard to please the beauties and make them smile, but these beauties were now with another man.

The most annoying thing was that this man wasn't a big shot at all, just a nameless junior. There were no words to describe this terrible feeling they had.

"What, what's going on?" One youth asked with confusion.

After a while, Li Qiye finally finished washing up. He felt quite good and said: "A cup of hot tea would be nice right now after a hot bath."

Everyone saw the guy stretching by the entrance to the underdeck and found him quite vexing.

Mu Yalan even put another cloak on him.

Shaoyao smiled and said: "Luckily, I have another unopened bottle of Snow Condensation."

"Go for it, let's see how good you are." He smiled and said.

"I'm not as good as First Sister when it comes to tea-brewing." She humbly said, looking quite bashful.

This ended with Shaoyao brewing tea by the window while Yalan went to get a large chair. Li Qiye lay on it, half-basking in the sunlight.

Just a moment later, a tea fragrance permeated the air. Shaoyao held the cup with both hands and said: "This is spring tea, try it."

Yalan accepted the cup and began serving Li Qiye. A beauty serving tea by one's side? This was enjoying life, making everyone envious.

The youths were speechless staring at this scene.

"The tea isn't bad at all, and Yalan's pastry skill is good too." He enjoyed both the snack and the tea.

No one had anything to say but Qingniu did snort loudly. Li Qiye finally looked up after hearing the snort and looked at everyone: "I almost forgot about the bet."

“Alright, let’s continue.” He smiled.

“Senior Brother, stop playing with them. You know what you’re doing.” Yalan smiled and shook her head.

She knew that Li Qiye would succeed for sure. The outcome of this bet was predetermined.”

“I suppose I don’t need to bet if they can’t afford to lose.” Li Qiye shrugged and said without a care.

“Who says?!” Qingniu scowled and said, unable to swallow this anger. He didn’t want to back down in front of Shaoyao and look weak.

“Just you or everyone else too?” Li Qiye said with a smile.

“As long as you dare, the rest of us isn’t afraid, we’ll play to the end.” Qingniu said with a sharp glare.

Even though he was an arrogant person with no social skill, he was also very determined and competitive.

“Brother Zhang Yan, let’s do it.” He pulled Zhang Yan into the fray.

“Well...” Zhang Yan hesitated. He eventually bit his teeth and said: “If he wants to do it, then let’s see if he can find some Alchemy Wood.

The guy was smart enough to see that Li Qiye had a special relationship with the girls. Their “Senior Brother” must certainly be amazing.

Normally, he would never want to antagonize someone from the valley. However, he would look like a coward in front of his crush if he were to back off now. Thus, he chose to side with Qingniu.

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The other young ones began to think about the situation. In the end, they chose against joining the bet.

They could see that Li Qiye was close to the two girls so there was no point in antagonizing the valley. It was still the current leader and the girls wouldn’t like it.

Moreover, they were love rivals with Zhang Yan and Qingniu. Why would they team up with these two right now?

If they were to lose and be embarrassed, this would lower their standing in the beauties’ heart. The group would be too busy gloating at them, let alone lending any assistance in the first place.

“Brother Hu, the two of us is more than enough.” Zhang Yan was dissatisfied with the group and snorted.

“Let’s go then.” Qingniu said with an aggressive air: “If we lose, all of this will be yours. If you lose, it’s meal time!”

He wanted to see Li Qiye’s ugly moment. Winning would make him quite cool in front of the ladies.

Li Qiye looked at their betting items and smiled: “Wanting to bet with me using that crap? Not worth mentioning.”

“You!” Though his two items weren’t considered supreme or anything, they were still very precious. Qingniu was infuriated to hear Li Qiye putting them down: “Bold words. My ginseng is from the Crescent Moon Cave, bathed in the moonlight and had absorbed its essence...”

“Just a piece of grass, no point in boasting.” Li Qiye interrupted him and said: “Yalan, I have a little ginseng root here, go make some ginseng tea for me.”

Having said that, he casually threw a wooden box on the table.

Yalan opened the box and it didn’t take long before an immortal energy billowed. There was a ginseng root around the size of a finger with a glorious glow just like a star.

“Divine Moon Ginseng!” Shaoyao was startled to see this: “A ginseng that only grows in Immortal Lineage, extremely rare.”

Qingniu blurted out the name of the ginseng as well. As a doctor, he naturally knew about its value. His own was indeed only a blade of grass in comparison, not worth mentioning.

Some members of the crowd were amazed as well, having recognized the root.

Yalan finished the tea at this point. Li Qiye blew on it and took a small sip before giving an assessment: “A bit too young, would be much better otherwise.”

People were astounded. Using this rare material to brew tea? This would drive people mad from the sheer wastefulness. Even their ancestors couldn’t enjoy such jealousy-inducing treatments.

Of course, this root was nothing to Li Qiye. The treasuries he got from Samsara Wild Ancestor and Insane Ancestor were enough to scare people to death.

Hu Qingniu finally stopped retorting this time around. Their bet did seem insignificant in comparison. Just this teacup in his hand right now was more precious than their bet. In fact, they could try to gather all of their wealth and that might still not be enough to match its value.

They stood there awkwardly, not knowing what to do. Conceding or keep on going?

It was as if one person took out a gem to show off before someone, but the latter engraved a gem worth ten times more to his shoe. This humiliating psychological slap wasn’t easy to take.

“If we’re betting, I don’t want your ingredients or bully you too much.” Li Qiye chuckled: “Let’s do it like this, if I lose, I’ll eat the mud down there, if you lose, then go roll around in them, that’s not bad.”

The two glanced at each other and contemplated. Everyone else felt that this bet was very reasonable; Li Qiye didn’t make it hard on them at all.

“That’s doable.” A youth agreed.

“Yes or no? If you don’t dare, then run back to your home, stop being an eyesore here.” Li Qiye waved his sleeve as if he was swatting away a fly.

“Very well, if I lose, I will roll around in the mud!” The arrogant guy wasn’t a sore loser. He wanted to try and would accept defeat gracefully.

“How courageous. What about you?” Li Qiye clapped before looking over at Zhang Yan.

This guy was hesitant since he didn’t want to join in this bet in the first place. He also saw how confident Li Qiye was so he wanted to retreat.

“It’s just rolling down there, Brother Zhang, let’s go.” Qingniu egged him on.

Rolling in the mud wasn’t a real loss to Zhang Yan, but it was indeed a blow to his dignity and honor. He was the successor of Hundred-pills; losing this bet would leave a stain on his reputation.

Most importantly, rolling around in front of the beauties? How could he ever lift his head again?

“I’ll... do it.” He gritted his teeth and let caution to the wind. Giving up was also humiliating so he might as well go all out. Perhaps there was a chance of victory.

“We’ll start now.” Li Qiye chuckled.

All eyes were on the muddy beach now and the strange pits dug by Li Qiye.

Everyone thought that he would come down again for a second attempt, but he simply took out a golden gourd.

“Whoosh!” When he opened it, a tiny current of light flew out, resembling the reflection of a star in the ocean.

It split and went into the different pits. Next, the mud suddenly rose like a steamed bun being cooked, bigger and bigger. No one had a clue about what he was doing.

“Pop!” After reaching a certain size, the mounds of mud suddenly exploded and went flying.

The young cultivators quickly dodged the slinging piles of mud. It was like the explosion of beehives, Numerous little creatures came out and filled the sky like a locust swarm.

“What are they?” The crowd was shocked and looked over.

These tiny insects looked like louse but were completely green. When they stopped on the water surface, they looked like tiny lamps.

“They’re Wood-eater Lice.” One youth recognized them: “They love nibbling on yin wood, especially the ones from Alchemy Hut. My master says that if we see them, no Alchemy Wood will be around since it would have already been eaten by them.”

“Right, that’s the type.” Qingniu heaved a sigh of relief and smiled: “Perhaps there were a lot of branches here, but not anymore.”

He looked over at Li Qiye. Everyone knew that there wouldn’t be a single piece of wood left here, let alone the best kind, Alchemy Wood. Anything here would have been eaten long ago since these lice can detect them much faster than cultivators.

This muddy beach was clearly their nest, so how could there be any Alchemy Wood here?

Zhang Yan felt the same way, feeling that victory was certain. Nevertheless, he came closer for a look and found that there was nothing else inside the exploded pits and mud mounds.

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“No Alchemy Wood, nothing else either.” Zhang Yan heaved a sigh of relief and returned to the boat.

Qingniu smelled the air, utilizing his rich experience as a doctor. He could instantly smell the scent if there was any Alchemy Wood around. There was nothing but the scent of mud.

“No Alchemy Wood here.” He firmly concluded.

All eyes shifted towards Li Qiye; everyone could see the outcome.

“There really isn’t any.” The young cultivators quietly talked among themselves.

Some were regretting not joining in earlier for an easy win.

“There might have been some in the past but were eaten already by these termite lice.” Another speculated.

“You have lost.” Qingniu stared at Li Qiye and uttered coldly: “There are none here now, one wrong guess, lose everything.”

“We’ve won so it’s time for you to eat some mud.” Zhang Yan was ecstatic and told Li Qiye.

“The doctor is still the best, capable of seeing through everything.” One youth decided to flatter Qingniu. After all, the cultivation world was dangerous, he might need the guy’s help one day.

“Ha, Doctor Hu and Young Pill King are extraordinary, winning so easily.” One more sneered: “If the mud doesn’t taste good, I guess he can drink the lake water to swallow easier. This water comes from above and also has the taste of Alchemy Wood.”

Many had a gloating expression while staring at Li Qiye, stemming from their jealousy earlier. So now, they wanted to see him do this humiliating act.

“Haha, that’s a good combination for a meal.” A different person chimed in.

Li Qiye simply chuckled and continued to drink his ginseng tea, not in a rush at all.

“It’s useless to delay this, you have lost so fulfill your promise.” Zhang Yan snorted.

He felt quite good and proud to shame this guy before the two beauties.

“All of you are still too young with shallow knowledge, but that’s understandable. The lack of critical thinking is the issue here, yet you still dare to come out to the real world.”

“We’re not here to hear you preach, just to watch you eat...” Zhang Yan sneered.

Before he could finish, water gushed out from the mud. Something seemed to have been opened underground, resulting in this current.

“Boom!” The thing finally opened fully and emitted mist.

“What is that?!” Everyone looked over and saw a large clam.

The mist stemming from it had the smell of wood. Everyone felt as if they were deep in a forest and basked in this scent. It was as tantalizing as the smell of fine wine.

“Alchemy Wood, the best kind!” Qingniu blurted out in astonishment.

A resplendent green glow came from the clam, bringing out endless life force like the opening of a new world.

The crowd saw the thing inside, the real source of the glow. It has been swallowed by the clam for who knows how many years?

This looked like a piece of wood since one could see the tree rings on the sides. However, because of the current then the clam, the broken sections were very smooth now. It had turned into jade, no longer carrying the original characteristic of wood. It was around three feet long with an amazing scent.

“Superb, this can be called the best of the best Alchemy Wood.” Qingniu started salivating.

Li Qiye came and grabbed this piece of wood: “Indeed, this is a main root of the divine tree. After countless years of accumulation, it almost has its own sentience. A rotten piece of root turning divine? Quite unbelievable.”

“We have one, not as large as this one, only one foot long back in our valley. The ancestors greatly cherish it and use it to help them recuperate.” Mu Yalan was shocked too.

The rest of the crowd felt the same way. As members of Longevity Valley, they were aware of the various ranking of Alchemy Wood. They could see that this was at the very apex, truly priceless.

Alchemy Valley had plenty of finest materials due to its peerless treasures accumulated by its founder. No other sect in could match it in this regard. However, it only had a smaller one, far inferior compared to this one.

The initial shock eventually turned into desire. One youth even drooled all over his robe before realizing and wiping it off.

Though they came from an amazing background, obtaining this piece of wood would make them wealthy. Handing it to their sect would result in a gigantic reward, or they could just keep it for themselves.

“Pure Grand Clam.” Shaoyao, unlike the others, was more impressed with the clam: “This is also a divine type, very rare.”

“Correct, Shaoyao is quite knowledgeable.” Li Qiye said: “It had swallowed this main root for many years. The Wood Lice came but couldn’t handle this clam so they built nests here in the mud to wait for the right time.”

“If we boil it, it will make some supreme medicine.” Qingniu realized after hearing this name. He didn’t pay attention to it earlier but was now aware of its value.

Li Qiye began cutting the meat of the clam with wondrous dexterity and precision like an experienced butcher. People had a hard time following.

He also took out another item inside the meat. It was actually a golden pearl with a blinding light, resembling a sun.

“Pure Grand Pearl!” Shaoyao was shocked for the second time: “Rumor has it that only one out of one thousand clams would have one, this is even more incredible, our ancestors want one so bad but can’t find it.”

Zhang Yan was stunned and murmured: “Our ancestor has one the size of a thumb from an Eternal. He traded it for a bottle of Longevity pills.”

He was referring to the Pill King whose Longevity Pills were very desirable. Just one pearl was enough to trade for a full bottle? One could see its value from this trade.

But now, Li Qiye’s pearl was the size of a pigeon egg. It was naturally far more valuable.

Just the highest-grade Alchemy Wood was astonishing enough but this pearl on top of that? Two birds with one stone for sure. No wonder why he was digging in this place.

He then recalled the yang gourd and its abilities. With that, the clam immediately closed its mouth and ran into the lake again.

This took the crowd by surprise. They didn’t know that a clam could escape so fast.

[Chapter 2254: Scram](#)

Attention shifted back to Li Qiye. He held the pearl in one hand and the Alchemy Wood in the other. Either one was priceless, coveted by all.

Just finding one in an entire lifetime was virtually impossible but Li Qiye did it so effortlessly, making the crowd very jealous.

“Little girl, this will aid you in curing people.” Li Qiye smiled and gave the pearl to Mu Yalan.

She stood there in a daze after accepting the pearl.

“You are close to plants and alchemy, so this wood is very suitable for you.” He then gave the piece of Alchemy Wood to Qin Shaoyao.

The two girls were stunned. These treasures were still very valuable yet Li Qiye gave them away without a care.

The crowd was astounded and overwhelmed with many emotions. Even Qingniu and Zhang Yan found these treasures priceless. If they had these two treasures, they would hide them forever instead of gifting them away, not even for a beauty’s smile. They might even consider these treasures more valuable than their own lives.

This wasn’t the case for Li Qiye, evident by his extravagant showing just now. He treated the two treasures as if they were just meager gifts.

It would be hard for him not to attract attention and loyalty by being so generous.

“Thank you, Senior Brother.” The two girls bowed deeply towards him, moved by the grand gesture.

Li Qiye lazily sat there and continued to sip on his tea while the two girls served him.

“Looks like I don’t have to eat mud then.” He then smiled at the two opponents.

Qingniu and Zhang Yan turned red. There was no doubt that they have lost the bet completely. Furthermore, they were humiliated before the beauties since Li Qiye won so convincingly. There was no way the two girls would like them now due to this initial impression.

“Start rolling.” He smirked.

The two didn’t know what to do. They were famous as part of the Three Talents, so rolling around in the mud in public was a tough task. However, reneging a bet would destroy their reputation as well.

“Fine, I’ll do it.” Qingniu made up his mind. He was arrogant but could handle losing gracefully.

“Splash!” He didn’t waste time and jumped into the mud and continued to roll around. It didn’t take long before he was covered completely like a mud statue.

Some called him a miracle doctor, the hand of god. This allowed him to look down on all people. So many big shots would come to ask him for medical help and he would act quite arrogant towards them too.

Being forced by Li Qiye to roll in the mud was a great blow to him due to his prestigious status but he still did it anyway.

“Well...” Zhang Yan saw this and didn’t want to share the same humiliating fate. He coughed and told Li Qiye: “Dao Brother, we, we were just playing...”

The guy was inferior to Qingniu. At the very least, Qingniu was an unbending person who could keep his words.

“Start Rolling.” Li Qiye didn’t want to waste time and kicked the guy off the boat.

He couldn’t dodge at all and fell into the mud, face first.

“Fine, fine, I’ll do it!” Zhang Yan was too embarrassed to look at the crowd and decided that it was better to roll in the mud. He was so much lazier compared to Qingniu, only rolled around several times before playing dead.

The crowd didn’t dare to say anything, only quietly watching this event.

“Is that enough?” Qingniu did it plenty before asking.

“Scram now, stop being an eyesore.” Li Qiye waved his sleeve and said flatly.

Before the second sentence came out, Zhang Yan ran away so fast. He jumped into the lake to escape, not wanting to linger for half a second due to shame.

Qingniu, on the other hand, got up slowly. Despite being covered in mud, he was still proud and stared straight at Li Qiye with his back straight.

“I will find you again for another match.” Qingniu was unconvinced and not deterred by Li Qiye.

This was an unyielding bull that would always go straight, never looking back.

“Scram now.” Li Qiye didn’t care.

Qingniu turned and left, as dignified as can be given the circumstances, unlike Zhang Yan.

“All of you leave too, or I’ll throw each and every single one of you down there too.” Li Qiye glared at the crowd.

They immediately dispersed after hearing this.

“A bunch of uncarvable rotten wood. Hu Qingniu is far better than them.” Li Qiye shook his head and said.

“It’s because they don’t know of your abilities, Senior Brother.” Shaoyao slightly smiled.

Li Qiye went back to enjoying his tea and sunbathing afterward.

“Since we’ve found you, we need to report to First Sister or she’ll truly go crazy.” Yalan said.

“Why go crazy, the sky is still up there.” He said with a smile.

“It’s about to fall down.” Yalan continued with a serious expression: “First Sister had received news a while back, not only will the kingdoms from our system participate but also Yang Radiance, Vermillion, Coiling Dragon... I heard Everlasting invited them.”

“They want the rest of the world to watch this usurping attempt?” Li Qiye smiled: “Perhaps forcing Longevity Valley to abdicate?”

“I believe so.” Yalan said: “That’s why First Sister asked the ancestors about mobilizing troops to prepare for the worst-case scenario.”

Miaozhen was aware that any reinforcement would be weak because if Everlasting wanted to take over, they must take down Longevity Valley eventually. Thus, the valley needed to focus on defending itself instead of sending troops to other places.

This was why Miaozhen was going crazy. They needed to rely on Li Qiye since the three of them alone wasn’t enough to deal with this mess.

“No rush, let the storm become bigger.” Li Qiye was still carefree.

“First Sister also said that once we find you, we should take you go light the first incense to announce the start of the ceremony. You will be in charge.” Shaoyao said.

“That’s fine, we can go then.” He smiled.

The two felt much better after finding Li Qiye and began heading back.

Alchemy Hut was very lively this time around because other systems were joining as well.

“Click, clack, click.” Someone saw a divine carriage driving into the area.

“Yang Radiance, they’re joining too!” Cultivators from Longevity System were surprised.

“Boom!” A massive beast rushed over right after the carriage.

“Coiling Dragon too...”

In just a short time, Vermillion Martial Court and Resting Bull also appeared.

“What is going on?” The sects and clans in Longevity System were caught off guard.

[Chapter 2255: Silver Dragon Legion](#)

Yang Radiance, Coiling Dragon, Vermillion Martial Court... many systems sent their representatives here, only consisting of big shots or even sect masters.

The cultivators from Longevity were taken by a storm from seeing these characters.

Keep in mind that this worshipping ceremony was a personal matter for Longevity, showing respect for their ancestors. It had nothing to do with outsiders.

Even if other people came to participate, it would have been on a small scale and for personal reasons - such as coming as a friend.

However, these top powers came wielding their banner. This was an official visit.

“Why are they here?” One disciple asked, completely unaware.

“I heard Everlasting Kingdom sent out invitations.” A clan elder with a good information network answered.

The crowd shuddered after hearing this. Longevity Valley has always been in charge of this event since it was the leader of the system. Only it was eligible to send out invitations but now, Everlasting Kingdom had overstepped their bounds.

Everyone realized that Everlasting was serious this time.

“Are changes coming?” Many sect masters and elders became worried.

For the great powers here, if they were to pick between Longevity and Everlasting under zero pressure of military intimidation, the majority would certainly pick Longevity.

Outside of it being the orthodox branch, its neutral stance allowed these powers to grow since it didn’t interfere with their sovereignty and choices.

If Everlasting were to take over, this current political climate would end because Everlasting prospered on the foundation of military might. It would sweep through the system in order to establish its position and status, eliminating all oppositions.

“Boom!” An explosion interrupted their worried rumination.

Another cavalry crossed through the sky like a silver thunderbolt, heading straight for Alchemy Hut.

This was a one-hundred-thousand strong legion. It soared through the sky like a silver dragon, seemingly capable of causing earthquakes.

“Silver Dragon Legion!” The crowd here took a deep breath.

“Miracle Young Noble is here.” Someone murmured.

Silver Dragon was Everlasting’s strongest and oldest legion, being around since the founding of the kingdom. Its might had swept through the system before.

Its new commander was Miracle Young Noble. Furthermore, several ancestors at the Ascender level were the main fighting force as well, more than enough to make others tremble.

“Silver Dragon is here to help Longevity Valley keep the peace!” This message spread across the area.

The participants here naturally knew that there was more going on. The ceremony was Longevity Valley’s responsibility but Everlasting brought their legion here on the night before. This implication needed no further explanation.

Everyone understood that it has finally begun, the power struggle.

“Alchemy King Valley is willing to assist Silver Dragon!” [1]

“Sacred Pill Kingdom is willing to assist Silver Dragon!”

“Roundstone Sect is willing to assist Silver Dragon!”

One power after another stated their stance before the incoming storm. Many powerful clans and sects were joining Everlasting as the ominous air grew denser.

Everyone knew that it was time to pick a side. Their decision today would determine the fate of their sect. Picking wrong could result in becoming ashes.

Fan Miaozen was under great pressure during these declarations. She has been quite busy due to the pressure from Everlasting. This stressed her even more.

She inevitably thought about Li Qiye, wanting him to come back to take care of things yet the guy was nowhere to be found. She sent several letters to him but didn’t receive any response.

Meanwhile, Li Qiye was not anxious at all during his journey on the sightseeing tour. Leisure, relaxed, and even ignoring the messages from Miaozen.

“Senior Brother, Senior Sister has asked for you to return right away after you’re done here.” Shaoyao gave the message.

“No rush, not everyone is here yet.” Li Qiye sat by the window, enjoying the sceneries of the lake.

In fact, they could make it there in half a day by flying. Using the boat was slowing them down quite a bit.

“But Silver Dragon is there, they might be in danger.” Yalan worriedly said, wanting to come back as soon as possible but there was nothing she could do when Li Qiye wanted to take his time.

“Don’t worry, Everlasting won’t flip the table before the start of the ceremony. Plus, this is good training for your First Sister. She’ll be the leader of the system in the future.”

The two girls exchanged glances, not knowing how to respond.

The worshipping ceremony took place in an altar at Alchemy Hut. This used to be the place where Alchemy Immortal taught his disciples and gave orders to the system. Thus, it was the perfect location. Performing the ceremony here meant that Longevity Valley was still in charge, at least symbolically.

The true start of the ceremony began with the lighting of the incense. This didn’t take place at the altar but rather in a grass hut. This grass hut was also known as the ancestral shrine because Alchemy Immortal used to stay here. Many forefathers and ancestors had their memorial tablets placed here as well.

Thus, lighting up a bundle of incense served as worshipping the ancestors on top of being the formal commencement.

Many experts were waiting outside of this hut, waiting to light incense for the ancestor. However, the first bundle must be lit up by Longevity Valley. No one else could do it beforehand.

This particular hut was indeed made out of grass, rumored to be created by Alchemy Immortal. It stuck around after so many years, surrounded by verdant trees now.

In front was a stone passage leading straight to the lake. There were plenty of boats there now with cultivators waiting near the steps.

They were ready to worship the ancestors and pray for their blessings.

“They’re here, Longevity Valley’s people!” An eagle-eyed cultivator saw Li Qiye’s boat coming from afar.

“Doctor Mu and Fairy Qin.” The girls’ beauty instantly attracted the spectators.

[Chapter 2256: First Bundle Of Incense](#)

When Li Qiye finally got off the boat and began to walk on the steps, people finally noticed him.

This was because the two girls were too famous, the dream lovers for many men in the system. However, they walked behind him so this elevated his status even more.

“Who is that?” People quietly asked.

“I heard his last name is Li, the current First Disciple of the valley and the First Brother of the Three Ladies.” A friend had gotten wind of information about him.

“Since when did Longevity Sage take in a different First Disciple? Doesn’t that spot belong to Fairy Fan?” A junior didn’t know what was going on.

“The First Disciple at the valley means inheriting everything from the sage and will be the future lord of the system.” An elder said: “As far as I know, this position has been empty all along, so this guy came out of nowhere.”

People took a deep breath and the atmosphere became serious. The successor of the valley and the future ruler of the system? This was quite prestigious.

“This guy appeared several days ago and controlled their ancestral pine tree to kill Everlasting’s Tutor Xiao.” A protector looked at Li Qiye and elaborated: “I think he has been the sage’s student all along, just not publicly announced.”

“I see. That sword pine is one of their three ancestral trees, personally cultivated by their progenitor. Earning its recognition is indeed amazing. It’s not strange that he can become the First Disciple.” One ancestor nodded his head.

Disciples from the valley immediately greeted them as they made their way to the top. This was a sacred location so guards were always around.

“Senior Brother, Senior Sister, you guy are finally here. Senior Sister Fan said that it’s coming, but we are prepared well. We can light the incense now.” One of the disciples blurted out without pausing.

People have crowded the area for several days now but no one dared to come up before Longevity Valley. They waited for a long time and some have voiced their complaints.

Everlasting has done some damage to Longevity’s authority, so dissenting opinions became louder. People didn’t take Longevity as serious as before.

“Let’s get started then.” Li Qiye calmly said.

“Get ready to open the cauldron for the incense lighting, First Brother will be in charge.” The disciple announced before leading Li Qiye’s group towards the hut.

“Isn’t Longevity Sage the first to do light the incense?” Someone immediately complained. Who knows if this was deliberate or just during the heat of the moment. Though it was more of a soft whisper, everyone clearly heard it. This person also immediately disappeared into the crowd and no one knew who it was.

“That’s right, the first incense should be by the lord of the dao system, so only Longevity Sage.” Others echoed the sentiment.

“Only the leader can light the first incense.” Some older cultivators found logic in this and nodded their head.

The atmosphere suddenly became strange. Someone clearly wanted to start trouble in order to weaken the valley’s authority.

The sage’s injuries were no secret at this point so she couldn’t personally come. This created a weak spot for opponents to break through.

“Yes, the first incense has a special significance to our system, a symbol of authority, so only Longevity Sage can do it instead of some random nobody.” Another voice came from the crowd.

“He can’t light it, only Longevity Sage can.” Numerous members agreed.

“Our Senior Brother is the First Disciple of Longevity, inheriting our legacies and the system’s authority in the future. It is completely suitable.” Mu Yalan’s expression turned cold as she announced.

This shut up many people in the crowd. Though she rarely showed her face, she was in charge of the medicine hall and had saved many people including ancestors. Thus, her reputation was golden.

“Hah, if Longevity Sage can’t come and a third-generation disciple has to do it, it should be Miracle Young Noble then. He is qualified to light the first incense, instead of this so-called First Disciple. The people won’t accept it.” A prideful voice broke the silence.

Poison King Huang Quanwei and his entourage made an entrance. A youth walked side by side with him, handsome and yet imperious with his eyes looking down on everyone.

“The Poison King is here too.” The crowd naturally stared at them then at two more youths in the crowd - Hu Qingniu and Zhang Yan.

These two were here way early but only spectated to the side. Nevertheless, they were gleeful to see people causing trouble for Li Qiye. In fact, they wanted to fan the fire as well.

“All Three Talents are here, should be fun.” Someone looked at the trio then back at Li Qiye.

These Three Talents were the most excellent prodigies in the system. They wouldn’t be convinced of a First Disciple who came out of nowhere.

After all, this First Disciple would be the future lord. Many people would want to challenge him in order to make a name for themselves.

“Wu Xianyi is here too.” Someone noticed the youth standing next to Quanwei.

“Who’s that? Should be someone important since he can walk next to Poison King.” A newly debuted cultivator didn’t know him.

“Hmph, just a random guy who managed to find a big backing, now he looks down on everyone after leaving our system, forgetting all of his old friends.” Another spectator scowled with derision.

Quanwei came over and stared at Mu Yalan with desire in his eyes.

He changed quite a bit from last time, seemingly even more imposing or even arrogant. In other words, his confidence rose and he walked in a pompous manner now.

He looked around at the crowd and said: “If Longevity Sage can’t come to personally light the incense and it has to be someone from the third generation, I propose Miracle Young Noble. He’s world-renowned and will become a True Emperor later on top of being a great pill alchemist. That’s more than enough to represent our system. What are your thoughts, gentlemen?”

“You’re right, Miracle Young Noble is qualified to light the first bundle.” Someone else supported this claim: “We can’t have someone coming out of nowhere doing it.”

“Yes, I’m also in favor of Miracle Young Noble doing it.” Many parroted.

This was certainly a scheme. If Miracle Young Noble were to do it, he would successfully override Longevity Valley’s authority, the first step of usurping.

Meanwhile, the older cultivators only wanted to watch, not wanting to be involved.

“I also feel that Miracle Young Noble is the right choice.” Zhang Yan smiled and said.

However, when he noticed Yalan’s cold glare, he coughed and added: “Miss Mu, I’m only speaking the truth. The first incense represents our system, this requires great abilities. Our system is famous for its alchemy, and Miracle Young Noble is not only strong but also an amazing alchemist.”

These prodigies had a good relationship plus, Zhang Yan and Qingniu lost to Li Qiye earlier. They naturally wouldn’t take his side.

Qingniu stepped out as well: “It’s fine if he wants to represent the system, but I want to have a competition of alchemy. The leader of the system must be good at pill-making, alchemy, and medicine in order to be recognized by the mass.”

“Our First Brother is unbeatable in all three fields and poison mastery too, he is more than enough to represent our sect and the system.” Yalan retorted.

Qingniu arched his chest and declared: “Nothing would be better if that’s the case. I will compete with him in medicine. If I lose, I will be the first to support him.”

Despite his eccentric and arrogant personality, Qingniu was a man of his words.

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Someone boisterously shouted after seeing Hu Qingniu’s challenge to Li Qiye: “That’s right, if he is good at everything, then have a competition to see who is actually better.”

Zhang Yan nodded: “I agree. Today, the Three Talents of Longevity System are also here. We will overestimate ourselves and be your opponents. The three of us are proficient in pill, medicine, and poison. Do you dare to take us on, First Brother Li?”

“Why should I accept your challenge?” Li Qiye smiled and shook his head.

“If you don’t, how can you convince others of your worthiness to light the first bundle?” Qingniu uttered coldly.

“Because he is from Longevity Valley!” The always-gentle Shaoyao finally spoke up in a resounding manner. No one from Longevity was a coward.

She turned her gaze towards Qingniu and said: “No one else is qualified to light the first bundle outside of our sect! He is the First Disciple, that alone is enough.”

At this key moment, she became quite aggressive. Her master taught her well indeed.

“That’s too imperious.” The youth accompanying Poison King Quanwei spoke: “Such a matter shouldn’t be decided by status but rather, skills and abilities.”

“Wu Xianyi, you are no longer a disciple of Longevity System, shut your mouth.” Yalan didn’t spare any face either and retorted.

The youth's expression darkened but he recalled his new status and became emboldened. He arched his chest and proudly said: "Doctor Mu, I'm speaking out for the sake of Longevity System and its future. If this keeps on, it will certainly decline!"

Wu Xianyi used to be a disciple from a common sect in the system. However, his Senior Brother, Zhou Zhikun, joined the banner of someone quite amazing and he quickly followed suit. They left Longevity System from then on.

In the past, his status was far inferior to a regular disciple of Longevity Valley, let alone Mu Yalan. He wouldn't have the courage to speak in front of her back then and could only watch from the distance.

Now, his master had a shocking origin, feared by all in Myriad Lineage. Every dao system had to give him face. Thus, he returned with great fanfare. Even Huang Quanwei called him a brother, something he never dared to dream about in the past.

"Is that so?" Yalan said.

Xianyi went on with confidence: "That's right, Longevity System was built from the blood and sweat of our ancestors, so no disciple here wants to see it decline, especially because of Longevity Valley's imperious and dictatorial acts. Because of this, all disciples have the responsibility to speak out and interfere so that people know that Longevity System belongs to everyone, not just the valley. If it continues to be stubborn, sects like Everlasting should stand up!"

The youths didn't realize right away but the older cultivators took a deep breath to compose themselves.

The latter was aware that Xianyi was on the side of Everlasting, and thinking about his backing made them tremble.

"I agree as well." Zhang Yan said: "Status shouldn't matter that much, but even if we're talking about seniority, a First Disciple can't convince all of us, and Longevity Valley can't do whatever it wants. We have more respect than that and demand Longevity Valley to show something that can prove otherwise!"

This fella didn't want to rebel, only simply wishing to go against Li Qiye. Nevertheless, this was going along with Xianyi's flow.

"Idiot." Li Qiye flatly insulted without looking at the guy.

This direct insult angered Zhang Yan even more. Just rolling in the mud earlier was bad enough, but the public scorn was too much for him to take.

"Li, are you willing to compete against me or not!? Otherwise, you're not qualified to light the first bundle!" He shouted.

"Are you speaking on behalf of your sect, Hundred-Pills Gate?" Yalan coldly interrogated.

His face turned red but he couldn't get off the tiger. There was no way of backing down now before so many people. His reputation would suffer a great loss.

“That’s right!” His brain melted, letting caution go with the wind: “An incapable man relying on his position alone can’t lord over us or act as the system’s representative! Don’t think about lighting that first bundle!”

“Idiot!” Someone loudly shouted and it wasn’t Li Qiye this time.

“Pop!” Next, a heavy slap struck Zhang Yan’s face, causing his head to turn with blood streaming down his lips.

Being slapped for no reason enraged him. He looked back and got scared out of his mind.

A group was approaching with an old man wearing a hemp garment as the leader. His peer was another elderly man, looking quite stately and austere.

“Master, Ancestor!” Zhang Yan cried out.

“Pill King and Hundred-Pill Sect Master.” People were startled because this sect was indeed powerful.

Pill King Feng Xiaochen shocked the crowd the most. Many older experts quickly cupped their fist and greeted him.

This was an existence famous all across Myriad Lineage, one of the two great ancestors of Longevity System.

He held a pivotal position due to his Longevity Pills. Even Eternals wanted to ask him for help and might not get any.

Zhang Yan’s legs were trembling, just like his heart overwhelmed with fear.

“Hmph!” The sect master scowled, no longer protecting his favorite disciple because the kid had botched it up.

Feng Xiaochen was no longer smiling like always since Zhang Yan had dragged Hundred-Pill Gate into this mess. They were opposing Longevity Valley now.

He wanted to speak with the other party but was astounded to see Li Qiye.

Other people here didn’t know about this First Brother but he did!

He was one of the ancestors who attacked Insane Court so he naturally knew that Li Qiye was current in charge of that system.

Of course, he was shocked to see this guy acting as the First Disciple here. He took a deep breath and bowed towards Li Qiye: “Young Noble, welcome to our humble abode. I’m sure Longevity Valley will prosper under your rule for the world to witness.”

He purposely spoke vaguely but the two of them knew what was going on.

“I naturally will sweep across Three Immortals and stand at the apex. This is merely a brief stop.” Li Qiye nonchalantly said.

“Indeed, seeing you again today is the blessing of three lifetimes, my greatest honor. Your supreme pill dao is untouchable and I will visit Longevity Valley later to learn from you, Young Noble.” The old man bowed his head again.

He was being quite serious with his comments. This was someone who was willing to be a hostage back at Insane Court in order to watch Li Qiye’s pill dao.

His showing of reverence astounded the crowd, making them speechless. This was a great ancestor of the system, an amazing alchemist and pill creator. Even True Emperors asked him for help before.

Not to mention regular True Gods, even Ascenders would perform a respectful greeting when seeing him. Now, the old man was acting in this manner towards Li Qiye.

[Chapter 2258: Kneeling](#)

Pill King Feng Xiaochen smiled and actually got on his knees: “Your wondrous brilliance will illuminate all of us.”

Li Qiye simply nodded and accepted the grand gesture.

“Fool.” The old man then turned his attention towards Zhang Yan and yelled: “The grand matters of a sect can’t be treated so frivolously! We are part of Longevity System which stemmed from Longevity Valley. We shall not forget this grace and will listen to the valley!”

Zhang Yan shuddered with his head lowered, not daring to say a single word or even breathe loudly.

This was his sect’s top ancestor who had full control. Though he was the current young lord, Xiaochen could remove him from his post instantly.

“I am the master of Hundred-Pill, nice to meet you, First Brother.” The sect master humbly referred to Li Qiye as a brother and kneeled: “Hundred-Pill is under Longevity Valley, this was true in the past, still is now, and will be so in the future. Our loyalty will never change and we shall obey all orders. Just say the words and all members of our sect will jump into the fire for you!”

His bravado and certainly showed both his sect’s stance and his towards Longevity Valley. The Pill King had made his decision and determined the direction of Hundred-Pill. They have decided to side with Longevity Valley.

The crowd shuddered, realizing that it was time to state their allegiance.

A while ago, many sects have chosen Everlasting. So now, Hundred-Pill was the first powerful sect to pick Longevity Valley.

This was indeed a valuable and timely act. Though Hundred-Pill wasn’t as strong as Everlasting, they were certainly among the mightiest in the system.

So now, this woke up numerous old masters. Recently, Everlasting had all the limelight, akin to the sun at noon while acting quite arrogant. Furthermore, many sects sided with them, increasing their momentum and morale.

On the contrary, Longevity Valley has been quiet, giving off a vibe of declination like the sunset in the evening. Everyone felt as if Longevity System will have a new leader.

Alas, Hundred-Pill had shown its stance and allegiance to Longevity Valley. The older experts remembered how it had controlled the system for so long in spite of its reclusive policies. No one had successfully taken over its position.

Perhaps the valley was not on a decline at all. This was only an illusion.

“It’s good being wise and insightful. Rise, your sect is pardoned.” Li Qiye nodded.

The sect master of Hundred-Pill was in the same generation as Longevity Sage. It was unbelievable that her disciple would act like a superior before the sect master. Nevertheless, this sect master remained respectful despite the gap in seniority.

Even the Pill King was so respectful while the sect master was numerous generations below, he naturally needed to act in this manner.

“Little Cheng, he’s your disciple and will be your responsibility. Let him admit his mistakes, if Young Noble doesn’t wish to pardon him, then punishment is in order.” The old man said.

The sect master felt a chill. Their ancestor was experienced with guests consisting of Ascenders and True Emperors. There was no doubt that if he were to cross Li Qiye, he would instantly lose his position as sect master.

“Yan’er, you are responsible for your own wrongdoings. It is a great crime to violate the rules of our sect. Go apologize to First Brother. If he and Longevity Valley forgive you, then we shall punish you once we get back. If they do not, then end yourself.” The sect master said. [1]

He wanted to protect the boy that he taught himself; they were close like father and son. Alas, the boy had committed a huge mistake, one beyond his control.

This pertained to the future of Hundred-Pill. The direction of the sect wasn’t something he could decide on his own, so the young lord definitely couldn’t either.

However, Zhang Yan took the initiative to do so before everyone without consulting his own sect. This was betraying Longevity Valley and pushing Hundred-Pill down the abyss of no return.

Zhang Yan turned pale with his legs giving in. After their numerous feuds, Li Qiye would definitely not spare him. Once he accepted his mistake, Li Qiye would ask for his death.

There was no other choice. If he were to resist, his master would be the first to take him down since he would be implicated and dragged down as well, failing as a master.

He dropped to the ground and kneeled before Li Qiye, his voice trembled: “First, First Brother, I, I was ignorant and shouldn’t have offended Longevity Valley. I am willing, to, to accept the punishment.”

He closed his eyes, ready to accept his fate. This was the only way to not involve his master who he viewed as a father.

All eyes were on Li Qiye and the kneeling youth now. Everyone understood that this was the best time for Li Qiye to make an example out of the boy and intimidate the crowd while establishing his authority.

“Young and ignorant indeed. Out of consideration for Pill King, I shall spare your life. Go back and reflect on your errors in imprisonment.” Li Qiye looked at him and nonchalantly said.

If he wanted the boy’s life, it would be as easy as crushing an ant. It didn’t matter whether the Pill King interceded or not.

Zhang Yan seemed to be struck by lightning; he couldn’t believe his own ears. He thought that Li Qiye would certainly take his life due to their history but the opposite happened!

“Thank you for your pardon, First Brother, I will sincerely aid Longevity Valley in the future, given the chance.” He regained his wits and continued to kowtow.

He eventually went back behind the sect master and stood there respectfully.

“And you?” Li Qiye turned his attention towards Hu Qingniu.

Among the Three Talents, Qingniu had the biggest influence. Zhang Yan had backed down so people thought that it was time for Qingniu to concede too.

He took one step back with an uneasy expression. Nevertheless, he braced himself and walked proudly forward again.

“My stance does not represent my sect, and I shall not change it. Longevity Valley might represent the system, but the person who lights the first incense must be someone who is capable enough to do so. Our system is famous because of alchemy, pill-making, and medicine, so I shall challenge you as a doctor. If I lose, then do as you please. If you lose, you are not qualified to light the first incense.” Though Qingniu cared about frivolous matters, he was still courageous enough to not back down at the last second.

“No need to trouble First Brother, I shall take you on!” Yalan coldly responded: “You think you are qualified to challenge Longevity Valley’s First Disciple?!”

Qingniu turned red from the provocation, unable to answer right away.

No one felt that she was being unreasonable. Her medicinal abilities were probably on the same level as him but her reputation was far superior. If people were to pick a side, they would gladly pick her.

“Yalan, let me. Medicine is only a minor path for me, more of a hobby so this can be fun.” Li Qiye looked at Qingniu and leisurely said: “How do you wish to compete? Anything is fine.”

[Chapter 2259: Mysteries Of Life](#)

Qingniu readied himself and stood proudly, still as confident as ever: “We’ll save someone from death, do you dare?”

All eyes were on Li Qiye now. Everyone was familiar with Qingniu’s medical abilities, capable of bringing people back from the brink of death. Few in the entire system could match him, let alone the young generation.

“Why not? You go first so that you can at least have the chance to do something.” Li Qiye chuckled.

“Brother Hu, you can do it, no one else can compare with you when it comes to medicine.” Huang Quanwei showed his support.

The rest didn’t dare to show their attitude because they couldn’t represent their sects and didn’t know which side to pick.

Qingniu took out a frog and let his blade go to work. He cut off its limbs before adding more slashes, leaving it in eight pieces. Next, he chopped it completely on a wooden board.

“I’m starting.” He used his unique medicinal powder on the minced meat.

At the same time, he channeled his true energy into the meat with lightning speed. The pieces started coming back together.

He then used a needle and pierced the wounds with precise movements, just like a master craftsman.

It didn’t take long before he stitched the frog back together. There were still visible wounds and the frog was naturally on the verge of death, it was put back together perfectly.

The next step was from a treasure bottle with a thick liquid. This liquid covered the frog completely while emitting a musky fragrance.

“Let’s go!” He grabbed the frog with both hands and strands of energies entered its body through the veins.

The visible wounds were closing now and the frog skin became as smooth as before.

“Ribbit!” The little guy was feeling as good as ever and instantly jumped around.

“I’m done.” He took a deep breath and stared straight at Li Qiye. He might be inferior in other aspects, but medicine was something he believed to be the best at. It was his pride.

“Nice!” The crowd couldn’t help applauding. Regardless of their feelings about him, they must admit that he was an amazing doctor.

“Incredible.” Even Pill King Feng Xiaochen was impressed.

Cultivators were able to create their own body after reaching a certain level as long as the true fate and dao foundation were still around. However, re-creating someone else or saving them from near-death? It required a heaven-defying method and a massive amount of resources - a much harder task.

Qingniu used his skills to save a frog that had been minced completely and restored it in full. It truly showed his matchless abilities.

“Your turn.” Qingniu saw how the Pill King treated Li Qiye earlier, but he remained confident in his art and still looked down at Li Qiye in this regard.

“A bit capable.” Li Qiye chuckled.

“Then it’s time for you to show us your abilities. Of course, it’s not too late to accept defeat either, it won’t be shameful at all.” Huang Quanwei laughed.

Li Qiye smirked and flashed into nothingness. In the next second, he appeared again in front of Quanwei and casually said: "Saving a frog is no big deal. Saving a man? That's real abilities."

"What, what do you want?!" Quanwei became alarmed.

"Poof!" Before he could calm down, Li Qiye simply touched him. His eyes widened in fear but next, he exploded into a mist of blood.

"Buzz." His true fate appeared since Li Qiye didn't destroy him completely.

The scared guy and his true fate tried to run but Li Qiye immediately grabbed it.

"Now, I'll show you how to raise someone from the dead." Li Qiye smiled.

"Pop!" His true fate got crushed into articles that eventually scattered around.

Wu Xianyi who was next to him before turned pale and quickly got back.

In the next second, Li Qiye raised his palm. A massive life force appeared like the coming of a new world. It gathered the particles together, gestating it with life.

Before one knows it, a million years seemed to have passed as the particles came together to form Quanwei's true faith again.

Li Qiye's grasp shielded all divination and stole the creations of the heaven and earth. Everything was under his control.

"Buzz." After the true fate came back, his body was being molded again. It didn't take long before it was entirely finished.

"Bam!" Huang Quanwei fell to the ground, paralyzed while shouting in horror: "You, what the hell did you do to me?!"

The crowd became frozen after watching this unbelievable scene. Even the Pill King was no exception.

"Just mastering life and death." Li Qiye glanced at the youth and said.

People took a deep breath after hearing this and accepted the gravity of this phrase since they have just witnessed it. Not only did he kill the guy, but he could also give him his life back.

"Young Noble, this exceeds the boundary of medicine, it pertains to the mysteries of life. Even at the very apex, the medicinal dao is only a tiny branch before the profundity of life. The only things greater would be eternal life and life creation. Nevertheless, what you have done so far is beyond our grasp regardless of our effort." The Pill King emotionally stated.

The crowd didn't know what to say. If this was still considered a medicinal method, then it would be at the apex of this dao, exceeding everything else - the real form of bringing people back from the dead.

"How is it compared to yours?" Li Qiye chuckled.

Hu Qingniu was as white as paper with beads of sweat running all over. He had nothing to say because this was beyond his comprehension. Like the Pill King said, it was no longer in the category of medicine.

Even if he could cure all illness and save someone near death, what Li Qiye did just now was on a different level. Li Qiye had destroyed a life completely before bringing it back, showing his understanding of the mysteries of life.

“I’ve lost.” He dropped butt-first to the ground, feeling his pride broken to pieces and unable to hold his head high.

“My life is yours.” He said feebly. Li Qiye had broken his life-long confidence and possessed what he yearned to achieve yet will never be able to.

“Scram now.” Li Qiye waved his sleeve and said.

Qingniu took a long time before looking up, completely indifferent towards life now. He slowly got up and left.

Everyone watched his departing figure and they felt as if he had become much older. The lonely youth then disappeared before everyone.

[Chapter 2260: Slaughter](#)

Some sighed at this scene. Hu Qingniu was too arrogant and proud to an unbearable level. Nevertheless, he was indeed capable on top of being straightforward and unyielding.

Li Qiye turned towards Huang Quanwei. The guy had just experienced death so he was scared out of his mind and started rolling backward to flee.

He didn’t get far before Li Qiye stopped him, causing him to stumble backward.

“What do you want?!” He felt his scalp tingling and his legs trembling.

“You tell me. Once someone wishes to oppose me, I would like to put an end to them.” Li Qiye nonchalantly said.

“Don’t, don’t be crazy now, I, I am a disciple of Everlasting, highly regarded by His Majesty!” Quanwei continued to walk backward with trepidation.

Li Qiye casually retorted: “Compared to your National Tutor? If I’m not mistaken, your tutor is already viewed highly by your emperor.”

This almost made Quanwei’s soul leave his body.

The spectators did what they do best, quietly observing. No one dared to interfere, realizing that Everlasting and Longevity Valley were about to fight to the death. It was understandable that the First Disciple of Longevity would want to kill Poison King Huang Quanwei.

“Our, our Silver Dragon Legion is here right now, same with His Majesty and many other ancestors. If, if you dare to do anything foolish, you won’t be leaving here alive!” He screamed.

What he said just now revealed too much information to the crowd. Their emperor was coming in person with many other ancestors? This confirmed that Everlasting was going all out in this usurping effort.

“So what? They can’t save you.” Li Qiye smiled.

“Go!” Quanwei didn’t accept death without a fight and took out a pouch.

“Rawr!” The moment he opened the pouch, a cry of a flood-dragon came about. One as black as ink jumped out. Beneath its jaw was a flesh pocket containing venom.

The vegetation and plants nearby instantly withered from the toxicity.

“Venomous Pythondragon!” An elder was shocked to see it: “Watch it, it’s extremely poisonous!”

The crowd was scared of this name and instantly retreated.

This was a monster raised by Quanwei. Not only was its body completely poisonous, but it was also quite powerful as well. This made up for Quanwei’s weak cultivation, allowing him to compete against stronger foes.

The half-dragon creature spewed out a poisonous smoke. One could hear a melting noise right away. Even the ground was being melted, same with any other metal.

The smoke surrounded Li Qiye completely. Quanwei sighed with relief, certain that Li Qiye had fallen prey just like many others before him.

Alas, a figure came out of the smoke - Li Qiye - completely unaffected. This was nothing compared to the sea of tribulations.

“Ra!” The creature attacked with its mountainous claw, intending of turning him into meat paste.

“Down!” Horrifying rays exuded from the depth of his eyes.

“Boom!” The creature instantly got on the ground like a cute little snake, not daring to move in the slightest.

Many became confused, including Quanwei. Why did his ferocious pet become so obedient towards Li Qiye?

Only the Pill King knew why. This was the power of a supreme. Once a cultivator reached a certain level, each of their word and action could frighten beasts.

It wasn’t that the half-dragon was weak, Li Qiye was simply too terrifying.

Quanwei turned to run again but his legs were no longer touching the ground. Li Qiye had lifted him up by the neck.

“Brother Xianyi, help, help me.” The panicked youth asked for help.

Xianyi was someone who wasn’t qualified to even speak with him in the past but now, they were on the same level. Now, Quanwei had to ask the guy for help.

“Stop!” Xianyi shouted. Everything changed for this guy ever since he joined his Senior Brother’s new backing.

When he entered the royal clan of Everlasting, many Kings acted polite and even respectful towards him.

If he were to meet these Kings in the past, his legs would certainly tremble. Such treatment made his confidence bloat. In his mind, his backing was invincible. All experts and sects in Myriad Lineage must give him face. This was enough for him to do whatever he wanted.

Of course he was scared right now, but his backing gave him enough confidence. Who wouldn't give him face? He didn't believe Longevity Valley would break the mold.

"Got something to say?" Li Qiye looked over with his hand still clutching Quanwei's neck.

"I'm ordering you to let Brother Huang go right now!" Xianyi put on a stern expression, thinking that he was being quite imposing and cool.

"And if I refuse?" Li Qiye became amused.

"Refuse?" Xianyi's eyes became fiercer as he uttered coldly: "I'm afraid you will find that even Longevity Valley can't protect you if you don't give me face!"

Xianyi's vanity was at an all-time high, starting from a nobody and becoming someone with a chance of being superior to Longevity Valley.

"Oh, you sound quite capable?" Li Qiye looked at him and said: "Why do I see otherwise? Only a nobody with a weak cultivation, inferior to a regular disciple at Longevity Valley."

This struck the guy where it hurts since it was indeed the truth. He wasn't a genius; the only reason why he could act like this was by relying on someone else's prestige.

Being blatantly reminded like this in front of everyone was akin to showing them his ugliest side, leaving him quite embarrassed.

The crowd was secretly enjoying this as well due to Xianyi's pompous act recently. In fact, he even looked down at some of his old friends in the crowd. There were no fans of him here.

Xianyi trembled with rage before shouting: "Even if I'm weak, there are people who you will never be able to mess with, not just you, even all of Longevity System!"

"Really now?" Li Qiye smirked: "That's quite hard to find and only makes it even more interesting. I want to provoke them even more."

"It's best that you don't, or..." Xianyi said.

"Pop!" He was interrupted by Quanwei's death. The guy got turned into a mist of blood again, dying before he could react.

Xianyi's mouth remained open. Even the emperor of Everlasting got off the imperial carriage to greet him but now, Li Qiye didn't give a damn. This caught him completely off guard.

"If there are indeed people who I can't afford to mess with in this world, consider this a provocation." Li Qiye wiped his palms off before walking towards Xianyi with a smile.

