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Chapter 541: Aquarium of Bliss

Now, there was only one hour left before the group welfare auction that would be held at 10 o'clock.

Making use of this one hour, Lin Yuan planned to buy some spiritual-type spiritual ingredients on Star Web.

It was just that the ingredients that he wanted to buy were not those that he would normally purchase from the Rare Lifeform Pavilion. Instead, he needed to go to a veteran faction's private faction on Star Web to reserve a particular fey.

This fey was the signature fey of the veteran faction.

It was a type of aquatic fey that could produce Lin Yuan's required spiritual-type spiritual ingredients.

Lin Yuan used his identity as a Creation Master to log into Star Web before visiting his Purchase With No Loss store.

There, he put away the gains that he had previously blind traded using his Flower Brocade Pearls.

He had actually obtained 515 mid-grade strange flames through this blind trade.

More and more people knew that they couldn't buy group welfare on Purchase With No Loss store's fan club through word-of-mouth.

Lin Yuan was extremely pleased when people were willing to consume a large number of resources to join the Purchase With No Loss store's fan club so that they could participate in the group welfare auction.

This proved that the network he had built through his Purchase With No Loss store's fan club was growing increasingly.

As Lin Yuan put the 515 mid-grade strange flames away, his mouth could not help but twitch.

Because he had been unconscious for ten days, he had not been able to log onto Star Web.

If not, he would have been able to sell two batches of Flower Brocade Pearls through a blind trade.

It was very likely that a lot of the people or factions who wanted to join his Purchase With No Loss store's fan club would be willing to pay the price in exchange for heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls.

This was definitely a good opportunity for him to reap the benefits.

In other words, he did not need to reap the benefits himself at all. As long as he stretched his sickle out, the benefits would come forth themselves.

Then, they would urgently press their bodies against the sickle's blade.

After logging onto Star Web, Lin Yuan immediately received a message from Listen.

Lin Yuan had already spoken to Listen on the phone that day.

After Listen had assured that Lin Yuan was well, he didn't continue to ask about his condition. Instead, the former had directly sent Lin Yuan a document.

Lin Yuan's eyebrows raised involuntarily upon opening the document and looking through its contents.

The majority of the document was attacking his Purchase With No Loss store.

The attack pointed to the fact that he, as the group admin, had run away for two days in order to avoid hosting the group welfare auction.

As the document's contents were arranged in chronological order, Lin Yuan slowly discovered that the problem had arisen at the very beginning with the group welfare on the Purchase With No Loss store's fan club.

Slowly, his own identity had been dragged into the problem.

The document also repeatedly mentioned his codename, Black. Many had compared his identity as a Creation Master to his identity as Black.

Amongst these people, Lin Yuan saw Ancestor Peace and Poison Beauty's usernames making an appearance.

He froze.

Wasn't Ancestor Peace the group admin of Black's official fan club?

And what was going on with Poison Beauty?

His Creation Master identity had not come in contact with Poison Beauty at all. Why was the latter siding with him?

She was going eye to eye with many of Black's fans with meager power.

Could it be because he had killed Poison Beauty twice in duels on Star Web's Celestial Stairway using Black's identity?

Lin Yuan calmly skimmed through the document twice before closing it.

His two identities were like his left and right hand, incomparable.

When Lin Yuan had decided to separate these identities, it was precisely because of their differing capabilities. Hence, he had decided to split the two into a Creation Master and a combat-class spirit qi professional.

He could not believe that his fans were quarreling amongst themselves on Star Web!

Just then, Listen sent him another message.

"Young Master, this matter is indeed rather unusual. How should we handle it?"

When Lin Yuan read the word "unusual", he imagined that Listen must have been suppressing a grin when he had written that!

Wasn't it unusual for the left and right hands to be fighting each other?

However, Lin Yuan did not plan on looking too much into the matter.

He did not know how to solve the main issue. After all, he couldn't possibly expose his own identity!

Besides, even if he did expose his identity, he expected that people's first reaction would definitely be to assume that he was joking.

In contrast, as long as he organized the group welfare auction as usual at 10 o'clock, this storm surrounding the Purchase With No Loss store's Star Web group welfare would die down.

After giving Listen some instructions, Lin Yuan visited the veteran faction's 'Aquarium of Bliss' faction territory using an ordinary Star Web user identity.

Upon seeing its name, Lin Yuan knew that it was a veteran faction that specialized in cultivating aquatic feys.

However, compared to Lin Yuan, a spirit qi professional who had comprehended a Willpower Rune and wanted to let Sky City soar, it was different from creating high-grade Bronze feys according to comprehended Willpower Runes.

This 'Aquarium of Bliss' sold rare Normal aquatic feys as its mode of operation. It was just that these rare Normal aquatic feys were mostly extremely delicate.

After tens of years of cultivating these rare, delicate feys in large quantities, the Aquarium of Bliss could farm them on a large scale, which was very profitable.

The fey that Lin Yuan wanted to purchase from the Aquarium of Bliss was its signature fey—Angelfish of Bliss.

In the Angelfish of Bliss' growth process, all of its scales would fall off.

Following which, its scales would become five-colored fish coats and sink to the bottom of the water.

These fish coats were the best food for cultivating spiritual-type feys.

Actually, it was not that there weren't other spiritual-type spiritual ingredients that could replace the Angelfish of Bliss' fish coat.

It was just that most ingredients produced by other spiritual-type feys were inseparable from their bodies. Hence, extracting the ingredient from the spiritual-type fey would kill it.

Lin Yuan would need to kill countless spiritual-type feys if he were to use this method of obtaining spiritual ingredients.

The Angelfish of Bliss was superior in that it could develop spiritual ingredients continuously like the Usnea.

Its fish coat would soon regenerate upon being removed like a person's fingernails.

Even if it was extremely difficult to cultivate the Angelfish of Bliss, this was not a particularly difficult issue for Lin Yuan.

As long as he could obtain the outstanding Angelfish of Bliss, all would be good.

Lin Yuan arrived at the Aquarium of Bliss' faction territory through Star Web's teleportation function.

Chapter 542: Lin Yuan Is Reaped for Benefits

Lin Yuan felt as though he had entered a rippling underwater world upon stepping onto the Aquarium of Bliss' territory.

Just the rippling blue waves made the territory look quite extraordinary.

Looking at the mosaic blue crystals at his feet, Lin Yuan understood the meaning behind the decorations in the Aquarium of Bliss' territory.

The Aquarium of Bliss had inlaid a large amount of amazonite sand in the ground, such that there must have been some top-class energy ores containing vast spirit qi beneath the ground.

Under the rendering of the spiritual qi seeping from these energy ores, the amazonite sand rippled with sparkling blue water.

It was just that Lin Yuan was accustomed to seeing nice things. He felt that although the blue waves had momentum, their color was a little patchy and not sufficiently smooth.

This was especially so because Lin Yuan had just come from the loft that Cold Moon had decorated for Chu Ci.

All of the turquoise ripples around the Aquarium of Bliss' territory could not compare to the transparent blue water of Chu Ci's loft.

They could not compare to the amazonite table in the loft.

They even paled in comparison to the amazonite decorative vases.

After all, amazonite sand was only the mineral encapsulated within amazonite.

Nevertheless, this large amount of amazonite sand must not have cost a small sum.

Star Web's private territories were not small. It was a show of grandeur to mix amazonite sand on the ground over such a large territory.

If not, if there was not enough to fill some places,

The rippling blue waves would not fuse smoothly into one piece, immediately making the Aquarium of Bliss' private territory lose its feel as a water world.

Lin Yuan sighed. If he were to inlay so much amazonite sand in his own private faction territory,

he really would not be able to afford to trade without selling the foundational spiritual ingredients that he had hoarded.

Lin Yuan would not easily trade the source-type items or the Suzerain Myth Breed feys' bodily items that he had hoarded, especially essence blood and law crystals.

Moreover, he would not easily use the heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls continuously produced by the Bronze/Legend Elemental Shellfish in the Spirit Lock spatial zone without first trading foundational spiritual ingredients.

After all, good steel must be spent on the blade.

While Lin Yuan had been unconscious for so long, a new batch of completely jade-textured wood had matured.

This wood had supplemented Lin Yuan with a large sum of money to spend.

Before he could meticulously inspect the other decorations in the Aquarium of Bliss' territory, he caught sight of a blue-robed middle-aged man walking toward him. After sizing him up once over, the man said, "To trade aquatic feys here, you need to first buy an Immortal Bliss tablet. Each Immortal Bliss tablet allows you to trade an aquatic fey from the Aquarium of Bliss."

With that, the man handed Lin Yuan a white carved fish tablet, speckled with sky blue crystals.

Looking at the tablet, Lin Yuan noticed only the fine bone patterns on it.

He quickly knew that the Immortal Bliss tablet was made primarily of a fish fey's bones.

The blue crystals on it were obviously better than the amazonite sand on the ground.

However, the blue of these crystals was not as intense as that of amazonite itself.

Lin Yuan raised his eyebrows. He immediately understood that the tablet was part of the Aquarium of Bliss' operation method.

This method was similar to his own Fate Letter.

It not only reflected the influence of one's private faction but could also absorb resources.

Upon noticing that Lin Yuan had not spoken after seeing the Immortal Bliss tablet, the blue-robed middle-aged man cleared his throat before continuing. "You cannot enter without purchasing an Immortal Bliss tablet."

Lin Yuan blinked, feeling only mildly unaccustomed to the situation before him.

Previously, he had always been the one reaping other people's benefits.

Now that he was trading in another veteran faction territory, he was the one being reaped for benefits.

Lin Yuan glanced at the tablet and asked, "How much does one fish tablet cost?"

The man furrowed his brows as he said, "This tablet is not called a fish tablet but an Immortal Bliss tablet. An ordinary Immortal Bliss tablet costs 50,000 Radiance dollars."

The man had furrowed his brows not because Lin Yuan had called the Immortal Bliss tablet a fish tablet, but because he could not believe that someone coming to the Aquarium of Bliss to trade didn't know the price of its entry certificate.

The Aquarium of Bliss' private territory on Star Web was not a fey marketplace where one could look around as they pleased.

Most of its clients had a clear fey in mind that they wanted to trade for.

Anyone who came to the Aquarium of Bliss merely to look around was blacklisted. The person would be directly kicked out of the Aquarium of Bliss' private territory on Star Web.

Never to be allowed entry again.

As a veteran faction, the Aquarium of Bliss was qualified to be such a merciless merchant.

That was the benefit of its monopoly of several rare aquatic feys.

The blue-robed man spoke again. "You'd best be here to trade, not to look around aimlessly."

Then, he continued patiently. "With an ordinary Immortal Bliss tablet, you can't choose the fey you want when you enter to trade. You can only tell us, and we will help you to select the fey.

"Of course, the Immortal Bliss tablet only qualifies you to trade. When you trade specific aquatic feys, you will also need to pay for them.

"Because each aquatic fey has different grades, their prices are also different.

"One thing to take note of is that even if you buy a lot of ordinary Immortal Bliss tablets to select multiple aquatic feys, as long as you don't buy the last fey you see, you can't continue looking even if you have the Immortal Bliss tablet."

Upon hearing this, Lin Yuan's brows knitted together.

This Immortal Bliss tablet mixed with a bit of amazonite sand was probably not as expensive as an item mixed with completely jade-textured wood powder.

It could definitely be bought at a price of 10,000 Radiance dollars or less.

At 50,000 Radiance dollars, he could buy a fish tablet with amazonite fragments.

Of course, Lin Yuan did not mind this. Besides, buying an Immortal Bliss tablet was equivalent to buying an entrance ticket.

However, it was really too bad that he couldn't choose the fey himself!

Chapter 543: I Want Two

The Aquarium of Bliss was really a damn talent. It even incorporated a lucky-bag model into the transaction of feys.

Were they not saying, "Even if you buy my aquatic feys, if you don't buy enough of them, don't even think about buying high-grade ones!"

If you want a high-grade fey, you will still have to take everything else you don't need along with it.

This way, the Aquarium of Bliss really didn't need to worry about sales!

It could even get others to buy low-grade feys without having to pay for any losses themselves.

This was really too vicious!

Since Lin Yuan wanted to purchase the Angelfish of Bliss to produce spiritual-type fish coats,

he needed to minimally evolve it to Epic.

If the Angelfish of Bliss had a juvenile grade, then all of Lin Yuan's efforts would have been in vain.

Lin Yuan felt that he could not buy tens of these ordinary Immortal Bliss tablets mixed with amazonite sand before preparing to buy a large number of defective Angelfish of Bliss in a fish-betting process!

When the blue-robed man had mentioned the Immortal Bliss tablet, Lin Yuan had noticed the key word 'ordinary'.

That meant that higher-end Immortal Bliss tablets existed.

Hence, Lin Yuan asked, "Might there be an Immortal Bliss tablet that isn't an 'ordinary' one?"

Upon hearing Lin Yuan's words, the blue-robed man took out a slightly larger Immortal Bliss tablet with a motion of his hand.

The specks of blue on this larger tablet were far more transparent than those on the smaller one.

With one glance, Lin Yuan knew that amazonite fragments had been mixed into this tablet.

The blue-robed man only said, "Buying this high-end Immortal Bliss tablet will make you a VIP at our Aquarium of Bliss.

"High-end Immortal Bliss tablets cost 200,000 Radiance dollars each. However, you can enjoy two more privileges compared to the ordinary 50,000 Radiance-dollar Immortal Bliss tablet.

"The first privilege is that upon entering, our employees will immediately take out 100 of the aquatic feys you desire."

Upon hearing this, Lin Yuan's eyes lit up.

Although the price of a high-end Immortal Bliss tablet could buy four ordinary ones, he could use it to see 100 Angelfish of Bliss at once.

That was equivalent to spending four times the money to enjoy 100 times the happiness.

Just the first privilege was so great. Lin Yuan could not help but begin to look forward to hearing about the second one.

The blue-robed man continued. "The second privilege is that you can let go of a batch of 100 aquatic feys once in exchange for a new batch."

Before Lin Yuan could spend four times the price to experience 200 times the happiness, the blue-robed man cleared his throat and cautioned, "Of course, besides these privileges, you must remember that the high-end Immortal Bliss tablet allows you to buy 100 of the specified feys in one batch at once instead of selecting a few individually.

"Nevertheless, within this 100 feys, there are bound to be exceptional ones if nothing goes wrong.

"On their second visit, most customers who come to our Aquarium of Bliss will not choose the ordinary Immortal Bliss tablet. All of them will choose the high-end one."

After hearing the man's words, Lin Yuan's previous notion of spending money to experience happiness disappeared completely.

Ultimately, the high-end Immortal Bliss tablet was equivalent to buying a big lucky bag. It was just that he could spend less on the ordinary Immortal Bliss tablet that served as a gambling counter.

However, the prerequisite for economizing by getting the ordinary Immortal Bliss tablet was to buy 100 Angelfish of Bliss with different grades.

Who could stand this!?

Moreover, the man had said, 'there are bound to be exceptional ones if nothing goes wrong' and 'on their second visit, most customers who come to our Aquarium of Bliss will all choose the high-end Immortal Bliss tablet'.

From his words, Lin Yuan could tell just how difficult it was to catch an Angelfish of Bliss with an exceptional grade.

It was possible that only one or two high-grade fish existed amongst hundreds.

Lin Yuan did not want only one or two high-grade Angelfish of Bliss.

Very early on, Hu Quan had discussed his plans to expand the man-made lake in the mansion with Lin Yuan.

Then, he would use winding walkways and pavilions to surround a water garden.

In the water beneath the water garden, Lin Yuan had planned to cultivate several Angelfish of Bliss.

These fish were extremely beautiful, even if they weren't amongst the top ten most beautiful feys like the Blue Flash Butterfly.

However, they were definitely within the top 100.

Not only would the fish be beautiful to admire, but they would also be able to produce spiritual ingredients to cultivate spiritual-type feys. This was truly catching two birds with one stone.

Given that Lin Yuan's demands were so high, he felt that no matter the benefits the Aquarium of Bliss could reap from him, it would not be able to reap everything.

Lin Yuan had chosen to come to the Aquarium of Bliss to buy Angelfish of Bliss only for convenience's sake.

Although Angelfish of Bliss were extremely delicate and rare, the Aquarium of Bliss was also named after them.

However, Angelfish of Bliss were not unique to the Aquarium of Bliss.

Previously, Lin Yuan had meticulously researched information on Angelfish of Bliss.

The thickness and purity of the fish coats shed by the Aquarium of Bliss' Angelfish of Bliss paled in comparison to those bred in the wild.

It was just that the Aquarium of Bliss' Angelfish of Bliss could breed large numbers to become signature feys after improvement.

Ultimately, Lin Yuan could not be bothered to issue a trade message on his Purchase With No Loss store to buy the fish one by one.

He had originally wanted to leave after seeing through the Aquarium of Bliss' sham.

Yet, he immediately thought that since he had already come, he might as well buy two high-end Immortal Bliss tablets and select two batches to try his luck.

Even if his gains were truly mediocre, he could still evolve the angelfish's grade to Bronze/Flawless before selling them to make some money.

They would not rot in his hands unnecessarily.

Thus, Lin Yuan said to the blue-robed man, "Give me two high-end Immortal Bliss tablets."

With a motion of the hand, the man produced another high-end Immortal Bliss tablet.

He then passed this tablet, along with the one that had already been in his hand, to Lin Yuan.

He said, "Two high-grade Immortal Bliss tablets cost 400,000 Radiance dollars. You can transfer the money to me directly.

"You will definitely have gains with these two tablets."

Lin Yuan realized that the blue-robed man tended to speak literally.

After Lin Yuan had asked for two high-grade Immortal Bliss tablets, the man had changed pretty much everything that came out of his mouth.

Lin Yuan faintly guessed that there would only be a high-grade Angelfish of Bliss in every 200 at the Aquarium of Bliss.

Chapter 544: Lin Yuan Who Was Kicked Out

Just when Lin Yuan was about to transfer the 400,000 Radiance dollars, the blue-robed man said, "The Aquarium of Bliss' private territory only receives ten customers at a time. You are the 27th customer in line, so you need to wait a while."

Lin Yuan did not hurry to pay the 400,000 Radiance dollars upon hearing this.

He looked at the time.

Lin Yuan found that there were only 40 minutes left before the group welfare auction at 10 o'clock and asked, "How long do I need to wait?"

The blue-robed man widened his eyes, feeling as though he was trying to see through the young man's strange mask.

The man thought, How could you still have an urgent matter when you come to our Aquarium of Bliss to trade?

No matter what excuse this kid gives, as long as he doesn't buy two high-end Immortal Bliss tablets, he is playing me.

Asking this and that, I've been talking for half a day already!

The blue-robed man decided that as long as the young man wearing a mask did not pay, he would kick the latter out.

The man said with a fake smile on his face,

"Two hours at least.

"A two-hour waiting time is already very short. Unlucky people who come in the afternoon sometimes have to wait till the next morning."

Upon hearing this, Lin Yuan knew that he could not buy the tablets then, so he said, "I have something on later. Since I need to wait two hours, I'll come back after I'm done buying the two—"

Lin Yuan found that Star Web had directly sent him back to the Purchase With No Loss store before he could finish his sentence.

According to the notification, the blue-robed man had suddenly kicked him out of the Aquarium of Bliss.

Moreover, he had been blacklisted and could never enter it again!

Lin Yuan could not stand this!

Even with his good temper, Lin Yuan could not help but feel rather annoyed at that moment.

The veteran faction Aquarium of Bliss was being too overbearing.

Was it not afraid of suffering losses?

Previously, Lin Yuan and the Aquarium of Bliss had had nothing to do with each other.

However, it had now been added to Lin Yuan's invisible blacklist.

Since the blue-robed man had kicked him out of the Aquarium of Bliss' private territory, Lin Yuan had no other choice but to issue a trade message on his Purchase With No Loss store.

Although Angelfish of Bliss lived in both seawater and freshwater, these aquatic feys appeared more frequently in the ocean.

Presumably, there must have been a rich and powerful family like the Gao family striving to develop marine resources in the sea.

After all, the Gao family was the top faction when it came to trading Elemental Shellfish and Floating Island Whales.

New Year's was only a few days away, so Lin Yuan did not want to bother Gao Feng at this time.

If not, Lin Yuan would have settled this matter by giving Gao Feng a phone call.

Back at the Aquarium of Bliss, the blue-robed man suddenly felt that he had been somewhat reckless. He really shouldn't have kicked that man out.

He should have reprimanded him mercilessly before kicking him out!

Otherwise, hadn't he just wasted all the time he had spent talking to the man?

The blue-robed man cracked his knuckles. He already couldn't remember how many casual visitors he had kicked out that day.

Back at the Purchase With No Loss store, Lin Yuan displayed ten Flower Brocade Pearls again.

It was just that he did not plan to blind trade these Flower Brocade Pearls for mid-grade strange flames this time.

Instead, he would exchange the pearls for a spiritual ingredient called Aurora Pollen.

Lin Yuan had so many mid-grade strange flames on hand that he wouldn't be able to finish using them.

Hoarding spiritual ingredients like mid-grade strange flames did not bring many benefits.

To Lin Yuan, their only function was to accelerate Chimey's evolution.

As for the Aurora Pollen, it was the best food to feed Angelfish of Bliss. It allowed the fish to quickly grow scales and shed the fish coat on their bodies.

Moreover, the Aurora Pollen could allow the delicate Angelfish of Bliss to grow stronger.

Even if the three Mountain River Eternal Life Carp in Lin Yuan's mansion had the exclusive skill of Place of Life, which was enough to shelter the delicate Angelfish of Bliss from death, it would still be good to feed the angelfish Aurora Pollen so that they could produce the best fish coats.

Aurora Pollen was the powder on the fey Aurora Morning Glory's buds.

If Lin Yuan were to cultivate Aurora Morning Glories himself, he could also collect Aurora Pollen.

However, even compared to the delicate Angelfish of Bliss, the Aurora Morning Glory was so fragile that it was torturous.

One needed to constantly scrape off the Aurora Pollen from its stamens so that they could secrete more pollen.

Lin Yuan had no interest in personally cultivating such an infuriating fey. He also didn't think of exchanging the Flower Brocade Pearls for Angelfish of Bliss.

The value of a few wild Angelfish of Bliss was not equivalent to that of a Gold lotus flower.

Even if someone wanted to exchange an Angelfish of Bliss from the Aquarium of Bliss with Lin Yuan, the latter would not accept it.

After setting up the blind trade, Lin Yuan sat idly as he waited for the group welfare auction to begin.

He also spent the time looking at what the group members were discussing.

Upon opening the group chat on Purchase With No Loss store's fan club, he received 9,999+ notifications.

Lin Yuan could not help but gag. Were the mouths of all these members made of machine guns?

However, he found out how dozens of group members had gotten the total number of messages to 9,999+ after scrolling through the group's chat history.

It seemed that the only way to defeat a machine gun was with a sound repeater.

Almost half of the messages were either repetitions or some strange expressions.

Lin Yuan thought that even if he starved to death, he wouldn't be able to scroll through everything in the group chat to find something useful.

Nevertheless, group notifications flooded in quickly.

Lin Yuan did not feel bored as he waited. He just quietly opened the Purchase With No Loss store's fan club's chat and browsed through the members' discussions.

With this one glance, he was drawn to something that a member called Recluse Study had said.

Recluse Study: "Does anyone here live in Indigo Azure City? I have a juicy piece of gossip here that keeps its fragrance and sweetness for consumption."

Lin Yuan had just woken up that day after being unconscious in the dimensional rift outside Indigo Azure City.

He could not help but wonder what kind of gossip had appeared in Indigo Azure City.

There were only those few people in his Purchase With No Loss store.

Every time someone sold gossip, there would always be a group of people around.

Time: "What gossip could there be now but news about the dimensional rift?"

Territorial Sleeping God: "Indigo Azure City is near the sea. Could a Class 4 dimensional rift have appeared?"

Jerky: "I'll hear the gossip from the front row. If it's not juicy, I'll scrape your brains out."

Recluse Study: "My gossip is definitely fragrant and sweet! Top secret news: I heard that some time ago, the bright moon hanging in the sky was linked to a young man."

Chapter 545: Guessing Identity

After he saw that the news was posted on the Purchase With No Loss store fan club, Lin Yuan's eyes immediately narrowed.

The usually active fan club instantly erupted into chaos after seeing the news.

Island Blossom: "Bro, you even managed to eat this? Impressive!"

Lake Spirit: "Bro, is this real? Did you mistype?"

The original poster, Recluse Study, had anticipated that people would find his post hard to believe.

Instead of offering an explanation, Recluse Study posted: "I'm not impressive. I'm also not boasting. However, my uncle is a very powerful nomad spirit qi professional. He saw it with his very own eyes. There's no way it's wrong!"

Despite his assurance, many people still expressed their disbelief, and they started to conduct their own investigation.

In the beginning, the Purchase With No Loss store fan club only consisted of a small group of Lin Yuan's online friends. Most of them came from the group that liked to snatch up Usnea and Spirit-Siphon Goldfish.

The number of people in the group did not increase up until Lin Yuan removed the Usnea and Spirit-Siphon Goldfish.

Since they had joined the group the earliest, they stood by it through thick and thin. They visited the Purchase With No Loss store almost every day to wait on Lin Yuan's newest Usnea and Spirit-Siphon Goldfish.

As such, they were the ones who usually snapped up all the new stock.

Thus, it became more difficult for newcomers to join the group based on their interest in Usneas and Spirit-Siphon Goldfish.

Ever since Lin Yuan started using the Flower Brocade Pearls to conduct blind trading, more and more people who had a wealth of resources started joining the group.

Recluse Study had entered the group by using a large amount of mid-grade strange flames to blind trade for Flower Brocade Pearls.

People of a similar milieu to Recluse Study dared to say that one of their family members saw it with their own eyes.

This meant that there was a good chance that he was telling the truth.

Nine days ago, the bright moon had hung high in the sky, and the moonlight had been stained with blood. The radiant moon had totally eclipsed the proud sun that should have been taking center stage.

Such an earth-shattering event might boggle the minds of both people.

However, anyone with a little knowledge would link it to the ever-quiet moon.

That was why Recluse Study's post attracted the attention of almost every person in the group almost immediately.

A member of the group called Sleep Addiction asked Recluse Study a question that many other people had also been asking.

Sleep Addiction: "Bro, you said that the daytime moon had something to do with a young person. Who is this young person?"

Recluse Study instantly replied. "My uncle said that it had something to do with a pair of Master and disciple."

Recluse Study had just posted the message when Sleep Addiction followed up with a response.

Sleep Addiction: "I envy this young person!"

Lin Yuan's eyes narrowed when he saw that the most recent message received a constant stream of likes.

80 more posts were swiftly uploaded.

Lin Yuan originally took a look at the people from Indigo Azure City that he had not had access to during his coma.

Yet somehow, the conversation had turned the spotlight onto himself.

Lin Yuan was completely oblivious to all that had taken place ever since he had been sucked into the dimensional rift.

Now, as Sleep Addict continuously posted news related to Lin Yuan, he could only watch on in a daze.

Although he was the person in question, Lin Yuan could not confirm the validity of what Recluse Study was saying.

However, it was rather juicy news.

Lin Yuan could tell from Recluse Study's posts that the Moon Empress had been beside herself with anxiousness during the time that he had been sucked into the dimensional rift.

He could not experience this as the person in question, but he was exceptionally touched when he heard it from others.

During his chat with Recluse Study, Lin Yuan found out a piece of news.

Recluse Study: "My uncle said that this incident has something to do with the Zheng family of Indigo Azure City. You can't tell anyone about this because I only came to know about it after eavesdropping on my uncle and mother's conversation."

Once he posted the message, Recluse Study's concerns did not occur.

This was because Recluse Study was immediately deemed a liar by some of the group's bigshots, and they branded him with disdain.

In the eyes of the bigshots, it was as though Recluse Study was saying that the Zheng family was in contact with the youth that was the Moon Empress's disciple.

The Zheng family had no right to be standing on high horses just because they had the power to summon an eclipse.

Lin Yuan was stunned by Recluse Study's most recent post. He could not help but be curious who this uncle Recluse Study spoke of was.

Recluse Study happened to know quite a lot. Not to mention he had also mentioned the Zheng family.

Lin Yuan could be sure that what Recluse Study said was true since his clash with the Zheng family was imminent and being sucked into the dimensional rift was in his past.

Two days had passed without anything happening.

He had definitely made his identity known to the two Guard Envoys who had the Moon Empress' crest on them.

Those two Guard Envoys had also promised to keep this matter from getting out.

Since the two Guard Envoys had journeyed alongside the Captain of the Guard Envoys, they were sure to give him a head's up.

There were only three people present who could be Recluse Study's uncle.

One of them was Jiao Hanzhong.

Another one was Duan He, who had accompanied Jiao Hanzhong to aid him and helped his contracted fey Cold Snow Pine to break through Myth II and gain the ability to transform into a human.

There was also Nightmare VI, which had suddenly appeared to help Jiao Hanzhong.

Jiao Hanzhong and Nightmare VI were already dead, and dead men told no tales.

Hence, the only person left who understood the whole situation was Duan He.

It was impossible that the Zheng family had released the news on their own.

Lin Yuan was not in denial that the matter could be leaked out, but the reactions of the people in the group told him that they had no clue the event had taken place.

When he had called Liu Jie in the morning, Wen Yu also mentioned the Zheng family's present situation.

Evidently, the Moon Empress had not done much to the Zheng family.

Lin Yuan felt that sometimes, a little push was needed for the truth to reveal itself.

However, he could not be sure whether or not his guess was 100% accurate.

In order to prove his hypothesis, he needed to put it to the test.

Chapter 546: The Changed Group Welfare

While the group members discussed Recluse Study's behavior, Lin Yuan took the risk and posted a message.

Deep Mountain Elder Lin: "Looked at the time and realized that the auction for group welfare will begin in ten minutes."

Lin Yuan's message rescued Recluse Study.

Lin Yuan once again witnessed the power of the fan club of Purchase With No Loss store's broken record.

After seeing line after line of messages saying that the group admin was showing off, Lin Yuan felt that he should offer something up.

Moreover, the more that Lin Yuan offered, the more he earned.

Deep Mountain Elder Lin: "I had some business to attend to and was delayed for two days. As such, I'll make it up to all of you by offering a bonus. I'll be throwing in two more heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls."

Lin Yuan's bonus immediately garnered enthusiastic responses.

I'm Your Fairy: "Group admin is the best!"

Old Black Crow: "Throwing in two heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls after two days? Group admin is so thoughtful!"

Amber Button: "Even if the group admin adds two more, I still can't afford it. I'll just have to watch as the bigshots fight over them."

The sight of the group members' vigorous responses made Lin Yuan feel all the more embarrassed for having delayed the group welfare auction by two days.

After pondering for a while, Lin Yuan posted another message.

Deep Mountain Elder Lin: "The ten fire-elemental heavenly-maiden-grade pearls had a purity of about 9.8. I'll now be switching those with 12 elemental pearls with a purity of about 9.9. I won't be specifying the elemental energy of these elemental pearls. The people who join the auction can decide for themselves if they want them to be of the water, wind, earth, or fire element.

The eyelids of the Creation Masters in the group immediately started to twitch after seeing Lin Yuan's message.

The eyelids of the two Class 4 Creation Masters in the fan club twitched the most fiercely.

Only Class 4 Creation Masters would know how difficult it was to nurture heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls with 9.9 purity.

Shortly after he mentioned the 9.8 purity heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls, many people in the group were shocked by how high of a quality of fire-elemental pearls the group admin had put out.

Now, he was offering 9.9 purity elemental pearls instead.

Besides being startled by Lin Yuan's generous offer, those who were preparing to enter the auction quickly started to get their chips ready.

Although both 9.8 purity and 9.9 purity heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls were considered to be of the highest quality, and they even had similar usages to the 9.5 purity elemental pearls, 9.9 purity elemental pearls were priceless collectibles.

The Class 4 Creation Master Duan Li also happened to be reading the group chat.

Master Duan Li had helped Zhou Luo to nurture the Iron Bone Tearing Lizard. She knew that the Iron Bone Tearing Lizard needed five fire-elemental heavenly-maiden-grade pearls to activate its evolution.

This would enable the earth-type fey to evolve into a fire-type fey.

She had met Zhou Luo in the Purchase With No Loss store, and Zhou Luo had said that the Iron Bone Tearing Lizard was now fine.

The Purchase With No Loss store already held a high place in Master Duan Li's heart.

But the moment that Lin Yuan offered the 10 heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls, Master Duan Li elevated the Purchase With No Loss store even further.

Lin Yuan had changed the offer to the 9.9 purity heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls as compensation for pushing the group welfare auction back.

It suddenly struck Master Duan Li how this humble store had already managed to wrap a fair number of veteran factions around their fingers. The Purchase With No Loss store had already secured the most influence.

Master Duan Li felt that letting 9.9 purity heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls go was a huge stab to oneself.

This was true group welfare.

Being a Class 4 Creation Master, Master Duan Li did not often speak in the group. However, this time she could not hold back and ask.

Duan Li: "Group admin, can we be assured that no matter which of the four elements we choose, the elemental pearls will all be 9.9 purity?"

Master Duan Li had voiced the question that was in almost all of the group members' minds.

Lin Yuan earnestly replied to the question.

Deep Mountain Elder Lin: "Since it's welfare, they all have to be the same. Thus, I can guarantee that no matter which element you decide on, they will all be 9.9 purity. This will also eliminate the issue of you guys ending up with an incompatible elemental pearl."

Lin Yuan's response put an idea in the minds of almost all the group members.

Why did the group admin's seemingly polite message come off as arrogant and pretentious?

Only an idiot would trade away elemental pearls with 9.9 purity.

When elemental pearls reached 9.9 purity, another layer of pearl would form around the exterior.

These pearl-in-a-pearls were a rare collectible whose softness and beauty was unmatched.

The pearl cover over every 9.9 purity elemental pearl was unique, making each elemental pearl one of its kind.

This meant that an equally valuable collectible needed to be offered in order to trade for the 9.9 purity heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls.

Master Duan Li took a sharp intake of breath. From Lin Yuan's tone, she could tell that Lin Yuan had a large number of heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls on hand.

It would be no problem for her to shelve out 20 of them.

Initially, Master Duan Li was rational about the offer of the heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls, but now that she confirmed they were 9.9 purity, she knew that she had to shoot her shot.

Master Duan Li was conflicted over her dilemma.

Should I take out the treasure I've been hiding away and use it to trade?

Lin Yuan watched as his new announcement sent the group members into a frenzy. Even Recluse Study seemed to be very excited.

Lin Yuan mentioned Recluse Study.

Deep Mountain Elder Lin: "@Recluse Study Is your uncle's surname Duan?"

Lin Yuan's random message rendered the group chat speechless.

Shortly after, Recluse Study popped up and asked in surprise.

Recluse Study: "Damn! @Deep Mountain Elder Lin, did you become a psychic in the last two days?"

Recluse Study's reaction confirmed Lin Yuan's guess.

Recluse Study's uncle was none other than Duan He.

Recluse Study was mentioning Lin Yuan continuously and was asking him how he knew.

Lin Yuan's lip curled upward, but he did not answer Recluse Study's question because he was already sure that Recluse Study's uncle was Duan He.

Chapter 547: Lin Yuan Wants to Recruit

Lin Yuan remembered Recluse Study mentioning that he did not come from an influential family. His uncle, Duan He, was also a spirit qi professional.

This meant that Duan He had not joined any faction.

Although Duan He initially wanted to help Jiao Hanzhong's fey to undergo World Cleansing, from the way that Duan He interacted with Jiao Hanzhong, it was clear that Duan He was not colluding with the Zheng family.

He had only gone to the deserted island to repay Jiao Hanzhong.

Lin Yuan's private faction Sky City's top fighting force only consisted of Endless Summer and the Mother of Bloodbath.

Although Lin Yuan only got to see the Diamond X/Fantasy V Sword Plume Sea Hawk instead of Duan He's true power, Duan He's main fey had to be the peak of Suzerain since Jiao Hanzhong had enlisted his help for his Suzerain II fey to go through the World Cleansing.

Lin Yuan thought, If I can get Recluse Study to bring his uncle over, and I manage to gain Duan He's loyalty, Sky City's fighting ability will be greatly boosted for sure.

As Lin Yuan schemed how he would be able to bring Duan He over to his side, he silently took stock of his own advantages.

If I manage to snag the emperor-class Duan He, what will I be able to offer him in return? I can't just use rare source-type items to convince him to join my team. They can easily use their own connections to find Class 4 Creation Masters if they want Bronze/Epic feys. There aren't many Class 4 Creation Masters who will reject a deal with an emperor-class expert. Emperor-class experts also make up the main fighting force for veteran factions. As long as an emperor-class expert is willing to pledge their loyalty, any veteran faction will be glad to pump in as many resources as necessary. If I want Duan He on my side, I'll need to fork out quite a lot.

However, Lin Yuan had something that veteran factions and top factions did not have—Bronze/Legend feys.

Lin Yuan had just manifested the idea of wanting to recruit Duan He.

Although Duan He was a true blue emperor-class expert, Lin Yuan's criteria for recruitment consisted of more than power.

When it came to potential, Lin Yuan also emphasized his subordinates having good character.

Unfortunately, Lin Yuan was not certain about what kind of person Duan He was.

Lin Yuan might have had the idea, but he still needed Wen Yu to look into Duan He's affairs and information before he approached Duan He.

Inside the Radiant Moon Palace's Hidden Moon Pavilion, every expert's information was logged by the hidden servants.

From the expert's personality to their life experiences, all information was collated in what was essentially a personalized magazine.

As events took place, the hidden servants would constantly update and record the new information.

After the death of an expert who was worthy of being recorded in the Radiant Moon Palace, their personalized magazine would be sealed away.

Sky City was able to sort out all the information regarding the veteran factions and rising factions in such a short amount of time due to Wen Yu's hard work and the information kept in the Hidden Moon Pavilion.

The Hidden Moon Pavilion was controlled solely by the Moon Empress' intelligence team.

To other people, Leaning Moon Mountain was an impenetrable territory, so naturally, they would never be able to lay eyes on the Hidden Moon Pavilion.

However, Lin Yuan had unrestricted access to the Hidden Moon Pavilion, and he could enter it with the same ease that he did his own room.

Lin Yuan's hand gently cupped his chin as he was deep in contemplation.

Although attracting an emperor-class expert to join my faction will use up resources, it will provide us with a good future.

Lin Yuan had always been insistent on relying on his own power to expand Sky City, but he knew that there were some things he could not force on his own.

On several occasions, the Moon Empress had subtly suggested that she wanted to invest resources into Sky City, but Lin Yuan had rejected her each time.

The Moon Empress was still his Master, nonetheless.

Although Lin Yuan did not receive a direct input of resources from the Moon Empress, he did not collect all the intelligence and secret information on his own.

He used the information provided by the Hidden Moon Pavilion in order to establish Sky City's own intelligence connections.

Lin Yuan felt that information was more useful than resources.

Wen Yu had already finished collating all the information on the veteran factions and rising factions.

Consequently, Lin Yuan needed to start putting in the effort so as to collect his own intelligence reports rather than relying on the Hidden Moon Pavilion to help Sky City.

At his present level, Lin Yuan did not have the courage to try and recruit other emperor-class experts.

However, Duan He was an exception.

The difference between Duan He and other emperor-class experts was that Duan He was acquainted with Lin Yuan.

Lin Yuan knew that his wealth of resources was more than capable of meeting Duan He's needs.

By allowing Duan He to become acquainted with him, Lin Yuan could provide him with a bright future.

If Lin Yuan did not want to reveal his identity to the rest of the world, his best course of action would be to recruit Duan He.

During the few minutes that Lin Yuan was deep in thought, Lin Yuan guessing Recluse Study's uncle's surname had already been long forgotten.

Most of the group member's attention had shifted to the 12 heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls that were 9.9 purity.

Only Recluse Study was still left reeling.

Recluse Study's curiosity could not be satisfied without Lin Yuan's response.

There were many bigshots in the group, and the group admin did not appear to know anyone in the group.

Recluse Study did not think that the group admin knew who he was.

Recluse Study suddenly remembered how powerful his uncle was, and then it hit him.

Could the group admin know my uncle?

Recluse Study thought more about it, and his uncle seemed to know that he was buying the Flower Brocade Pearls from the Purchase With No Loss store for him.

After Recluse Study joined the fan club through the blind trade for the Flower Brocade Pearls, he did not notice his uncle's presence in the group.

At that moment, Recluse Study realized that his uncλe was online on Star Web.

Since he could not get an answer from Lin Yuan, Recluse Study decided to try to get some from his uncle. Thus, he sent him a message.

Chapter 548: I've Found My Master

Recluse Study: "Uncle, do you still remember the small premium-goods store on Star Web that you recommended I visit to buy Flower Brocade Pearls?"

At present, Duan He was still in Indigo Azure City, helping the two Spirit Guard Envoys kill some of the advanced water world dimensional lifeforms during the active stage of the dimensional rift.

At the same time, he was also entering each open dimensional rift to scrape source-type items for supplies.

Even if Duan He was an emperor-class expert with extraordinary power, it required frequent struggle to kill high-grade dimensional lifeforms between active dimensional rifts that could appear anywhere, which made him feel unusually tired.

Part of the reason Duan He worked so hard was indeed because the degree of spatial fluctuation in the active stage of this dimensional rift was much greater than those of previous ones.

Even if the two Guard Envoys brought close to 1,000 Spirit Guards to work together with Indigo Azure City's Indigo Azure Guards, there would still be slightly insufficient manpower.

Secondly, Duan He was really in short supply of resources during this period.

This had already put him under a significant amount of stress.

At that moment, no one hated Jiao Hanzhong more than Duan He. He was the one who had lent the expensive spiritual ingredients that Jiao Hanzhong's main fey Cold Snow Pine needed to evolve to Myth II.

At that time, Jiao Hanzhong had given Duan He a relatively good return price and had thickened his skin to speak to the latter many times.

Only then had Duan He been willing to lend his spiritual ingredients to Jiao Hanzhong.

However, Duan He never would have thought that Jiao Hanzhong would actually renege on their deal.

Duan He really didn't know who to visit to collect the debt.

He couldn't possibly go to the Zheng family, could he?

Before considering whether the Zheng family would repay their debt, just by looking at the fact that they had lost two emperor-class experts consecutively, it was very likely that they would see Duan He as a ready-made punching bag if he were to go to them now.

By that time, he wouldn't be able to recover not only his precious feys but also the billions of ashes that remained on his nose.

Duan He's natural endowment was considered relatively strong. Besides his Diamond X/Fantasy V Sword Plume Sea Hawk, he had two other feys. These two feys were both main feys that had attained the pinnacle Suzerain/Myth I, one step away from Myth II.

Duan He didn't have the slightest clue how he would obtain the money required for his two feys to evolve from Suzerain/Myth I to Suzerain/Myth II.

Moreover, he had comprehended another Willpower Rune under the moonlight a few days ago.

His spiritual energy could continue to contract feys. To comprehend one more Willpower Rune was equivalent to the need to contract and cultivate a new high-grade Bronze fey.

This should have been the extremely joyous occasion that Duan He had spent the past few years anticipating.

One more fey could enrich Duan He's combat system, giving him more possibilities.

However, this joyous occasion had arrived at the awkward moment when his two main feys were about to evolve to Myth II.

Hence, what was meant to be a joyous occasion now seemed like it had come too late.

Duan He had not originally been in a good mood. Whenever he thought about how he had become a Creation Master at a young age but had then become obsessed with fighting his nephew—who was not even a Class 2 Creation Master—on Star Web, he felt repressed rage.

There was no damn point to the combat-class spirit qi professionals being born and dying every day to Duan He.

No matter how strong they were, they would still be working for those Creation Masters, wouldn't they?

Besides, Duan He had come to this conclusion after so many years.

Fundamentally, when cultivating feys, most of the resources earned from birth and death were entrusted to the Creation Master.

Cut Off the Flowing River: "Why are you still on Star Web at this time? Don't tell me you need to go on Star Web to train to become a Creation Master? If you have nothing to do, go to the breeding room more often to spare our entire family the worry!"

Cut Off the Flowing River: "Quickly advance as a Creation Master. When you become a Class 2 Creation Master, I'll help you find a Class 4 Creation Master to be your Master."

Recluse Study had originally been a bit hesitant when messaging his uncle privately.

Now, once Recluse Study privately messaged his uncle, he found that he had been right—his uncle was lecturing him again.

His uncle was built big and tall like a boor.

However, even his father, who taught at Advanced Spirit Qi Occupation University, was no match when it came to lecturing.

When it came to his power as a Creation Master though, Recluse Study had a lot to say.

Recluse Study: "Uncle, my power as a Creation Master has already improved greatly!"

Duan He had initially planned to continue lecturing, but upon seeing that his nephew had suddenly delivered good news, he felt the weariness that had hung over him the whole day disappear.

Yet, Recluse Study's next words immediately caused Duan He's vision to blacken.

Recluse Study: "Uncle, with the Flower Brocade Pearls you gave me previously and the ones I bought with my New Year's money, I'm now more powerful than some Class 2 Creation Masters!"

Recluse Study: "Of course, I'm talking about my success rate in blending spirit fluid!"

Duan He had been contacting a few agreed-upon sellers for the price of the rare and precious spiritual ingredients he needed while waiting for good news from his nephew.

However, upon receiving his nephew's news, Duan He felt himself shut down.

His nephew was really a little genius to even come up with such a comparison!

The spirit fluid concocted by a Class 1 Creation Master did not require more than a few spiritual ingredients.

As long as one's basic skills were solid enough when given two Flower Brocade Pearls, a Class 1 Creation Master should have had a success rate of at least 30%.

To really compare success rate, his nephew's was comparable to that of even some low-level Class 3 Creation Masters.

But why don't you, a Class 1 Creation Master, compare yourself to Class 2 Creation Masters in your ability to heal damaged fey roots?

After a long while, Duan He finally recovered from his breakdown.

He answered explosively.

Cut Off The Flowing River: "You're already 19! If you don't become a Class 2 Creation Master before you turn 20, I'll be too ashamed to even ask around and find you a good Master."

Recluse Study felt somewhat wronged. His uncle was always worrying about everything.

Was it very difficult to find a Master?

He was doing fine in the group chat and had received a few words from Master Duan Li. He also had no trouble acting cute all day long.

Now, Master Duan Li had accepted him as an in-name disciple.

After being lectured by his uncle the whole day, Recluse Study finally found a way to retaliate.

Recluse Study: "Uncle, I've already become the in-name disciple of the Class 4 Creation Master, Master Duan Li."

Recluse Study: "Master Duan Li said that as long as I become a Class 2 Creation Master before I turn 20 and pass her exam, she will accept me as her personal disciple."

Chapter 549: Duan He Breathes Raggedly

Duan He was stunned when he saw the message from Recluse Study.

What? Did this brat find himself a Master?

Duan He's first reaction was to wonder if his naive nephew had been scammed, but he soon remembered how devious his nephew was.

Rather than being worried that his nephew was scammed, he should be more worried that his nephew was scamming someone else.

When has my nephew ever gotten the short end of the stick? Wait. Is he trying to scam me too?

Other than the rare Class 3 Creation Masters, all the people who had attained a title and had come to be known by that title were Class 4 Creation Masters.

As long as a Class 4 Creation Master was willing to accept his nephew as a disciple, there would only be gains and no losses.

Even if he was only a disciple in name, he would already be able to receive the teachings of a Class 4 Creation Master.

As long as his nephew could learn from the Class 4 Creation Master and use the knowledge to strengthen his own skills, Duan He did not mind if his nephew was an in-name or direct disciple.

Duan He had no idea which Class 4 Creation Master his nephew was able to snag.

His nephew spent five hours every day on Star Tower and had reached level 60 at least.

Did he meet the Class 4 Creation Master in one of the matches on Star Tower?

This thought seemed ludicrous to Duan He.

Even if the Class 4 Creation Master was not skilled at fighting, their feys could sustain a significant amount of damage.

Cut Off The Flowing River: "Where did you find a Master?"

Recluse Study was slightly regretting messaging his uncle privately.

All of the available group members had come online, and the group welfare auction was going to start in three minutes.

However, his uncle was asking questions incessantly.

How am I supposed to watch the show if I'm too busy answering all my uncle's questions?

Recluse Study decided to go for the quick fix.

Recluse Study: "We met in a group chat."

Duan He was shocked by Recluse Study's reply.

What kind of group chat allows you to chat up a Class 4 Creation Master into becoming your Master? This is like a blind man going fishing and ending up with Heaven and Earth Rouge Queen Scallop.

Cut Off The Flowing River: "What group chat? How does that land you a Class 4 Creation Master as a Master? Don't lie to me! Otherwise, I'll tell your mother about how you got your staff to do all your holiday homework. She'll beat you up!"

His uncle's message almost drove Recluse Study mad.

Those two things are completely irrelevant! We were just talking. Why did he have to use such a cruel tactic? If my mother finds out that I had help finishing my homework, I'll never recover from the beating she's sure to give me.

Recluse Study wanted to argue, but the group welfare auction was starting in one minute!

Recluse Study decided to lay in the bed he made.

Recluse Study: "The small fan club on Star Web where you bought the Flower Brocade Pearls for me. Uncle, didn't we agree that I'll spend every day focusing on training Creation Master skills in the breeding room in exchange for your discretion? You can't go back on your word! Uncle, I can't talk anymore. There's an auction for heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls in the group. I have to go see how it goes!"

His nephew's message befuddled Duan He.

What's going on?

Duan He thought his nephew's words over. He still remembered the small store on Star Web where he bought the Flower Brocade Pearls through blind trade.

Duan He had managed to snag a trade for a batch of Flower Brocade Pearls. He had only spent ten midgrade strange flames to obtain a stalk of Flower Brocade Pearls.

An expert like Duan He did not care much for something like Flower Brocade Pearls, but he had thought that the owner of the store that had accepted the trade was insane.

He sold the Flower Brocade Pearls in his Star Web store even though they would be auctioned off within seconds in the Rare Lifeform Pavilion.

But after talking to his nephew, Duan He felt that his perspective as an emperor-class expert had completely changed.

Since when did small stores on Star Web start selling precious items like the heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls, which even emperor-class experts found challenging to procure?

Duan He did not have a habit of buying from Star Web, and he checked his transaction history. He discovered that he had bought the Flower Brocade Pearls through blind trade from a store called Purchase With No Loss Fey Store.

He had deleted all messages other than private messages.

As such, Duan He had not received an invite to the group chat after he traded for the Flower Brocade Pearls.

However, now that Duan He thought about it, he would not have joined the group chat anyway. If he did, he would probably just turn his nose up at the trinkets being sold and eventually turn off the chat notifications.

Yet, he joined the Purchase With No Loss store without hesitation now.

Duan He did not do it to prove the validity of his nephew's words, but because he understood his nephew. His nephew might be spiteful, but he was not a liar.

Duan He joined the Purchase With No Loss store fan club because his main fey needed several heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls in order to evolve.

Since his nephew had mentioned that there would be an auction taking place in the group, joining it would save Duan He the effort of having to negotiate a trade with a Creation Master that nurtured Elemental Shellfish.

Although he was poor and lacked resources at the moment, Duan He was confident in his status as an emperor-class expert, and he was certain that no one in the group would be able to snatch it from him.

Lin Yuan planned on starting the group welfare at ten o'clock. However, he did not expect a newcomer to swoop in right at ten o'clock.

Lin Yuan knew that the Purchase With No Loss store was not currently selling any items, which meant that this person had purchased from the store before but had not decided to join then.

Although the group welfare auction was about to start, a welcome was still necessary for the newcomer.

The ever-active Recluse Study suddenly fell silent. He felt like a heavy stone had landed on his foot. If his uncle was in the group, how was he going to continue acting freely in the group?

Duan He did not anticipate the enthusiasm from the group members of the fan club.

A few tens of them had the same level of activity as a few thousand people.

Shortly after, Duan He noticed the 12 9.9 purity water-, wind-, fire-, and earth-elemental heavenly-maiden-grade pearls that Lin Yuan was auctioning off.

Along with Duan He's astoundment, his breathing became ragged.

Chapter 550: Loved to Cause His Uncle Trouble

Duan He chided himself for not joining the group sooner after thoroughly studying the elemental pearls being auctioned off.

After ascertaining that the elemental pearls were indeed 9.9 purity, Duan He started looking into the information about the Purchase With No Loss store.

If he had not seen it for himself, Duan He would not believe that a Star Web store would sell something like 9.9 purity heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls.

When Duan He was still a pinnacle king-class expert, he had used up many favors in order to evolve his feys to Great Suzerain.

He had also used up a massive amount of resources to convince a Class 4 Creation Master to help him nurture several heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls that had a purity of about 9.7–9.8.

Although heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls were available on the market, those mostly had a purity of 9.5–9.6.

It was impossible to find heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls with 9.7–9.8 purity. If one needed it badly enough, they could only approach Class 4 Creation Masters to create it for them specially.

Even pinnacle Class 4 Creation Masters needed to count on a significant amount of luck if they wanted to produce heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls of 9.9 purity.

No one would sell such peak-quality heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls on the market, much less auctioning them off as group welfare.

Now that Duan He had reached emperor-class, he did not need to work as hard to convince a Class 4 Creation Master to produce heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls for him.

It was improbable that Duan He would be able to find a pinnacle Class 4 Creation Master who could produce 9.9 purity heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls for him.

He did not have any grounds to build a connection with a Class 4 Creation Master who he could ask to help him.

Duan He was only a medial emperor-class expert at the moment. Class 4 Creation Masters would not even spare him a second look. Only pinnacle emperor-class experts had the right to stand on equal ground as Class 4 Creation Masters.

Duan He was not as specific about the purity of heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls as he was in the past when he was trying to evolve his feys to Suzerain.

The pure elemental energy in the elemental pearls was mainly used to trigger the transformation suppressed in the feys' bloodline.

As such, high-quality heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls were very useful.

Now, both of Duan He's main feys were about to break through Myth II to take human form.

In order for the transformation to occur, Duan He needed spiritual ingredients that aided in evolution.

Pure elemental energy only amplified the effects.

Duan He felt as though he had accidentally stumbled upon a goldmine.

Although he had used many resources to evolve his feys from Myth I to Myth II, an emperor-class expert like him still had some savings.

Duan He had come into a fair amount of source-type items from the water world dimensional rift in Indigo Azure City.

He decided that he was going to be the one to bring home the 12 9.9 purity heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls.

Duan He intended on enquiring about the rules of the auction. After all, he was new to the group and was still unsure of the rules of the group welfare.

Duan He had a feeling that he was about to suffer a loss if a specific item was needed to trade for these heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls.

At which point, Duan He would really blow his top.

Duan He remembered that this group admin had set a specific item during the blind trade for the Flower Brocade Pearls.

The specific item was the mid-grade strange flames.

Before Duan He posed the question, he glanced through the group messages and instantly froze.

Someone was mentioning his nephew, Recluse Study, and the question made Duan He want to haul Recluse Study out and teach him a lesson he would never forget.

Someone in the group asked.

Stream in the Cloud: "Thank God I made it! I'm sure to win! @Recluse Study, I scrolled through the group chats. You said that the daytime mood had something to do with the Zheng family. If so, why does the Zheng family not know anything about it?"

Duan He felt that his nephew loved to cause him trouble.

It was decreed at home that not a word of this matter was to be leaked. Yet this brat had not only eavesdropped, but he had even posted it in the group chat.

If news of this reached the people involved and came after Duan He, even his status as an emperor-class expert would not save him.

When Duan He first had left the deserted island, he had no idea who Lin Yuan was.

He had seen the persistent moonlight in the direction of the dimensional rift the second time he was on the deserted island and had been unable to find a way to see past the moonlight barrier.

He had felt that the figures immersed in the concentrated moonlight were familiar.

Eventually, the Moon Empress had stepped out of the moonlight barrier with a floating body in her arms. Duan He had only dared to lift his head at that moment, but he saw the two Suzerain/Myth Breed feys that had killed Jiao Hanzhong emerging from the moonlight.

When he had seen the unmasked youth next to the two Suzerain feys, realization dawned upon Duan

It turned out that the youth wearing the odd mask that had sent out the kill order for Jiao Hanzhong was the Moon Empress' disciple.

Duan He had speculated about Lin Yuan's identity. When he had heard Lin Yuan mention Sky City, Duan He was certain that he had never heard of a faction by that name.

Now that he thought about it, Sky City was not a legendary hidden faction. It should be a new faction created by the mask-wearing youth.

Duan He knew this secret because he had watched the events on the deserted island unfold like a spectator.

Since his nephew had spilled this incident in the group, if the people involved caught wind of this, they would be able to zero in on the source of the leak and figure out who was behind it.	