Merchant 1001

Chapter 1001: Leave Family Out of Grudges

Zheng Kaiyuan's face lit up with delight.

Miao He stared at Zheng Kaiyuan with anger and envy.

He was already suspicious of the relationship between Zheng Kaiyuan and Lin Yuan.

Miao He did not believe that Zheng Kaiyuan was acquainted with the Moon Empress' disciple.

If Zheng Kaiyuan was not Miao Zhi's son, Miao He would never have spared Zheng Kaiyuan a second look.

The main young disciples of top factions were not obliged to interact with the disciples of veteran factions.

Zheng Kaiyuan was so close to the Moon Empress' disciple, but he did not use his connection to ask forgiveness on Miao He's behalf. Rather, he used it to kick Miao He down another notch.

What an evil cousin!

Miao He had decided that if he could make it over this hurdle, he would put Zheng Kaiyuan on his blacklist, even if their grandfather favored Zheng Kaiyuan.

The two experts with pinnacle Myth III feys were Miao Zhuo's Path Protector and Miao He's Path Protector.

But now, they had become Zheng Kaiyuan's subordinates.

Miao He was full of himself by nature.

Even if Miao He was afraid of the punishment he would receive, he still hated Zheng Kaiyuan with every bone in his body.

Miao He felt extremely sorry for himself. He had not said anything, yet he had to sit by and watch as Zheng Kaiyuan elevated himself.

Nonetheless, Zheng Kaiyuan's surname was not Miao. Even with their grandfather's favor, Zheng Kaiyuan was still the disciple of a veteran faction.

However, Zheng Kaiyuan was speaking as though he had also been accepted as the disciple of a member of royalty.

Zheng Kaiyuan had wanted to talk to Lin Yuan more so that they could become closer, but he did not expect Lin Yuan to invite him to his mansion.

This was an unbelievable privilege for Zheng Kaiyuan.

His grandfather had been looking for a way to apologize to Lin Yuan so as to trade for the Golden Lotus Brocade Pearls.

If Zheng Kaiyuan could visit the mansion, the matter would be all but settled, and he would be able to join the Connected Beast Park's Elders.

Then, he would be able to freely use the Miao family's resources to promote the Zheng family from a veteran faction to a top faction.

The scheming Zheng Kaiyuan did not know that Lin Yuan was doing the same thing.

The only thing that was in Lin Yuan's mind was that he could use the blood pact ultimate fight to gain pinnacle Myth III Law Crystals.

This would allow him to gain a complete law world.

The Zheng family was a veteran faction that was a century old.

If Sky City could gain all of the Zheng family's resources, Sky City would be able to expand rapidly.

The Zheng family's role involved luxury goods. This coincided with the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce's role. As such, gaining control of the Zheng family's resources would help the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce expand its network.

Lin Yuan patted Zheng Kaiyuan's shoulder as a show of encouragement.

The Depending on Plums Room's door was closed, but everyone could hear the cries and howls of agony.

They imagined Cai Qing eating the Thorny Underground Grass, and all the hair on their bodies stood up.

None of them could imagine the consequence of eating the Thorny Underground Grass.

A moment later, the door of the Depending on Plums Room opened.

Manager Cai carried out a plate of eel meat. As sweat dripped down his forehead, he said with a trembling voice, "Lord... Lord, Cai Qing has eaten all the Thorny Underground Grass."

Manager Cai watched as the dignified young man's lips curled into a cold smile, and he happily replied, "Since Cai Qing has eaten all of the Thorny Underground Grass, you can have the remaining eel meat."

Manager Cai felt his knees turn to jelly.

The eel meat on the plate was not cooked as it had not absorbed enough fire poison. As a result, the eel meat still contained powerful spiritual poison.

Who would be able to escape unscathed after eating it?

Lin Yuan frowned when he saw Manager Cai's expression. He felt annoyance rise up within him.

Manager Cai and Cai Qing looked relatively alike, so they had to be related by blood in some way.

But whether they were related or not, Manager Cai had ordered Tian Ningning to be chased out even though she was the one that had almost lost her life. He had even ordered her fey to be captured. This proved that he was no better than Cai Qing. Manager Cai stood frozen, so Lin Yuan turned his attention to Miao He and said, "I'm an upstanding person. If I made a mistake, I'd shoulder the responsibility myself. Families should be left out of grudges."

Miao He and the disciples of the rising and veteran factions let out a sigh of relief.

No matter what happened, the consequences would end with him, and his faction would not be dragged into whatever punishment he received.

Lin Yuan asked Tian Ningning, "You're the one who's injured. What do you want to do?"

Tian Ningning felt that Lin Yuan was the coolest person she had ever met.

She did not find Cai Qing's punishment to be cruel at all.

If not for Lin Yuan, Tian Ningning could not imagine what state she would have ended up in. It was likely that the Crystal Horn Brave Deer would be killed after she was chased out.

"Lin Yuan, the only people who hurt me were Cai Qing and Manager Cai. No one else is involved. This person even defended us. My Crystal Horn Brave Deer might have already been bitten to death by the Blunt Wind Untamed Wolf if not for him. So, the only people who need to be punished are Cai Qing and Manager Cai."

Lin Yuan did not reply immediately. However, he looked impressed by Tian Ningning.

It was a rare virtue to be able to remain objective in such a circumstance.

The flat-nosed young man that Tian Ningning was pointing at said, "Why don't we all leave our contact details with Miss Tian so that she'll be able to contact us when she thinks of an appropriate punishment or needs to contact us for anything? As long as she says the word, we'll do our best to fulfill what she says."

Tian Ningning's eyes shone.

Chapter 1002: My Master is the Moon Empress!

There were about 20 to 30 disciples of rising and veteran factions present, as well as Miao He, who was from a top faction.

If they all exchanged contact details with her, her network would expand significantly. This would also help her perform better as Black's exclusive reporter and team reporter.

"Okay! Give me all of your phone numbers. Since you didn't attack me, none of you owe me anything. I only hope that in the future, you'll share information with me when I ask."

Tian Ningning waved her Class 2 Star Web reporter pass around to show them that she was a Star Web reporter.

All of them looked at her with gratitude and felt that she was their savior.

They excitedly exchanged phone numbers with Tian Ningning and decided that they would do their best to repay Tian Ningning's mercy when she called them in the future.

Previously, Lin Yuan looked impressed by Tian Ningning. But now, he felt that she was just as good at establishing connections as Listen was.

She could turn her enemies or a chance encounter into a resource she could use to further herself on Star Web in the future.

After Tian Ningning was done getting everyone's numbers, Lin Yuan noticed that Manager Cai had yet to eat the eel meat.

Lin Yuan looked at Miao He and said, "Since they're holding this meal for you, you should take responsibility for the conflict."

Miao He's heart skipped a beat. He had assumed that he had crossed the obstacle and did not expect the Moon Empress' disciple to target him again.

Miao He's hatred for Zheng Kaiyuan reached a peak. He felt that if Zheng Kaiyuan had not added that additional jibe, he would not have been targeted by Lin Yuan again.

Lin Yuan's status was almost akin to a prince.

Hence, Miao He dared not bear any resentment toward Lin Yuan, not even a hint of it. Instead, he directed all his negative emotions at Zheng Kaiyuan.

Miao He anxiously bowed and said, "Lord Lin Yuan, all I did was receive and respond to an invitation. I never expected such an incident to take place. If you want me to shoulder the responsibility, I shall take on all of it. I can also compensate Miss Tian handsomely."

Lin Yuan nodded and said, "You can discuss this with Tian Ningning privately. You can judge the situation yourself and compensate the Spirit Food Pavilion accordingly."

Lin Yuan glanced at Manager Cai before adding, "I trust that you'll be able to handle the matter properly."

Miao He immediately realized what Lin Yuan meant and replied, "Don't worry. I will make sure these people eat what they deserve. They won't let your good intentions or the famous 300 dishes of Kitchen Fragrance Palace go to waste. Leave everything to me."

Lin Yuan led Tian Ningning to the counter and settled the bill before leaving the Spirit Food Pavilion.

While they headed to the mansion, Tian Ningning stared at Lin Yuan. It seemed that she had many questions to ask him but did not know how to broach the topic.

"If you have any questions, just ask them. Don't keep them to yourself. Speak your mind without holding anything back."

Tian Ningning immediately let go of her concerns and said, "Can you tell me why so many young disciples of veteran and top factions were attacking Black on your behalf?"

Lin Yuan's eyebrow twitched.

He had expected this question from Tian Ningning, and this question was also one that he had prepared an answer for during their meeting.

"It's because they found out who my Master is at the Guard Ye Banquet."

Tian Ningning immediately became curious.

Not even Class 5 Star Web reporters had the authority to attend and conduct interviews at the Guard Ye Banquet.

Thus, the Guard Ye Banquet was a mystery to Tian Ningning.

However, Tian Ningning knew that one had to be at least the main young disciple of a top faction to have the authority to attend the Guard Ye Banquet.

Tian Ningning had long guessed that either Black or Lin Yuan had a special status.

It was clear from his feys because even the most talented person that could comprehend Willpower Runes would not have a Silver/Fantasy healing-type fey.

However, Tian Ningning could not figure out, or rather she did not dare to imagine, what status Lin Yuan's Master had to allow him to become the envy of direct descendants of top factions.

At that moment, Tian Ningning thought of the person who had spoken up to resolve the situation on Star Web.

At the time, Tian Ningning had assumed that Long Tao had used his connection to ask the Young Liege of Midnight Palace for help.

But now, it seemed that Lin Yuan and the Young Liege of Midnight Palace were actually acquainted.

Tian Ningning asked half-jokingly, "Haha, your Master can't be the Moon Empress, right?"

The moment the words left her lips, Tian Ningning heard how ludicrous she sounded.

Even if she had no ill-intent, how could she talk about the Moon Empress in a joking manner?

Before Tian Ningning could cover up for her slip of the tongue, Lin Yuan nodded and smiled brightly.

Lin Yuan's smile shot through Tian Ningning's heart, and she suddenly felt that Lin Yuan's face was more powerful than his actual abilities.

He nodded and said, "Yes, my Master is the Moon Empress."

Tian Ningning almost slipped off Blackie.

For the rest of the journey, she remained silent and dazed as she absorbed the bombshell Lin Yuan had just dropped on her.

She wondered if she was dreaming.

How was it possible that she had accidentally become the Moon Empress' disciple's exclusive reporter?

Her head snapped up as she fixed her eyes on Lin Yuan.

After today's interaction, Black became even more real to her.

It turned out that the low-profile hero that had used a sea of flowers to save Millstone Town actually had such an incredible status.

Chapter 1003: Loyalty is More Important Than Capability

While Tian Ningning was amazed by Lin Yuan's status, she also felt the pressure.

She felt that she had many areas to improve on as the Moon Empress' disciple's exclusive reporter.

When they arrived at the mansion, Lin Yuan told Wen Yu to tend to Tian Ningning and introduce her to everyone in the mansion.

Next, Tian Ningning followed Zhang Xiaobai and the rest to the Dome Guild Club so that she could prepare herself to go on Star Web and handle all the negative consequences of Zhang Xiaobai and the rest leaving the Extreme Guild Club for Dome Guild Club.

Lin Yuan checked the time and was about to go to the Spirit Lock spatial zone to evolve the snake-type feys to Bronze/Legend for Wendy when Listen, and Hu Quan walked in.

Listen quickly walked toward Lin Yuan and handed him a fey storage box before saying, "Young Master, here are the 50 Hundred Questions Beasts that Qin Lun gave me. He said that you needed them."

Listen sounded unsure as he spoke.

The Hundred Questions Beasts in the fey storage box were not high-quality, and all had matted fur. Not even normal people would want to buy them to use as their housekeeping beasts.

Why did Lin Yuan want 50 of them?

Listen could not think of a way that the Hundred Questions Beasts could be useful. He felt that these Hundred Questions Beasts were very lucky. No matter how pathetic they started out as, their luck would change once they met Lin Yuan.

Lin Yuan received the fey storage box and replied, "Listen, keep Qin Lun and Qin Yu with you for some time. Train Qin Lun well. Qin Yu is only around 12 years old and should be going to school. However, he has no foundation at all, and it would be unfeasible to expect him to start immediately. Find a full-time teacher to teach him for a year. Next year, he'll take the exam to join the Royal Capital's Low-Class Spirit Qi Academy."

Lin Yuan had already decided to take Qin Lun and Qin Yu under his wing. Hence, he was going to nurture them properly.

Although Qin Lun had a fair amount of life experience from running the spirit lifeform store, knowing was not the same as experiencing.

He had been running the spirit lifeform store for survival and rarely had any interaction with the outside world. Hence, he had essentially been living under a rock all this time.

Lin Yuan wanted Listen to remove the rock.

There were times that experience was more important than power.

Nonetheless, before Lin Yuan could find the Polar Night Blue Sky Scorpion for Qin Lun and Qin Yu, there was no way for Qin Lun to increase his power.

Qin Yu was still young, and the best thing for him to do now was to go to school. Anything else could wait.

Listen nodded and said, "Don't worry, Young Master. I'll make sure to take care of everything. However, Qin Yu is too old to attend Year 1 at the Royal Capital's Low-Class Spirit Qi Academy. If he can learn more during the next year, he might be able to go into Year 4 directly. If so, he'll be able to be with people his age and make it easier for him to acclimatize as well."

Lin Yuan felt that Listen's suggestion was right.

In a place like Low-Class Spirit Qi Academy, where there were many innocent children, it would be difficult for Qin Yu to find his place amongst children that were too young or too old.

For someone like Qin Yu, who had shouldered so many struggles at a young age, he would only suppress any ostracization he received. This could result in his cheerful personality warping into a reserved one.

If that happened, it would defeat the purpose of Lin Yuan sending Qin Yu to the Royal Capital's Low-Class Spirit Qi Academy to study.

Thus, Listen's suggestion of having Qin Yu join Year 4 was the best decision.

Lin Yuan felt very assured to leave matters in Listen's hands.

Hu Quan chuckled and said, "Lin Yuan, I've picked out the Spirit Craftsmen as per your instructions from a few days ago. After I mentioned the part about being separated from society, only 35 people volunteered. After I said that they would have to be away for a decade, a total of 130 people volunteered. When I finally revealed the rewards, all of them were clamoring the volunteer. Hence, I only chose the Spirit Craftsmen who had volunteered immediately after I said that they would be separated from society.

"I assessed all the Spirit Craftsmen's abilities when they joined our Heavenly Craft Pavilion. Although those who volunteered are rather weak, and some are old, they are full of loyalty. It's worth investing in them. I told them to prepare what they would need yesterday, and they're all gathered in Heavenly Craft Pavilion now. I can bring them here anytime you wish."

From this selection of Spirit Craftsmen, Hu Quan had realized that loyalty was more important than capability.

He had now separated the 500 Spirit Craftsmen of Heavenly Craft Pavilion into different levels based on their loyalty.

Hu Quan decided that he would first nurture the 35 Spirit Craftsmen who had volunteered to be separated from society while observing the second group that volunteered.

As for those that only volunteered after hearing about the rewards, Hu Quan decided to give up on them. He would only impart basic skills to them and leave all the miscellaneous tasks in Heavenly Craft Pavilion to them.

Despite being a Class 5 Spirit Craftsman, he could not teach 500 Spirit Craftsmen even if he wanted to.

Hu Quan decided to focus on nurturing the loyal ones.

Heavenly Craft Pavilion paid the Spirit Craftsmen more than they would earn freelancing. Hence, he would not be taking advantage of the Spirit Craftsmen that he had no intention of teaching. He was still going to assign them work.

Lin Yuan's eyes lit up, and he said after a moment's pondering, "Uncle Hu, bring the 35 Spirit Craftsmen over. Since they're prepared to be separated from society, the earlier they begin working, the earlier they'll be able to finish the construction in the marsh world.

"Listen, prepare more construction materials for basic facilities like houses, breeding bases, and breeding rooms."

Listen hastily spoke.

Chapter 1004: The Hundred Questions Beast Army

"Young Master, I can get the materials easily. Do you have any specifications?"

Lin Yuan pondered for a moment before replying, "They don't have to be expensive as long as they're sturdy and durable. All materials have to be metal-type spiritual materials that are resistant to decay. The marsh world is extremely humid. Hence, Silver metal spiritual ingredients and below will definitely become warped and rusted soon. Building anything with Silver spiritual ingredients and below will essentially be like building with tofu."

Listen took note of Lin Yuan's requests and said confidently, "Young Master, the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce has been continuing to supply luxury goods. However, Fei Qianqiong has maneuvered the Iron Wall Chamber of Commerce into using all their luxury resources. Hence, they are no longer generalized but are now specializing in luxury goods. The Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce has seized all the resources that they abandoned. Thus, I'll be able to prepare the materials you need by tonight, and I'll have someone deliver them to you."

Lin Yuan raised his eyebrows slightly.

He had decided to officially take in Listen and the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce in spite of the Zheng family's intimidation because of Listen's networking ability and the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce's role.

Now, he was reaping the benefits of the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce's role.

Without the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce, Lin Yuan would need to buy a mountain of resources from Star Web in order to expand into the marsh world secretly.

It would have taken him at least half a day to purchase all the resources. But now, all that effort was saved.

Lin Yuan suddenly thought of Zheng Kaiyuan's cold expression back at the Spirit Food Pavilion. "Listen, use all your financial resources and gather as many people as possible."

Listen was slightly shocked by Lin Yuan's sudden instruction. He did not understand what Lin Yuan's intentions were.

The Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce was rapidly expanding, and they had hired many more employees. If they hired more people now, they would not have enough work to fill every employee's time.

However, Listen knew that Lin Yuan must have his reasons for giving such an instruction.

"Okay, Young Master. I will hire more people once I return to the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce. I can ensure that all new hires are loyal with Fei Qianqiong's Mind-Controlling Silkworm Gu."

Lin Yuan had been expanding his faction for some time and knew the importance of loyalty.

Using Fei Qianqiong's Mind-Controlling Silkworm Gu to control new hires did not sound good. But since these people were not enemies and did not have ill-intent, the Mind-Controlling Silkworm would not be activated. Hence, the new hires would not be affected in the slightest.

The Zheng family was about to engage in a blood pact ultimate fight with Sky City, and they had also aimed their guns at the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce. Extreme situations called for extreme measures.

Lin Yuan noticed Listen's silent confusion. He smiled and said, "The recruitment is because of the huge order that the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce is about to receive. The order will be 100 times larger than the orders received by the Iron Wall Chamber of Commerce. You won't be able to handle it without enough people."

After he was done speaking, Lin Yuan returned to the Spirit Lock spatial zone to evolve the 50 Hundred Questions Beasts.

Genius started to meow and said in a child-like voice, "Yuan, I'm a bit nervous now that I'm about to become a teacher."

When he saw how nervous and excited Genius was, Lin Yuan gently stroked Genius' nose and said, "Genius, don't you have any determination to become a good teacher?"

Genius meowed and replied, "Yuan, I will definitely do my best to teach these 50 Hundred Questions Beasts and use Connected Tails to transfer knowledge to them."

Lin Yuan released the 50 Hundred Questions Beasts from the fey storage box.

The 50 Hundred Questions Beasts had been bathed by Qin Lun yesterday. Thus, their fur was very clean.

Some of them were pure-colored, while others were a mix of colors. Some had patterns on their bodies, but many of the patterns were cracked. It was clear that they were the rejects of the fey market.

Although they were not in the sorry state that Genius had been in, they were not much better off.

As Lin Yuan and Genius scanned the 50 Hundred Questions Beasts, the Hundred Questions Beasts were timidly staring back at them.

The Hundred Questions Beasts were intelligent and knew from the moment Lin Yuan bought them that this young man was going to be their master.

But as anxious as they were, they proceeded to happily consume the pure spirit qi in the Spirit Lock spatial zone.

Pure spirit qi was appealing to any fey, including the Hundred Questions Beasts.

What happened next made Genius cover its eyes with its large tails.

All the fur on the 50 Hundred Questions Beasts suddenly fell, and they started to grow new fur. This cycle continued.

Once their fur finally stopped dropping, Lin Yuan realized that the pure spirit qi had allowed the 50 Hundred Questions Beasts to become beautiful.

Although they had not evolved, their fur had become extremely beautiful.

Lin Yuan knew that the pure spirit qi had enabled the Hundred Questions Beasts' genetic model to evolve.

From this, Lin Yuan was able to see the sensitivity that the Hundred Questions Beast had towards pure spirit qi.

The 50 Hundred Questions Beasts meowed before bowing with their front halves to the ground.

Lin Yuan knew that this position demonstrated their loyalty and affection.

"Since I bought you, you're now a part of my big family.. I will evolve you while Genius will teach you," said Lin Yuan.

Chapter 1005: Ginger Cats are Fat

"I will build a large cat tower for you to rest on. When you're hungry, you can just eat the Soldier Ration Radishes."

The Hundred Questions Beasts could not believe that they would be able to live in such an environment, and they hurriedly said, "Thank you. We will try our best to learn from Teacher Genius. We hope to be of help to you one day."

"All you have to do is learn from me, and I'll tell Yuan to bring delicious red braised meat for you every day. I'll also concoct spirit fluids to help you evolve," said Genius.

Lin Yuan and Genius had already discussed how they would nurture the 50 Hundred Questions Beasts.

Lin Yuan would first evolve them to Bronze X/Legend before Genius evolved them to Diamond X/Legend so that they would be able to comprehend Willpower Runes.

While they were evolving the Hundred Questions Beasts, Lin Yuan wanted to see their spiritual energy potential. He wanted to see if they would be able to use their spiritual energy to interact with tangible matter to perform Creation Master tasks like Genius could.

He picked a ginger-colored Hundred Questions Beast and decided to evolve it first.

Genius had already started to concoct a spirit fluid that would evolve the ginger Hundred Questions Beast from Bronze to Diamond.

Lin Yuan injected spiritual power into the fat ginger Hundred Questions Beast, and it started to glow faintly.

Once the fat ginger Hundred Question Beast evolved to Bronze grade, Lin Yuan chose the exclusive skill Strong Spirit.

Strong Spirit would allow the fat ginger Hundred Questions Beast to sacrifice its vitality to replenish its depleted spiritual energy.

If the ginger Hundred Questions Beast could eventually use spiritual energy to concoct spirit fluid, Strong Spirit would be extremely useful.

After the fat ginger Hundred Questions Beast evolved to Bronze I/Normal, Lin Yuan noticed that its spiritual energy had increased several times.

Lin Yuan was happily surprised by this.

This showed how much spiritual talent the Hundred Questions Beasts that had always been unable to become feys actually had.

Lin Yuan decided to continue evolving the fat ginger Hundred Question Beast.

It took Lin Yuan two hours to evolve a fey to Bronze/Legend in the Spirit Lock spatial zone.

Lin Yuan suddenly noticed how much heavier the fat ginger Hundred Question Beast felt in his arms.

When Genius was evolving, it continuously shrunk.

However, the fat ginger Hundred Questions Beast did not change in size but only became heavier.

It was no wonder that people always said that ginger cats were fat.

Lin Yuan quickly placed the fat ginger Hundred Questions Beast on the ground.

It looked up at Lin Yuan with teary eyes and felt that this human was too amazing.

The fat ginger Hundred Questions Beast nudged Lin Yuan's finger with its face affectionately.

But soon, its rear end was so heavy that it fell to the ground.

Lin Yuan could not help but rest his chin on his hand. It looked like the fat ginger Hundred Questions Beast could no longer.

Genius walked over to the fat ginger Hundred Questions Beast and morphed its spiritual energy into two hands.

It raised the spirit fluid to the fat ginger Hundred Questions Beast and said, "Drink this green spirit fluid, followed by this purple spirit fluid. They will evolve you to Platinum X. I need three hours to concoct the spirit fluid that will evolve you to Diamond, so I'll give that to you later."

The fat ginger Hundred Questions Beast tried to raise its claws to receive the spirit fluids from Genius.

When it saw how much the fat ginger Hundred Questions Beast was struggling, Genius immediately fed the spirit fluid to the fat ginger Hundred Questions Beast so that it would be able to drink it if it just tilted its head up.

After the fat ginger Hundred Questions Beast drank the spirit fluids, Genius used Connected

Tails to share knowledge with it.

After the fat ginger Hundred Questions Beast evolved to Platinum X/Legend, it remained about the same size, but its fur became much more beautiful.

Its fur looked like the last vestiges of sunlight that clung to the sky at sunset.

Lin Yuan suddenly felt a shapeless hand gently take his hand. He lowered his head and saw a ginger hand made of spiritual energy.

Lin Yuan looked at the fat ginger Hundred Questions Beast in surprise, and he wanted to shout in his heart,?*My guess has finally become a reality*!

From the strength of the hand, Lin Yuan could tell that the Platinum X/Legend fat ginger Hundred Questions Beast had even more spiritual energy than the Silver I/Fantasy I Genius.

This meant that once Genius transferred its knowledge to the fat ginger Hundred Questions Beast, and it trained for a short while, it was likely that its Creation Master abilities would surpass Genius.

The fat ginger Hundred Questions Beasts was just like a general in Lin Yuan's army of Hundred Questions Beasts.

Lin Yuan had been afraid that it would be too taxing for Genius to concoct spirit fluids for all 50 Hundred Questions Beasts.

Now that Genius had the help of the fat ginger Hundred Questions Beasts, the third Hundred Questions Beast would be nurtured quickly.

This meant that the army of Hundred Questions Beast Creation Masters would only continue to grow.

It would only become easier to nurture the other Hundred Questions Beasts.

Lin Yuan felt that the Hundred Questions Beasts that had Creation Master abilities should be kept a secret, just like the existence of the Spirit Lock spatial zone.

His experiment had also changed the structure of the entire Creation Master profession.

While Lin Yuan was immersed in his deep thoughts and excitement, his phone started to ring.

He picked it up and saw that the call was coming from Long Tao.

When Lin Yuan picked up the call, Long Tao asked firmly, "Lin Yuan, are you and Black the same person?"

A few days ago, Long Tao had called Liu Jie to ask him to settle the commotion.

Liu Jie's post had stated that Black and Lin Yuan had eaten dinner together.

This post had stunned Long Tao, and he thought about the familiar feeling he got from Lin Yuan and Black. Long Tao felt that he had been bamboozled.

Hence, Long Tao had decided to get straight to the point to ask if Lin Yuan and Black were the same person.

Chapter 1006: Is This Idea Feasible?

Lin Yuan's eyebrow twitched, and he immediately replied, "Big Brother Long, what made you ask me this?"

Long Tao was suddenly rendered speechless.

He knew that Lin Yuan was the Moon Empress' disciple.

The Moon Empress' disciple carried unimaginable glory. However, it was not convenient for Lin Yuan to move around with the title of the Moon Empress' disciple hanging over him.

Hence, it was possible for Lin Yuan to use another identity to move about for convenience's sake.

This question seemed too ridiculous.

If Lin Yuan was Black, his question would reveal one of Lin Yuan's secrets.

Over the last few days, the disciples of veteran and top factions had been fighting with Black's fans for Lin Yuan's sake. If Lin Yuan was not Black, Long Tao's mentioning of Black might result in Lin Yuan becoming hostile toward Black.

Long Tao was about to change the topic when Lin Yuan said, "Your guess is right. I am Black. I hope you'll forgive me for not revealing myself to you when I interacted with you as Black in the past."

Long Tao's face split into a smile. Lin Yuan had provided the answer that Long Tao had been looking for.

Now, Long Tao knew why Black had seemed so familiar and why he resembled Lin Yuan.

He was also happy that Lin Yuan was not lying to him.

This meant that Lin Yuan was not treating him like an outsider.

Long Tao went on to say, "Lin Yuan, I'm sure you know about the Class 6 abyss dimensional rift that was announced at the Guard Ye Banquet. There are a lot of resources in the Class 6 abyss dimensional rift, while the resources in the Radiance Federation are limited. The major factions will definitely prioritize the mining of resources from the abyssal world. Many factions are also planning on establishing their own camps in the abyssal world. I wanted to ask if you plan on mining resources from the abyssal world."

Lin Yuan immediately furrowed his brow.

Naturally, he wanted to mine for resources in the abyssal world. Both the marsh world and abyssal world were dimensional worlds.

However, he had already used Klein Hub to expand into the marsh world.

There were a thousand things for Lin Yuan to do in the marsh world. He still did not have enough manpower to expand into the marsh world. Thus, Lin Yuan did not have the energy or manpower to expand into the abyssal world on top of the marsh world.

Moreover, after the construction of the basement, Lin Yuan needed to journey to the Divine Wood Federation.

But since Long Tao had asked, Lin Yuan replied, "Big Brother Long, the abyssal world does sound appealing, but I don't have enough manpower."

Lin Yuan sounded regretful.

Long Tao looked pleased by Lin Yuan's reply. He could tell that Lin Yuan wanted to expand into the abyssal world. However, he was giving up because of his lack of manpower.

Long Tao hurriedly replied, "Li Xuan and I have an idea. We plan to leave our family titles behind and start a faction ourselves that we'll expand into the abyssal world. However, our resources will be limited without the support of our families. We can only secure manpower. We still haven't found a solution for the resources and Creation Master resources needed. Hence, we wanted to ask you if you're interested in starting a faction with us to expand into the abyssal world."

Lin Yuan narrowed his eyes and started to ponder over Long Tao's words carefully.

It seemed that he could work with Li Xuan and Long Tao to expand into the abyssal world.

They would supply the manpower while he would supply the resources and Creation Master resources.

With the Spirit Lock spatial zone and his own abilities, he could generate much more resources than before. Hence, he was very confident that he would be able to supply Li Xuan and Long Tao with Creation Master resources.

An idea suddenly struck Lin Yuan.

"Big Brother Long, your idea sounds good. But it's inevitable that we'll start fighting if we start a faction together and venture into the abyssal world."

Long Tao was immediately stunned. He did not understand what fighting Lin Yuan could be referring to.

A faction with Long Tao and Li Xuan, who were main members of top factions, would already be much stronger than veteran factions. If they could convince a disciple of a member of royalty to join them, they would even rise higher than some top factions.

In the midst of Long Tao's confusion, Lin Yuan said, "Since you want to work together to venture into the abyssal world officially, why don't we ask Gao Feng, Sun Ningxiang, and the Young Liege of the Midnight Palace to join us? We can even ask Zong Ze and Gu Lang. The eight of us can form a faction meant to venture into the abyssal world."

Long Tao was astonished by what Lin Yuan said, and his jaw dropped. He had been shellshocked into silence.

Two days had passed since he and Li Xuan had come up with the idea. He had only thought of asking Lin Yuan after hesitating for two days.

Long Tao and Lin Yuan had become friends long ago, and they had also worked together.

However, he had been afraid that his ridiculous idea would be too much for Lin Yuan.

He had been concerned that Lin Yuan would think that he wanted to use Lin Yuan's influence and status to develop the faction.

But not only did that train of thought not strike Lin Yuan, but the latter even expanded on the idea.

Condense Fairy Orchard might have weakened, but it was still a top faction.

Sun Ningxiang had a different status to Long Tao, who was just the Young Leader of Coiling Dragon's Valley.

Sun Ningxiang controlled the entire Condense Fairy Orchard. If they could include Sun Ningxiang, they would be adding a top faction to their group.

The rest of them were the disciples of members of royalty.

Gao Feng was Cicada Song's disciple, Liu Jie was Chief Guard Ye's disciple, Zong Ze was Chef Supreme's youngest disciple, and Gu Lang was the Bamboo Monarch's youngest disciple.

If these people could form a faction, the faction would have unimaginable influence.

According to Lin Yuan's suggestion, he would also be a part of the faction.

The eccentric Long Tao with a whip of a tongue started to stammer, "Is... Is this idea feasible?"

Chapter 1007: Seven-Person Video Call

Lin Yuan said casually, "We all exchanged contact details at the Guard Ye Banquet. Why don't we create a group to discuss the matter?"

Long Tao assumed that Lin Yuan had just been shooting from the hip. He did not expect Lin Yuan to put his words into action immediately.

Long Tao replied enthusiastically, "Okay, let's talk in the group."

Lin Yuan went on to call Liu Jie.

Liu Jie had been in the Spirit Guards' land for some time and was using the Insect Queen to control the insect-species carcinoma fey so as to increase the sacred source lifeform's Stars.

Since this matter involved Liu Jie, Lin Yuan planned to call Liu Jie to ask his opinion first.

The phone rang a few times, but Liu Jie did not pick up.

Just as Lin Yuan was about to hang up the call, a cold female voice picked up and said, "Little Yuan, Liu Jie is using the Insect Queen to control the Crab Heart Dung Beetle. It has impressive battle prowess, and the Insect Queen needs at least two more hours to make it fully submit. If you need anything, you can let me know. Or I can pass the message for you once the Insect Queen is done controlling the Crab Heart Dung Beetle."

Lin Yuan did not immediately respond. However, he knew that he was talking to Night Leaning Moon.

Lin Yuan hastily said, "Hello Chief Guard Ye, I don't have any urgent issues. I just plan on starting a faction with a few friends to venture and expand into the abyssal world. I wanted to ask Big Brother Liu if he had any opinions about it."

Night Leaning Moon was slightly shocked.

She remembered that Liu Jie was Lin Yuan's retainer knight, and Lin Yuan could make such decisions without seeking Liu Jie's opinions.

Night Leaning Moon had not felt that anything was off when she first accepted Liu Jie as her disciple.

But now that she had been his Master for more than two months, their relationship had continued to grow deeper.

Night Leaning Moon was afraid that Liu Jie was suffering.

However, after the call with Lin Yuan, all of Night Leaning Moon's worries dissolved.

If Lin Yuan even sought Liu Jie's opinions on such matters, it showed how much he respected Liu Jie. This meant that Lin Yuan did not regard Liu Jie as his retainer knight but as a true friend.

Night Leaning Moon thought about how her disciple always placed his hand on the Class 2 Creation Master crest on his chest.

If she did not know that Liu Jie was actually touching his faith, Night Leaning Moon might wonder if her disciple had a strange attraction to his own chest.

Regardless, she did not think that Liu Jie would object to Lin Yuan's suggestion.

Night Leaning Moon was currently using her resources to help Liu Jie increase his power in the hopes that he would become the fifth Radiance Envoy in three years.

In order to become a Radiance Envoy, one had to have influence on top of power.

Thus, Night Leaning Moon really hoped that Liu Jie would be able to join the faction that Lin Yuan had mentioned.

"Little Yuan, you don't have to call me Chief Guard Ye in the future. My name is Night Leaning Moon. You can call me Auntie Moon Night. I'll tell Liu Jie to call you when he wakes up."

Lin Yuan could not believe that Chief Guard Ye's name was actually Night Leaning Moon.

Wasn't this the same name as the Leaning Moon Mountain where the Moon Empress lived?

'Leaning Moon' sounded like a meaningful name to Lin Yuan.

Since Liu Jie was busy using the Insect Queen to control the Crab Heart Dung Beetle, Lin Yuan decided to represent Liu Jie in the meeting.

Even if Liu Jie joined the discussion, he would be providing resources and not manpower.

Liu Jie was a member of Sky City and Lin Yuan's retainer knight, so all his resources would still come from Lin Yuan.

Lin Yuan created a group with Gao Feng, Zong Ze, Gu Lang, Sun Ningxiang, Long Tao, and Li Xuan before sending the first message.

Lin Yuan: "Long Tao and Li Xuan have come up with an idea that I think is pretty good. If you have time, why don't we discuss it together? @everyone"

Long Tao and Li Xuan quickly started to send their replies.

Long Tao: "That's right. The Class 6 abyss dimensional rift can connect to the abyssal world. Are you interested in expanding into the marsh world together?"

Li Xuan had not had the time to send his message when someone in the group started up a video call.

He hurriedly deleted the message he had typed out and entered the video call.

Lin Yuan raised an eyebrow when he saw Zong Ze had started the video call.

When Lin Yuan entered the call, he saw that everyone was present.

Lin Yuan's screen was split into eight different boxes, and seven of them had heads in them.

Gao Feng was already asleep. Thus, his hair was messy, and he was rubbing his eyes dazedly.

"The Young Liege of the Midnight Palace is busy, so I'll represent us," said Lin Yuan.

Long Tao, Li Xuan, Sun Ningxiang, Gao Feng, Gu Lang, and even Zong Ze were stunned.

After becoming Cicada Song's disciple, Gao Feng had been receiving his tutelage. He now understood the abilities and responsibilities that came with being the disciple of a member of royalty.

However, he did not expect Liu Jie to have allowed Lin Yuan to represent them.

It was clear how close Lin Yuan and Liu Jie were.

Lin Yuan allowed Long Tao and Li Xuan to explain their proposal.

Once they were done, Zong Ze said, "It's not a bad idea. However, I don't have people that can harvest resources from the abyssal world. But I can provide the faction with five emperor-class experts and one thearch-class expert. Is this contribution enough for me to gain 15% ownership of the faction?"

Zong Ze's words made Long Tao, Li Xuan, and Sun Ningxiang's eyes light up with elation.

Chapter 1008: Let Me Make Up For It

The opportunity to form a faction with the disciples of members of royalty was too tempting for Long Tao, Li Xuan, and Sun Ningxiang.

Since Lin Yuan had created the opportunity, the three of them were definitely going to grab on.

Zong Ze's words were a clear sign that he was on board with starting a faction with them.

However, Zong Ze wanted to take 15% of ownership by supplying five emperor-class experts and one thearch-class expert. The 15% had to be Zong Ze's condition for joining and his way of testing them.

He had already set an expectation, and it was likely that he would lose interest in this endeavor if the rest of the group did not meet his expectation.

But it would be difficult for Long Tao, Li Xuan, and Sun Ningxiang to provide resources similar to the level of five emperor-class experts and one thearch-class expert.

Long Tao, Li Xuan, and Sun Ningxiang gnashed their teeth and proclaimed their contribution and the amount of ownership they wanted to take.

Sun Ningxiang: "I can provide all of the resources we'll need on a regular basis in the abyssal world. However, I can't provide any powerful combat power. Condense Healing has been closed for a few years, but most of them are still working for the Sun family. All 100,000 of them have Gold grade and above feys, and I can assign them all into this venture. I would like 10% of ownership."

Long Tao: "I can send people to handle the management side of the venture as well as provide three emperor-class experts and 200 Class 3 Creation Masters to handle the healing of feys. I would like 10% of ownership."

Li Xuan: "I can provide two emperor-class experts, 50,000 people, and 200 Class 2 to Class 3 Spirit Craftsmen. I would like 10% of ownership."

Sun Ningxiang, Li Xuan, and Long Tao had provided the basic human resources and only took up a total of 30% of ownership.

Their offerings in exchange for the 30% of ownership also exceeded that of Zong Ze's contribution.

This showed Sun Ningxiang, Long Tao, and Li Xuan's sincerity in starting a faction together.

Although their contributions were higher than that of Zong Ze, Lin Yuan knew from venturing into the marsh world how dangerous the dimensional worlds were.

Both the abyssal world and marsh world had Apostles. Hence, a faction definitely needed the strength of a thearch-class expert to venture into the abyssal world.

Otherwise, if an Apostle or Class 11 dimensional lifeform appeared, the entire faction might be destroyed.

Gao Feng excitedly chimed in.

"The four of you are already taking up 45% of the resources. The four of us shall split the remaining 55% between us."

Gao Feng had been feeling as though he was in a dream. Thanks to his miraculous connection with Liu Jie, he had become Cicada Song's disciple.

His father's attitude toward him had also changed completely.

Gao Feng never dreamed that he would ever get to eat food cooked by his father.

After becoming Cicada Song's disciple and receiving his teaching, Gao Feng knew that he was never going to become a Radiance Envoy.

He had never set his sights on becoming a Radiance Envoy, but Cicada Song had set a new goal for him to become one of the ten Radiance Knights.

This put a lot of pressure on Gao Feng's shoulders.

However, he knew how important a faction's expansion was to every expert.

He had initially wanted to set up a rising faction with Lin Yuan. But now, an even better opportunity had landed in his lap.

However, Gao Feng's background was one step lower than Sun Ningxiang and Long Tao. As such, he did not have as many resources.

He decided that he would discuss with his father whether he would be able to take some resources and manpower to contribute to this endeavor. He was sure that his father would not say no to such an opportunity.

"I can provide three emperor-class experts and 50,000 people, but not any Spirit Craftsmen or Creation Masters. Can I have 10% of the ownership?" asked Gao Feng.

Upon hearing that, Lin Yuan said, "Of course!"

Gu Lang looked at Zong Ze curiously as he wondered why someone with Zong Ze's temperament would be willing to participate in the establishment of a faction.

Zong Ze was a battle fanatic who was never interested in starting a faction.

In spite of his curiosity, Gu Lang said, "Just like Zong Ze, I can provide five emperor-class experts and one thearch-class expert. I would also like 15% of the ownership."

He paused for a moment before adding, "The foundation has basically been laid out. 200 Class 2 to Class 3 Spirit Craftsmen should be sufficient to build a simple base in the abyssal world. However, we only have 200 Class 3 Creation Masters. Without any high-class Creation Masters, it won't be easy for us to expand into the abyssal world."

Gu Lang did not elaborate on how difficult it would be, but he knew that everyone present was well aware.

Without high-class Creation Masters, the feys of king-class, emperor-class, and thearch-class experts would have no one to heal them.

Moreover, there was no guarantee that the various rare fire-element spiritual ingredients in the abyssal world were ripe. Hence, they would require some rare fire-elemental energy. Some spiritual ingredients might even need heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls.

The people who ventured into the abyssal world also needed high-quality Bronze feys to support them in the event of the death of their main fey or if they wanted to comprehend Willpower Runes.

Gu Lang felt that they would also need at least 45 Class 3 Creation Masters on top of these rare resources in order to sustain the faction.

While the group was silent, Lin Yuan said, "High-class Creation Master resources aren't a problem for me. Since only 30% of ownership is left, the Young Liege of the Midnight Palace and I will take it.. We shall contribute high-class Creation Master resources for it."

Chapter 1009: Zong Ze's Friendliness

Gu Lang's words had made Zong Ze, Long Tao, Sun Ningxiang, and Li Xuan fall silent.

The entire idea had come from Li Xuan and Long Tao.

They did not expect the matter to grow to such a scale.

They had asked Lin Yuan to join them because they lacked Creation Master resources.

Long Tao and Li Xuan had wanted to start a faction on their own without their families' influence. Thus, they could only occasionally draw resources from their families.

Gu Lang and Zong Ze were disciples of Class 5 Creation Masters and had access to high-class Creation Master resources. However, they would not have enough to sustain a faction with two thearch-class experts and tens of emperor-class experts.

Even if they did have access, they would have to draw from the Bamboo Monarch and Chef Supreme's resources.

However, they wanted to start a faction on their own and could not use their Masters' resources.

After Sun Ningxiang's grandmother killed the three pinnacle Class 4 Creation Masters, Condense Fairy Orchard's Creation Master resources had started to fall precipitously. They did not even have that many Class 3 Creation Masters.

Condense Fairy Orchard had to rely on working with Lin Yuan to make up for the lack of Creation Master resources.

Although Gao Feng had become Cicada Song's disciple, the Gao family was stretched to the extreme.

The Gao family had been expanding into deep-sea resources and did not have much Creation Master resources to spare.

Since he became the disciple of a member of royalty, he felt that he could discuss matters with his father.

It was likely that Gao Pei would give him a significant amount of Creation Master resources. But it would also cause the Gao family's lack of Creation Master resources to become more severe.

Gao Feng wanted to start a faction with his friends, but he did not want to be a burden to his family.

Hence, the issue that Gu Lang brought up was one that everyone in the group was struggling with.

While everyone had been thinking hard to find a solution to the problem, Lin Yuan swooped in and fixed it immediately.

He would provide all the high-class Creation Master resources the faction required in exchange for 30% of ownership.

Zong Ze spoke first and said, "Lin Yuan, will it be too hard for you to provide so many high-class Creation Master resources? If so, I can provide 30 Class 3 Creation Masters to make up for the lack of high-class Creation Master resources."

Gu Lang was already curious about Zong Ze's strange acceptance to join a faction and his initiative to start a video call.

But after he heard what Zong Ze said, Gu Lang also started to wonder if Zong Ze was lying or being controlled by someone.

Although Zong Ze had shown no interest in starting a faction, he had started a Creation Master Society.

His offering would probably take up most of the Creation Master resources in his Creation Master Society.

This was too much!

Lin Yuan hastily said, "Zong Ze, I don't need your help. It's not difficult for me. All the high-class Creation Master resources will be ready once the faction is officially started and we expand into the abyssal world. However, my Creation Masters cannot enter the abyssal world. I will send a specialized group of people to send batches of spirit fluids into the abyssal world every day. I will also send people to deliver fire-type heavenly-maiden-grade-elemental pearls, Bronze/Epic feys, and other such resources."

Lin Yuan started to do some mental calculations.

He now had 50 Hundred Questions Beasts in the Spirit Lock spatial zone that were being taught by Genius.

It would take two weeks for Genius to finish teaching them.

They could only use spiritual energy and not their soul to concoct spirit fluids.

Hence, they were all stuck at the pinnacle Class 3 Creation Master level.

It was only when they gained the ability to use their soul that they would be able to reach Class 4 Creation Master.

Not even Genius could use its soul, and this was an issue that Lin Yuan and Genius needed to research together.

However, pinnacle Class 3 Creation Masters could concoct spirit fluids to evolve a fey to pinnacle Diamond/Legend.

With these Hundred Questions Beasts, Lin Yuan would have no lack of Creation Master resources.

Zong Ze did not pursue the matter. He stared at Lin Yuan for a moment before saying, "Just let me know if you have any problems with supplying high-class Creation Master resources."

Lin Yuan smiled and shook his head in response.

Once Genius finished teaching the first batch of Hundred Questions Beasts, it could move on to the next batch. It would also be much easier for Genius to nurture the next batch of Hundred Questions Beasts with the first batch to help it.

Thus, there was no way that Lin Yuan would lack Creation Master resources.

After some more discussion, the matter was settled.

"Lin Yuan is contributing more than us, but he's only taking 30% of ownership. I think he should get the first pick of the resources we gain from the abyssal world. He can take 30% of the resources we gain while the rest of us will split the remaining 70% evenly."

No one objected to what Zong Ze said.

Long Tao, Li Xuan, Sun Ningxiang, and Gao Feng were already grateful to Lin Yuan.

Without Lin Yuan, they would never have had the chance to participate in such a collaboration.

Gu Lang was staring suspiciously at Lin Yuan and Zong Ze.

In the decades that Gu Lang knew Zong Ze, he had never heard Zong Ze fight for someone else's benefits.

But since they had formed a faction together, they had changed from friends to partners.

"Zong Ze, when are you returning to Kitchen Fragrance Palace?" asked Gu Lang.

"Master and I will leave the Purple Bamboo Forest in two days. After we leave, Master will take me to the Class 5 abyss dimensional rift to collect some Class 5 strange flames. It'll be ten days later before we return to Kitchen Fragrance Palace."

Gu Lang started to guffaw.

Chapter 1010: Green-Eyed Gold Scales Snake

"You still owe me 300 dishes from our bet. Although Lin Yuan is representing the Young Liege of the Midnight Palace today as well, the eight of us have officially started a faction. Why don't we find a place to gather? You can cook the 300 dishes for the seven of us once you're back."

Zong Ze frowned and was about to object when he saw Lin Yuan's eyes instinctively. He immediately fought down his objections.

"Okay, why don't we go to the Four Harmonious Mansion?"

Gu Lang beamed and replied, "I shall bring several bottles of purple bamboo wine. We can have a feast of great food and great wine!"

Everyone quickly became acquainted with each other, and they chatted for more than half an hour.

Lin Yuan ended the call.

One of his worries had finally been settled.

Now, Lin Yuan could obtain resources from the abyssal world while he expanded into the marsh world.

He checked the time and realized that there was still some time before he was supposed to meet Listen and Hu Quan.

Lin Yuan chose the Green Gold Snake amongst the snake-type feys he bought because it seemed to be the most sensitive to spirit qi.

He used his palm to inject pure spiritual power into the Green Gold Snake.

Soon, the Green Gold Snake started to transform.

Its scales became finer and smoother, and Lin Yuan quickly became unable to see the scales at all.

These new scales were much stronger than its original scales, and they also allowed the Green Gold Snake to be much more agile.

Since these snake-type feys were meant for Wendy, Lin Yuan made a point to choose exclusive skills that could increase the potency of venom.

The other exclusive skills were weak and would not be able to aid Wendy in any significant way.

After Lin Yuan evolved the Green Gold Snake to Bronze grade, its scales turned completely gold, and all the green on its body gathered in its eyes.

This made the Green Gold Snake appear even more beautiful and dignified.

Using True Data, Lin Yuan noticed that the Green Gold Snake was now called the Green-Eyed Gold Scales Snake.

Lin Yuan moved on to test the Green-Eyed Gold Scales Snake's venom.

He saw that it could now curse both the mind and soul. This curse would be able to drain calcified items and cause them to crack.

Lin Yuan saw this as an ability that could break through armor.

This would be very useful against the dimensional lifeforms that fought with their bodies in the marsh world.

Suppose Wendy could make the Green-Eyed Gold Scales Snake one of its snake-hair and harness its venom. In that case, it could combine the curse venom with its petrification ability to change the armor's cracked armor into stone, resulting in double the damage.

This ability would also be able to help Rising Lizard fight against other dimensional lifeforms.

Lin Yuan happily stored the Green-Eyed Gold Scales Snake and left the Spirit Lock spatial zone.

There were 35 Spirit Craftsmen looking at Hu Quan in excitement standing outside the mansion.

Hu Quan said sternly to the 35 Spirit Craftsmen, "The 35 of you sure are lucky to be chosen by the City Lord. I will focus on teaching the 35 of you in the future. You'll need to work your hardest to help the City Lord. I won't forgive anyone who tries to be lazy."

Lin Yuan walked out of the mansion at that moment, and Hu Quan hurriedly said, "Young Master, none of them are Class 4 Spirit Craftsmen, but five of them are pinnacle Class 3 Spirit Craftsmen. If they're lucky, they'll be able to break through in a week or two. If they're unlucky, they won't be able to become a Class 4 Creation Master within this year. Would you like to select a manager from these five pinnacle Class 3 Spirit Craftsmen? They'll be able to lead all of them and handle matters."

Lin Yuan looked at the five pinnacle Class 3 Spirit Craftsmen. He did not know much about Spirit Craftsmen, so he could not tell which of them was the most outstanding.

Hence, he asked them, "Does any one of you think that you can lead the 35 Spirit Craftsmen and want to nominate yourself? Take a step forward."

The moment Lin Yuan spoke, a Spirit Craftsman took a step forward and said, "City Lord, I'm confident that I'll be able to lead the team well."

Lin Yuan walked forward and suddenly found this person to be familiar.

He remembered that this was the Spirit Craftsman that had greeted him when he rode Blackie to check on the construction of the basement.

All the other Spirit Craftsmen turned their heads away. All they wanted to do was work quietly.

It was clear that the Spirit Craftsman that had recommended himself was better at communicating than the other Spirit Craftsmen.

Lin Yuan remembered that this Spirit Craftsman had told Lin Yuan his name right before he left. At that moment, he could tell how much ambition that Spirit Craftsman had.

He did not mind if his subordinates were ambitious as ambitious people worked the hardest.

Lin Yuan was always willing to hand out chances to change someone's life.

"I remember you. Your name is Liu Tong. Since you're that confident, you can lead this group of 35 Spirit Craftsmen."

Hu Quan nodded in satisfaction.

Liu Tong's constant hard work had left a deep impression on Hu Quan. Moreover, Liu Tong always sought out opportunities to speak to Hu Quan.

As such, Liu Tong's name was mentioned the most by Hu Quan out of all the Spirit Craftsmen in Heavenly Craft Pavilion.

Hu Quan said to Liu Tong, "You must seize the opportunity that the City Lord is giving you and do a good job! If you do a good job, I'll consider taking you in as my disciple."