Chapter 181: A Feeling as Though Life Is at the Pinnacle

Zhou Jiaxin was at a loss for a moment. When Zhou Jiaxin had promoted her store to Class 4, she had already firmed up on the idea that had popped in her mind. However, it was useless even if she was determined, as the decision-maker for this idea wasn't in Zhou Jiaxin's control. It would be up to this youth's opinion.

Zhou Jiaxin didn't immediately speak of her thoughts. Instead, she walked to the counter and took out a document that had been drafted a long time ago and said, "Lin Yuan, take a look at this."

Zhou Jiaxin was a decisive person and always did things with resolve. Otherwise, she wouldn't have been able to promote this store to Class 3 without a Creation Master's backing. In fact, her store had only been one step away from promoting to Class 4 before meeting Lin Yuan.

When Zhou Jiaxin had thought of the idea, she had immediately drafted up this document. However, this document had been in here for over a month, and every time Zhou Jiaxin had a different idea, she would take the document out. Unknowingly, she had already edited it at least three times. Each edit would cause extreme pain to Zhou Jiaxin, but she would be extremely determined when making each edit.

When Lin Yuan read the document, he couldn't help raising his brows. He sighed silently. I guessed it correctly, as expected.

However, the content of the document gave Lin Yuan quite a shock.

Zhou Jiaxin's document was actually a collaboration agreement, and the contents were very simple. It was to maintain the current collaboration model, and 20% of the profit from Zhou Jiaxin's store would be the remuneration for Lin Yuan to continue supplying goods to Zhou Jiaxin. At the same time, Zhou Jiaxin even granted 30% of the store's shares as a condition for Lin Yuan to increase the supply quantity.

The 30% of shares was an additional bonus that didn't include the 20% profits. If the store closed down when the store was sold, Lin Yuan would still receive compensation from the 30% of shares.

Of course, there was a prerequisite. Lin Yuan wasn't allowed to sell the 30% of shares while the store was still operating normally.

After reading this collaboration agreement carefully, Lin Yuan was rather surprised. This agreement was at least twice as good as those agreements provided by Class 5 stores when they worked with their chief Creation Master. Most of the Class 5 stores would provide huge bonuses for the Creation Master that backed them, but only a rare few would be willing to offer the store's shares to the Creation Master.

Lin Yuan already knew that Zhou Jiaxin was a person who insisted on the quality of spiritual ingredients and was a very sincere and honest business owner. However, he didn't expect Zhou Jiaxin to actually have such courage.

Lin Yuan silently considered the feasibility of this collaboration agreement. He didn't try to be unreasonable with the superior conditions that Zhou Jiaxin offered. After all, Lin Yuan had been managing his own fey store since the age of eight, so he was already a businessman.

Lin Yuan was willing to supply goods to Zhou Jiaxin mainly because she risked reserving severely injured feys that might die for him to choose. Otherwise, Lin Yuan wouldn't have the chance to obtain feys like the Cinnabar Sweet Osmanthus and Cinnabar Osmanthus Haworthia.

Even with Lin Yuan's current wealth, he might be able to obtain the Cinnabar Sweet Osmanthus, but he still wouldn't be able to obtain the Cinnabar Osmanthus Haworthia.

In essence, the Cinnabar Osmanthus Haworthia had a similar value with the Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia. The Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia could eliminate the impurities in the body, while the Cinnabar Osmanthus Haworthia could increase the spiritual energy.

The Cinnabar Osmanthus Haworthia might not be like the Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia—there were only two in the world—but it was rather rare too.

It was because of Zhou Jiaxin's investment and effort. Lin Yuan was able to feel it, so he was willing to supply goods to Zhou Jiaxin's store.

Otherwise, if Lin Yuan was truly out to sell feys, he might as well have placed them up for sale on Purchase With No Loss Fey Store. After all, the feys would all be snatched in a few seconds no matter how many he put up for sale.

The feys Lin Yuan provided, when compared to the high demand in the Radiance Federation's market, his supply was just a drop in the ocean.

However, Lin Yuan had to admit that this collaboration agreement proposed by Zhou Jiaxin had conditions that didn't allow Lin Yuan to disagree as a businessman.

Zhou Jiaxin's store was already a Class 4 one now. Lin Yuan might not be able to sell the shares that were offered by Zhou Jiaxin, but just the dividends from the 30% of shares were already a great sum. Furthermore, the 20% of the profit was also additional, making it two levels of profits.

After all the calculations, Lin Yuan only had to provide more goods to Zhou Jiaxin and would be able to obtain a pure profit of 41% from Zhou Jiaxin's operations. Such a profit was truly significant. In addition, Lin Yuan wasn't providing the goods for free as Zhou Jiaxin would still need to purchase the goods at the price that they had set previously.

Zhou Jiaxin watched as Lin Yuan was constantly reading this agreement and couldn't help feeling nervous. She was truly afraid that Lin Yuan would reject her, but if she had to increase the number of profits sharing or increase the number of shares, she couldn't do it.

Zhou Jiaxin had already split 41% of the store's pure profit with Lin Yuan and still had to spend additional money to purchase goods. After all the calculations, Zhou Jiaxin actually didn't earn as much as when she was operating a Class 3 store. The Class 4 store was two times bigger than the Class 3 store, and

Zhou Jiaxin had to hire two more store staff members. Coupled with the maintenance required to open a Class 4 store in the Star Web, not much money would come into Zhou Jiaxin's hands.

From the angle of a business person, Zhou Jiaxin's decision wasn't wise. However, Zhou Jiaxin wasn't just a business person. She was also a person with ambitions.

Five years ago, Zhou Jiaxin had painstakingly developed a Class 1 store until it was now a Class 4 store. Zhou Jiaxin knew clearly that if she didn't make a deep collaboration with Lin Yuan and if he decided to stop the supply to her store one day, her Class 4 store would immediately lose its core selling point. The reputation of the store would then decline harshly.

In fact, when Lin Yuan had supplied the goods, Zhou Jiaxin had experienced a kind of joy that she hadn't felt when operating the store.

In the past, she would be thinking of all sorts of methods for the customer to spend more money to purchase the spiritual ingredients and feys in her store. However, now, it was the customers that would say all sorts of nice words to purchase the Bronze Usneas and Elite Spirit-Siphon Goldfish that Lin Yuan supplied.

It was simply a satisfying feeling!

After investing all her efforts into the store and being begged by others to sell her goods, it was truly an utmost enjoyment that could only be felt at the pinnacle of life.

If Zhou Jiaxin had to describe such a feeling, she would probably have jumped out and yelled out, "Such a high! I feel as though life is at the pinnacle!"

The past few months' experiences had given Zhou Jiaxin an eye-opener. She didn't have a change of concept on how to manage her store, but at the same time, she grew something called ambition.

Zhou Jiaxin wished to promote her Star Web store to Class 5 while she was still alive!

Ever since that thought had flashed in Zhou Jiaxin's mind, it had only been getting stronger. Finally, it was already irreversible.

Chapter 182: Ostrich Guild Club

However, Zhou Jiaxin understood that she would need to rely on this youth if she wished to promote the store to Class 5. Just as Zhou Jiaxin felt as though her heart was thumping so much that it would jump out, and when she was so nervous that her throat was feeling dry, she saw the youth lifting his head and giving a sunshine smile.

He revealed a small set of white teeth and said, "The conditions offered by Big Sister Xin are very good. I agree to the terms stated in the collaboration agreement. We can collaborate."

Lin Yuan's words and sunshine smile allowed Zhou Jiaxin to put her heart back to its original place while there was a surge of ecstasy in her heart. Zhou Jiaxin knew that once this agreement was set with the youth, even if it was unknown if her store could reach Class 5, it would certainly maintain its Class 4 status.

"Lin Yuan, now that you are also a boss of the store, I shall let you see the detailed profit report during this period."

Lin Yuan shook his hand and said, "Big Sister Xin, I will only provide the goods according to the agreement. I will not be involved with the management of the store."

Lin Yuan's words allowed Zhou Jiaxin's heart to firm down. She was really afraid that Lin Yuan might want to change various management methods for the store.

Lin Yuan had very simple reasons to refuse.

Firstly, he didn't have the time to help Zhou Jiaxin with the management of the store.

Secondly, Zhou Jiaxin was doing a great job with the management, and he didn't have any opinions to provide.

Thirdly, the store was the same as a team of combat-class spirit qi professionals. Each team member might be able to provide their opinions, but the team could only have one leader and one main voice, especially during combat.

Otherwise, two voices might just split the full force into two, even though the objective was to push forward. But when two forces were pushing toward the same objective, there would be implications and interferences between the two forces.

Lin Yuan used a pen to sign the agreement, and after verifying it with the Star Web laws, it was now officially effective.

The load on Zhou Jiaxin's mind had finally been resolved today.

At that moment, Zhou Jiaxin watched as Lin Yuan's slender fingers with distinct bone structures placed the pen and document on the counter.

"Big Sister Xin, since I am already one of the bosses of the store, then I shall also contribute to this store. After some time, I might not be supplying Bronze Usneas anymore. Instead, they will be switched to Silver Usneas."

Lin Yuan's words overjoyed Zhou Jiaxin. If Lin Yuan could provide Silver Usneas, then the store could rely on the Silver Usneas to break through to Class 5, and it was almost certain.

Lin Yuan truly brought her a huge, pleasant surprise. Zhou Jiaxin could already imagine the customers in her store that would be going crazy as they would want to purchase those Silver Usneas in the store.

Zhou Jiaxin was actually making plans that all future customers must reach a certain purchase quota in order to qualify for the purchase of Silver Usneas.

Zhou Jiaxin's store had been selling feys and spiritual ingredients that were fundamental but had great quality. All these fundamental spiritual ingredients were things that most Star Web stores possessed. All along, Zhou Jiaxin had never really had any ability to compete and would always rely on superior quality.

However, with the Silver Usneas now, Zhou Jiaxin could use them as the core to push the sales of all fundamental spiritual ingredients in the store. Zhou Jiaxin couldn't help but feel that when she had tried

her best to build connections with Lin Yuan, it was the most important and best decision she had made for the store after all these years.

In the past, Zhou Jiaxin had always felt that the highest level of bootlicking was to bootlick without leaving any traces or presence. But now, she had changed her original thoughts—the highest level of bootlicking was not to leave any traces and presence, at the same time, obtain a huge group of bootlickers yourself.

After verifying the agreement together with Zhou Jiaxin, Lin Yuan purchased plenty of low-grade energy ores and Normal Spirit-Siphon Goldfish, making this a fruitful trip.

Lin Yuan might be the boss of this store too, but business was still business between him and Zhou Jiaxin. Just like how Zhou Jiaxin would need to spend to purchase the feys from him, he would also need to spend to purchase spiritual ingredients and feys from the store.

However, when Lin Yuan purchased anything from Zhou Jiaxin's store, he would also obtain a compensation of 41% in pure profits. For Lin Yuan, who purchased huge quantities of energy ores, he would be able to save up quite a bit of Radiance dollars after days and months of savings.

After selling the goods, Lin Yuan left the Star Web.

Due to the new address, Lin Yuan had changed the delivery address from the small fey store in Redbud City's Xia Region to the manor in the Royal Capital's outskirts. Lin Yuan realized that the Ostrich Logistics were particularly fast this time and used less than one hour to deliver the goods.

It seemed like Zhou Jiaxin's actual address was also nearby the Royal Capital.

The Ostrich Logistics was truly a powerful organization in the Radiance Federation. When Lin Yuan traveled from the Royal Capital to Redbud City, even if he rode on the Platinum Divine Travel Black Swallow, he would also need three to four days. But for the couriers of Ostrich Logistics, they would always be able to deliver the goods within three hours, no matter the address.

It was basically due to the fact that the Ostrich Logistics nurtured a unique spatial-type fey. This kind of spatial-type fey was able to conduct long-distance teleportation. This was also why Ostrich Logistics was able to become a giant in the logistic world.

Lin Yuan could see Ah Neng carrying over a dozen Bronze fey storage boxes. As Ah Neng had become Lin Yuan's exclusive courier over the past few months, Lin Yuan could feel that she was gradually developing into a veteran. However, some things remained unchanged—Ah Neng's carelessness and optimism.

Ah Neng quickly waved her hand when she saw Lin Yuan and said, "Mister Lin, aren't I fast this time? Since Mister Lin changed address, Ah Neng doesn't have to be teleported for such a long time, making me dizzy. Aiya!"

When Ah Neng waved her hand at Lin Yuan, she seemed to forget that she was carrying the Bronze fey storage boxes. As a result, some of the boxes fell onto the ground.

Ah Neng rubbed her short purple-red hair embarrassedly and started to arrange the Bronze fey storage boxes on the ground.

Lin Yuan had purchased a huge amount of low-grade energy ores, and without over a dozen of Bronze fey storage boxes, they wouldn't fit.

Lin Yuan walked over and helped Ah Neng with the arrangement. After arranging the Bronze fey storage boxes, Ah Neng swished her short hair, revealed her two little tiger teeth, and said in a pitiful voice, "Mister Lin, newcomer Courier 3451, Ah Neng might not be able to make deliveries for some time."

Lin Yuan listened to Ah Neng and looked at her while waiting for her to continue.

Ah Neng blinked reluctantly twice before she revealed an extremely optimistic smile. "Ah Neng is a member of the Ostrich Guild Club's S Tournament Reserve Team. In another two months, the S Tournament will begin, so Ah Neng has to return to the team for special training. But after the S Tournament, newcomer Courier 3451 will still be your exclusive courier."

During the past few months, whenever Lin Yuan's store delivered or received goods, Ah Neng would be the one making the deliveries. Therefore, Lin and Ah Neng had really become close acquaintances.

Back at the Xia Region, when Lin Yuan had learned that Ah Neng possessed the Gold Armor-Piercing Insect and Canister Shot Insect, he knew that her status in the Ostrich Logistics wasn't simple.

As expected, Ah Neng was a newcomer that was supported by the Ostrich Logistics and even a member of the Ostrich Guild Club, S Tournament Reserve Team, which was under the Ostrich Logistics.

The Ostrich Guild Club was different from the Extreme Guild Club Zhang Xiaobai and Xin Ying were from. The Extreme Guild Club was just a B-level guild club, but the Ostrich Guild Club was among the top 16 guild clubs in the entire Radiance Federation and was part of the A-level guild clubs.

"Ah Neng, good luck with the S Tournament! By the time you return, you will no longer be the newcomer courier, Ah Neng. You will be the senior courier, Ah Neng. During this period, Ah Neng has been doing a great job."

Ah Neng was rarely praised, so when Lin Yuan praised her, she was overjoyed and revealed her two small tiger teeth, making her particularly cute.

"Then Mister Lin shall wait for the senior courier, Ah Neng, to return from the S Tournament and be your exclusive courier again. During the S Tournament, I will use a bullet rain to extinguish my opponent's pain."

While speaking, Ah Neng made a fist as though to prove herself to Lin Yuan and encourage herself.

After receiving the goods, Lin Yuan stored all of these Bronze fey storage boxes that were filled with low-grade energy ores into the Spirit Lock spatial zone.

After arranging the low-grade energy ores and Normal Spirit-Siphon Goldfish he had bought from Zhou Jiaxin's store, Lin Yuan returned to his room and changed to another Star Web Card before logging into the Star Web.

After logging into the Star Web, Lin Yuan asked Genius to use its exclusive skill and turn into a mask for him to wear. This time, Lin Yuan didn't log into the Star Web as the store owner of Purchase With No Loss Fey Store or the Class 2 Creation Master. He was logging into the Star Web as the combat-class spirit qi professional, Black.

Lin Yuan's objective this time was to climb the tower and break through to the Celestial Stairway. He would use this process when climbing the tower to feel his strength and weakness. He could also use this time to develop a mutual understanding and teamwork with his newly upgraded partners during battle.

Chapter 183: I Admit That You Are a Fan of Black

Back at the Guild Alliance, Lin Yuan had separated his statuses of Creation Master and combat-class spirit qi professional. They were set apart for his two Star Web Cards.

Lin Yuan's status as Black, the healing-type spirit qi professional, was naturally bound to Lin Yuan's record when he climbed the Star Tower.

When Lin Yuan had climbed the Star Tower previously, he had stopped when he defeated the spirit qi professional who possessed three Bronze snake-species feys.

At that time, Lin Yuan's strongest fey had only been his bronze-grade Chimey.

If that spirit qi professional with the three snake-species feys hadn't publicly given out his feys' information, Lin Yuan wouldn't have been able to gain the upper hand first. Lin Yuan had used swift commands to Chimey and used tactics, along with the exclusive skill, Clear Sky, to win the battle.

In fact, that spirit qi professional with the snake-species feys had revealed his feys' information because he had been trying to act tough!

Lin Yuan still remembered that the highest the spirit qi professional had climbed was the 37th floor. As for Lin Yuan, he was only on the 22nd floor. Therefore, that spirit qi professional had found a reason to flaunt his superiority.

Every ten floors of the Star Tower was a jump, so for a spirit qi professional who had been to the 37th floor, he had naturally not taken Lin Yuan seriously as the highest the latter had climbed was only on the 22nd floor.

Nonetheless, in Lin Yuan's opinion, exposing one's trump cards to others was the most foolish choice anyone could make.

As compared to the time when Lin Yuan had fought with the spirit qi professional with the snake-species feys, Lin Yuan's strength now had undergone an overwhelming change.

Lin Yuan had yet to lose when climbing the tower, so his win rate on the Star Tower was still 100%.

Lin Yuan checked his Star Tower personal information card.

Name: Black

Gender: Male

Height: 178cm

Weight: 61kg

Star Tower Floor: 23rd Floor

Spirit Qi Occupation: Healing-type Professional

Occupation Rank: C-Rank

Contracted Spirit-Lifeform:

Morbius (Bronze X/Legend)

Thousand Questions Beast (Bronze I/Legend)

Twilight Starbird (Silver I/Fantasy I)

Red Thorn (Bronze V/Epic)

Acid Corrosion Queen Bee (Gold I/Legend)

Duel Record: Duels: 23, Wins: 23, Losses: 0, Highest Floor: 23

While reading his personal and contracted feys' information, Lin Yuan couldn't help giving a satisfied nod. It was a great sense of achievement as this increase in strength was a result of his hard work over the past four months. He was no longer the same as before.

Lin Yuan's personal information card would only display the necessary information—name, duel record, and spirit qi occupation—on the Star Web during battles.

If Lin Yuan chose to reveal any of his contracted feys, his first choice would be his Bronze/Epic Red Thorn, whose quality was the lowest among the others.

As for Lin Yuan's other feys, their quality was at least Legend, and there were even Silver/Fantasy feys. He was afraid it would be so dazzling that it would blind his opponent and cause a huge commotion in the Radiance Federation.

The Silver I/Fantasy I Jasmine Lily, Bronze X/Legend Spirit-Gather Goldfish, and Bronze X/Legend Blue Flash Purple Butterfly were all under Morbius' exclusive skill, Spirit Lock. Thus, even if Lin Yuan's personal information would show Morbius as part of the data, those spirit-locked feys wouldn't be displayed.

After checking his information, Lin Yuan took a deep breath and let the Star Tower match an opponent for him.

Soon enough, Lin Yuan got matched with an opponent on the 24th floor and checked his opponent's personal information card.

Name: Wang Shuai

Spirit Qi Occupation: Defense-type Professional

Duel Record: Duels: 1557, Wins: 790, Losses: 767, Highest Floor: 31

Lin Yuan silently raised his brows. I got matched with a Liver Emperor1! He has actually fought 1557 duels!

However, when Lin Yuan was matched with the opponent named Wang Shuai, they were both stunned. They looked at each other and noticed they were both wearing similar silver masks. However, Lin Yuan's silver mask had a few distinct patterns, while Wang Shuai's silver mask was glistening with pure silver color.

The defense-type spirit qi professional, Wang Shuai, suddenly asked after snapping out of shock. "Are you also Lord Black's fan?"

Lin Yuan finally understood why he felt something was familiar. This black attire with the silver mask seemed to be his attire back at the battle outside of Millstone Town.

Lin Yuan didn't expect that his status as 'Black' had become this famous. After being absent from the Star Tower for four months, his first duel was actually against a fan of 'Black'.

When Wang Shuai asked that question, Lin Yuan couldn't help pondering. Since I am Black, I should probably be considered Black's fan too, right?

Therefore, Lin Yuan nodded.

Unexpectedly, the moment Lin Yuan nodded, Wang Shuai suddenly roared, "How could Lord Black have such an unprofessional fan like you!? You might be wearing a silver mask, but you aren't even wearing black clothes!"

Lin Yuan couldn't help but scratch his head. He was wearing spirit qi clothes that had a mix of dark blue and light blue. Due to his clothes' color, his identity as Black's fan was actually being doubted, and he wasn't qualified to be a fan.

This was a rather strange feeling for Lin Yuan. Before Lin Yuan could speak, Wang Shuai suddenly exclaimed, "What?! Your name is actually Black!? And you are also a healing-type spirit qi professional!"

Wang Shuai turned serious and looked at Lin Yuan, approvingly.

"Your attention to detail on the attire might be inappropriate, but you are rather professional in other factors! I admit that you are a professional fan of Black. Later on, I will not be as harsh against you."

After saying his piece, Wang Shuai circulated his spiritual power to summon his two contracted feys. He summoned two Bronze feys, their quality Elite and Normal, respectively.

The Bronze/Elite Coiled Horn Goat and the Bronze/Normal Thick Wool Sheep were fundamental defense-type feys.

Seeing Wang Shuai summon his feys, Lin Yuan also summoned Chimey.

As soon as Lin Yuan summoned Chimey, he heard Wang Shuai exclaiming, "WHAT THEEEE!"

Chapter 184: Protect Your Liver Well

As a protector who had defended Millstone Town against the pinnacle Class 1 dimensional rift, Black could be said to have fought against the insect tide alone when the people there were in times of peril. This in itself was a miracle.

This event was even more shocking than the time when Liu Jie, Radiance Hundred's Sequence #39, had resisted the incoming dimensional lifeforms outside Cold Frost City to buy precious time for the city.

Liu Jie was a well-known star among the Radiance Federation, and because of this, whatever he did could only be said to be the icing on the cake.

It was like a flower bed that had flowers of all colors. Even if one added many peonies into it so that the garden could become bright and colorful, it was still a flower bed.

However, Black, an ordinary person, had stepped forward in times of peril. He was more like a hero rising from the ordinary people.

Back then, he had used the Silver Fantasy Breed healing-type fey's ability that could allow severed limbs to grow back, an astonishing feat.

Even though Lin Yuan had left quietly at that time and had not accepted any commendations or the Star Web's interview, this had tinted Black's identity with mysteriousness.

Although he had accepted no interviews from Ascending Dragon City's or Star Web's reporters, Millstone Town's spirit qi professionals, who had fought together with him, did not know how he really looked like or his identity, but they knew a lot about other things.

There were detailed descriptions in Black's fan club and forum about Chimey, Blackie, and Red Thorn, the feys he had used.

Some people in Millstone Town that were at drawing had even drawn the feys that Black had summoned. All the feys' names that Lin Yuan had called, like Chimey and Blackie, had circulated among the Star Web.

However, the more popular ones were still his Fantasy Breed Jasmine Lily and Red Thorn, which had spread out the sea of flowers to fight against the sea of insects.

When Lin Yuan had summoned Chimey, Wang Shuai was not aware of it. There were many people on Star Web, so it was not unusual to chance upon duplicate names. Likewise, the same could be applied for spirit qi professionals. Even though healing-type spirit qi professionals were rare, there would always be one among the hundreds of combat-class spirit qi professionals.

They were all Black's fans and dressed similarly, but there was nothing wrong with it, even if they did it deliberately.

The most fanatical fans would not form a contract with a fey similar to their idol just for the sake of chasing their idols in this world where strength was respected. Even if brainless fans really did so, it would also have to depend on whether their fey compatibility was the same as their idol's.

During the battle outside Millstone Town that day, Lin Yuan had summoned Chimey to scout the dimensional rift. So many of those who had fought knew how it looked and its name.

As Black's fan, Wang Shuai was considered a bit more fanatical. Otherwise, when climbing the Star Tower, he would not have dressed similarly to what Black had worn when he was fighting in Millstone Town.

Even this azure blue bird that Lin Yuan had summoned was similar to Black's rumored fey.

It was said that Black's flying fey was a blue bird that was no bigger than a fist and had cloud patterns on its wings.

When Wang Shuai saw Lin Yuan's summoned azure blue bird, he realized that this fey seemed to be more exquisite and better-looking than in the rumors. Although the cloud patterns on its wings still seemed to be flickering with stars, which did not match the rumors, its wings' color, size, and cloud patterns were similar.

There were many common points, and he had seen Lin Yuan's battle record. Although he had fought 23 duels, he had a 100% winning rate.

Wang Shuai's eyes instantly went wild, excited like a little kid. "Tell me quickly! Is your blue bird called Chimey?"

Lin Yuan found it strange that Wang Shuai called Chimey's name.

Before Lin Yuan could speak. Chimey chirped twice and fluttered to carefully observe Wang Shuai.

Could he be Sparrow Voice Loli Goddess' fan!?

Although Lin Yuan was not quite sure how Wang Shuai knew Chimey's name, this fan before him had recognized him, so he nodded helplessly.

Chimey had become a Fantasy Breed and evolved from a Streamcloud Azure Bird into a Twilight Starbird. Even though there were many subtle changes in its looks, it had not changed much overall. When it used its Radiant Body, nobody could recognize it.

Upon seeing Lin Yuan nod, Wang Shuai jumped in joy. Wang Shuai's sudden jump frightened his Bronze/Elite Coiled Horn Goat and Bronze/Normal Thick Wool Sheep, which were ready to battle at the side. They could not help but lose their battle spirit and bleat at their contractor.

Wang Shuai ignored his shocked contracted feys and exclaimed, "I can't believe I'm actually seeing the living Lord Black!"

Lin Yuan was puzzled. "Have you ever seen a dead Lord Black?"

Wang Shuai suddenly said, "Lord Black, people like you should be sold on Star Web!"

Lin Yuan, who was unable to keep up with Wang Shuai's thinking, asked, "Why?"

Could this fan have gone crazy to the point of delusion?

Was this the so-called 'destroying whatever you can't obtain'?

Wang Shuai chuckled and replied in a silly manner, "Because Lord Black is a treasure!"

Lin Yuan only had one thought. How should he deal with his crazy fan's corny words? He was very anxious and waiting online.

He did not give an answer to Wang Shuai, as he did not know what to say.

As a result, Wang Shuai worshipped him even more because, in Wang Shuai's heart, a god should be aloof!

Meanwhile, the tower climbing duel was still ongoing. The Star Tower's rules did not allow any of the two sides to admit defeat voluntarily. Only in the event that one party died, suffered serious injuries, or could not fight would it be enough for the Star Tower to assess it as losing the ability to fight.

The primary purpose of this rule was to cultivate the duelists' courage and boldness in the battle. Death in the Star Tower did not affect the real world. Hence, it was possible to be unrestrained and hone one's combat skills.

Under normal circumstances, Lin Yuan should have asked Chimey to use Sound Thrust to kill his opponent and advance to the next level. However, he could not bear to attack his fanatic fan and kill him in one blow. Thus, he let it use Scattered Light to attack the other two feys.

Under Chimey's control, Scattered Light could burn and cause serious injuries to the two feys, and the Star Tower would deem him as the winner.

However, Lin Yuan did not expect that after Chimey used Scattered Light, a figure with a silver mask would pounce at the Scattered Light.

Just as the Scattered Light ignited Wang Shuai's black clothes, he took off his mask and said solemnly, "Lord Black, my name is Wang Shuai! You are the hero of my heart, and I want to take the same path as you in the future!"

Then, he started shouting, "I'm too lucky to die at Lord Black's hands on the Star Web Tower and be blown into fireworks!"

Before Wang Shuai finished shouting, Chimey's Scattered Light instantly swallowed him. He vanished with the Scattered Light, burning him without any ashes left.

After Wang Shuai was incinerated, Lin Yuan also became the victor. Actually, Lin Yuan was quite touched by what Wang Shuai had said after taking off his mask.

Lin Yuan had always had a firm heart and walked on the path he wanted. However, he did not expect that this path could even indirectly influence others.

Water was shaped by things, and people were shaped by their hearts.

In his opinion, people should always have a heart filled with love. Otherwise, they would not differ from a zombie.

Also, radiance was giving out the light from a heart filled with love, while the faint radiant light ignited other hearts that were filled with love. The countless points of radiant light emitted from each heart full

of love would fuse together to form a belief. The power contained in these beliefs was enough to light up the dome and bring down the radiant light of miracles.

At that moment, Lin Yuan's duel record had become:

Duels: 24, Wins: 24, Losses: 0, Highest Floor: 24.

After the battle, Lin Yuan could not help but criticize, How is this being blown into fireworks? Isn't this being incinerated without even ashes left?

He has gone through 1,557 rounds at such a young age. Oh, that's not right. It'll be 1,558 after losing this round.

How exactly did Wang Shuai do in those duels?

Is he an internet-addicted teenager?

Young people nowadays need to protect their livers!

Chapter 185: Shooting Up to the First Place Out of Nowhere

Lin Yuan matched all the way on Star Web without stopping until his total duels were 50.

In almost every duel before the 50th floor, Chimey would only let out a clear chirp and use Sound Thrust to end the battle easily. After these dozens of battles, Lin Yuan found that most Bronze feys he was matched with were Normal and Elite. He still had yet to see a Bronze/Flawless fey in the first 50 floors.

In the first 50 floors, he had only encountered eight Silver feys, five of which were Normal, and three were Elite.

Lin Yuan felt that his concept of the feys' quality of the Radiance Federation's spirit qi professionals had changed somewhat compared to before.

Since he could easily evolve Bronze and Silver feys' quality, it was an effortless thing for him. In fact, most of the Class 2 Creation Masters in the Radiance Federation could enhance Bronze feys into Elite, but it was hard to enhance them into Flawless.

Enhancing a Bronze fey from Flawless to Epic would require at least a Class 4 Creation Master. For ordinary Creation Masters, the higher the feys' grade, the easier it would be to enhance them.

They would use all sorts of spiritual ingredients to concoct a spirit fluid with medicinal properties to stimulate the fey's potential. The higher the fey's grade, the stronger its body's potential, and the easier it would be stimulated.

However, the way Lin Yuan enhanced feys was to channel a tremendous amount of pure spirit qi into the fey's body to optimize the genetic model and enhance the low-grade fey's foundation. Thus, for the other Creation Masters, the higher a fey's grade, the easier it would be to enhance it. On the contrary, it was easier for Lin Yuan to enhance feys of lower grades.

As such, Lin Yuan's thinking gradually changed. While he was climbing the Star Tower, his thoughts had returned to the Radiance Federation's normal standard.

Because he had been matched with those combat-class spirit qi professionals, Bronze and Silver feys of Normal or Elite were the norm for the spirit qi professionals.

This made Lin Yuan could not help but feel a little ashamed. Even though he had lived two lives, he had made a mistake that people would often make.

He was always subjective. If he had a wider scope, he would inevitably look at things differently.

Lin Yuan could not help but nod in satisfaction at this record of a 100% winning rate for 50 duels. Then he logged off the Star Web. However, he did not know that many disputes had emerged after he had climbed the Star Tower and had rounds of duels.

First of all, Black's fan club and forums were in an uproar. After Wang Shuai had met Lin Yuan in the Star Tower, he had downloaded the video of their battle and posted it in the forum and fan club.

There were many people in Black's fan club and forum. Except for the people who had fought alongside Lin Yuan in Millstone Town, those who came to become fans felt that Black seemed less real while they worshiped his deeds and his Silver Fantasy Breed fey that could grow back limbs, as Black had never revealed his face. This inevitably made these admiring fans feel they had no backbone.

However, things were different now as Black had truly appeared on Star Web and climbed the Star Tower.

Wang Shuai had originally joined Black's official fan club, and the owner of it was none other than the healing-type spirit qi professional with the Bronze Spitting Turtledove, Liu Lang.

Due to Liu Lang's name on Star Web being Ancestor Peace, many people called him 'Ancestor Peace Berserker'. In the forum and fan club, whenever he found any outrageous keyboard warriors, he would give them a taste of their medicine and eliminate all of them.

After Wang Shuai posted the video, Liu Lang immediately recognized that he had fought against Black. This was because Lin Yuan's aura when he had been fighting in Millstone Town had been deeply engraved in Liu Lang's mind.

Wang Shuai's video gave him small fame in the fan club, so Liu Lang promoted Wang Shuai into the official fan club administrator.

Soon, the news of Black climbing the Star Tower spread via postings and the fan club. But at the same time, there was a sudden change in the Star Tower's streak list. A name that had never appeared on the streak list before appeared at the top. It was none other than Black.

With a winning streak of 50 duels, he was ahead of the second place, who only had a winning streak of over 11.

The streak list was just a small list that got little attention among the Star Tower's many lists.

However, someone had shot up to the first place, and his name was very special. He was the Radiance Federation's young hero who had a Silver Fantasy Breed fey.

At first, many people thought that it was the same name, but after Liu Lang's verification in Black's fan club and forum, Black's identity was determined.

Of course, some were doubtful, but few of them dared to publicly question in Black's forum and fan club for their own sake. Otherwise, if they did so and Ancestor Peace Berserker hit with a heavy fist, how would they even survive?

Soon, people quickly dug out Black's duel record. He had an astounding 100% winning rate in 50 consecutive duels. Star Web's matching was very fair.

Black's identity received endless attention overnight, which Lin Yuan, who had logged off the Star Web, was unaware of.

In these few days, besides climbing the Star Tower, he would spend most of his time enhancing batches of Usneas that were not even at Normal to Silver/Elite in the Spirit Lock spatial zone.

Every time he enhanced a pot of Usnea into Silver, Lin Yuan could vaguely sense the spirit qi within his body increasing slightly. However, this subtle increase was simply not obvious enough.

Since Lin Yuan would climb the Star Tower daily whenever he had nothing to do, he had climbed to the 74th floor so far. It might be due to his luck that when he reached the 74th floor, he encountered a Gold fey. However, he could not help but smack his lips upon seeing it. This Gold fey seemed a bit strong.

Chapter 186: The Bloody Flowers in the Sea of Flowers

Lin Yuan had just been matched with an opponent on the 74th floor that summoned two tiger feys. One of them was a Gold fey based on its aura, while the other one was a Silver X fey that was about to reach Gold.

Lin Yuan did not take this Silver X/Elite Steel Tooth Tiger seriously, but the purple plasma condensed on the other Gold tiger fey's surface, full of the aura of destruction.

He used Morbius' True Data to check it.

[Fey Name]: Golden Forehead Lightning Tiger

[Fey Species]: Toothed Feline/Tiger

[Fey Grade]: Gold (4/10)

[Fey Type]: Lightning

[Fey Quality]: Flawless

Abilities:

[Claw Attack]: Quickly leap forward and use both claws to deal tearing damage.

[Lightning Arc Entwinement]: Can condense a lightning arc on a part of the body for defense or attack.

[Thunder Teeth Cut]: Gather thunder from thunder teeth and deal high-voltage single-target damage.

[Lightning Roar Magnetic Shock]: Condense a huge amount of lightning elements in the air through the tiger's roar and change its magnetic field to repel a huge amount of lightning arcs in all directions, causing lighting damage and tremor damage.

Exclusive Skill:

[Overloaded Lightning Arc]: The condensed arc reaches overload mode and would explode twice when it comes in contact with bioelectricity.

This Gold tiger fey made Lin Yuan frown secretly. Its comprehended skills were not considered powerful, and the Thunder Tooth Cut was a relatively poor ability that it could comprehend at Gold. It was just a kind of single-target ability without any highlights, but this Golden Forehead Lightning Tiger's exclusive skill was simply too outstanding.

Overload Lightning Arc gave the mediocre Thunder Tooth Cut a chance to cause secondary damage and allowed the Lightning Roar Magnetic Shock to deal double damage.

Lin Yuan summoned Chimey and Red Thorn. When Chimey was summoned and sensed the Silver X/Elite Steel Tooth Tiger and Gold IV/Flawless Golden Forehead Lightning Tiger, a stronger battle intent arose in it.

He had allowed Chimey to fight in the Star Tower battles for the past few days. Although the previous duels had been carried out with little suspense, it had also allowed Chimey to cultivate its battle aura.

It was his first time summoning Red Thorn in the Star Web duel. When Red Thorn was summoned, it thrust its thick roots straight into the ground and spread out its sharp vines to protect Lin Yuan. The thornless vine that Red Thorn had purposely evolved wrapped around his wrist obediently and affectionately.

After Lin Yuan summoned his feys, his opponent mumbled to the air, "Brothers, I've met another guy with a silver mask in my matchup. It'll be exactly the tenth one with a silver mask that I kill in the past two months."

Lin Yuan raised his brows. This fellow was quite wild!

Lin Yuan already knew what his opponent was doing. He should be a live-streamer.

Lin Yuan had encountered a nerd who was talking to himself in the air after the 60th floor. At first, he had thought it was a mental patient. But then, he had found out that this nerd kept talking about the situation and was not fighting, yet he had assessed that Lin Yuan had summoned Chimey.

He had created various theories, just like an outstanding teacher, and an eloquent King that commented on national affairs.

When they had fought, Chimey had used the Gold Sunlight Rays, Scattered Light, as well as the Sound Thrust to kill them.

Liu Jie had explained this while they were eating. Only then did Lin Yuan learn that the person he had always considered as a mental patient was actually a Star Web live-streamer. This man before Lin Yuan's eyes was the same as the nerd after the 60th floor. He seemed to be a live-streamer as well.

His opponent was currently leaning on the Gold IV/Flawless Golden Forehead Lightning Tiger, making heart gestures and sending flying kisses toward the air. Lin Yuan could not help but feel a chill, as this fellow opposite him was simply too feminine.

This kind of femininity differed from a woman's gentle beauty. Rather, it was a bit like a chicken that had fallen into the dough jar.

After listening to Liu Jie's explanation, Lin Yuan also learned that it was hard to be a live-streamer in the Star Web duel.

One had to first have a live-streamer qualification to become one in the Star Web duel. The live-streamer test was very harsh, unlike those singing live-streamers who could just live-stream with a click.

After passing the test, one's battle footage would be recorded in a third-person perspective and played in the live-streaming room. The viewers could comment and discuss the duel situation in the live-streaming room.

However, the battling live-streamer could not see it. They could only wait until the duel ended before they exited the Star Web duel and returned to the live-streaming room to see the comments.

At that moment, the feminine fellow leaning on the Gold Forehead Lightning Tiger suddenly stood up and gave charming gazes at the air, danced street dance, and sang rap. He imagined that the comments in his live-streaming room should be about him being handsome and protecting the best live-streamer.

As he thought about it, he smiled more brightly and street-danced more vigorously. He also rapped even faster. However, the feminine fellow did not know that his live-streaming room was already in an uproar when Lin Yuan summoned Chimey.

The moment Lin Yuan summoned Red Thorn, the live-streaming room's comments completely blocked the singing feminine fellow.

Lin Yuan felt everything before him was simply an eyesore. In fact, while both of them summoned their feys, the battle had already begun.

Lin Yuan originally did not plan to use the Acid Corrosion Queen Bee. He wanted to hone Chimey's combat skills through this Gold IV/Flawless Golden Forehead Lightning Tiger. He wanted to see if Chimey, a Silver I/Fantasy Breed fey, could stand a 50/50 chance against this Gold fey.

But now, Lin Yuan looked at the unmotivated fellow man opposite him and felt that it was clearly not an excellent opportunity to hone Chimey's combat skills.

The feminine man suddenly stopped singing and dancing but was still rapping. "Yo! Yo! Check it out! I've finally fallen from the 90th floor to the 74th floor! It's tough! Now, I'll let you guys see how I beat this noob at the speed of light!"

Lin Yuan could no longer listen to it and said, "Red Thorn, lay out the sea of flowers."

Red Thorn's spore cavity shook. It actually did not spew out many spores, but a thin layer of spores still spread out at the venue. Then, it produced child ramets from the spores, changing the battle

environment. The vines in the sea of flowers were sharp, and the rose-like flowers on the corrosive cavity were unusually bright.

The Golden Forehead Lightning Tiger and Steel Tooth Tiger found this sudden sea of flowers very novel. They stepped on the child ramets willfully, clearly playing.

When Lin Yuan looked at the feminine fellow who was still speaking indecent words to the air and the two tiger feys that had no intention of fighting, he could not help but shake his head. As a combat-class spirit qi professional, he should face a duel seriously, even if he was not giving it his all.

However, this feminine man had been corrupted by some other things. Since the other side had no intention to fight, Lin Yuan also wanted to quickly end this duel so that he could match with another opponent to hone Chimey's combat skills.

Lin Yuan said softly, "Acid Corrosion Queen Bee, end the battle."

At that moment, the feminine man was still saying to the air, "The other side is also thoughtful and actually using his most skilled move. Is he trying to extol my beauty in this trashy sea of flowers?"

The comments in the feminine man's live-streaming room were not as crazy as when Lin Yuan had summoned Red Thorn. Although there were still many comments, there were fewer than before. At the very least, they could now see the scene of the feminine man dueling.

At that moment, all the viewers' eyes shrunk, as something had pierced through the two tiger feys' heads, creating beautiful bloody flowers with the tigers' roars as they bloomed in the sea of flowers.

This bizarre and beautiful scene gave the viewers in the feminine man's live-streaming room goosebumps, and they could not help but blurt out, "Black, so awesome!"

Chapter 187: Aggrieved Fang Duoduo

If the feminine man looked at the comments in his live-streaming room, he would realize that the moment the two bloody flowers had bloomed, the comments had vanished for a few seconds and instantly flooded the screen and turned it white. These comments were no longer indistinguishable.

When the feminine man saw them, he would notice that even though it was clearly his live-streaming room, none of the comments mentioned himself.

The two bewitching bloody flowers only bloomed for a moment. As soon as the warmth in the blood dissipated, it withered among the rose-like flowers and the vines with sharp thorns, leaving nothing.

Despite only existing for a brief moment, the two bloody flowers had the most shocking visual impact on the feminine man and the viewers in his live-streaming room.

The blooming flowers had vanished, and the two bloody flowers withered instantly, proclaiming Lin Yuan's victory on the 74th floor of the Star Tower.

Lin Yuan continued to match with an opponent after his victory. When he reached the 80th floor, the strongest he had ever encountered was still the feminine man who had been stroking his hair coquettishly with no intentions of fighting.

After that, the only strong one he encountered was a combat-class spirit qi professional with a Gold III/Elite Coldwater Snapping Turtle.

However, the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly's Silence Scale Powder restrained it a lot in the duel. When the Silence Scale Powder landed on the Coldwater Snapping Turtle, it had isolated its ability to use the water element, which was akin to nullifying its attacking means.

The Coldwater Snapping Turtle's evolution path was more inclined toward spiritual mutation, and it made use of the water element to cause damage.

If an ordinary Bronze X/Legend Blue Flash Butterfly released the Silence Scale Powder, it would certainly not cause such a strong Silence effect on the Coldwater Snapping Turtle under normal circumstances.

However, Lin Yuan had used the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly's scale powder with strong adhesion, making the Coldwater Snapping Turtle very passive.

It was the only fey that the combat-class spirit qi professional had. Evidently, he had invested all the resources in this Gold III/Elite Coldwater Snapping Turtle. Otherwise, if he had another fey, he could also let it release some abilities to help the Coldwater Snapping Turtle get rid of the Silence Scale Powder. Things would not have been as passive as it was now.

The Coldwater Snapping Turtle had a layer of mucus on its shell surface that made the Silence Scale Powder firmly attached to its body. Although the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly's grade was not as high as the Coldwater Snapping Turtle, the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly simply restrained the Coldwater Snapping Turtle based on its abilities and exclusive skills.

Lin Yuan did not use the Acid Corrosion Queen Bee or Red Thorn for this duel. He only used Chimey and the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly to end the duel.

Chimey's Scattered Light landed on the Coldwater Snapping Turtle, making its wet body surface dry and cracked with its burning ability, causing it to form a layer of blisters from the burn. When the blisters burst, the liquid flowing out adsorbed the Silence Scale Powder, leaving the Coldwater Snapping Turtle no resistance.

At that moment, the Sunlight Rays gave multiple negative effects to the Coldwater Snapping Turtle in its weakened state.

Lin Yuan found that the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly's Scale Powder Halo could be used with Chimey's Sunlight Rays. The reflective scale powder could reflect the Sunlight Rays. The light would produce a strong blinding effect at a certain level, causing temporary blindness after piercing the Coldwater Snapping Turtle's eyes.

With Chimey's soft chirp, three Sound Thrusts penetrated the Coldwater Snapping Turtle that was struggling and roaring due to the severe pain. The Sound Thrusts impacted the Coldwater Snapping Turtle's upper jaw.

Since the Sound Thrusts hit the same point on the upper jaw one after another, no matter how hard the Coldwater Snapping Turtle's jaw was, a small hole was blown. The tremor that occurred when the high-frequency Sound Thrust penetrated the jawbone damaged its brain tissues.

In this duel, Lin Yuan realized that Chimey had overwhelming destructive power after becoming a Silver Fantasy Breed. He still remembered that when Chimey was at Normal, its Sound Thrust could only leave faint marks on the wooden boards. But now, it could cause fatal damage to a Gold fey, provided that it attacked the target's weak spot and when the opponent was defenseless.

As a Gold turtle fey, the Coldwater Snapping Turtle had an outstanding defense, which was based on the premise of being able to control the water element. The majestic water element would form a layer of fast-flowing water on the Coldwater Snapping Turtle's surface.

This fast-flowing water layer was the Gold III/Elite Coldwater Snapping Turtle's most powerful means of defense. But right now, Lin Yuan's Blue Flash Purple Butterfly had gained the upper hand with its Silence Scale Powder.

Under the premise that the spirit qi professional did not have a second fey to help the Coldwater Snapping Turtle, it became a lamb to be slaughtered.

After Lin Yuan won the 80th battle in the Star Tower, he felt a little tired and left Star Web. He went to enhance pots of Usnea to slowly increase the spiritual power in his body.

Lin Yuan did not know what had happened in the feminine man's live-streaming room, nor that 'Black' was trending on the Star Tower's streak list.

Today, he had broken the record on the streak list and reached 80 consecutive wins, which had caused an uproar in Star Web. Many mainstream media on Star Web also started to send out notices to report this matter.

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A competent man was sitting with a frown and flipping through a stack of information in a conference room that was decorated very simply but with extraordinary arrangements. At that moment, there was a knock on the door, and he put down the stack in his hand before saying, "Come in."

A bowl-cut youth opened the door and revealed his head. He looked inside, walked in, and pulled a chair to sit down before he said, "Boss, is our main team still short of a healing-type spirit qi professional?"

Upon hearing that, the competent man could not help but playfully answer, "You usually are the idlest, yet you still have a recommended candidate? The S Tournament is going to start soon. Hurry and catch up on your training. I'll help you make an appointment with the Creation Master to enhance your fourth fey's quality."

When the bowl-cut youth heard that, he immediately shouted joyfully, "Long live, Boss!"

After being elated, he coughed a little suspiciously and said, "Boss, our Dragon Gate Guild Club is an Alevel guild club. We don't have to go through the elimination rounds. We can just do the group matches. It's still three months of preparation time."

He then realized that he had said the wrong thing, so he secretly glanced at the competent man sitting down. He noticed that the competent man took out a pen and crossed out things on the information stack.

The bowl-cut youth went forward and said, "Boss, I've really found a particularly strong healing-type spirit gi professional!"

The man sitting looked up and asked, "What kind of person? Bring his information over."

The bowl-cut youth scratched his head. "I didn't prepare his information, but I think the Star Web should have his information."

The competent man sitting down knew that this bowl-cut youth would not have prepared the information. As soon as he heard this person was from Star Web, he took out his Star Web Card, ready to enter Star Web, and asked, "How far has he gone on the Celestial Stairway?"

The bowl-cut youth blinked and replied, "He hasn't reached the Celestial Stairway yet. He's on the 80th floor."

Upon hearing that, the competent man put down the Star Web Card in his hand and chased him away angrily. "Fang Duoduo, hurry up and get out to train! You also know that our Dragon Gate Guild Club is an A-level guild club. By finding someone who has reached the 80th floor of the Star Tower, are you trying to fight 4 vs. 6 during the group match and let us become a B-level guild club?"

Fang Duoduo was a little aggrieved. "That healing-type spirit qi professional who reached the 80th floor is very popular on Star Web. He has won 80 consecutive—"

Before Fang Duoduo could finish, the competent man chased him out. "Hurry up and go train!"

Fang Duoduo was thrown out, and he felt aggrieved as he muttered, "I was just trying to help. Long Tao, since you find me troublesome, then go find one yourself!" He then hummed a song and walked toward the training room.

Chapter 188: White Jade Snow Orchid

Lin Yuan was enhancing a plant fey he had found in the wild. It seemed like a weed with no characteristics. It had three long, slender leaves with thick leaf blades.

Although this weed seemed like nothing special, it seemed to exude a different kind of formidable aura.

As Lin Yuan was injecting spirit qi into it, the ordinary weed was constantly changing. After a few hours, its leaves became longer and drooped downward, with a unique texture.

When a bunch of plain white flowers that grew straight out of the leaves bloomed, it immediately emanated a beautiful and refreshing fragrance, causing the room to instantly turn cooler.

This lush fragrance was not sweet and delicate at all, but an elegant fragrance. When one touched this orchid, it was as though one's heart calmed down.

The reserved fragrance no longer spread out, but it was exceptionally deep, as though it contained the season and climate.

Lin Yuan stopped channeling his spiritual power, and when he looked at the Bronze/Epic White Jade Snow Orchid before him, he could not help but nod in satisfaction.

The fey that he had picked up and looked like a weed was actually an orchid.

At first, Lin Yuan felt that orchids were considered relatively rare feys, so he had picked it. However, he did not expect that he would nurture this orchid into a White Jade Snow Orchid.

The orchids in the world generally looked the same before they bloomed. Only when they bloomed could their value be specifically distinguished.

Plums, orchids, bamboos, and chrysanthemums had always been the four most elegant plants. Although this White Jade Snow Orchid was not the most top-notch orchid, it was a fine fey that others could not ask for.

Just as Lin Yuan stretched his body and was about to take a closer look at the Bronze/Epic White Jade Snow Orchid, there were two soft knocks on the door, and he heard Wen Yu's voice coming from outside. "Young Master, lunch is ready. It's time to eat."

Lin Yuan walked out of his room with the pot of White Jade Snow Orchid in his hands. When Wen Yu saw him come out, she was stunned.

It was said that a gentleman was like an orchid, but when Lin Yuan came out holding the orchid, Wen Yu suddenly had a feeling that an orchid was not as good as a gentleman. Perhaps it was because this young man's aura was too outstanding that he suppressed the orchid's aura.

When she examined the pot of orchid in Lin Yuan's hand, she was astonished. She was also a Creation Master, so she had recognized at a glance that the orchid in his hands was an Epic White Jade Snow Orchid.

Of course, this was not what shocked her the most because she had seen many orchid feys and Epic feys. However, this Bronze/Epic fey was extremely rare, especially since it was an orchid fey.

Just like in the Radiant Moon Palace, the reward for the top spirit attendant every year was only a Bronze/Epic fey.

Wen Yu thought little of the Bronze/Epic White Jade Snow Orchid, as she had never expected Lin Yuan to nurture it. Instead, she thought that the Moon Empress might have gifted it to him.

Just as she was thinking this way, Lin Yuan said, "Come back to your senses!"

Wen Yu returned to her senses and found Lin Yuan looking at her, so she hurriedly replied, "Young Master, Big Brother Liu made lunch today. I'll help you take this White Jade Snow Orchid."

Upon hearing that, Lin Yuan handed it over to her and said, "Big Brother Liu's cooking talent is definitely excellent."

Lin Yuan had been skeptical when Liu Jie had previously said that he could cook. Based on Liu Jie's honest face, Lin Yuan really did not think that he looked like someone who could cook.

After Liu Jie had made a meal, he had conquered Lin Yuan's and Wen Yu's stomachs and made them become foodies, causing them to wait for him to cook every day. It was not because the two of them could not cook. Rather, it was because Liu Jie's cooking was simply too delicious.

Even though Lin Yuan had eaten the Spirit Food Pavilion's chef's dishes, they were not as good as the ones Liu Jie made.

Wen Yu carefully took the White Jade Snow Orchid from Lin Yuan and asked, "Young Master, where do I put this White Jade Snow Orchid?"

Lin Yuan answered, "Didn't Big Brother Liu say last time that the spiritual ingredients are not fresh the next day, even after putting them in the refrigerator? Put this White Jade Snow Orchid next to those spiritual ingredients in the kitchen. It will solve his problems."

Wen Yu was listening carefully, but when Lin Yuan told her to put it in the kitchen to keep the ingredients fresh, she opened her mouth wide. Her cherry-like mouth opened as wide as a hippopotamus's mouth, so wide that even a pineapple could fit inside.

Fortunately, her hands were stable. Otherwise, this Bronze/Epic White Jade Snow Orchid would have dropped on the ground.

Although the White Jade Snow Orchid was not considered the best among the orchid feys, it could be called a top-notch one.

The White Jade Snow Orchid was a support-type fey. When it was placed indoors, it could lower the temperature to a soothing but not too cold state due to its properties. Its fragrance could also promote plant growth.

It was pretty useful to Creation Masters. If a Creation Master contracted a White Jade Snow Orchid, it could play a supporting role when nurturing plant-type feys.

Thus, placing such a good thing in the kitchen and using its aroma and cooling effect to keep the spiritual ingredients fresh was unheard of. It was simply a low-key luxury.

When Lin Yuan saw Wen Yu with her mouth wide open, he could not help but say, "If you're hungry, I'll see if I can help Big Brother Liu with anything so that we can serve quickly." Then he walked to the kitchen.

Wen Yu could not help but criticize, Young Master is really a guy who fails to understand women.

Before Lin Yuan walked to the kitchen, Liu Jie came out with the dishes. There were four dishes for the three of them—Kung Pao chicken, sweet and sour pork, squirrel fish1, and cumin meat slices. These four were all meat dishes, as Liu Jie had figured out what Lin Yuan and Wen Yu loved to eat. They all had similar tastes and were pure carnivores.

After Liu Jie placed the dishes on the table, Wen Yu slowly came out of the kitchen and said, "Young Master, Big Brother Liu, the kitchen is going to become the most fragrant place in this manor."

Liu Jie did not understand what she meant and thought that she was praising him.

However, Lin Yuan could not help but raise his brows. Although the White Jade Snow Orchid had a clear and aromatic fragrance, he still preferred the agarwood smell.

The White Jade Snow Orchid was not as calming as the agarwood. The White Jade Snow Orchid's fragrance would stay on the clothes and leave traces, but the agarwood's fragrance would refresh the mind, calm the mind, and only stay on the sleeves.

After the meal, Wen Yu and Lin Yuan praised Liu Jie, making him giggle on his firm and honest face.

Liu Jie could not help but think, When I was in the team with Bai Hao and Wang Fan, why didn't they praise me when they ate my cooking? Such ingrates!

Chapter 189: An Undesirable Man

Liu Jie's contracted source-type Insect Queen had long since been healed. It was no longer in imminent danger, and it had even evolved into a Fantasy Breed.

Not long ago, Liu Jie had gone to find Bai Hao and Wang Fan with a very simple goal. He wanted to apologize.

Liu Jie had been discouraged and become an ordinary person, so he naturally had not wanted to contact his former friends again. He had thought that he would just be giving them more trouble.

At that time, he had become a useless person, and his only fey, the Insect Queen, had been his only reliance. When the Insect Queen's roots had been damaged, Liu Jie had been ready to cut off all ties and become an ordinary person.

Although he was doing well now, he recalled that Bai Hao and Wang Fan had always been searching and missing him for two years. He felt touched yet apologetic.

When he had met Bai Hao the other time, although Bai Hao's words had made him angry, he did not take it to heart. This was because Liu Jie knew Bai Hao very well. He was a softie at heart.

Because of mutual understanding, the three of them had become the Radiance Hundred Sequence's members and would form a three-member team when they went out to do their missions. Men's friendship was actually just like that, sincere and simple.

After the meal and drinking a few cups of wine, Bai Hao and Wang Fan had gotten closure. They had been concerned about Liu Jie's past experience and missed him dearly.

For Liu Jie, his strength had returned, and he had become even more powerful. He was back on good terms with his old friends and also had the faith of this young man in front of him.

One would really feel good during a happy occasion!

Liu Jie had never felt how good life was, even when he was still at the top, but after he had fallen into the dust, his perception of life had changed. He felt happy at every bit of the present and interacting with the people close to him.

However, he was caught between laughter and tears when Wang Fan sent a message to the group. Only then did Liu Jie learn that Bai Hao and Wang Fan had pooled their money. They wanted to see if they could treat his Insect Queen's injuries. After knowing that it had been healed, Bai Hao gave Wang Fan's share back to him but rewarded all of his money to a live-streamer on Star Web called the Sparrow Voice Loli Goddess.

He had given tens of millions of Radiance dollars, causing Bai Hao, who had been the second top contributing fan for two months, to shoot up to the first place. Not only had he reclaimed his position, but he was also worlds apart from second place.

However, Bai Hao was stifled as no matter how hard he had sent gifts like a bootlicker, the Sparrow Voice Loli Goddess had never thanked him. At that moment, he posted something in the group.

Sparrow Voice Loli Goddess's Little Fanboy: "Liu Jie, Wang Fan, come out and go on a mission with me to earn money!"

Wang Fan: "When did you start to want to do the missions so much? You used to refuse even when I asked you."

Sparrow Voice Loli Goddess's Little Fanboy: "I don't have enough money to give gifts to the Sparrow Voice Loli Goddess! I plan to reward 99.9% of the money I earn from doing missions to the Sparrow Voice Loli Goddess! I'll just eat two steamed buns every day."

Liu Jie: "???"

Wang Fan: "???"

Sparrow Voice Loli Goddess's Little Fanboy: "Are you two coming or not? If not, I'll go alone!"

Liu Jie: "Not going!"

Wang Fan: "Not going!"

Sparrow Voice Loli Goddess's Little Fanboy: "You singles don't understand the happiness of chasing stars."

Liu Jie could not help but reveal a pretty boy's puzzled expression on his honest face.

Bai Hao made it seem as though he was not single. Based on his attitude, he wanted to date online and meet them in real life!

After putting down his cell phone, Liu Jie suddenly recalled something and said to Lin Yuan, "Lin Yuan, several king-class experts will jointly hold a private auction in the Royal Capital. Are you interested?"

Lin Yuan pondered for a moment and replied, "Have they revealed beforehand what things they're going to auction?"

For Lin Yuan, going to your general auction was just purely to watch the fun. It was not that he could not afford them, but most of the things were useless to him.

He would need some spiritual ingredients to enhance feys from Epic to Legend. But in other cases, he did not need the spiritual ingredients to assist him in enhancing feys. As for high-grade feys, he could just evolve them into anything he wanted with time.

Upon hearing Lin Yuan's words, Liu Jie answered, "I heard that source-type lifeforms will appear at this auction."

Lin Yuan could not help but ask, "Source-type lifeforms?"

He did not expect someone would auction their source-type lifeforms. If it was a source-type lifeform, Lin Yuan could not help but have some interest.

Source-type lifeforms were strange in their contract and did not necessarily need spiritual energy. Each of them had unique abilities that would be excellent if used properly.

Therefore, if he could encounter a suitable source-type lifeform, Lin Yuan did not mind buying and nurturing it.

For example, the Acid Corrosion Queen Bee. It had greatly enhanced Lin Yuan's combat ability, and it could be said to be his strongest means of attack at present.

Without the Acid Corrosion Queen Bee, given his current standard, he was not confident in saying that he could certainly win the promotion duels and ascend to the Celestial Stairway.

Even though Chimey's Radiant Body could surpass the Acid Corrosion Queen Bee's strength in a split second with a burst of power, it was only for that moment.

If it met a Gold defense-type fey and was restrained by it, when Chimey depleted all its energy, Lin Yuan would likely be the one losing the duel.

Thus, he was hell-bent on finding a way to buy a suitable source-type lifeform. Moreover, he did not lack resources for nurturing feys or source-type lifeforms.

Unlike other spirit qi professionals, he did not need to worry about resources and focus his resources toward only one of the feys.

"That king-class expert squad is very famous in the Guild Alliance. I heard that they had destroyed several dimensional rifts. There should at least be one source-type item in this auction, but I don't think there'll be over two."

Upon hearing that, Lin Yuan replied, "What are the admission requirements for this private auction?"

When Liu Jie noticed Lin Yuan had the intention to go, he answered, "Leave the admission requirements to me. I'll get three tickets at that time."

Lin Yuan nodded and said, "I'll have to trouble you then, Big Brother Liu."

Wen Yu was also thrilled, as she usually had little chance to go down the mountains back then at the Radiant Moon Palace. Thus, she naturally wanted to go to such a lively place.

Even though she had been calling Lin Yuan as 'Young Master' and was clearly a subordinate, Liu Jie had never ignored her. As a result, she had slowly started to acknowledge him.

After the meal, Wen Yu took up the duty of cleaning the dishes.

Liu Jie was just about to freeze the prepared spiritual ingredients that were hard to store when he saw a pot of elegant orchid on the shelf where the various spiritual ingredients were placed.

As a Radiance Hundred Sequence member, he naturally knew what it was. He suddenly exclaimed in surprise after observing it, "F*ck! This is actually a Bronze/Epic White Jade Snow Orchid! Why put such a good thing in the kitchen?"

While Wen Yu washed the dishes, she calmly answered, "Young Master gave it to you to help keep the spiritual ingredients fresh."

Indeed, Wen Yu also saw Liu Jie open his mouth wide with a dazed expression. She imitated what Lin Yuan had said earlier. "Big Brother Liu, are you hungry?"

Liu Jie came back to his senses, and when he heard Wen Yu's words, he scratched the back of his head and asked, "Didn't I just finish eating? I ate three bowls of rice, so how could I be hungry?"

Upon hearing that, Wen Yu could not help but criticize, Come on! Not another guy who fails to understand women!

Liu Jie asked, "Wen Yu, did you not eat enough just now?"

Wen Yu lowered her head and replied, "I'm definitely full from two bowls of rice!"

Then, Liu Jie looked at her and said in surprise, "Aren't you afraid of getting fat from eating two bowls of rice!?"

Wen Yu suddenly felt that Liu Jie was not only someone who failed to understand women but also an undesirable man.

Chapter 190: Black's Terrifying Talent

During the past few days, Lin Yuan had been climbing the Star Tower. He had already fought from the 80th floor to the 100th floor, and if he went any further, he would take part in the promotion duel.

When climbing from the 80th floor to the 100th floor, all of Lin Yuan's opponents possessed Gold feys. After the 90th floor, Lin Yuan had encountered plenty of spirit qi professionals that possessed two Gold feys. However, the grade of the Gold feys wasn't considered high.

Nonetheless, when Lin Yuan used the Gold/Legend Acid Corrosion Queen Bee, these duels weren't that difficult to win. In fact, even though Chimey had become a Fantasy Breed and obtained the new exclusive skill Radiant Body, Lin Yuan hadn't used it until now.

During the climb from the 80th floor to the 100th floor, the strongest Gold fey Lin Yuan had encountered was only a Gold VII/Flawless fey. The Acid Corrosion Queen Bee's grade might be Gold I, but its quality was Legend.

The Gold I/Legend Acid Corrosion Queen Bee's actual strength was actually superior to Gold VII/Flawless feys. Furthermore, the Acid Corrosion Queen Bee was an assassin that hid in the sea of flowers, allowing it to land sneak attacks.

Lin Yuan had also encountered a spirit qi professional that had been live-streaming when fighting in the Star Tower. The live streamer had been none other than the spirit qi professional that possessed the Gold VII/Flawless fey. Therefore, it was also the first time Lin Yuan's Acid Corrosion Queen Bee appeared in the Star Web netizens' eyes.

This had also solved the mystery as to how Lin Yuan had instantly killed that feminine man's two feys. The case of the two blood flowers that had blossomed in the sea of flowers had finally been cracked.

On the Star Web, Lin Yuan's popularity was simply through the roof. At the same time, some questions were brought up in the Star Web.

Isn't Black a healing-type spirit qi professional?

Why haven't we seen Black using a healing-type fey?

When in combat, he actually became a combat-class spirit qi professional?

Had it not been for Red Thorn's appearance that had immediately proved Black's identity, even if Black's fans and fan leader Liu Lang insisted, not many would believe that Lin Yuan was Black.

That was because Lin Yuan had never used any healing-type fey. He had been using combat-class feys to climb the tower, so everyone found the same problem—Lin Yuan's talent.

A spirit qi professional's talent was always viewed with different levels.

Most of the spirit qi professionals would be compatible with one species and one type of fey, like defense-type/beetle-species feys. Of course, there was also a difference in strength. For example, if a spirit qi professional was compatible with power offense-type/tiger-species feys, while the other was compatible with power offense-type/goat-species feys. The strength difference would be easier to differentiate.

Tiger-species feys did have stronger combat strength than goat-species feys when at the same grade. The law of nature determined such superiority. In the natural world, tigers would definitely eat goats.

Of course, such superiority would only exist when the grade was equivalent. However, not all tigerspecies feys were able to defeat goat-species feys of the same grade. There were also some rare feys among the goat-species feys,

The Wind Speed Rapid Antelope that Lin Yuan had nurtured was such an example. It was able to fly with the use of wind elements, making it extremely fast. Therefore, regular tiger-species feys might not be able to defeat the Wind Speed Rapid Antelope.

However, ordinary folks with a poor family background who were compatible with power offense-type/tiger-species feys might wish that they were compatible with power offense-type/goat-species feys. Tiger-species feys weren't as common, and if one wasn't from a prestigious family, they wouldn't be able to afford a tiger-species fey. In addition, when evolving tiger-species feys, more precious spiritual ingredients were required.

For people like Chu Ci, who was compatible with all defense-type feys, her talent was considered topnotch in the entire Radiance Federation. As a defense-type spirit qi professional, Chu Ci wouldn't be restricted by her talent when choosing defense-type feys and could choose them freely according to her desired combination. This way, it would allow her contracted feys to form a flawless combat style that was suitable for her.

When combat-class spirit qi professionals dueled, the fey's individual strength was one factor. When fighting against a lower-ranked opponent, one could use the difference in grade to suppress the opponent and win. But when fighting against an evenly matched opponent, the combination and coordination of the feys would be the crucial factor.

Black had far too many combinations when using feys in combat, and there wasn't a regular rhythm. Thus, the people on Star Web had started guessing Black's talent.

No matter how they discussed it, they couldn't find a definite answer. They were plenty of low-ranked Scholars and Fey Observers that conducted an analysis of feys Black had used in duels. They then published their own articles based on their opinions.

Unexpectedly, when they published their articles, Star Web's netizens flamed those Scholars and Fey Observers. Based on Black's summoned feys, apart from defense-type feys, he had already used almost every other type of feys.

In fact, people were speculating about Lin Yuan like this largely because of Chimey. Back when Lin Yuan had contracted Chimey, it had been a Sound Bird that couldn't even be considered a fey and naturally didn't have any types.

Chimey was like the Usneas, which were also a kind of production-type fey without any combat-class types. But when Lin Yuan had evolved Chimey, its combat-class capability had awakened.

The matter about Black's talent was in constant debate, and ultimately, a Class 4 Scholar published an article based on Black's talent.

A Class 4 Scholar was already considered the pinnacle of the Radiance Federation's knowledge world. Thus, when this Class 4 Scholar published this article about Lin Yuan's talent, this guessing game came to an end.

The Class 4 Scholar's article might have calmed down the commotion, but it made everyone feel more terrified of Black's talent, or it should be his wealth.

That Class 4 Scholar gave a final verdict by using the appearance of different feys during the Star Tower's duels. The quality of Black's feys should be extremely high, and source-type lifeforms were also in his arsenal. The Class 4 Scholar also stated that Black would still be the Radiance Federation's top prodigy, even if the source-type lifeforms were out of the picture.

Finally, the Class 4 Scholar teased a little in his conclusion, guessing that Black's feys were all source-type lifeforms.

Of course, everyone treated that part as a joke. Putting aside the rarity of source-type lifeforms, the harsh requirements to form the contract would already cause plenty of people to get stuck.

However, the fact that Black possessed source-type lifeforms was basically the Class 4 Scholar's inarguable verdict.

Now that Lin Yuan was at the Star Tower's 100th floor, he would need to fight in the promotion duel if he continued fighting the duels. He was already rather tired now, so he wasn't in a hurry to fight in the promotion duel. Instead, he opened up his personal information card.

Name: Black

Gender: Male

Height: 178cm

Weight: 61kg

Star Tower Floor: 100th Floor

Spirit Qi Occupation: Healing-Type Professional

Occupation Rank: C-Rank

Contracted Feys:

Morbius (Bronze X/Legend)

Thousand Questions Beast (Bronze I/Legend)

Twilight Starbird (Silver I/Fantasy I)

Red Thorn (Bronze V/Epic)

Acid Corrosion Queen Bee (Gold I/Legend)

Duel Record: Duels: 100, Wins: 100, Losses: 0, Highest Floor: 100

When looking at the 100% win rate and recalling how he had climbed up the 100 floors, one floor at a time, Lin Yuan felt deeply that he had obtained something called growth.

From the first duel until now, Lin Yuan and his contracted feys had much better teamwork than in the beginning. At the same time, he had a clearer understanding of his fey's abilities.

Lin Yuan had transformed from a combat newbie into a combat veteran who had his own attitude and perspective. His timing and opportunity to use the abilities would become more proficient with constant duels. But even now, Lin Yuan understood that he still had more room to grow.

Lin Yuan knew that from the start of the promotion duel in the Celestial Stairway, he would encounter significantly stronger opponents than the opponents he had met previously.

When climbing the Star Tower, every 10 floors would be considered a small segment, and every 20 floors would be considered a major segment. But when climbing the Celestial Stairway, the opponents might have just declined from the top. An unlucky Celestial Stairway 5-star expert might even fall down to the promotion duel and had to restart all over again.

Therefore, Lin Yuan understood that the next few duels weren't going to be easy. His consecutive victories might also be stopped.

Lin Yuan wasn't really worried about his consecutive victories, as he had never imagined he would be able to win 100 duels consecutively and reach the Celestial Stairway.

Lin Yuan felt that when fighting in the Star Web, one should constantly be amending their combat style and temper their combat skill. Therefore, an evenly matched duel was much more precious than a one-sided duel.

As of now, Lin Yuan had yet to feel that he had fought a duel that was considered evenly matched. He was in need of such a duel in order to squeeze out his and his contracted partners' potential in battle.

Only by failing would Lin Yuan be able to understand what he was lacking.

In fact, after the 100 duels, Lin Yuan had already noticed a weakness he had when commanding the feys in combat.

When fighting in the Star Tower, there were two methods to achieve victory. The first was to kill the spirit qi professional, and the second was to kill all of the opponent's feys.

Only by achieving either one of the conditions would the duel end.

Lin Yuan had also encountered danger before, and if Red Thorn hadn't helped him, he would have been killed by the opponent's sneak attack and lost that duel.

Of course, even though Red Thorn had suffered grave injuries to block the attack, the impact had still smashed Lin Yuan's left shoulder bone. Only after such an injury appeared did Lin Yuan understand the importance of survivability for a combat-class spirit qi professional.

This allowed Lin Yuan to have an accurate objective and direction as to his next contracted fey. Lin Yuan wanted to form a contract with a fey that could protect him. Unfortunately, Lin Yuan wasn't compatible with defense-type feys.

As such, Lin Yuan could only choose to imitate Xin Ying, whose contracted fey had awakened the exclusive skill, Transformation Possession. Otherwise, he would need to contract a source-type lifeform that could protect him.