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Chapter 391: Heavenly Craft Pavilion

However, the light refracted by the jade-textured threads could well hide Lin Yuan's chin and forehead with the halo.

His mask was paired with two jade-textured wood protrusions, just like two dragon horns. It made Lin Yuan give off the feeling of maturity and evil. The mask followed the curve of his chin, so people simply could not discern his age.

Lin Yuan saw the effect of this mask through the shadow reflected on the completely jade-textured table at the side.

He gave Hu Quan a thumbs-up and praised him, "Uncle Hu, your spirit craftsmanship is really ingenious. It's simply superb!"

When Hu Quan heard Lin Yuan's praise, he said with a chuckle, "You can't show your face in public when dealing with matters now that you've established your private faction. It'll be much more convenient with this mask.

"The mask's jade silk threads outline the pattern of the majestic city in the clouds. At that time, I'll make some similar ones to the style of this mask, with jade silk threads outlined with some white cloud patterns.

"It'll be convenient for the others to carry when they go out to take care of their affairs."

Lin Yuan nodded and asked, "Uncle Hu, is there still enough completely jade-textured wood in the mansion now?"

Hu Quan thought for a moment and answered, "Thanks to those four pieces of completely jade-textured green elm, there is no shortage. It's enough to make good luck bed couches and weave masks for the period before New Year's.

"I went to check on the completely jade-textured wood fragments I stored up in the past two days and found there were simply too many of them. It's more than enough to supply the goods to the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce.

"I can rely on this Fantasy Breed Wood Weaving House Centipede to make jade-textured silk threads for weaving some objects.

"I've found a total of 27 Spirit Craftsmen to prepare Listen's objects. These Spirit Craftsmen have already started working overtime in the Spirit Craftsman Association to make them.

"The manufactured objects are placed in my private warehouse in the Spirit Craftsman Chamber of Commerce. See when it'll be appropriate to send these objects to Listen."

Lin Yuan thought about his intention to go out later and set up spatial nodes with the Ethereal Jellyfish's tentacles in various places within the Royal Capital. He had already set up a spatial node with a tentacle in his house.

Lin Yuan now had 29 tentacles of the Ethereal Jellyfish, so he could set up 29 spatial nodes in the Royal Capital.

Although he did not intend to set up so many spatial nodes at once, he felt that he needed to visit the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce's location in the Royal Capital to set up a spatial node.

Thus, he said, "Uncle Hu, I'm going to make a trip to the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce later, and I'll bring these objects made of completely jade-textured wood powder to Listen."

Hu Quan replied, "I'll now have a Class 3 Spirit Craftsman take those objects that they worked overtime to make out of my private warehouse before sending them in a Platinum fey storage box."

After saying that, Hu Quan made a phone call to the Class 3 Spirit Craftsman, who was rushing to make the objects at the Spirit Craftsman Association.

Lin Yuan could infer from Hu Quan's words how much his words weighed in in the Spirit Craftsman Association after becoming a Class 5 Spirit Craftsman.

Hu Quan could already deploy the Spirit Craftsman Association's resources to a certain extent as long as he didn't go too far.

Hu Quan hung up the phone, and after a moment of silence, he said to Lin Yuan solemnly, "Young Master, I want to pull together a group of Class 3 Spirit Craftsmen to establish an organization under your private faction, Sky City. What do you think?"

After hearing that, Lin Yuan indicated for Hu Quan to continue talking about his plan.

Although Lin Yuan did not express his opinion, he was in favor of Hu Quan's desire to pull together a group of Class 3 Spirit Craftsmen and set up an organization under his own private faction.

If Lin Yuan wanted to build his Sky City on the Floating Island Whale's back, he would need many Spirit Craftsmen to work for him. Relying on Hu Quan alone would exhaust him, and he clearly could not complete the huge Sky City's construction.

Therefore, if Hu Quan could gather many Class 3 Spirit Craftsmen under him, it would obviously be of great use to Sky City's construction.

Hu Quan told Lin Yuan very seriously about his plan.

"When I was looking for Class 3 Spirit Craftsmen to work on the objects under my name in the Spirit Craftsman Association, many of them expressed that they were willing to attach themselves to my side without charging any fees if they could learn Spirit Craftsmanship by my side. So I think this is an opportunity!"

Hu Quan's eyes clearly revealed something called ambition.

"Most of the Class 5 Spirit Craftsmen in the Spirit Craftsman Association have chosen to do things alone or become a respected guest of the veteran factions.

“There are many Class 3 and Class 4 Spirit Craftsmen in the Spirit Craftsman Association, but there have been no Class 5 Spirit Craftsmen to use this power.

“If we can take in these Class 3 and Class 4 Spirit Craftsmen, not only can they earn money for us in the future development, but we will no longer need to worry about manpower in the future, no matter what we want to carry out to build.”

Lin Yuan could hear from Hu Quan’s words that he had been thinking about this big family.

Of course, a large part of this was also because Hu Quan had a new goal and ambition after becoming a Class 5 Creation Master.

It was not a bad thing to have ambition, as it could urge people to progress.

Lin Yuan was very much in favor of Hu Quan’s idea, so he naturally would not go against it.

Lin Yuan thought for a moment and said, “Uncle Hu’s strength as a Spirit Craftsman is ingenious. How about setting up a Heavenly Craft Pavillion?”

“Tell me how much resources you’ll need for that. I’ll fully support it.”

Upon hearing that, Hu Quan laughed and replied, “A Heavenly Craft Pavilion sounds good! Young Master, I won’t let you down when I develop the Heavenly Craft Pavilion.”

The Class 3 Spirit Craftsman appointed by Hu Quan arrived at the mansion’s entrance in a short while. Hu Quan went to the door and brought back the Platinum fey storage box before handing it to Lin Yuan.

Lin Yuan then stored it in his amber-button-shaped Diamond fey storage box.

When Lin Yuan was about to go out, the Mother of Bloodbath, which was originally watching the fish before the fish tank, said, “Lin Yuan, wait for me for a moment. I’ll go out with you.

“Old Hu, make me a mask as well. I’ll take it out with me.”

After saying that, the Mother of Bloodbath pulled Lin Yuan to stand next to the red sandalwood longevity fish tank and let him and itself look at the three Mountain River Eternal Life Carps that were swimming inside.

Chapter 392: Lazy to Even Bloom

The people in the mansion had long been used to the jaw-dropping good stuff that always appeared inside and were no longer as surprised as they were at first.

Lin Yuan was a little confused why the Mother of Bloodbath kept looking at the three Mountain River Eternal Life Carps.

Suddenly, a bad thought flashed through his mind. Could it be that the Mother of Bloodbath was craving for fish?

At that moment, the Mother of Bloodbath said, “Lin Yuan, the bloodline within the three carps is not simple.

“They have the same bloodline in their bodies that influence and attract each other. When they’re together, the three bloodlines vaguely fuse into one, as if there is only one bloodline that is three times stronger.

“When the three carps evolve to a certain level, it’s likely that one will be the dominant one, and two will be the supports, forming a special mutation evolution.”

Lin Yuan was not sure about the special mutation evolution that the Mother of Bloodbath was talking about, but he secretly took it to heart.

This was because these three Mountain River Eternal Life Carps had slowly evolved from the Myriad Form Carps, thanks to Lin Yuan. Thus, if a special mutation did occur in the future, Lin Yuan would also have a good idea of what to expect so as not to be too flustered at the time.

In less than 30 minutes, Hu Quan threw the newly made mask with cloud patterns to the Mother of Bloodbath.

After Lin Yuan and the Mother of Bloodbath went out, Lin Yuan ordered a flying fey and went toward the Radiant Moon Palace on the Leaning Moon Mountain.

When they arrived at the Radiant Moon Palace’s entrance, the Mother of Bloodbath transformed into a fist-sized red spider and landed on that Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia that had yet to reach Suzerain in front of the Radiant Moon Palace.

After a fey reached Suzerain, it would possess a strong sense of territory. If two unfamiliar feys rashly landed on the other’s body, it would be akin to a great provocation and offense.

Lin Yuan entered the Radiant Moon Palace and went straight to the inner palace. Before he reached the entrance, he smelled a burst of lotus fragrance.

At that moment, he couldn’t help but think of what his Master, the Moon Empress, had said before about making lotus root powder for himself from those Suzerain lotus feys’ roots.

He swallowed his saliva and only felt a little sorry for those lotus feys that he usually saw every time he was there.

“The Moon Empress wouldn’t really have laid her hands on those lotus feys that have just been promoted to Suzerain, would she?”

Just after entering the inner palace, Lin Yuan saw his Master combing the seven-tailed Sun-Swallowing Fox’s fur.

Mystic Moon was commanding Cai Cha and Yin Cha to cut the lotus roots in the lotus pool. The lotus feys that had just been promoted to Suzerain all looked weak, helpless, and pitiful. The blooming lotus flowers of various colors were drooping, looking very spiritless.

Lin Yuan felt that if these lotus feys could make expressions, they would all look like ‘Don’t you come here!’.

Mystic Moon said upon seeing this, “They’re lazy to even bloom. It seems that there are too many lotus seeds!

“Just in time for Young Lord. Having lotus seeds inside the lotus powder can certainly upgrade the flavor to another level.”

The moment Mystic Moon said that the Suzerain lotus feys in the pool immediately spread their huge flowers completely and produced haze.

Some of them didn't have to wait for Cai Cha and Yin Cha to cut them. They took the initiative to break their lotus roots by themselves.

The Moon Empress waved her hand to Lin Yuan, who had just entered the inner palace. “Try the pollen cream ginger cakes made from the camellias planted in the garden outside the palace. See if they are to your liking.”

Upon hearing that, Lin Yuan rushed forward and saw a plate of very exquisitely made soft snacks.

Lin Yuan ate a mouthful of pollen cream ginger cake, which felt fragrant in his mouth. Obviously, the taste of chestnut cream was very soft, sweet, and light.

The Moon Empress saw Lin Yuan ate it and was afraid he would choke, so she poured him a cup of spirit tea before saying, “It just so happens that you're here today. I'll let Cai Cha and Yin Cha grind you a bowl of assorted lotus root powder.

“These dozens of Suzerain lotuses' root powder will be mixed with water into a bowl, and together with the Suzerain Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia's nectar, it should be able to let you wash away the impurities in your body again and really make your body become free of dirt.”

Lin Yuan reached out and scratched the hair on the back of his head, thinking about how the Moon Empress would always go out of her way to cook delicious food for himself whenever he came to the Radiant Moon Palace.

She usually had Mystic Moon send all kinds of things to the mansion. There were food, spiritual materials, spirit qi clothes, and even a strategic spatial source-type item with the ability to perform spatial teleportation.

Cold Moon had also not returned to the Radiant Moon Palace for a long time. During this period, Lin Yuan had called Chu Ci and learned that Cold Moon had taken her to the most remote place of the 32 large cities, Osmanthus City, for training, allowing her scope and strength to greatly improve.

Lin Yuan also wanted to send some things to the Radiant Moon Palace, but the Moon Empress did not accept them every time.

She only said, “I'm not lacking anything. Tell me if you lack anything.”

In Lin Yuan's opinion, such a feeling of doing well and expecting nothing in return was actually kinship!

Lin Yuan waved his hand, took out the Ethereal Jellyfish's three stomach stones, and said, “Master, these three green crystals are what the Ethereal Jellyfish's stomach had turned into after it spat them out when I contracted it.”

Upon hearing that, the Moon Empress took the three green stomach stones to check and replied, "The energy contained in these three stomach stones is almost all condensed from the energy in that bottle of green-colored spirit liquid. It's considered a spiritual material rich in spatial energy. Keep it well. It might be useful in the future."

After Lin Yuan put away the three stomach stones, he talked about his Ethereal Jellyfish's Space Tunnel with the Moon Empress.

When she heard that, she obviously also became interested and said, "It might be a good idea for you to build a spatial tunnel within the Radiant Moon Palace and your mansion. It'll be quite convenient to come and go in the future."

Lin Yuan also had just this purpose.

Lin Yuan summoned the Ethereal Jellyfish and took its tentacle that he had cut before to set up a spatial node. He ordered the Ethereal Jellyfish to connect the spatial node he had set up in the mansion with the one in Radiant Moon Palace.

After receiving Lin Yuan's order, layers of energy emerged on its light-red body. When the spatial energy collided with the node, it vaguely opened a tunnel.

Lin Yuan knew that he should put the tentacle of the Ethereal Jellyfish into it to help the tunnel expand.

However, before he could do that, the Ethereal Jellyfish took the initiative to break off one of its three spiral-shaped tentacles, allowing this tentacle to fuse into the new tunnel.

Chapter 393: The Development Outside the Radiance Federation and the Sacred Source Item

Although this tunnel gradually took on a shape, it was clear that the energy was still somewhat insufficient.

At that moment, Lin Yuan recalled the information True Data had provided for the Space Tunnel skill. After using the Ethereal Jellyfish's tentacle, one could use spatial spirit materials to assist in the space tunnel's formation.

He simply took out the green crystal formed by the Ethereal Jellyfish's stomach and put it into the tunnel that was about to be formed.

Then, after this tunnel drew away a lot of energy from the green crystal, he found that he did not need to add the tentacle anymore.

This two-meter-high tunnel had been completely built. Lin Yuan looked at the tunnel formed by the spatial energy and crossed over. He had no special feeling when crossing over the space tunnel. He only felt that he had walked through a door, and when he stepped out of the door, the scene had changed.

Lin Yuan was very familiar with the new scene because he was already standing in his room in the mansion. Then he returned through this tunnel. After stepping out of the tunnel, he returned to the Radiant Moon Palace's inner palace.

The green crystal formed by the Ethereal Jellyfish's stomach was on the ground, and 1/3 of it had diminished.

Lin Yuan picked up the green crystal and fell deep in thought. When he had just let the Ethereal Jellyfish use Space Tunnel, two unexpected things had occurred.

One was that the Ethereal Jellyfish's spiral-shaped tentacle, which was more than twice as long as ordinary tentacles, could actually detach from its body. After detachment, it would not cause harm to the Ethereal Jellyfish's body.

Another point was that after the Ethereal Jellyfish used the spiral-shaped tentacle in the middle of its body, it could rely on drawing away a large amount of spatial energy to extend the distance of this space tunnel.

Lin Yuan could feel that as long as he marked two spatial nodes, no matter how far they were from each other, and as long as he had enough spatial energy to support the tunnel to be opened, he could open a complete space tunnel of an infinite length.

The Moon Empress immediately saw the key point to this space tunnel's formation, so she asked, "Can the Ethereal Jellyfish's space tunnel rely on spatial energy to increase the tunnel's length?"

Lin Yuan nodded.

She pondered for a few seconds and then asked again, "What are the conditions for setting up a space tunnel?"

Lin Yuan thought for a moment and answered, "You need this Ethereal Jellyfish's tentacle to set up a spatial node and then connect two spatial nodes to form a space tunnel."

After saying that, Lin Yuan took out one of the tentacles of the Ethereal Jellyfish that he had cut before and handed it to the Moon Empress.

Thanks to the space tunnel he had set up, he suddenly understood something. Even if True Data could show the abilities and exclusive skills of feys in detail, their actual effects could only be demonstrated after a real test. Otherwise, it would be just paper talk.

At that moment, the Moon Empress' words made Lin Yuan raise his head in shock.

"Do you have any intention of going to a continent outside the Radiance Federation to develop?"

Lin Yuan instantly understood the meaning of her words and asked, "Master, is it possible that this space tunnel can still be constructed from the Radiance Federation's Royal Capital to the other continents' federations?"

The Moon Empress took out a gemstone that shone with strong silver luster with a flip of her hand and replied to him, "It's possible to construct a space tunnel from the Royal Capital to the nearest federation with the Hollow Crystal Mother Shellfish's shed spatial shell crystals."

When Lin Yuan heard 'Hollow Crystal Mother Shellfish', he recalled the Hollow Crystal Shellfish from Ostrich Logistics.

The Moon Empress looked at Lin Yuan's inquiring gaze and explained, "You should be thinking about the relationship between the Hollow Crystal Shellfish and the Hollow Crystal Mother Shellfish, right?"

“There’s really an inextricable relationship between them.”

Upon hearing that, Lin Yuan guessed.

“Does the Hollow Crystal Mother Shellfish give birth to the Hollow Crystal Shellfish?”

Lin Yuan thought. According to the rumors that had been going around, the Hollow Crystal Shellfish was known as a fey that Ostrich Logistics’ own research had mutated, so it always had a firm grip on the Hollow Crystal Shellfish. Could it have something to do with this Hollow Crystal Mother Shellfish?

The reason Lin Yuan had guessed that the Hollow Crystal Shellfish and the Hollow Crystal Mother Shellfish had a subordinate relationship was that he could sense the spatial energy contained in the spatial shell crystals was obviously a thousand times more potent than the green spirit fluid that was formulated with the Hollow Crystal Shellfish’s shell powder.

Lin Yuan’s guess made the Moon Empress reveal a gentle smile on her face.

“Your guess is right but inaccurate. Ostrich Logistics’ Hollow Crystal Shellfish is just a skill of the Hollow Crystal Mother Shellfish.

“This Hollow Crystal Mother Shellfish is neither a fey nor a source-type lifeform, but a sacred source lifeform.”

Lin Yuan listened carefully as the Moon Empress revealed information that he had never even heard of before.

The Hollow Crystal Mother Shellfish should be Ostrich Logistics’ secret all along. But what was a sacred source lifeform?

Without waiting for Lin Yuan to ask, the Moon Empress explained to him as she did during the previous question-and-answer sessions,

“The things that appear at the spatial hubs in Class 1 to Class 4 dimensional rifts are known as source-type items.

“As the class of the dimensional rift becomes higher, the number of source-type items produced also become higher.

“When a dimensional rift reaches Class 5, it no longer produces source-type items. Each Class 5 dimensional rift produces one and only sacred source item when it’s destroyed.

“When a dimensional rift reaches Class 5, it’s like a small complete world inside, and the sacred source item contains the Class 5 dimensional rift’s small world’s laws.

“Of course, the condition to form a contract with a sacred source lifeform is the compatibility with a person’s soul. Given the strength of a normal person’s soul, an individual can only contract one sacred source item in their lifetime.

“However, there are some beings with strong souls that can contract two sacred source lifeforms.”

As Lin Yuan listened to his master's explanation, he immediately understood the rarity and power of the sacred source lifeform.

Few Class 5 dimensional rifts existed in this world, and its most powerful powerhouse was equivalent to a human's emperor-class expert. It might even be stronger than emperor-class experts.

The sacred source lifeform contained the laws of one side of the world, which was akin to the Law Rune. That was to say that the sacred source lifeform could command heaven and earth.

Although Lin Yuan was curious, he did not ask the Moon Empress too much about the sacred source lifeforms. In his opinion, such lifeforms were far beyond his reach.

As for the fact that contracting a sacred source lifeform was related to one's soul strength, Lin Yuan had no thoughts of it.

Soul power and spiritual energy were different. The soul had always been the most mysterious and abstruse existence.

However, Lin Yuan suddenly thought that as a transmigrator that had lived an extra lifetime, would his soul strength be stronger than ordinary people?

The Moon Empress reached out her hand and lovingly rubbed Lin Yuan's hair before saying, "Sacred source lifeforms have a seal of the law power. No one can explore what's inside nor what their uses are.

"But there is one thing certain. There is no weak sacred source lifeform.

"Well, disciple, let's not mention the sacred source lifeforms.

"Have you ever wanted to set up a space tunnel that goes straight from your mansion to outside the Radiance Federation and then absorb the resources that you need to develop your own faction and train?"

When Mystic Moon, who was at the side, heard the Moon Empress suddenly mention the sacred source lifeform, he recalled that the Moon Empress had promised to give Young Lord a sacred source lifeform on his 20th birthday.

Why did she bring this up now?

Young Lord has just reached the age of 19, and if his soul was damaged by rashly contracting a sacred source lifeform, it would affect him for the rest of his life.

However, after hearing the Moon Empress change the subject, Mystic Moon was relieved.

Chapter 394: Divine Wood, Iron Hammer, Great Lush

Lin Yuan felt the Moon Empress' hand rubbing on his head. Her warm and slender fingers were helping him to tidy up his fringe that the wind had blown before entering the inner palace.

He couldn't help but recall that his mother would always help him tidy up his fringe like this when he was young.

His hair was extremely soft for some reason. When the wind blew a little, the hair in front of his forehead would become messy.

However, he would not look blowsy even if his fringe was blown messy by the wind. Instead, there was an unruly handsomeness, and it would make him appear to be a few years younger.

As a transmigrator, Lin Yuan already had an adult soul from birth in this lifetime, with more than 20 years of memories of his previous life. The bits and pieces of his early childhood were the most precious memories sealed in his heart.

Lin Yuan had been bearing the burden of everything alone since the death of his parents, and no one had ever helped to tidy up his hair. However, it was once again ruffled again by someone. He only felt his eyes heat up a little.

As for what his master had said about whether he wanted to go outside the federation to absorb the resources he needed and develop his own faction as well as to train, he wanted to do so.

However, Lin Yuan had never set foot in the world outside the Radiance Federation. Although it wasn't to the point that he knew nothing about the world outside the federation, what he knew was from the Moon Empress' common sense questions that they had discussed during the question-and-answer session.

Lin Yuan thought that with the Mother of Bloodbath, a Suzerain/Myth II expert, and Endless Summer, a Suzerain/Myth III expert, he had the qualification to set foot in the world outside the Radiance Federation in terms of martial force.

The Mother of Bloodbath and Endless Summer were comparable to emperor-class experts in terms of strength. In terms of resources, Lin Yuan had control over high-quality Bronze feys. As long as there were spirit qi professionals, high-quality Bronze feys would be the most scarce resources.

Lin Yuan's private faction was just starting now. If it could step outside of the Radiance Federation for development, it would be akin to Lin Yuan being able to eat a huge double-sided cake.

The world outside of the Radiance Federation gave Lin Yuan a platform to grow his ambition at will without worries. This was only good for the development of Lin Yuan's private faction, the Sky City, and nothing bad.

Lin Yuan had always believed in a saying, "Stand up straight where you can see because you stand still where you can't."

If Sky City, a cloud hanging in the sky, wanted to be stable, it needed to be supported by more resources and martial force. Since this was the place he yearned for, he naturally had to go through trials and hardships.

Thus, Lin Yuan said seriously and firmly, "Master, I want to open a space tunnel to go to the world outside of the Radiance Federation."

The smile on the Moon Empress' face grew even bigger.

"You've made the right decision. Only when you make your way into the world outside the Radiance Federation will you know how a real faction should really develop.

“The prestige of a faction is fought out, while the growth of a faction will just be an empty shell in the end if it’s not washed in blood.”

Although the Moon Empress had a smile on her face, she spoke very seriously, and Lin Yuan could feel her guidance and teaching from her words.

Before Lin Yuan could speak, the Moon Empress added, “The Radiance Federation has been full of beautiful mountains and rivers and is quiet and peaceful because it occupies a huge continent, one of the three major federations.

“On the other hand, it’s because the life-and-death struggle between spirit qi professionals within the Radiance Federation has never been encouraged.

“But the outside world is completely different. They fight for resources, and being badly bruised is par for the course.”

Lin Yuan naturally understood the Moon Empress’ words.

He had always known that this world was where strength was respected. Strength was fundamental. Without enough strength, one simply could not maintain the corresponding resources.

Lin Yuan had been accumulating resources and increasing his strength with these resources. The faction’s development would certainly not stop at its current stability.

Lin Yuan had begun to plan to forge his own sword in his hands and then sharpen it step by step. However, his plan of white-clothed followers had just begun, so the forging materials were not yet ready.

Since Lin Yuan had already planned to connect the space tunnel from his mansion to the world outside the Radiance Federation, he would need to know the connected location on the other side of the space tunnel very well.

“Master, you said before that the energy contained in the Hollow Crystal Mother Shellfish could support the opening of the space tunnel to the nearest federation.

“What’s the situation of that nearest federation?”

Since Lin Yuan wanted to develop his faction and train himself in the world outside the Radiance Federation, the other side of the space tunnel certainly couldn’t be opened in a deserted place. Instead of that, he would rather just burrow into the deep forests of the Radiance Federation.

Hence, Lin Yuan was destined to open the other side of the space tunnel at the nearest federation.

However, whether it should be developed secretly in a remote place from the city or openly in the city would require him to understand the situation before making a decision.

As Lin Yuan’s master, what the Moon Empress liked to see most was Lin Yuan’s inquisitive expression. Every time she saw him like that, she always wanted to tell him everything she knew in detail.

“The nearest federation is separated from the Radiance Federation by a vast sea, on another continent called the Divine Wood Federation.

“However, the Divine Wood Federation is unlike the Radiance Federation that dominates a continent by itself. The Divine Wood Federation, Iron Hammer Federation, and the Great Lush Federation share the resources of a continent together.

“The spatial shell crystals that came off the Hollow Crystal Mother Shellfish are a bit small. Otherwise, you could’ve chosen between the Divine Wood Federation and the Iron Hammer Federation.”

The Moon Empress was obviously thinking about something as she spoke. When Mystic Moon saw that, he broke out in a sweat. If the Moon Empress went to find Ostrich Logistics’ Spacetime Elder for the Hollow Crystal Mother Shellfish’s shells, he might get depressed again and isolate himself.

It was Lin Yuan’s first time hearing about the Divine Wood Federation, the Iron Hammer Federation, and the Great Lush Federation. However, as a healing-type spirit qi professional that preferred output, his hasty blood could be seen. His blood was already boiling at this moment.

Chapter 395: Surging Tide in the Dark

When Mystic Moon saw that the Moon Empress was getting more and more abnormal, he hurriedly said, “Moon Empress, I heard that the Spacetime Elder has been depressed lately, and he usually doesn’t speak for a few days. He was very sick some time ago and has yet to get well now. What do you think?”

When the Moon Empress heard Mystic Moon’s words, she couldn’t help but feel a little awkward. She said, “The Spacetime Elder did not do things on the fly because his granddaughter insisted on becoming a courier.

“Did he become less manly six months ago? What does that old man’s illness have to do with me?”

After Mystic Moon’s reminder, the Moon Empress recalled how depressed the Spacetime Elder had looked all day long.

The Moon Empress dismissed the intention to go to the Spacetime Elder’s place for larger pieces of the Hollow Crystal Mother Shellfish’s spatial crystals.

Thus, the Moon Empress proceeded to explain the situation of the Divine Wood Federation to Lin Yuan, “The Divine Wood Federation is warm and humid all year round, which is particularly suitable for the growth of plant feys and spiritual ingredients. The entire Divine Wood Federation is considered a treasure land with abundant plant feys.

“There are a lot of fruits produced by the Divine Wood Federation’s various plant feys, so almost every household there makes wine from the spirit fruits.

“I don’t know if the environment influences the people in the Divine Wood Federation. They are quite fond of poetry, music, dancing, and even some literature.”

After listening to the Moon Empress’s introduction of the Divine Wood Federation, Lin Yuan began to think about how he should develop there.

The Moon Empress spoke again. "Although the Divine Wood Federation is a treasure land with very abundant plant feys, including rare and powerful plant feys, its Creation Masters are extremely scarce. There is not a single Class 5 Creation Master in the entire Divine Wood Federation, and the highest class of Creation Masters are only two pinnacle Class 4 Creation Masters."

The Moon Empress paused slightly and suddenly changed the subject. "If you go to the Divine Wood Federation, don't drink too much of the fruit wine there. Their wine is different from ours."

"The Divine Wood Federation's wines have protein-rich insect-species feys' innards added to them because they supposedly enhance the fruit wines' flavor."

Lin Yuan's expression became complicated when he heard the Moon Empress' words. Could the innards of insect-species feys really enhance a fruit wine's flavor?

What kind of divine flavor did the insect-species feys' bitter and fishy innards add to the sweet fruit wine?

Even if he was curious, he simply could not raise the interest to try it.

He suddenly felt that the people in the Divine Wood Federation had their ways. Was this considered the simplified cultural style of 'having meat with wine'?

Then the Moon Empress said again, "Since the Divine Wood Federation lacks Creation Masters, the status of Creation Masters there is unimaginably high. The Divine Wood Federation is like an aristocracy."

"Even a Class 1 Creation Master is considered noble in the Divine Wood Federation."

"If a Class 1 Creation Master is walking on the street and feels offended by a poor person, they have the right to execute the poor person on the street at will."

Lin Yuan immediately felt the bloody darkness behind the singing and dancing of the Divine Wood Federation.

Lin Yuan found the privilege of a Creation Master executing any poor person in the street at will unpleasant to the eye. He could totally imagine how high-class Creation Masters did what they wanted to in the Divine Wood Federation without restraint.

Since Creation Masters had a very high status in the Divine Wood Federation, Lin Yuan's eyes lit up.

His faction was still in the beginning stage and needed a lot of spiritual ingredients. This Divine Wood Federation had a lot of plant feys. Wasn't it a good place for him to collect spiritual ingredients?

But then Lin Yuan recalled the two other federations on the same continent as the Divine Wood Federation, so he asked her, "Master, what's the relationship between the Iron Hammer Federation, Great Lush Federation, and the Divine Wood Federation?"

The Moon Empress suddenly looked at her palm and answered, "A world where strength is respected is inherently full of dangers everywhere. Although the three federations appear to be harmonious on the surface to outsiders, the open and vile strife among them is no less than the collision between the waves and rocks at sea."

“The Divine Wood Federation is warm and humid, so it naturally has plenty of food resources.

“The Iron Hammer Federation is the exact opposite. It’s dry, and almost their entire territory is dominated by undeveloped land.

“Even plants like the Needlepoint Iron Bark Trees, which can survive extremely well with one rain per year, also have a record of dying in the Iron Hammer Federation.

“On the other hand, the Iron Hammer Federation has very rich ore resources, so it has many metal resources to exchange for other resources.”

Lin Yuan was a little puzzled after listening to the Moon Empress’s words.

“According to what you’ve said, the Iron Hammer Federation and the Divine Wood Federation form a perfect equilibrium. It’s destined to have a large amount of material exchange between the two federations.

“In my opinion, these two federations should have an extremely close relationship. Why is there tension between them?”

The Moon Empress smiled faintly and did not directly answer his question. Instead, she asked, “What you said is true, but people always have ambition. The Iron Hammer Federation is stronger than the Divine Wood Federation in terms of martial force. If you were from the Iron Hammer Federation, what choice would you make when it came to a land with abundant resources?”

“Plunder!” Lin Yuan answered without even thinking about it.

“That’s right.” The Moon Empress gave him an appreciative glance. She then said, “The Iron Hammer Federation’s denizens are very tough and have tried to seize the Divine Wood Federation’s land many times, but the Divine Wood Federation resists tenaciously.

“But for this reason, the Divine Wood Federation had also paid a great price, so it hates the Iron Hammer Federation to the core.

“Therefore, the Divine Wood Federation won’t let their plant feys enter the Iron Hammer Federation to help improve their environment.

“At the same time, the Divine Wood Federation has always been eyeing the Iron Hammer Federation’s ores sources and has secretly attacked its ore base countless times.”

Lin Yuan immediately understood that this was a game being played between the two major federations. At that moment, the Moon Empress said, “You should be now thinking that these two federations should have reached the point of no return, but why do they still maintain the calmness on the surface, right?”

Lin Yuan nodded. He somewhat did not understand this.

“Then it’s time to talk about the third federation on that continent, the Great Lush Federation.”

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The Moon Empress smiled and explained, "The Great Lush Federation is rather interesting. They are a nation of Scholars and benevolent merchants.

"The merchant guilds on the continent are mostly controlled by the Great Lush Federation's citizens. It's the reason they formed the supply chain, allowing for the Iron Hammer Federation and the Divine Wood Federation to make trades even though they refused to contact each other.

"However, the Great Lush Federation also has the greatest ambition. They have tried using the massive resources to control the Divine Wood Federation and the Iron Hammer Federation. However, they are also silently getting smashed up by the two federations.

"The Great Lush Federation is merely superior in terms of resources, but what they lack the most are top-class experts.

"As a result, the Divine Wood Federation and the Iron Hammer Federation send spies to the merchant guilds of the Great Lush Federation to plunder its controlled resources."

After the Moon Empress finished explaining the three federations' relationship, Lin Yuan couldn't help but rub his head. It seemed like the three federations were like old foxes trying to scheme against each other.

Each party wanted to devour the two other parties. However, it was how they formed the mutual triangular tug of war. They would be biting each other mutually, forming a subtle balance.

On the surface, it might be a pool of calm water, but there were turbulent currents underneath.

However, this made Lin Yuan even more interested. After all, one could only catch a fish in muddy waters. The more chaotic it was, it would give more meaning for it to stir up the waves.

When the Moon Empress noticed Lin Yuan's excited and interested expression, she was astonished. She didn't think that her disciple was actually a little boor.

The Moon Empress suddenly had a thought that if she sent her disciple to the Iron Hammer Federation, would her disciple be using the iron hammers just like those muscle-headed brutes in the Iron Hammer Federation to negotiate or smash them on the head?

The Moon Empress was really afraid that once Lin Yuan teleported through the Space Tunnel, he might act violently with the factions on the other continents. She wasn't afraid that Lin Yuan might create trouble, but it might cause Lin Yuan to fail on the objective of developing on the other continent.

But immediately after, when Lin Yuan asked his question, it dismissed the worries on the Moon Empress' mind.

Lin Yuan asked, "Master, I have decided to set up a foothold in Divine Wood Federation's city that is nearby. I will then slowly make contact with the Divine Wood Federation."

The Moon Empress was filled with approval after hearing Lin Yuan's question, but she asked, "Wouldn't it be better to reveal your identity as a Creation Master in a major city of the Divine Wood Federation?"

Lin Yuan didn't even consider and replied, "Creation Masters have such noble status in the Divine Wood Federation, even a Class 1 Creation Master already possesses the authority to decide one's life or death.

In such an environment, the amount of contribution and reward is always equal. I can imagine that it isn't easy to survive as a Creation Master in the Divine Wood Federation."

The Divine Wood Federation, Iron Hammer Federation, and Great Lush Federation were all connected together on the same continent.

For Creation Masters who had such esteemed status, it would be easy to develop in any of the federations.

The Divine Wood Federation was lacking heavily in Creation Masters, so they treated them particularly well. They would certainly make sure that the Creation Masters were under their control and forbidden from moving out.

As such, Creation Masters in the Divine Wood Federation were destined to lose their freedom. Perhaps, they weren't just losing their freedom. They might also be in danger of losing their lives.

The Divine Wood Federation had an abundance of fey resources. As long as they had more high-class Creation Masters, the Divine Wood Federation would be able to develop rapidly.

But even after so many years of preferential treatment to Creation Masters, the number of Creation Masters in the Divine Wood Federation never increased.

It was evident that the Iron Hammer Federation and the Great Lush Federation had been making moves on the Divine Wood Federation's Creation Masters in the dark.

It was probably that most of the Creation Masters in the Divine Wood Federation had hazily walked into the underworld while they were developing.

Back when Lin Yuan had been training in the controlled Class 3 abyss dimensional rift, he had already experienced firsthand the chaotic hearts of humans.

The lack of Creation Masters in the Divine Wood Federation allowed Creation Masters to hold such esteemed status in the federation.

Therefore, Lin Yuan couldn't help guessing that the stagnant number of Creation Masters in the federation was probably related to the current Creation Masters in the Divine Wood Federation.

But the more Lin Yuan contemplated, the more he wanted to train himself in the Divine Wood Federation.

No one in life was born a genius without learning—it was the same for Lin Yuan.

Even though Lin Yuan had lived one lifetime before, Lin Yuan still had plenty of things to develop. Therefore, the more chaotic the place was, the faster Lin Yuan would develop.

Seeing that Lin Yuan had a clear objective, the Moon Empress didn't give him any more pointers, allowing Lin Yuan to do as he pleased as long as there wasn't any danger.

The Moon Empress knocked on the table with her finger and asked in a serious tone, "Do you know what a carcinoma fey is?"

Seeing the Moon Empress' stern look, Lin Yuan sat straight and was also particularly serious.

Lin Yuan truly didn't know anything about carcinoma feys, so he simply shook his head.

But seeing how the Moon Empress was so stern, it was obviously something he had to pay attention to.

"It isn't a formidable fey, but once it appears, it will bring devastation to low-grade feys, making it known as the carcinoma fey. Just like the Sawtooth Devour Ants and the Poison Dust Locusts that appeared three years ago in Golden Edge City.

"Carcinoma lifeforms aren't famous because they are rare mutated individuals in the natural world.

"The carcinoma feys occasionally appear in the Radiance Federation too. However, whenever a carcinoma fey appears, the Spirit Guards will subdue it before it can have time to become a danger.

"However, the Divine Wood Federation doesn't have an organization like the Spirit Guards. Many individuals with a hidden agenda collect the carcinoma and use them as weapons."

Lin Yuan felt the chills as he heard the Moon Empress' explanation.

Back when the Sawtooth Devour Ants and the Poison Dust Locusts had appeared in Golden Edge City, they had caused the ranked 7th Golden Edge City among the 32 major cities to drop last in the ranking.

It was simply a disaster, and Lin Yuan never expected the disaster's culprit to be the Sawtooth Devour Ant and the Poison Dust Locust, the two carcinoma feys.

At the start of the disaster, the adventurers outside the Golden Edge City had merely felt there was a sudden increase in ants that they seldom encountered.

When these ants appeared individually, they were very fearful of humans. Even if they formed groups, they might not run far away from humans, but they would always do their best to make a detour.

Therefore, most of the adventurers hadn't noticed them. Even the members of the Spirit Guards hadn't really paid attention to the ants that were the sizes of a green bean.

But just after three days, when the residents of Golden Edge City had woken up, they were shocked to notice that Golden Edge City had been surrounded by an ant horde, turning the surrounding area black.

Chapter 397: This Was the Same As to Pull Aggression!

When the Spirit Guards had reacted, it had already been too late.

Once those green bean-sized Sawtooth Devour Ants couldn't find anything else to eat on the city's outskirts, they had started to invade Golden Edge City due to hunger.

The Sawtooth Devour Ant would start to devour anything it saw with the sawtooth-like mouth. It would then swallow the scraps that had dropped off from the sawing.

It had caused most of the buildings in Golden Edge City to collapse. Of course, the Sawtooth Devour Ants didn't just devour buildings. They also devoured the normal people and low-ranked spirit qi professionals.

The disaster had come so suddenly that the Spirit Guards didn't have time to prepare. However, the Spirit Guards had reacted by immediately starting the rescue.

In the natural world, the ants would always be produced by a queen ant. Various types of ants would be given different roles to maintain the ant colony to survive.

However, the Spirit Guards hadn't been able to find the queen ant based on the movements of the Sawtooth Devour Ants. Therefore, they had requested for a high-class Scholar.

After some research and experiment, they found out that when a Sawtooth Devour Ant devoured enough food, it would activate the queen ant genes within their bodies, causing their bodies to produce 100 ant eggs.

They would then use their bodies as nutrients to nurture those 100 eggs. The entire process wasn't decided by time but by how much food the Sawtooth Devour Ant ate.

After eating enough food, the Sawtooth Devour Ant would be able to complete the awakening of the queen ant genes within three hours. It would then sacrifice itself to hatch 100 of its same kind, completing the breeding that happened at a pace of 100 times.

This discovery had sent the Spirit Guard experts in the pits of despair.

The Sawtooth Devour Ant was different from the alien insects that came from the alien insect dimensional rift.

The alien insects might be numerous, but each individual alien insect would be at least the size of a domestic cat, allowing for effective attacks. Furthermore, once an expert entered the alien insect dimensional rift and extracted the source-type item, the dimensional rift would be closed.

100 of the Sawtooth Devour Ants didn't even have the strength that was comparable to a single Normal fey. A child would be able to stomp several Sawtooth Devour Ants to death with force. However, the Sawtooth Devour Ants were just too many. Once they grouped up, they would be devouring everything in sight.

According to the Sawtooth Devour Ant's reproduction method, even if a single Sawtooth Devour Ant remained, the disaster wouldn't be considered to have ended. How was it possible to finish killing every single one of these tiny ants?

If they could find an absolute expert in the Radiance Federation to conduct a carpet-style attack on the Sawtooth Devour Ants' active area, it might be possible. However, if they really did that, Golden Edge City would be turned into dust, and all the wealth would be destroyed.

Misfortune didn't come alone for Golden Edge City, as another carcinoma fey, the Poison Dust Locusts, appeared.

But these newly emerged Poison Dust Locusts were considered the saviors of Golden Edge City, which was in imminent danger.

When the Poison Dust Locusts had appeared, they had immediately treated the Sawtooth Devour Ants as food. During the battle between the two types of carcinoma feys, the Poison Dust Locusts had ended up as the victor.

Due to the Sawtooth Devour Ants' counterattacks, the Poison Dust Locusts had also been nearly eliminated.

The Spirit Guards immediately had been waiting for that moment to make their moves to contain the remaining Sawtooth Devour Ants and Poison Dust Locusts.

The high-class Scholars and Fey Observers had indicated that the carcinoma feys, Poison Dust Locusts, were Golden Edge City's saviors. They had noticed that the Poison Dust Locusts could release poison dust from their wings while flying in the sky.

But after some research, the Scholars and Fey Observers were shell shocked. The Poison Dust Locusts were releasing poison dust that contained emotional toxins, turning love into hatred.

If the love was deep, the toxins would turn it into pure hatred. If the people and spirit qi professionals in Golden Edge City were infected on a large scale, then Golden Edge City would turn into this world's most horrifying purgatory of hatred.

A Class 5 Scholar had once published an article saying that it was fortunate that the Sawtooth Devour Ants and the Poison Dust Locusts had appeared together. Otherwise, it would have been a city-destroying disaster.

According to what the Moon Empress said, people in the Divine Wood Federation collected the carcinoma feys to use as weapons.

Lin Yuan understood the insanity of the spirit qi professionals on another continent.

While thinking through, Lin Yuan's thoughts were suddenly clearer. Perhaps, without the protection of a powerful federation, the world of spirit qi professionals was supposed to be in this way.

Seeing how the Moon Empress was serious and concerned, Lin Yuan knew that his Master wasn't just trying to explain the situation of the Divine Wood Federation to him, but also for him to take care of his safety.

Lin Yuan let out a bright smile that revealed his white teeth. "Master, don't worry. I will pay attention to safety."

After living two lifetimes, Lin Yuan knew how precious life was as compared to others. Only by continuing to live would one be able to carry the burden of kinship, friendship, and responsibility.

Therefore, Lin Yuan had always been very cautious when doing anything and wouldn't easily put himself at any risk of danger.

After hearing Lin Yuan's response, the Moon Empress knew that Lin Yuan understood the hidden meaning of her words. Just as she wanted to bring another piece of pollen cream ginger cake to Lin Yuan, Cai Cha just happened to bring over the assorted lotus root powder, which was freshly grounded.

Cai Cha placed the assorted lotus root powder in front of Lin Yuan and said, "Young Lord, the Moon Empress asked me to prepare the lotus root powder for you."

Lin Yuan could see Cai Cha serving a bowl of lotus root powder with tender colors. There was a tinge of gold and silver luster, obviously because of the Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia nectar's addition.

The refreshingly sweet fragrance coming from the assorted lotus root powder entered Lin Yuan's nose, causing Lin Yuan to feel that flowers were blooming in his mind.

Just the smell of the lotus root powder was enough for Lin Yuan to feel that someone had cleaned up his mind. There was an extremely light feeling as though Lin Yuan was lying on a cloud.

Seeing the clean lotus flowers is enough to clear the heart of impurities.

Lin Yuan looked at the lotus root powder and took another glance at the Suzerain lotus flower feys on the pond, causing him to feel immense pressure.

If I drink this bowl of lotus root powder in front of these Suzerain lotus flower feys, what would they feel? Would they feel agitated?

This was the same as chopping down the trotters of a Black Back Mountain Boar, barbecuing it in front of the boar, and then asking if it was hungry after cooking it thoroughly.

This was the same as pulling aggression!

The Moon Empress saw Lin Yuan sneaking a peek at the lotus flower feys and feeling awkward, so she smiled and said, "Later on, you can drink this lotus root powder in your pavilion. By then, your body will receive another cleansing. The previous cleansing was to clean your physical body's impurities, and this cleansing is to clean your soul's impurities.

"The Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia is able to cleanse the flesh and the soul. However, it isn't that easy to cleanse the soul as compared to the flesh."

Chapter 398: The Pine Nut from the Pine Needle Spring Return Rat

Lin Yuan recalled in his head when he had consumed the Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia nectar. He didn't even have the time to carefully feel the osmanthus flower's sweet fragrance among the Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia nectar.

He felt as if a lightning bolt had exploded in his stomach, and a kind of intense pain swept along the abdomen toward his internal organs.

Finally, this intense pain was then transmitted from the internal organs to the limbs, as if it was going to tear his body into pieces inch by inch.

Although it was akin to his entire body being reborn after taking the Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia nectar to cleanse himself, the pain he had to experience in this process was 100 times more torturous than death.

His master had said that washing away the soul's impurities was not as easy as washing away the flesh's impurities. He knew that after drinking this lotus root powder made from the Suzerain lotus feys' lotus root and the Suzerain Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia's osmanthus's nectar, he would certainly suffer unbearable torture.

Lin Yuan had no way to understand the soul and what would happen after washing away the soul's impurities. He couldn't help but very much look forward to it.

The Moon Empress instructed Xi Cha, who was carrying the assorted lotus root powder next to her, "Take this bowl of lotus root powder over to Little Yuan first and then put the water in the hot spring."

Xi Cha responded and bowed before retreating from the inner palace. She hurriedly went to help Lin Yuan clean up and set up the hot spring in that pavilion.

The Moon Empress told Lin Yuan some secret stories about the Divine Wood Federation for a while.

Then, seeing that it was almost time, Lin Yuan left the inner palace of the Radiant Moon Palace and went toward the pavilion where he usually lived.

There were many rare feys outside the Radiant Moon Palace, all running around like they were free-range in nature all over the Leaning Moon Mountain.

At present, many rare feys were frolicking and playing outside the Radiant Moon Palace unrestrainedly.

However, Lin Yuan did not have the heart to look at the surrounding scenery as usual. He covered his stomach with his hand in preparation for enduring a new round of sweet torture.

When Lin Yuan walked to the entrance of the pavilion where he lived, he saw a squirrel fey holding a nut half the size of its own body and kept knocking it for a long time but still did not crack open the nutshell.

At that moment, Lin Yuan's line of sight and its line of sight intersected.

Lin Yuan saw the squirrel fey and immediately recognized it. It was the healing-type Pine Needle Spring Return Rat.

The huge nut was a Gold Iron Pine, which was planted on the Leaning Moon Mountain. This Pine Needle Spring Return Rat was only a Silver fey, so it obviously couldn't crack open this pine nut.

The Pine Needle Spring Return Rat was very humane and had high intelligence among the rodent feys.

When it saw Lin Yuan rubbing his stomach and looking at the huge pine nut in its hands, the Pine Needle Spring Return Rat somewhat reluctantly rubbed the pine nut on its big fluffy tail.

Then it looked at Lin Yuan's hand that was covering his abdomen and picked up this huge pine nut before scampering to his feet and raising the pine nut.

It had the look of 'I watched you rub your stomach, and you look very hungry. I'll give you this treasure to eat!'

Lin Yuan squatted and took the pine nut from the Pine Needle Spring Return Rat. He had seen its little actions earlier clearly. It obviously wanted to eat it badly, but when it saw him rubbing his stomach, it shared the pine nut with him.

He understood that a large part of the reason for this situation was that there was a lot of food on the Leaning Moon Mountain. However, he had to admit that the Pine Needle Spring Return Rat had warmed his heart.

Upon seeing Lin Yuan take the pine nut, the Pine Needle Spring Return Rat turned around and scampered into the distance. It intended to find some nuts to eat on the Leaning Moon Mountain.

Lin Yuan let the amber-button-shaped source-type Source Sand on his sleeve transform into a wisp of fine sand that crushed the pine nut shell into pieces with force.

He took this huge pine nut and ran toward the Pine Needle Spring Return Rat's route before throwing it with force. The Pine Needle Spring Return Rat immediately experienced having something fall into its lap.

It was a little confused. It had given away its Iron Pine, but why was it a pine nut kernel now?

When it turned around, it found nobody behind it.

Lin Yuan had already walked into the pavilion. Xi Cha was waiting for his return at the entrance.

When she saw him enter, Xi Cha hurriedly bowed and said, "Young Lord, the hot spring is ready. I've also added some Morning Lotus Clear Dew into it, which can help you wash your soul in the hot spring and calm your mind when removing the impurities on your soul."

The corners of Lin Yuan's mouth couldn't help but twitch. How painful was washing away the impurities on the soul?

The Morning Lotus Clear Dew was the dew condensed by the lotus leaves of the high-grade lotus feys when the morning sun arrived. The effect of calming the mind was comparable to the anesthetic of physical surgery.

After Xi Cha left, Lin Yuan took the bowl of assorted lotus root powder that contained the Suzerain Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia Nectar to the hot spring and drank it. Then, he entered the hot spring.

Once the lotus root powder entered his mouth, he felt an intoxicating pleasure. It felt warm and very comfortable in his stomach, and such a comfortable feeling spread from his stomach to his internal organs and then finally to his limbs.

Lin Yuan couldn't help but be a little confused. Wasn't this relaxing? This comfortable feeling was simply too good!

Just as this comfortable feeling rose in his brain, he suddenly felt like he had turned into Crazy Dave, and a huge wave of zombies was gnawing on his brain like crazy.

Such a feeling was not the kind one would experience if their head split open or skull shattered. Rather, it was a stabbing pain of the deepest part of his brain. It was as if being churned and squeezed to the verge of shattering.

The intense stabbing pain made Lin Yuan unable to find the pain's specific location, so he could only grit his teeth to endure it. The pain dominated all his nerves, causing him to not even be able to scream in the hot spring.

Lin Yuan could only empty his mind to passively feel the painful sensation in the deepest part of his mind.

At that moment, under this extreme pain, Lin Yuan seemed to have seen the soul world that he had never had a glimpse of from the deepest part of his mind.

He only saw two cloudy illusory figures there with black-and-brown fragments constantly floating on their surface and were stripped away.

As these fragments were stripped away, the two cloudy illusory figures became more and more translucent and solid.

When Lin Yuan felt these black-and-brown fragments being stripped out of these two illusory figures, he felt the memories of his past life and present life in his mind became clearer and clearer. Even those fragments that were suddenly lost in the years all appeared clearly before his eyes.

Chapter 399: Homebody Lin Yuan

It was like a revolving door in Lin Yuan's mind. He walked the path again that he had walked in his two lifetimes.

The moment he finished doing that, he only felt that the depths of his mind suddenly became clearer than ever.

This feeling of clarity made him only feel that looking at everything in the world had become refreshing, and his thinking had become clearer.

But due to the earlier intense pain, Lin Yuan had long been completely exhausted and now had no strength to move.

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The lotus flowers in the lotus pond in the Radiant Moon Palace's inner palace had actually just reached Suzerain. Only then did they comprehend a Willpower Rune and woke up from their slumber. The fact that their lotus roots were cut off at this time was something that affected their foundation.

The Moon Empress was currently pouring a bottle of dark-green spirit fluid into the lotus pond. Once it entered the lotus pond, the lotus feys, whose roots had just been cut off, immediately absorbed the energy in the dark-green spirit fluid to replenish their damaged roots.

"Moon Empress, the portions of the lotus root powder and Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia nectar have been doubled in Young Lord's bowl of assorted lotus root powder as you've instructed."

When Xi Cha said this, she did not understand what the Moon Empress' intention in doing so was. One serving of soul-cleansing was enough, and double the amount was akin to wasting it.

Even if the Moon Empress spoiled Lin Yuan, it was simply a pity to waste such good stuff.

The Moon Empress replied coldly, "Well done. This extra portion will allow Little Yuan to immediately replenish his body's overtaxed energy to its optimal state after cleansing his soul.

"At the same time, it can also form a protective barrier in his soul."

Xi Cha did not say much after hearing the Moon Empress' words as she understood that the Moon Empress was not just spoiling their Young Lord.

Why would such good stuff be needed to restore his overtaxed body to its best condition?

He could also restore his health by eating some nourishing spiritual ingredients and recuperate for a period.

The protective barrier formed in his soul was only temporary. Perhaps in less than a year, it would naturally dissipate. Although one could prevent damage to the soul once per year, Xi Cha felt that such a way was simply appalling.

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Lin Yuan was lying in the hot spring weakly, helplessly, and pitifully. Even after an hour of alleviation, Lin Yuan felt that there was still no significant effect. This was because his body had been too overtaxed in the process just now. Fortunately, he still had the strength to move his fingers.

Lin Yuan took the Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia nectar that his master had given him out of the Diamond fey storage box.

Fortunately, he had divided the large jar of Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia nectar, which could be called a barrel, into groups of ten drops each.

Otherwise, if he took out the large jar of Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia nectar now, he really couldn't move it, given the fact that he only had the strength to move his fingers.

When a small bottle of ten drops of Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia nectar entered his mouth, Lin Yuan just felt alive.

However, despite taking these ten drops of Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia nectar, he still felt that his overtaxed body was not completely better, which surprised him a little.

It had to be known that every drop of Diamond Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia nectar contained abundant energy.

Lin Yuan didn't dare to think how much of his energy the intense pain had depleted just now.

Only after he took out another ten drops of nectar and drank it did he feel that the overtaxed energy in his body was finally replenished.

When Lin Yuan began to try to enter the depths of his mind again to see his soul, he found that he couldn't do so, no matter what.

Lin Yuan scratched the back of his head. Theoretically, a normal person should only have one soul, but he had two. What was going on?

Lin Yuan changed into his spirit qi clothes and went straight to his master. Then he left one of the Ethereal Jellyfish's tentacles for Mystic Moon.

After a while, Mystic Moon would bring this tentacle to a more suitable place in the Divine Wood Federation. At that time, he could open a space tunnel to the Divine Wood Federation.

Lin Yuan then left the Radiant Moon Palace. When he walked to the front of the palace next to the Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia, the Mother of Bloodbath jumped from the top of the Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia to Lin Yuan's shoulder.

The Mother of Bloodbath was suddenly surprised to see that Lin Yuan was different from when he had just entered.

Even though there was not the slightest change in his appearance, his vital energy or aura seemed to have been raised to another level.

This kind of aura that gave off a sense of harmonization and genuineness made the Mother of Bloodbath feel that even if it did not know him and was not his Path Protector, this would also let Lin Yuan give off a good natural feeling. Because of Lin Yuan's natural and genuine aura, it was very easy for feys to approach him.

After leaving the Leaning Moon Mountain, the Mother of Bloodbath transformed into its human form and put on the cloud-patterned mask. Lin Yuan also put on the mask engraved with the pattern of the majestic sky city on his face.

The Mother of Bloodbath's strange and peculiar voice sounded in Lin Yuan's ears.

"Are you personally going to the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce because it has encountered some trouble?"

Lin Yuan looked at the Mother of Bloodbath in surprise and asked, "Didn't you comprehend the Blood Law Rune? How come you still know how to read minds?"

The Mother of Bloodbath rolled its eyes at Lin Yuan and thought with a snort, If everything's fine, would a homebody like you leave the house? After returning from the depths of the Endless Forest, how long has it been since you have not gone out, staying in the mansion instead?

Lin Yuan had been keeping in touch with Listen in the past few days over the phone and knew that the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce was facing the Iron Wall Chamber of Commerce's suppression.

The Iron Wall Chamber of Commerce had started as a chamber of commerce, but it had now begun to get involved in other areas.

In terms of scale, it was over ten times larger than the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce, and it could be considered a rising faction.

According to Listen, there were only two king-class experts in the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce in its heyday.

However, the Iron Wall Chamber of Commerce had six king-class experts, and two of them were pinnacle king-class experts. However, the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce did not even have a single king-class expert now.

Listen could only struggle whilst at death's door under the Iron Wall Chamber of Commerce's suppression. He had no room to fight back.

Lin Yuan had previously helped Listen promote those two Bronze/Flawless feys into Bronze/Epic feys, which was considered helping the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce survive the calamity.

Even if the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce had left Indigo Azure City, the Iron Wall Chamber of Commerce had a stronger grasp on it now.

Chapter 400: Now I'll See How the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce Can Still Hold On

When Lin Yuan had been on the phone with Listen, he could clearly feel that Listen was completely hanging in there in the current situation, but there was no denying that he was very motivated.

Since Listen and the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce had paid allegiance to him, and Listen had sworn an oath with the Willpower Rune, Lin Yuan had to be responsible for them.

Soon, Lin Yuan and the Mother of Bloodbath arrived at the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce's location. He only saw a rather large white house where the periphery was simply arranged without any decoration.

From time to time, the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce's employees could be seen taking out or moving in various fey storage boxes. Then they completed the supply of goods online through Ostrich Logistics' exclusive courier.

The Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce now had no offline resources at all. The Iron Wall Chamber of Commerce had swallowed its offline resources through commercial competition.

Fortunately, the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce had many online resources, and the Iron Wall Chamber of Commerce could not do anything about it for a while.

At that moment, Lin Yuan heard the two employees, who came out to move the fey storage box, whispering.

"Old Zhao, do you think we can get through these difficult times? The Iron Wall Chamber of Commerce is aggressive. It looks like it won't give up until it reaches its goal!"

"We'll just do our job well. Anyway, we can't help. I believe the president will have a solution. Has anyone from the Iron Wall Chamber of Commerce come to poach you?"

"Those bast*rds from the Iron Wall Chamber of Commerce came to me several times, but I've refused. I've worked here for half of my lifetime. Old President and Young President have been kind to me. I won't go to the Iron Wall Chamber of Commerce no matter how much they give me."

Upon hearing the two employees' conversation, the Mother of Bloodbath that was beside Lin Yuan exclaimed slightly, "These employees are quite loyal!"

Lin Yuan shook his head.

“The Iron Wall Chamber of Commerce has even poached the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce’s ordinary employees, so I guess those who are still here should be those who are unwilling to leave or have other purposes.”

The Mother of Bloodbath frowned slightly.

“Spies?”

Lin Yuan’s expression sank.

“Since the Iron Wall Chamber of Commerce has cut off the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce’s offline resources, the only thing that they can get their hands on is on the online resources.”

Seeing Lin Yuan’s expression sink, the Mother of Bloodbath asked, “Why? Are you worried about the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce’s future?”

Lin Yuan shook his head. He was not worried about the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce’s future but about the safety of those employees staying behind.

Those objects made of completely jade-textured powder were simply in short supply in the market. If objects made of jade-textured wood were said to be loved by the affluent families, then objects with jade-textured powder were a favorite of the wealthy families with a foundation.

Therefore, even if the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce lost all its online and offline resources, as long as it was a chamber of commerce recognized by the Radiance Federation, Lin Yuan could ignore the obstacles. He would immediately get the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce back on its feet by pouring in these scarce resources.

It was just that, as the saying went, ‘When the map is unrolled, the dagger is revealed.’

The Iron Wall Chamber of Commerce has been plotting against the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce. Since it had now involved the ordinary employees, it was clear how determined the Iron Wall Chamber of Commerce was to bring down the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce.

In terms of strength, the Iron Wall Chamber of Commerce was a faction that suppressed the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce by several times. If it lost the patience to slowly devour the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce, would it do it by force?

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A loud sound exploded out of nowhere in the quiet room.

A full-bearded middle-aged man hit his hands on the table hard, and he was yelling, “Big Brother, I don’t know why Young Master Zheng is so attached to the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce. We’ve eaten up the offline resources.

“I even find it too little, even with the remaining framework and various online resources. Don’t you think Young Master Zheng is crazy!?”

Another slightly older middle-aged man was holding a wine pot with a dragon beast pattern on it and pouring wine into a glass.

Even his face, which was still calm after the loud noise, suddenly changed, and he snarled, "Impudent! Is Young Master Zheng a name you can call? How many times have I told you to be careful with your words? Why don't you take it to heart!?"

The older middle-aged man glared fiercely at the middle-aged man with a beard.

"Big Brother, it's just the two of us! I won't say such things if there are outsiders!"

The older middle-aged once again growled, "You should be more careful when it's just the two of us. Otherwise, if it becomes a habit to say such things, and word spreads, can our Iron Wall Chamber of Commerce still get the resources from Young Master Zheng?"

The bearded middle-aged acknowledged that fact and then said indignantly, "Big Brother, the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce is weak. It has nothing, and it's so hard to devour it. Why do we bother so much? Why don't we just go through to the end and finish it off cleanly so that it'll be easy for us to report this matter back?"

This bearded middle-aged man had a nasty look. He was just like a small blind bear in the mountains that was hungry for half a month and eager to hunt.

The older middle-aged man was calmly sipping his glass of strong wine, picking up the wine pot with the dragon beast pattern and carefully tasting it.

He unhurriedly said, "Force is definitely something that has to be used, but not now.

"Don't always think of using force! Use your brain more! There are a lot of things you should learn!"

The bearded middle-aged stepped forward, picked up a wine glass on the table, put it in front of the older middle-aged man, and said, "I'm thirsty too. Pour me some."

The older middle-aged man took the wine pot and poured a glass of strong wine for his brother, saying as he poured the wine, "Aren't you curious why Young Master Zheng is putting so much effort into the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce that even you and I don't have an eye on?"

The older middle-aged man's eyes flashed slightly as he spoke, and a planning gaze flickered in his eyes.

At that moment, there was a knock on the door, followed by the man at the door shouting, "President, Second President! The news from Elder Fei has arrived."

The bearded middle-aged man replied, "Bring it in."

The person who came to deliver the news handed in a paper envelope and immediately retreated.

The older middle-aged man took the paper envelope, opened it, and a look of satisfaction appeared on his face.

The bearded middle-aged man put his face over, looked at the text, and exclaimed, "Big Brother, is this the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce's online resources?"

The older middle-aged man slapped this paper correspondence on the table and said, "Now I'll see how the Listening Heron Chamber of Commerce can still hold on!"