

## All R. Artist 671

Chapter 671: Broadcast of the Concert Video

That afternoon.

Gu Xi arrived at Starlight.

Getting a hold of "To Alice", Gu Xi's voice trembled slightly:

"Teacher Admirable Fish is remarkable..."

Before coming, she had imagined receiving a piece of music from Xian Yu.

But what she hadn't dared to imagine was:

This time, she would receive a piece that was even more subtly exquisite than "Mariage d'Amour"!

If she hadn't received a call, she might have even thought that Xian Yu had forgotten about her!

If Xian Yu hadn't contacted her, she was considering implementing a new strategic plan.

Fortunately, her earlier hard work hadn't gone to waste!

With the birth of another classic musical composition, Xian Yu had thought of her again!

"This piece will be released in May."

Lin Yuan said, "Do you know the Yu Dynasty?"

Gu Xi hurriedly nodded: "Yes!"

Lin Yuan said, "They have piano sections in their songs, and I want you to be responsible for this."

"Of course I can!"

Gu Xi instantly agreed.

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In the following days.

Things became simple.

The Yu Dynasty began to take action.

Everyone took turns recording songs.

Gu Xi was responsible for the piano parts.

Meanwhile on the internet.

The netizens were constantly looking forward to the arrival of May.

Finally!

May arrives as scheduled!

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Countless netizens sat in front of their computers early on, filled with anticipation and nervousness!

There were also countless insiders waiting for the broadcast of the concert!

They wanted to know what kind of concert could cause more than a hundred spectators to faint!

What kind of concert could lead to the arrest of more than fifty fugitives!

In such curiosity.

The concert finally aired!

Jiang Kui performed the song "Big Fish"!

Halfway through the song, Xian Yu made a surprise appearance: "Ahhh Ahhh Ahhh Ahhh Ahhh..."

The netizens finally understood what the term "Siren's Serenade," raved by the onsite audience, meant.

"Woah!"

"So this is the Siren's Serenade!"

"After hearing this part, my ears really got pregnant!"

"This version is definitely the most beautiful version of "Big Fish"!"

"It's already this exciting at the start, what's going to happen later?"

"These twenty days of waiting weren't in vain!"

...

The concert began by stunning the audience!

Following this.

The Qi Language version of "Exaggerated" exploded!

All the spectators took a gasping breath:

"So this is the new version of 'Exaggerated'?"

"Someone said before that Xian Yu's new version of 'Exaggerated' is more exploding than the original, I didn't believe it, but it turns out to be true!"

"That's too awesome!"

"Satisfying!"

"It feels so good to listen to!"

"Listening to this song makes my blood boil!"

...

Then.

The Chu Language song "Lemon" was up!

The audience requested song "Confession Balloon" was up!

Xian Yu's high notes in "Three Days and Three Nights" were also up!

Qi language...

Chu language...

English...

Mandarin...

Xian Yu was wildly displaying his language talents!

Watching this concert in front of their computers, everyone was pumped!

The whole internet exploded!

"So exhilarating!"

"I'm getting soaked!"

"Xian Yu's high notes are unbeatable!"

"Even at home, I'm screaming with excitement, I can only imagine how crazy it is onsite!"

"I'm regretting more and more that I didn't get a ticket to go onsite!"

"Xian Yu is so talented, he has all kinds of musical styles, and knows all types of languages!"

"Even though I'm behind the screen, he's still blown me away!"

...

At the same time as being amazed.

Some people started to doubt.

Although the onsite atmosphere was indeed unprecedentedly exciting, was the news about over a hundred audience members fainting somewhat exaggerated?

Was it marketing hype?

Or was it just us not understanding the insanity and passion of the crazy fans?

In contrast.

Everyone could more or less understand the arrest of fugitives.

After all, it was normal for fugitives to like Xian Yu.

Xian Yu did have a great appeal to everyone.

But the fainting of more than a hundred people was indeed exaggerated.

If this is marketing, then it's clearly been overdone.

Everybody thought so.

But.

That thought didn't last long.

On scene.

With the song "beat it" playing.

The Moonwalk's finally arrived!

White shirt, black tie, black shoes, white socks, white gloves, black trousers...

At this moment.

All the audience in front of the screen were collectively stunned!

Countless people's eyes were wide open!

Countless people's mouths were wide open!

As if their jaws had been shocked off!

In the scene on the screen.

Those audience members and those in front of the computer were collectively in a massive shock!

"I'm on my knees!"

"I'm prostrating myself!"

"What kind of dance is this!"

"Admirable Fish is forever a deity!"

"Even gravity can't stop him now!"

"Someone in the observer field fainted!"

"Damn it, I would faint too if I were at the concert!"

"Never mind being at the concert, I feel like fainting just watching from home!"

"How can a human lean at a 45 degree angle!"

"How I wish I was at the concert!"

"The dance is godly, Admirable Fish is godly!"

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All doubts cleared!

No one questioned whether over a hundred audience members fainting was a publicity stunt.

Do we need publicity stunts for this?

Such a crazy dance!

Isn't it normal for the audience to faint?

What is happening at the venue!

I'm in awe!

All were in awe!

Especially in some school dorms.

The current screams are simply terrifyingly exaggerated!

The dorm supervisors were terrified!

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All the audience in front of the computers had screamed until they lost their voices.

Just for a concert.



Some even felt that their stamina couldn't keep up.

At this moment.

The piano piece "To Alice" sounded.

The audience suddenly felt an unprecedented level of satisfaction:

"Such a beautiful song!"

"No wonder the audience was so excited when interviewed after leaving the Grand Stadium, I would be as well."

"High energy throughout!"

"It's quite a pity I couldn't attend!"

"I hope Daddy Fish can hold another concert, I'd brave it through hell to go!"

"That dance is called the Moonwalk, it was specially explained on the big screen, it's truly terrifying!"

"Although this last piece 'To Alice' is not really exciting, I feel that it is the icing on the cake for tonight's performance."

"Right, these songs should be available for download, right?"

"Let's check out the seasonal rankings!"

"I love the songs inside so much!"

"I must download them all!"

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Coming back to their senses.

Everyone couldn't wait to open their music player!

Indeed.

All major music players have linked the songs from "Admirable Fish Concert"!

All six new songs were there, though most of the singers were changed to those from the Yu Dynasty, but that didn't affect everyone's enthusiasm!

Download!

Download!

Download!

Everyone clicked download simultaneously!

They couldn't even be bothered to check out the other songs released in May at the moment!

At the same time.

The insiders also finished watching Admirable Fish's concert.

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For a while.

The entire music industry was shocked into silence.

They didn't know how to describe the concert's brilliance...

Thrilling?

Exploding?

Cool?

All of that, but also none of that.

The concert gave the impression that Admirable Fish has everything you like!

In the end.

Someone in the industry finally summarized it: "Once you've seen Admirable Fish's concert, other singers' concerts are optional."

It's helpless.

Because all the expectations and imaginations people had about concerts were basically played out by Admirable Fish's concert!

What would the seasonal charts look like with this earth-shattering concert?

The musicians who released music in May didn't dare to imagine...

Chapter 672: Xian Yu Aiming for the Twelfth Consecutive Championship

Yes.

After watching Xian Yu's concert, musicians releasing songs in May have foreseen the imminent bloodbath on the season's chart!

There's no escape.

The results of the season's chart will eventually appear before everyone in a variety of forms.

Eight o'clock on the first day of May. Stay tuned with My Virtual Library Empire

A certain entertainment program began.

The host seems particularly passionate today:

"Hello everyone!

Welcome to [Entertainment Big Events], I'm your forever host, Zhang Shao!

As you all know, every time the program is broadcast, I will summarize the recent major events in the entertainment circle for everyone.

Today, the entertainment circle has welcomed a super explosive event, that is:

The video of Xian Yu's concert has finally been publicly broadcast!

I believe many people should, like me, be at home watching the video because they couldn't get tickets to the concert, and I believe that after watching the three-hour-long concert video, everyone will be as stunned as I am!

It's a grand performance that made over a hundred audience members faint on the spot!

If I have to use an adjective to describe the shock of this concert, I would use three words-

Epic level!

What kind of wonderful performances Xian Yu displayed at the concert is no longer needed for me to detail one by one.

Any viewer who has watched the video has witnessed it, now you just need to open the internet, all major forums are discussing the god-level performances in this concert that have been adrenaline pumping!

What I'm going to share with you now is the ranking of this season's chart!

For this season's chart, the number one piece is a piano piece called "To Alice"!

At this point, the audience who watched Xian Yu's concert will definitely burst out laughing without speaking.

Isn't this piano piece called "To Alice" the closing performance that Xian Yu dedicated at the concert?

Don't rush.

The season's chart of May this year, there are more songs from Xian Yu's concert than just "To Alice".

Let's continue looking down the list:

The song ranked second this season is "Lemon"!

Fourth, "Beat It"!

Fifth, "Exaggerated"!

Sixth, "Confession Balloon"!

Eighth, "Three Days and Three Nights"!

Don't doubt your eyes, you're not seeing things!

Six of the top ten works on the May season's chart are from Xian Yu's concert!

After Blue Star initiated the merging tide, for the first time, one person has taken up six spots in the top ten of the season's chart!

The last time there was a situation where a composer monopolized the season's chart, we have to trace back seven years...

At that time, Blue Star hadn't started the merging process yet.

If the season's chart is compared to a battlefield, then Xian Yu staged the most inhumane massacre in May this year!

Just today.

He gave the entire music scene a case of ichthyophobia!

Perhaps some people would say that Xian Yu monopolizing the six elements of the season's chart is due to the heat addition of the concert, but no one can deny that this achievement is historical for Xian Yu and even the entire music scene!

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The storm has finally arrived!

The ranking of the season's chart is out!

Xian Yu alone occupies six spots in the top ten!

On the May season's chart.

All musicians have despaired.

Just as expected.

No suspense.

No overturn.

Since his debut, Xian Yu has for the first time achieved a real chart sweep!

In the top ten, he monopolized six by himself!

For the music scene, the season's chart is like a cake supplied in a limited amount every month.

Someone had divided it into ten uneven pieces.

Usually, it was a cake shared equally among all.

Even if you didn't get a big chunk, you could still smear some cream on the corner of your mouth.

But this month, Admirable Fish transformed into a glutton, consuming six pieces all by himself!

Leaving less than half for everyone else!

Isn't he afraid of overstuffing himself?

Of course, he isn't.

Because this time, it's a full-scale attack by the Yu Dynasty!

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In reality,

It's not just any "major entertainment event".

That day,

Almost all major entertainment programs were discussing the season's chart:

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"Admirable Fish single-handedly takes six songs in the Top 10 of the Season's Chart, but he didn't choose to perform them himself. Instead, he let the singers of the Yu Dynasty perform these songs. Apart from Wei Haoyun, whose style does not match with these songs, everyone else including Jiang Kui, Sun Yao Huo, Chen Zhiyu, Zhao Ying Ge, and Xia Fan got their own works.

This might be the first step of the Yu Dynasty towards conquering the music scene."

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"The performer of the championship track "To Alice" is the talented young pianist Gu Xi. This isn't the first time she has collaborated with Admirable Fish. Gu Xi performed all of his past piano scores. The difference this time is that all the arrangement parts for the other singers in the Yu Dynasty were also completed by Gu Xi.

Some people believe that this beautiful young pianist who has already made it to the top art stage could potentially be the seventh member of the Yu Dynasty."

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"Admirable Fish didn't choose to perform the official version of these songs himself, because he doesn't need to. The career bonus from singing these songs would not make a significant difference. His focus now is to help the singers of the Yu Dynasty grow faster.

Jiang Kui, who got the song "Lemon" by Chu Language, has made noticeable progress and is one step closer to becoming the Queen of Singing."

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"After getting the Qi Language version of "Exaggeration," Sun Yaohuo's popularity continues to soar. He is steadily progressing towards becoming the King of Singing. If Sun Yaohuo and Jiang Kui manage to clinch the title of King and Queen of Singing, Admirable Fish will undoubtedly become the youngest Maestro in Blue Star's history.

But we have an even scarier guess: Admirable Fish is aiming for twelve consecutive wins!"

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"From January to May, Admirable Fish has constantly made moves and already secured five consecutive wins on the Season's Chart. This month, he further claimed six spots among the top ten. Does this mean Teacher Admirable Fish is trying to become a Maestro by getting twelve consecutive wins?

I know this idea is surprising, but after experiencing this crazy concert, do you really think Admirable Fish would be content with becoming a Maestro in the simplest way?"

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In fact, last month people were guessing:

Admirable Fish is trying to secure the position of Maestro on Blue Star with twelve consecutive wins!

Because this idea is too incredible, everyone thought they might be overthinking.

But now...

Admirable Fish has already secured five consecutive wins on the Season's Chart!

This month, he dominated the Season's Chart!

Under such circumstances, the idea that Admirable Fish is aiming for twelve consecutive wins has grown like wild weed in people's minds!

More and more people have started to believe:

Admirable Fish is indeed striving towards this goal!

The media have also been continuously discussing this speculation!

Even the netizens are increasingly aligning their voices with Admirable Fish aiming for twelve consecutive wins!

Then in the midst of numerous discussions and guesswork,

Admirable Fish suddenly posted a status on the Tribe:

"Just reached the fifth stage..."

Suddenly!

All netizens were taken aback!

The few words of Admirable Fish's status declaration was no different to announcing to everyone that:

He truly intends to become a Maestro through twelve consecutive wins!

He is really...

Playing it this way!

Guessing is one thing, while acknowledgment from the person involved is another.

After all, guesswork always involves some uncertainty,

Just like a meteor streaking across outer space.

No one knows whether this meteor will land, even though its trajectory already indicates a lot -

And now!

The meteor has landed!

Boom, it's exploded!

Chapter 673: Zhong Continent

"Only made it to the fifth round, not bad, huh?"

"Bros, 'only' is the key word here!"

"Fish Papa is so domineering! In the current era of the fusion of the five continents Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han, the difficulty of a twelve-time champion is absolutely unprecedented!"

"If he can pull this off, it will be even crazier than holding six of the top ten spots in the seasonal rankings!"

"I knew Fish Papa was fighting hard this year. If he already has five consecutive championships, can the sixth one be far behind?"

"There are definitely big shots gunning for him in the rounds to come!"

"It's always been Fish Papa shooting others down. How many dare to take a shot at Fish Papa?"

"Only if Yang Zhongming or a few from the Zhong Continent make a move!"

"Damn Father Yang. He must've ended Admirable Fish's third consecutive win, and now this has provoked Fish, who's seeking revenge on the music industry with a twelve-time championship!"

"Hahaha, Yang Zhongming is the biggest villain in the music industry!"

"..."

The twelve-time championship has always been the most difficult path to becoming a Maestro.

And in the era of the fusion surge of Blue Star, the difficulty of a twelve-time championship is hellish!

Some people in the music industry even believe that the rule of achieving the Maestro title through twelve-time championship has been abandoned.

Because now there are too many continents merging!

It's almost impossible for anyone to achieve a twelve-time championship!

Yet, Admirable Fish wants to take this path!

This is utterly against all odds!

All this has led to a massive eruption across the net!

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Even some Maestros have been provoked!

"Has he gone mad?"

"Seeking a twelve-time championship in the context of the fusion of the five continents?"

"I thought the twelve-time championship was a thing of the past!"

"Even Yang Zhongming can't achieve a twelve-time championship now, can he?"

"With his talent, isn't it easy to push Sun Yaohuo and Jiang Kui to be the King and Queen of Singing?"

"Why does he have to challenge something of a hellish difficulty?"

"Who the hell said that Admirable Fish was the most modest among the Three Bros, I think he's crazier than Chu Kuang!"

"Is the end of modesty self-conceit?"

"It's always said that Admirable Fish is the top of the young generation, so is this what they call 'youthful audacity'?"

"Does he know how many people are going to try to take him down for making such a statement?"

"Becoming a Maestro through the twelve-time championship is something that even many top Maestros don't want to see."

"..."

Shocking as it is.

All the truly calm Maestros know how difficult it is for Admirable Fish to take this path - it's almost impossible!

There will definitely be Maestros at the level of Yang Zhongming who will take aim at him!

Why?

Because some top Maestros haven't made it through twelve seasons!

Let alone in the context of the fusion of the five continents ...

What makes you think you can, Admirable Fish?

Do you think you are stronger than the top Maestros of Blue Star?

If you really do pull this off, where would those top Maestros put their faces?

Not every Maestro is as good to Admirable Fish as Yang Zhongming is.

Some Maestros will not allow Admirable Fish to successfully pass through the seasonal charts!

Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, there might not be many people who can stop Admirable Fish.

But.

Who can guarantee that the people from Zhong Continent won't make a move?

Remember.

The Zhong Continent, being the absolute core of Blue Star, many top-notch figures in various fields are studying there.

Those people are the team from Zhong Continent!

Similar to the national team on Earth!

Any one of the top big shots they pick from within is an entity standing at the apex of the pyramid!

Predictably.

Those people will hear the wind soon.

Many Maestros from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han tremble inwardly.

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Starlight.

Yang Zhongming laughs out loud, his eyes even showing a hint of madness: "I did not choose the wrong man."

Zheng Jing gasps: "Not only does he want to break Lu Sheng's record of being Blue Star's youngest Maestro, but he also wants to reach the top through twelve consecutive championships just like Lu Sheng?"

Yang Zhongming says solemnly: "Lu Sheng was far behind him at this age."

Zheng Jing takes a breath to steady herself, then laughs: "Lu Sheng had your guidance after all."

Only a few people in the music industry know:

Lu Sheng, the youngest Maestro in the history of Blue Star's music, was half a student of Yang Zhongming before he became a Maestro.

"But his biggest opponent is not Lu Sheng."

The gaze of Yang Zhongming slightly tightens, looking eastward.

That's the direction of the Zhong Continent.

Zheng Jing raises an eyebrow: "Zhong Continent will definitely make a move, but probably not now. Otherwise, those old guys will lose face. After all, it wouldn't look good for a bunch of old farts to bully a junior."

Yang Zhongming speaks: "What if those top figures of Zhong Continent make a move?"

Zheng Jing hesitates for a moment: "That's unlikely. Haven't they been into symphony music these past few years? They've long lost interest in the seasonal charts. I'm worried about a few guys who play piano music..."

"Xian Yu's piano music is impressive."

Yang Zhongming sneered, "It would be interesting if he manages to make Zhong Continent fall flat on its face."

Zheng Jing: "..."

Could the team from Zhong Continent be defeated by Xian Yu?

Is that possible?

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Han Continent.

An airport.

In front of a white piano.

A man enraptured in his performance.

The piece he's playing is indeed "To Alice".

As the final note fell, the man opened his eyes.

Behind him.

Passengers waiting at the airport all applauded!



A man in a suit came forward, only to be stopped by security.

The man in a suit respectfully said: "Hello, teacher. I would like to have a photo...no, I mean an autograph if possible..."

"Sure."

The man at the piano stood up, autographed the book presented to him:

Lu Sheng!

The man in the suit excitedly said, "Thank you, Mr. Lu Sheng! I'm your idol...no, I mean your fan!"

"You're welcome."

Lu Sheng smiled, "I need to board my flight now."

The man in a suit hastily moved aside.

Then, the crowd of passengers curiously stared at Lu Sheng:

"So, this is Blue Star's youngest Maestro?"

"His piano skills are incredible!"

"Did he compose that piece just now?"

"It's so nice to listen to!"

"No, that piece is called 'To Alice', and it's a work by Xian Yu."

"Lu Sheng is playing Xian Yu's piece?"

"Isn't Xian Yu trying to challenge Lu Sheng's record with a twelve-win streak?"

"..."

The hustle and bustle of conversation reached Lu Sheng's ears.

Lu Sheng smiled slightly as he entered the boarding gate.

Next to him.

His assistant followed, matching his pace: "Mr. Lu Sheng, don't you feel like you've been challenged?"

"Records are meant to be broken."

Lu Sheng laughed: "I'm not like those arrogant folks from Zhong Continent. When I was pursuing the twelve-win streak, they specifically brought in a formidable veteran to target me. Fortunately, I am invincible."

Assistant: "..."

Isn't this even more arrogant?

Lu Sheng continued: "Times have changed. Today's twelve-win streak is worth much more than it was in my time. Zhong Continent doesn't even have to take a shot, Xian Yu will have enough trouble. I'm starting to get the itch too."

"You want to intervene?"

"Let's first see how Zhong Continent reacts."

Lu Sheng raised an eyebrow: "If Xian Yu wants to become the Maestro, no one is stopping him. But to do it with a twelve-win streak, that might hit a nerve for some people... Let's go to Qin Continent first, have a few drinks with 'Master', and enjoy the show."

...

News of Xian Yu's attempt to secure the twelve-win streak spread rapidly like the wind across Qin, Qi, Chu, and Yan.

Of course, the Yu Dynasty also heard the news.

"I never thought Teacher Xian Yu would go that far..."

Zhao Ying Ge's eyes gleamed with admiration!

Sun Yaohuo puffed out his chest: "Our junior is destined to succeed!"

Jiang Kui earnestly said: "If we get the chance to fight for Teacher Admirable Fish, we must give our all!"

Chen Zhiyu nodded: "Whether he succeeds or not, we in the Yu Dynasty are committed supporters of Teacher Xian Yu!"

"But I heard, Zhong Continent might try something..."

Xia Fan looked a bit worried. Zhong Continent is the artistic hub of Blue Star, and the people there are not easy to deal with.

Qin Continent is the Land of Music, yes.

But most of the top musicians who gave Qin Continent its name now reside in Zhong Continent.

Wei Haoyun exclaimed: "Teacher Xian Yu is best at creating miracles!"

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Regular netizens just saw Xian Yu's determination to challenge the twelve-win streak.

But the music industry obviously sees more.

Only those in the circle know just how challenging it is for Xian Yu to aim for the twelve-win streak!

This has become a contentious battle for honor within the circle!

If Xian Yu really succeeds, the glory of winning a twelve-win streak after the unification of the five continents would be too dazzling.

Dazzling to the point where some people may find it glare to their eyes!

At this moment.

Inside Zhong Continent, the place that many fear.

In a small circle, a musician suddenly said with a playful smirk:

"Cheng Sang, the cherry blossoms are blooming in our hometown. Aren't you going back to take a look...?"

Chapter 674: Unique Rank

This day is bound to be anything but quiet!

The uproar caused by the concert broadcast, coupled with Xian Yu's public declaration to challenge for twelve consecutive wins, swept across insiders and outsiders alike like a hurricane. The higher-ups of Starlight were left dumbfounded one after another!

"Are you serious?"

Ol' Zhou immediately sought out Lin Yuan: "I mean, about the twelve consecutive wins..."

Lin Yuan nodded.

Ol' Zhou was somewhat speechless.

Did this kid really understand the situation?

It took Ol' Zhou a while to speak up, "The company will definitely support your decision, but in fact, there isn't much the company can do in such a situation. In the end, you have to fight your own battles, especially when someone from the Zhong Continent makes a move."

"Zhong Continent?"

Lin Yuan was taken aback: "Isn't Zhong Continent not yet included in the merger?"

The kid really didn't get the real picture.

Ol' Zhou sighed: "Aren't you wondering why Zhong Continent, which hasn't been included in the merger, can participate in the season rankings among Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han continents?"

Lin Yuan nodded.

Old Zhou didn't rush to explain but instead turned on the office projector first.

The next moment:

The map of Blue Star appeared on the projector screen.

Ol' Zhou pointed at the map and said: "There are eight continents in Blue Star. Apart from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, Zhao, Wei, there is also a Zhong Continent."

Lin Yuan said: "I know that."

Ol' Zhou looked complicated: "It's hard to tell which continent among the Qian, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, and Zhao is stronger. It can only be said that each continent has its own dominant fields, such as Qin Continent's music, Chu Continent's animation, Qi Continent's film, and so on..."

"I know that."

"No, you don't. Under the premise of these statements, do you just assume that our Qin Continent has the strongest music, Qi Continent the best films, and as for Chu Continent..."

"Is it not?"

"Yes, and no."

"..."

Seeing Lin Yuan's confusion, Ol' Zhou chuckled, "These sayings are actually built on the premise that Zhong Continent is excluded from the equation, because Zhong Continent is a league of its own in every sense!"

Lin Yuan was surprised: "Zhong Continent's music is more powerful than Qin's?"

Ol' Zhou raised his voice: "Zhong Continent's music is more powerful than Qin's, Zhong Continent's films are also stronger than those from Qi continent. In other words, Zhong Continent dominates in every art field in Blue Star!"

Lin Yuan nodded vaguely: "So, everyone doesn't want to compete with Zhong Continent?"

Ol' Zhou couldn't help but laugh: "Your way of describing it is quite fresh. Indeed, everybody doesn't like to compete with Zhong Continent. That's why most Blue Star rankings don't include Zhong Continent.

But this is not only because Zhong Continent overpowers the other seven continents in overall strength, but also because the residents of Zhong Continent are mostly migrants from the seven

other continents. How do you think Zhong Continent became so strong? It's all due to the talent supplied by the seven continents over the years!"

Lin Yuan blinked.

He roughly understood the situation of Zhong Continent now.

Ol' Zhou looked at the map of Zhong Continent: "The highest government of Blue Star is located in Zhong Continent, where Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, Zhao, and Wei are divided and ruled. The higher-ups have to worry that one day the seven continents will slip out of control. Hence, they promulgated the Zhong Continent Talent Introduction Act.

The top talents from each field of each continent would be requested to move to Zhong Continent. These top talents are transformed into Zhong Continent people after switching continents. With the resources from the seven continents contributed over the years, Zhong Continent has evolved into the strongest continent in Blue Star.

Of course, we have to concede that even without the consistent supply of top talents from the seven continents over the years, Zhong Continent, as the power center of Blue Star, naturally possesses a dominance that is unmatched by other continents. This is the additional advantage of being the power center of Blue Star."

Lin Yuan thoroughly understood Ol' Zhou's point.

Zhong Continent was originally the strongest region in Blue Star.

And with the resource tilt from the highest government over the years, along with the grand seven-continents talent introduction plan, Zhong Continent underwent a transformation and qualitative change in power!

No wonder everyone didn't include Zhong Continent...

Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, Zhao, Wei are all on one level.

And Zhong Continent is in a league of its own.

Old Zhou shrugged: "However, since the merger of Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Zhao and Wei started, the talent introduction plan paused. After all, compared to talent introduction, it seems more convenient to manage everybody when they're all together. But the power of Zhong Continent has already been established..."

At root, it's still a political factor.

Lin Yuan summarized: "So, some people from Zhong Continent can participate in the competition for the season rankings because some of them originally come from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, and Zhao..."

"Dual Citizenship!"

Ol' Zhou laughed: "It's very difficult to change your continent citizenship, and it's even more difficult to gain dual citizenship. This is also one of the perks that Zhong Continent initially offered to win the hearts of the talents. So in Zhong Continent, only half of the residents are native Middle State people.

The remaining half consists of high-end talents from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, and Zhao and their descendants. It's a mix of people, and these talents, if they have dual citizenship and their first place of origin is one of the five continents of Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, or Han, can participate in the competition for the season ranks and aim for your twelve consecutive wins. Do you understand now?"

"I see..."

Lin Yuan paused: "But why would they want to target me?"

Ol' Zhou: "..."

Does this kind of thing need to be asked?

Okay then.



This kind of question is indeed Xian Yu-style.

He could only continue: "Some people, because they have not managed to achieve something themselves, do not want others to achieve it either, for instance, twelve consecutive wins."

Lin Yuan furrowed his brows.

This reason seemed a little far-fetched to Lin Yuan.

But upon careful thinking, it seems very persuasive.

"If you want to challenge for the twelve consecutive wins, it is essential to study your competitors in advance. The company is helping you to filter out the potential competitors. These people must simultaneously meet the conditions of having dual citizenship and being born in one of the five continents: Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, or Han.

Fortunately, there shouldn't be a significant number of people who meet these conditions. Moreover, most of the maestros from Qin Continent who have gone out won't make a move, after all, you are a Qin person..."

Old Zhou grinned.

Regional rivalry exists everywhere.

Even in Zhong Continent.

The talents introduced from Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, and Han continents by the policy of the Zhong Continent all tend to stick together.

In this situation, the Qin people from Zhong Continent, no matter how many ideas they have, will restrain their impulse to make a move.

After all...

Xian Yu is a Qin person.

A genius emerged from Qin's people.

Even if they've lived in Zhong Continent for a long time and practically become Zhong Continent people, the top talents from Qin Continent wouldn't forget their roots in Qin.

The Blue Star people have deep hometown sentiments.

After explaining a few more things about Zhong Continent to Lin Yuan, Ol' Zhou left.

Half an hour later.

Ol' Zhou sent Lin Yuan a list: "These are the maestros from Zhong Continent who might make a move against you..."

Lin Yuan didn't respond and casually threw the list into an idle folder.

The only competitor that Lin Yuan has ever seriously studied was Yang Zhongming.

After all, Yang Zhongming is Lin Yuan's half mentor.

He respects him deeply.

As for the attack from Zhong Continent, it's not a question of respect or disrespect.

Most of the time—

Lin Yuan isn't in the habit of studying his opponents.

Chapter 675, Future Challenges

"System, System..."

Although Lin Yuan did not persistently research his opponent, there was still a question in his mind that he decided to ask the System for clarification.

"Ding dong, what's up?"

"You mentioned last time the Maestro rankings, is Teacher Yang Zhongming within the top three?"

"Yes."

"Nothing else."

"Would you like to customize a ranking list? The most authentic, most professional ranking, exclusively from Blue Star!"

"No."

"..."

The System giving up.

Lin Yuan confirmed his guess.

It's true that Zhong Continent's leading talents are incredible, but they don't own all the world's heroes.

At least Yang Zhongming never went to Zhong Continent.

Although Lin Yuan didn't know the specific reason why Yang Zhongming didn't go to Zhong Continent, it at least indicated that among the Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, Zhao, and Wei continents, there were still some low-key top bosses.

Lin Yuan thoughtfully.

He had a long chat with Ol' Zhou.

According to Ol' Zhou, Zhong Continent will not make their move for the time being.

At least, they don't need to worry about any targeted attacks from Zhong Continent in June or even July.

Because most of Zhong Continent's maestros are elder predecessors.

Among these elder maestros, at most one or two will take turns to target Lin Yuan.

If they all take turns to launch attacks, it would be too obvious.

The scene would be too unpleasant.

Some Qin people from Zhong Continent would also likely refuse to agree with this.

But Lin Yuan could not count on Zhong Continent holding back. To forge iron, one must make themselves strong.

He had to prepare well.

Now for sure, there will battlefield's attacks coming from Zhong Continent at the War of the Gods this year.

"By the way."

It suddenly occurred to Lin Yuan:

Since Zhong Continent has gathered top talents from various fields, doesn't it mean that his other pseudonyms will also face various challenges from Zhong Continent in the future?

Like the manga from Shadow.

There must be top Chu Continent manga artists who have been attracted to Zhong Continent.

And the novels by Chu Kuang again.

There must be powerful characters in Zhong Continent can rival Chu Kuang.

Lin Yuan dare not underestimate the artistic development of Blue Star, especially in the field of novels, which occupies a large part of the art category.

Luckily, he still has some cards up his sleeve for the Chu Kuang pseudonym.

The countless years of development in Earth's artistic field were not in vain.

There are still many classic novels that he hasn't released yet.

Moreover...

It should be a few years before Zhong Continent joins the merger.

Next, it should be Zhao Continent and Wei Continent joining in order.

Zhong Continent would be the last.

Most likely, this is what they are considering.

After all, for the Qin, Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, Zhao, and Wei, Zhong Continent is an insurmountable mountain.

Once Zhong Continent joined the merger in the future, it would easily form a dimensional reduction effect, causing the cultures of the various continents to disintegrate.

After all, not everyone is like Lin Yuan who has the System.

Without the System, I'm afraid all the seven continents combined may not even be able to face Zhong Continent.

Never mind.

No need to think about this for now.

Lin Yuan once again called out the System.

He was going to dive into his precious Earth music library.

It's a musical conflict now.

If he doesn't win this twelve-match streak, Lin Yuan will be depressed to death.

He had already reached the fifth stage, how could he fail at the last moment.

System: "..."

While Lin Yuan was diving into the library of music, the outside world was still buzzing with excitement.

Not only was there his twelve-match streak, but also the follow-up triggered by the concert.

Especially The Moonwalk!

This should have been expected by all the audience at the concert:

The Moonwalk became popular!

...

How popular was The Moonwalk?

The most intuitive manifestation was that all the current topics discussed by dance lovers were "The Moonwalk"!

Countless dancers were studying the Moonwalk video from Xian Yu's concert over and over again.

Learning!

Imitating!

They didn't just imitate Xian Yu's dance, they even imitated his clothing.

A white shirt, black pants, white socks, black leather shoes.

And the ceremonial white gloves.

On the internet.

Many dancers uploaded imitation videos of themselves doing the Moonwalk.

However, after users watched these videos, they felt that something was wrong.

"I don't know why, but Fish Papa's dance feels better."

"Is it because Fish Papa was singing while dancing?"

"Not just that, but his dance was also more standard."

"I'm a dancer. When I first watched The Moonwalk, I felt very shocked, but at the same time, I felt that the dance was not too difficult, until I tried myself..."

"Did you fall?"

"He definitely did, the teachers in our dance club all said that this dance is very difficult."

"The Moonwalk makes extremely high demands on the strength, flexibility, and coordination of the performer's body. Even professional dancers find it difficult to master. I believe many imitators should have experienced slips and falls."

"Mainly, this dance requires the brain to operate in reverse."

"I really don't know how Xian Yu came up with such an amazing dance!"

"..."

Xian Yu was the one who created The Moonwalk!

This had been officially explained by Starlight and made known to the world.

As a result, people on the internet now referred to Xian Yu as "The creator of the Moonwalk"!

And in the following days.

With more and more people joining the imitation of the Moonwalk, the craze began to spread more widely.

In fact, they even created national fervor with The Moonwalk.

Even people who had absolutely no foundation in dance would try to walk according to the tutorial on the internet—

Just that their movements were somewhat comical.



There were also people who tried to decipher the principle of Xian Yu's 45-degree incline.

After repeated attempts had failed, everyone finally drew a conclusion:

"The 45-degree incline must have been accomplished with the help of props!"

Humans cannot defy the gravity of Blue Star.

However, even if they understood the principle, everyone was still amazed at Xian Yu's imagination.

You know.

The invention patent was registered for Michael Jackson's 45-degree tilt and those shoes he wore.

Some people even started their journey to dance because of The Moonwalk.

After this imitation craze lasted for several tens of days.

In the Blue Star Encyclopedia compiled by the Literature and Art Association, there was an extra line of introduction in Xian Yu's title:

"Dancer".

Before this, Xian Yu already held the titles of "Composer", "Playwright", "Lyricist", and "Singer".

It's worth mentioning:

The Blue Star Encyclopedia compiled by the Literature and Art Association is very standardized and professional.

It's not that you've done something and you can naturally get the corresponding title.

You must have received widespread recognition in that profession before the association will give such an introduction in the encyclopedia.

In such a situation, Xian Yu holding five titles alone was indeed astounding.

At this moment.

Lin Yuan finally selected a few works that he thought were formidable from the System.

The result.

Just as he arrived at the company, Sun Yaohuo brought Lin Yuan a piece of news:

"Junior brother, our game "Plants vs. Zombies" has been officially completed and is now undergoing review. According to your request, we have added the elements of The Moonwalk that you performed at the concert..."

Chapter 676: Free Shares

The game has started its review process?

Lin Yuan couldn't help but feel excited.

With the numerous challenges that he will face from the Zhong Continent in the future, Lin Yuan is determined to exchange for many classic works with the system, and all these require significant financial support. He really hopes that Plants vs. Zombies can bring in a substantial profit.

At this moment.

Ol' Zhou arrived.

After Gu Dong made a cup of tea for both of them, he left the office. Ol' Zhou took a gentle sip, then suddenly smiled at Lin Yuan, "The company's executive meeting passed a decision today..."

"Does it concern me?"

Lin Yuan knew that Ol' Zhou had the personality of not visiting without a reason. Whenever Ol' Zhou appeared in his office, there had to be some company matter, and it seemed that these issues were always communicated between Ol' Zhou and Lin Yuan.

"It matters a lot."

Ol' Zhou seriously looked at Lin Yuan, his eyes filled with a hint of admiration, then solemnly said, "The company has decided to upgrade your contract terms again. You will soon own ten percent of Starlight Entertainment's shares!"

"Shares?"

Lin Yuan was aghast.

Jin Mu had always discussed with Lin Yuan the possibility of buying equity in Starlight, even planning to negotiate with Starlight personally. Yet before the plan had even started to roll out, Starlight had already offered him shares, and astonishingly, it was directly ten percent - double what Silver Blue Books had given him under the pseudonym Chu Kuang!

"Yes!"

Ol' Zhou, "The company had long been considering this, but because the specific amount of shares hadn't been agreed on, it was dragged until today. A ten percent share is a ratio that all shareholders can accept..."

"What conditions?"

Lin Yuan, of course, knew that there was a deeper intention behind Starlight's arrangement. He wanted to see the conditions the company proposed first. If the conditions were too harsh, Lin Yuan wouldn't impulsively agree.

"There are no conditions."

Ol' Zhou said with a strange expression.

This time, Lin Yuan was not just surprised, he was somewhat shocked. Even when Silver Blue Books was trying to win over Chu Kuang, it still proposed a few conventional conditions. Starlight was offering him ten percent of its shares with no conditions attached?

You're giving them to me for free?

Ol' Zhou was watching Lin Yuan's reaction, feeling somewhat nostalgic. This was the first time he had seen Lin Yuan express shock, resembling the expressions of the company's senior executives when they learned of the chairman's resolution.

"What is your opinion?"

Lin Yuan suddenly asked.

Ol' Zhou was taken aback, before breaking into a light chuckle, a touch of warmth in his eyes. "I thought you'd agree without any hesitation. After all, you were the first to dare bring a calculator to a Music Department meeting to calculate royalties."

Lin Yuan stayed silent.

Ol' Zhou looked at Lin Yuan and said in an unusual tone, "I know you're asking for my personal opinion, not the opinion of a Starlight executive. But whether as a person or as an executive of Starlight, I suggest you accept. There is indeed no such thing as a free lunch in this world.

Even this unconditional offer of shares is actually a form of emotional entanglement, but it appears before you in the most gentle form, making it hard for anyone to feel resistant."

Lin Yuan didn't respond.

The company didn't say that once Lin Yuan took these shares, he would have to serve Starlight for life. But Lin Yuan knew that once he accepted these shares, he would never consider leaving. Otherwise, his conscience wouldn't let him.

"The company is gambling."

Ol' Zhou's voice dropped, "To be exact, it's the chairman who's gambling. He's betting that you won't leave or go solo without feeling a shred of guilt after taking ten percent of the company's shares."

"He won."

Lin Yuan suddenly laughed.

Ol' Zhou also started to chuckle, "That's probably why the chairman could lead Starlight to where it is today. I can't think of any other company leader who dares have such boldness to make such a decision. If you were to leave Starlight with ten percent of its shares, at most you would endure some condemnation of conscience. But for Starlight, that would be a debilitating loss."

...

Somewhere else.

Starlight's Chairman, Li Songhua, looked into the distance through the floor-to-ceiling windows of the eighteenth floor of Starlight Tower. A voice, laced with worry and tension, sounded from behind him, "Do you know how bold your decision today was?"

"Of course."

Li Songhua laughed, saying, "I admit that there's a gamble involved. This might be the boldest decision I ever made in my life, staking everything on so-called human nature. If I lose this gamble, all I'll lose is ten percent of the shares. But if I win, what I'll win will be Starlight's future.

You think Xian Yu is being faced with an unprecedented temptation, but the temptation facing me is much bigger. Ten percent of the shares is trivial compared to his influence!"

"What if you lose?"

"No one can win all the time. But if you think I'm gambling recklessly based on instinct, then you would be greatly mistaken. If you knew the terms those external companies have offered Xian Yu..."

"What terms?"

The voice from behind vibrated.

Li Songhua said, "So far, more than twenty entertainment companies of the same tier or even bigger than Starlight wish to poach Xian Yu. Their terms are even more tempting than what we offer Xian Yu, but he has always stayed. My ears haven't failed in hearing these things." Discover more stories at My Virtual Library Empire

"An emotional bond?"

"Why not think of this as an emotional investment? When you give yourself fully to someone, don't you hope that they'd treat you well in return? You can say that my actions have a purpose, but this purpose does not harm anyone. Whether it's indulging or pampering, as long as he is willing to stay at Starlight, I would dare to hand over the entire Starlight to him as a playground.

He possesses a value that makes me willing to give everything. Forget ten percent of the shares, even if I gave him twenty percent or more, what does it matter? You only see me giving away a bit of shares, but I see a future for Starlight that it wouldn't have without him."

"Your motives are not pure."

"I think my motives are pure to the point of being muddled. From now on, Starlight will follow one rule - if I can afford it, I'll give Xian Yu anything he wants, because what I want, only he can give me!"

"You still want to challenge Zhong Continent?"

"I've given up before, but then he appeared. He gave me hope. I've seen so many stormy years and countless so-called geniuses. Only he gives me a different feeling. Also, only he makes me feel that Zhong Continent is not invincible. Think about all these years, how many people managed to catch Zhong Continent's attention?"

"Is Zhong Continent paying him a lot of attention?"

"Recently, Zhong Continent has only been focusing on two people. One is the novelist Chu Kuang, and the other is right here in our company. I never thought that the phrase 'Xian Yu to the South, Chu Kuang to the North' would spread throughout Zhong Continent..."

Ding.

Li Songhua's cell phone rang. He glanced at it, and a smile spread across his face, "From now on, the direction of Xian Yu will be the direction of all of Starlight. I'll be responsible for steering."

"..."

Chapter 677: I've shown my cards, actually I am...

"Ten percent!"

In the comic studio, Jin Mu's voice rose to a shrill pitch due to excitement. He paced back and forth in the room, his mind full of exhilaration: "Is it for free!?"

Lin Yuan nodded.

He felt quite happy as well, but he was not the type to express his emotions overtly. The strong fluctuations in his heart didn't show on his face, but of course, this did not mean that Lin Yuan was as expressionless as Yin Dong: "Actually, there's an invisible condition."

"Condition?"

Jin Mu's mind gradually cooled down, he said gravely: "Starlight's generous offer is still fundamentally aimed at keeping you obediently in the company. But rather than binding you with a restrictive contract, they've chosen to negotiate business emotionally..."

Lin Yuan nodded.

After hearing the news, he too had seriously analyzed before understanding the reasons. That's why he had an intimate, private exchange with Ol' Zhou. Ol' Zhou didn't beat around the bush, he directly explained everything to him.

"Courage!"

Jin Mu exclaimed: "The decision-maker at Starlight is so courageous! A ten-percent stake may sound outrageous. But if this were ancient times, it would be seen as a life-indenture contract, especially for a boss. Accepting this stake is equivalent to a promise - a commitment to forever remain tied to Starlight.

They could have simply added a hard-and-fast rule in the share transfer agreement, such as, [After accepting these shares, Xian Yu must never leave Starlight or the shares will be revoked, along with a breach of contract penalty]. This highly attractive contract wouldn't seem outrageous then."

But Starlight didn't add it!

Surprisingly, in such an important matter, Starlight played a gentleman's agreement with Xian Yu. They seemed confident that with Xian Yu's character, once he accepted these shares, he would never leave Starlight. In principle, there is such an understanding -

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The decision maker at Starlight is ruthless!

High EQ: These shares are for you.

Low EQ: Sign this contract, exchange ten percent of the shares for your lifetime work for our company. You can never switch to another company until you retire!

Just one clause.

Makes all the difference.

Lin Yuan saw this, Ol' Zhou saw this, Jin Mu saw it, and the decision-maker at Starlight must have seen it too. There's no way such a high-level person would be a fool!

In fact...



After taking these shares, Lin Yuan indeed didn't consider the possibility of leaving Starlight. Lin Yuan couldn't bear to be ungrateful; from this perspective, Li Songhua had bet correctly.

It's inevitable.

Lin Yuan accepted it, because no matter how you look at it, Lin Yuan was the one taking advantage, and a huge one at that. It was an offer he simply couldn't refuse.

"Amazing!"

Jin Mu couldn't help but praise again and again. Because Jin Mu and his boss, Lin Yuan, had been together for a long time, he knew that once Lin Yuan accepted these shares, the possibility of him leaving Starlight would cease to exist.

A bold gamble!

The decision maker at Starlight won the gamble, and the reward is indeed vast. Because Lin Yuan's significance to Starlight is not just a promising genius composer, even Maestro Junior, but also because Lin Yuan is very good at making films, all the films scripted and invested in so far have made huge profits for Starlight!

Moreover...

What t Starlight absolutely does not know is that the boss also has two hidden identities that have not been revealed: Chu Kuang, a pseudonym in the Blue Star literary world no less illustrious than Xian Yu in the music industry; and Shadow, a genius comic artist from Blue Star!

That's good luck!

Starlight is so lucky!

In a sense, Jin Mu, who knows all of Lin Yuan's identities, stands from a god's perspective, seeing more than the decision maker at Starlight. Despite the limited vision, the other party was able to make such a decision, truly pulling out all the stops.

It's even a bit foolish.

They're too sentimental.

Winning over Lin Yuan is worth any price, but this approach is unheard of, no wonder Jin Mu was totally shocked: "I used to say that Starlight is not as good as Silver Blue Books, shouldn't they have proposed the shares earlier? It turns out they were waiting for a trump card."

Lin Yuan: "..."

His status had changed again. Now Lin Yuan was not only a shareholder of Silver Blue Books but also a shareholder of Starlight Entertainment. Whether in the literary world, the music industry or the entertainment industry, he now had more substantial capital. Perhaps this can provide a considerable help for him in his future fight against the Zhong Continent.

"Boss."

Jin Mu suddenly stated: "I think you should consider being a little more honest with the decision-maker at Starlight. Since they're willing to gamble this big, we could also play a bigger game with them. Reveal one of your pseudonyms, either Shadow or Chu Kuang. It could give Starlight a sense of security.

Of course, we don't need to reveal all, we should always keep something for ourselves, at least for now."

"Is that so."

Lin Yuan felt that Jin Mu made a lot of sense. One should reciprocate kindness shown to them. Moreover, revealing one of his two identities could help Starlight. After all, both Shadow and Chu Kuang could be linked to films and animation, and films are exactly what Starlight has been focusing on in recent years. Their film business is already showing signs of overtaking the music business.

The most important thing is:

Lin Yuan is now a shareholder of Starlight, so of course, he must create value for Starlight. This value will directly contribute to ten percent of Lin Yuan's revenue. This is the natural advantage of being a shareholder.

Anways.

From now on, all copyrights of works from Shadow and Chu Kuang will be given priority to Silver Blue Books and Starlight. These two sides might even be partners, and this would require Lin Yuan's mediation. He could leave the operation to Jin Mu.

Thinking about this,

Lin Yuan took out his phone, made a call to Ol' Zhou but didn't state his purpose: "I want to meet the chairman, could Uncle Zhou arrange it?"

"Uncle Zhou?"

"New name."

"I like it."

Ol' Zhou's laughter came from the other end of the phone, and he agreed to arrange the meeting without asking Lin Yuan the purpose behind it.

Three minutes later.

Lin Yuan received a message, the chairman had agreed to meet at the company office. Lin Yuan told JinMu: "In accordance with your suggestion, I'm going to the company to reveal a card."

"Which card?"

"Still uncertain."

Both the identities of Shadow and Chu Kuang are crucial, Lin Yuan also wanted to know which card Starlight needed more. But Lin Yuan always felt that it would be better to play the "Chu Kuang" card first, because the Shadow...

Ugh.

Forget it.

Speaking more about it will only cause heartache.

Chapter 678 Chairman Goes Mad

"Starlight.

Chairman's office.

Lin Yuan knocked on the door.

A slightly heavy voice came from inside:

"Come in."

Lin Yuan pushed the door and entered.

On the sofa beside the office sat a man of medium stature. This man was Li Songhua, the chairman of Starlight.

Li Songhua was slightly older than Ol' Zhou, of medium stature. He had a neat black beard on his lower jaw, and his gaze seemed peaceful and elegant yet somehow conveyed an aura of restrained power.

"Hello, Chairman."

Lin Yuan greeted him politely.

"Take it easy, have a seat."

Li Songhua said with courtesy, "I heard you like tea..."

As he spoke, the Chairman of Starlight had already poured cups of tea for both Lin Yuan and himself:

"Want to try?"

"Sure."

In the calming aroma of the tea, Lin Yuan took his seat across from Li Songhua, and gently took a sip of the tea; the temperature was just right.

"Is it good?"

"It's fine."

"..."

A moment of silence filled the air.

They continued drinking tea.

After one cup of tea, Li Songhua spoke again:

"Actually, even if you hadn't sought me out, I would have wanted to talk to you—I heard you have accepted the company shares, have you considered participating in the board meetings in the future?"

"Can I send someone to attend on my behalf?"

"Other people might not be able to, but for you, it's possible."

"Thank you."

"There's no need to be formal. Treat Starlight as your own home; if you want to take your dog for a walk at the company, then take your dog for a walk, if you want to play hooky to go out and play, go ahead. We treat talents preferentially and believe in human-centric management."

Lin Yuan nodded.

Li Songhua, seemingly already familiar with Xian Yu's taciturn nature, didn't mind:

"If you have any future suggestions regarding the company's direction, you can voice them through the board meetings or communicate directly with me face-to-face."

"Alright."

"Did you come here today to talk to me about something?"

"Yes."

"Do you know Chu Kuang?" asked Lin Yuan.

Li Songhua chuckled, "Xian Yu in the South, Chu Kuang in the North; he's a figure as renowned as yourself. Of course, I know him. I know that both of you have quite the relationship. The acquisition of Journey to the West series was due to the relationship between you two. Why are you bringing up Chu Kuang suddenly?"

Lin Yuan didn't immediately answer.

He was originally planning to reveal his identity as 'Shadow', but for Starlight, Chu Kuang's importance was evidently much higher.

That's because Chu Kuang's copyrighted works were much needed by the company.

After all, Starlight Entertainment was now developing towards the film and television industry.

Li Songhua didn't rush him.

He changed to a pot of hot water and continued pouring tea for Lin Yuan. His technique was much more professional than Ol' Zhou's.

"I am Chu Kuang."

Watching Li Songhua carefully pour the tea, Lin Yuan suddenly spoke.

Flow, flow, flow.

The tea flowed from the pot into the cup.

Except for the flowing tea, the entire scene seemed frozen.

Li Songhua's hand froze in mid-air, his face filled with confusion.

In the soft patter,

the tea, hanging in mid-air, had filled the cup and started to overflow widely.

The green tea spilled, wetting the entire table and swiftly spreading to the edges.

A mist rose between Lin Yuan and Li Songhua.

"Ah!"

Li Songhua came to his senses and quickly put down the teapot.

Lin Yuan quickly moved his legs aside and took out a napkin to dry the water on the table.

The frozen scene began to liven up again.

Nobody said a word.

It was not until the table was cleaned that Li Songhua, his voice trembling slightly, asked again:

"What did you just say...I didn't hear it clearly."

"I am Chu Kuang."

Lin Yuan repeated his statement.

In the end, he chose to play the Chu Kuang card.

As Lin Yuan knew, compared to Shadow, Chu Kuang would definitely have more intersections with Starlight in the future.

Whoosh.

The scene froze once again.

Following this, Li Songhua stood up from his seat.

Lin Yuan looked up at Li Songhua.

Their eyes met, and then Li Songhua suddenly moved as though he was having a fit: "My legs are starting to feel numb from sitting too long."

"Mmm."

Lin Yuan picked up the teapot and poured a cup for Li Songhua as well.



"You're Chu Kuang?"

Li Songhua watched Lin Yuan's movements. His lips twitched as he asked.

"Yes."

"Aren't you Xian Yu?"

"Is there any conflict between the two?"

"..."

With a thump,

Li Songhua sank back in his chair, his face filled with life's doubts.

He really wanted to appear calm but it seemed like he failed...

Li Songhua put his cards on the table.

He no longer hid his shock.

Between panting breaths, Li Songhua continued to stare directly at Lin Yuan, his eyes filled with a burning intensity!

"Can you keep a secret?"

"Of course, but why would you tell me?"

"Do me a favor, I'll do you one."

Lin Yuan did not provide any elaborate explanation, just a simple sentence.

He had thought deeply about it, and only revealing this news to the chairman would benefit him more than harm him.

"..."

Quid pro quo?

Li Songhua, for a moment, did not know how to react.

He only felt an instinctive tremble in his soul!

Xian Yu is Chu Kuang!!!

This news hit him like a thunderbolt, completely dumbfounding the worldly Li Songhua!

After the dumbfounding.

Li Songhua was ecstatic, excitement swept through every cell of his body!

The Lin Yuan before him, seemed to be not just a person, but a shining gold mine!

To win over Xian Yu, he had given up ten percent of the company's shares!

Regardless of how bold he was, Li Songhua inevitably felt some pain!

But at this moment!

Li Songhua had no regrets at all!

A freak circumstance, ten percent of the shares, what he, Li Songhua had gained for Starlight Entertainment was not just Xian Yu, but also Chu Kuang!

Xian Yu in the south, Chu Kuang in the north...

The two talents that Zhong Continent feared the most were actually the same person, and now, they belonged to Starlight!

If this news were to leak out, it would probably set the whole of Blue Star abuzz!

At this moment.

Yet today, Li Songhua had to bear this excitement alone, no wonder he was so out of sorts!

Whether Lin Yuan was Xian Yu or Chu Kuang, Li Songhua's regard for him was unprecedented!

Now that the talents of these two fields were actually the same person, Li Songhua's opinion of Lin Yuan was far more than just simple regard!

Yes.

At this moment, Lin Yuan's importance in Li Songhua's heart had surpassed everything else!

In the future, Starlight could lose anyone!

But Lin Yuan, he had to cling to tightly!

Joy!

Fear!

These two completely different emotions emerged from the bottom of Li Songhua's heart.

He was delighted that his desperate gamble won Xian Yu's heart!

He was also afraid because...

If it hadn't been for this gamble, Starlight might not have captured Xian Yu's heart!

Neither would they have let Xian Yu admit to his suppressed terrifying identity!

Li Songhua was not in doubt.

There was no need to doubt such a thing either.

An easily debunked lie was meaningless, Xian Yu had no reason to lie about this.

Perhaps, his unreachable dream now has a chance to come true.

Xian Yu plus Chu Kuang, in some sense, resemble an unbeatable humanoid nuclear bomb!

"It was only upon tasting the second cup that I realized this tea tastes pretty good."

Lin Yuan did not observe Li Songhua's reaction, instead he picked up the second cup of tea and started drinking. He then made a remark. Read exclusive adventures at [My Virtual Library Empire](#)

After finishing the tea.

Lin Yuan saw Li Songhua digging out a bunch of different tea leaves from various boxes and piling them on the office desk:

"It's all yours!"

"Is this okay?"

"No worries, the company has preferential treatments for talents, besides, I'm not interested in tea leaves!"

"..."

A few minutes later, Lin Yuan carried a bunch of tea leaves back to his own office.

On the side.

Several executives who were looking for Li Songhua saw Lin Yuan come out of the chairman's office carrying a bunch of tea leaves. They nodded to each other in acknowledgment as they passed by.

Once Lin Yuan was gone, the executives' gazes became curious.

"That's Xian Yu, right?"

"Why did he take so many tea leaves?"

"Was the chairman robbed?"

"Doesn't the chairman treasure tea more than life itself?"

"It seems even the chairman's treasured collection was taken by him?"

"Did he steal it?"

"Isn't the chairman in the office?"

"If he was, wouldn't the chairman have a heart attack?"

"..."

Several executives were freeze-framed as they walked into Li Songhua's office.

Only to see Li Songhua in his office doing the moonwalk...

Did he go crazy?

Because all his tea had been robbed by Xian Yu?

"Chairman?"

An executive hesitantly spoke up.

Li Songhua paused, cleared his throat and said mysteriously "Forget everything you just saw."

"Alright..."

Several executives swallowed at the same time "Just now Xian Yu..."

"Oh, he likes drinking tea, so I gave him the tea leaves, Ol' Wang."

"Huh."

An executive replied.

Li Songhua continued: "I remember you have a limited edition tea that you have been hoarding. Send it to Xian Yu later."

Ol' Wang: ???

The chairman really is crazy!

Chapter 679 Xian Yu Robbed the Chairman

"Xian Yu robbed the chairman!"

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The next day.

This news spread like wildfire throughout every department in Starlight Entertainment, becoming the most popular gossip!

Many employees who had just clocked in were dumbfounded by the news.

Xian Yu robbed the chairman?

What was happening?

Only when more rumors began to circulate, did the "truth" gradually emerge:

"I personally saw Xian Yu come out of the chairman's office yesterday afternoon carrying countless tea leaves. He had to ask Aunt Zhang, the cleaner, to help him because there were too many tea leaves he took from the chairman's office!"

"Some of those teas were the chairman's personal collection!"

"Everyone in the company knows the chairman loves tea. Even the senior executives can't get a few good teas from him, but Xian Yu managed to empty out his tea collection in one go!"

"So what was the chairman's reaction?"

"The chairman almost went crazy. Those who passed by the 18th floor before leaving work yesterday couldn't ignore the loud noise from the chairman's office. He must have been smashing things up in there!"

"I bet he even flipped the table!"

"How dare Xian Yu be so insolent?"

"The chairman must be furious but can't say anything!"

"After all, the company's music and film departments are dependent on Xian Yu's performance. The company accepted Xian Yu's big spending on drama production. Now Xian Yu has been thoroughly spoiled by the chairman, even daring to steal things right to his face."

"..."

The rumors were as sturdy as a wall.

The employees of Starlight have imagined what happened yesterday in the company:

Xian Yu hinted to the chairman that he wanted to drink tea, the chairman reluctantly pulled out the tea leaves, but Xian Yu was insatiable, packing all the tea leaves to take away...

How tragic!

The chairman really had no one to rely on anymore.

Being bullied by subordinates like this.

These rumors are actually related to the filming of Journey to the West.

Last time, Xian Yu was determined to make Journey to the West the costliest drama production in Blue Star's history.

Back then, senior executives took turns trying to persuade him.

In the end, the chairman stepped in personally.

But no one managed to succeed, the chairman even added a bit of investment after meeting with Xian Yu.



That was when everyone realized how humble senior executives in the company were in front of Xian Yu.

They couldn't even voice their opinions.

This time the chairman's precious tea collection was completely taken away, putting him in an even more embarrassing situation.

"The chairman is sure to take action soon. Xian Yu has become too powerful, completely disregarding the executives. If this continues, it will foster Xian Yu's arrogance."

While lamenting Xian Yu's high status.

Company veterans made confident analyses.

Other employees agreed.

No matter how powerful Xian Yu is, there's no reason for the chairman to keep backing down.

Clearly, the chairman is furious this time.

Many people heard the loud noises from the chairman's office yesterday. It wasn't just some fabricated story.

Starlight's Crown Prince or not?

The chairman is the one steering Starlight!

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In Lin Yuan's office.

Ol' Zhou, looking at the piles of tea leaves in Lin Yuan's office, was drooling. "Did you really rob the chairman?"

"He gave them to me."

Lin Yuan said happily.

Lin Yuan considers himself very good at reading people's expressions. Yesterday when the chairman gave him the tea leaves, he seemed very sincere and didn't look reluctant at all!

That's why Lin Yuan accepted them without hesitation.

Furthermore, the chairman also mentioned that he's not interested in tea.

If it were any different, Lin Yuan would hesitate to snatch someone else's interest.

"Wuyi Da Hong Pao, Donghu Longjing, Annan Tie Guan Yin, Biluochun, Pu'er, Lu'an Melon Seed, Huangshan Maofeng, Jinyang Maojian, Mount Jun Silver Needle, Fulin White Tea... These are all top-tier teas, only someone with the chairman's connections could get a hold of them..."

Ol' Zhou rubbed his hands:

"I believe the chairman would spare you ten percent of the shares, but I don't believe he would willingly give these precious tea leaves to you, unless he had set up a special meeting for you today."

Lin Yuan was curious: "What meeting?"

Ol' Zhou had a weird expression on his face: "The chairman invited us to a meeting as soon as he arrived at work this morning. He told all the departments to take extra care of you, saying that you've been working too hard lately. He even asked the finance department to allocate a new car for you. Your current car costs over a million, what more does he want?"

Most importantly, it was an emergency meeting. Everyone thought there was a major issue within the company, but the meeting, lasting an hour, only discussed how to comfort you."

Not only was Ol' Zhou surprised.

All the executives are surprised.

It seems as if the chairman opening the door to a new world for Xian Yu. Now he's trying to please Xian Yu constantly, making the company culture unstable.

Yes.

The executives know the Fish Dynasty and Film Department are appeasing Xian Yu, but now the chairman and the executives are all doing the same. Is this still a serious entertainment company?

Ol' Wang was almost in tears at the meeting!

Just to protect his precious tea leaves!

Lin Yuan: "..."

He has indeed improved in reading people's expressions.

This clearly shows the influence of Chu Kuang.

It seems that revealing Chu Kuang's identity to the chairman was the right move after all.

But it might have been a bit too much.

What if other people feel unbalanced?

This can't go on.

Lin Yuan said to Ol' Zhou, "Uncle Zhou, pick a box you like."

"Can I?"

The light in Ol' Zhou's eyes brightened significantly. He has been coveting the chairman's tea for a long time.

Lin Yuan nodded, "Yes."

Ol' Zhou happily chose his favorite tea and returned to his office, no longer curious about the unspeakable secret between Xian Yu and the chairman.

After Ol' Zhou left.

Lin Yuan called Gu Dong over, "Pick some for Uncle Yang and Aunt Zheng."

"Alright..."

Gu Dong looked at Lin Yuan, "Mr. Lin seems to have changed."

"Where?"

"You never used to consider these interpersonal relationships."

"Really?"

Lin Yuan thought about it and it seemed to be the case.

Maybe he leant it recently from the chairman?

We can act with a purpose, as long as our behavior and starting point will not harm others, then it's good.

In short, Lin Yuan has grown a bit.

He probably knows his growth trajectory fairly well.

"Forget it, let's not think about this right now, let's get to work."

Lin Yuan skillfully turned on his computer. Xian Yu and Chu Kuang always have work to do.

For example, with Chu Kuang.

The script for "Sherlock Holmes" next month hasn't been written yet.

Where did it leave off this month?

Lin Yuan thought for a moment, and then his eyes grew serious.

This is not good.

It seemed like the plot was arriving at the part where Holmes and Moriarty jumped off a cliff together?

Chapter 680: Things Shouldn't Be Repeated Three Times

Many novels feature characters that are similar to ultimate villains, and "Sherlock Holmes" is no exception.

The ultimate villain of this novel is named Moriarty.

On the surface, he is a university professor and philosopher with a good reputation in the public eye.

However, behind the scenes, he is the head of a world criminal organization, a man with no conscience or morals, and a criminal genius whose intellect matches that of Sherlock Holmes!

He has created a vast criminal empire in London, England, with an underground network spreading across countries. Half of the cases in London are related to him, and after every crime, he leaves no

trace, destroying all evidence unnoticed and escaping cleanly without fail. Even Holmes often hits a brick wall in dealing with him.

There has never been a direct description of Moriarty in the novel.

This character is mostly portrayed through Holmes's reports.

The next chapter Lin Yuan is to write is called "The Final Case."

Moriarty, as the ultimate villain, will make his formal debut in this story!

And his debut is quite spectacular...

That's because this ultimate villain dies shortly after his first appearance—along with the protagonist Sherlock Holmes—from falling off a cliff!

Isn't that spectacular?

In other words:

Sherlock Holmes is going to die!

And perish together with Moriarty!

That's why Lin Yuan felt uneasy.

He had previously killed off Biyao and Hercule Poirot, causing a reader rebellion each time.

Lin Yuan could almost foresee:

If he kills Holmes, the readers will be furious.

As the serialization of "Sherlock Holmes" progressed, Holmes's popularity has skyrocketed.

Biyao can't compare to him.

Only Poirot, who Lin Yuan killed off last time, can compete with Holmes.

That was only because Lin Yuan had built up Poirot's image first on Blue Star, and thus had the advantage of the first impression...

In the past life.

Conan Doyle caused a reader rebellion when he killed off Holmes - the most exaggerated reader rebellion in the history of Earth.

The consequences were even more severe than Jin Yong's Dragon Rider incident...

So severe that, under the threat of public opinion, Conan Doyle was forced to resurrect Holmes.

This time Lin Yuan's plan to kill Holmes will definitely cause a big stir.

But what's the saying again?

Once bitten, twice shy.

Despite a moment of hesitation, Lin Yuan didn't pause for long, nor did he intend to forcefully change the plot.

He's well-practiced now.

Anyway, Chu Kuang the old rascal had been bearing the brunt for years. This time wouldn't make much difference. The readers are probably getting used to it.

Two minutes later.

Lin Yuan sat down in front of the computer and started typing away.

He planned to kill off Holmes according to the planned plot!

This process didn't last long.

About half an hour later, Lin Yuan finished writing "The Final Case" and sent it to Jin Mu.

"The Final Case?"

When Jin Mu received "The Final Case," his heart suddenly skipped a beat.

This title reminded Jin Mu of "Curtain," the last chapter of the Hercule Poirot series.

"Is it the 'final case' that I'm thinking of?"

Jin Mu gave Lin Yuan a skeptical look.

Reason told him that Lin Yuan wouldn't manipulate readers' feelings over and over again.

Last time, Poirot's death might have taught Chu Kuang a lesson.

But at the same time, Jin Mu understood:

A man cheats no more than 0 times or countless times.

Chu Kuang has played with readers' feelings more than once already.

Lin Yuan said seriously, "Three strikes and you're out."

"Phew."



At Lin Yuan's words, Jin Mu heaved a sigh of relief. "That's good, then. I'll send the novel to Silver Blue Books."

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Silver Blue Books.

When the editor-in-chief of the mystery section, Cao Dezhi, received the manuscript for "The Final Case," his reaction was somewhat similar to Jin Mu's:

"Is this title going to cause trouble?"

"Three strikes and you're out."

Jin Mu replied with a smile, "That's what Chu Kuang said himself."

With Chu Kuang's extensive list of past offenses, anyone who sees the title "The Final Case" would instinctively image something dark and dredge up some not-so-pleasant memories.

Upon hearing Jin Mu's assurance, Cao Dezhi's voice lightened:

"That settles it, then."

It seems like even Chu Kuang has learned from the past two reader rebellions.

Great!

After hanging up the phone.

Cao Dezhi began to read the novel.

Not long after he started reading, Cao Dezhi's eyes lit up:

The ultimate villain of the Sherlock Holmes series, Moriarty, has finally made his appearance!

Many Sherlock Holmes fans have been waiting for this day!

Who wouldn't want to see the protagonist face off against the biggest villain in the book?

Interest and anticipation suddenly skyrocket.

Cao Dezhi turned the pages with delight, reading on rapturously.

The process was still interesting.

Sherlock Holmes and Moriarty battled wits and courage, even Holmes' house on Baker Street was burned down in the process.

But after all, Sherlock Holmes is still the protagonist.

Through his precise calculations, he gradually took the upper hand, and Moriarty's gang was eventually arrested.

The only regret is that Professor Moriarty escaped!

Sherlock Holmes was very annoyed.

He continued to chase Moriarty with all his might.

"Could this chapter be the grand finale of 'Sherlock Holmes'?"

As Cao Dezhi was reading this part, he thought of the title of this chapter and his mood suddenly plummeted.

Sherlock Holmes was too hot of a topic now!

He was the second super detective to be famous all over the world after Hercule Poirot!

The end of such a novel would definitely have a huge impact!

But Sherlock Holmes has been serialized for so long that it seems to be time for the story to conclude.

Even though the current popularity of Sherlock Holmes is at its peak!

But would Chu Kuang care about this?

When it comes to ending a novel, he never holds back, no matter how popular the novel is at the moment!

Moreover.

Compared to his previous works, the Sherlock Holmes series has already had a lot of episodes.

No wonder this chapter is called "The Final Case".

Cao Dezhi felt a bit restless, and he subconsciously wanted to immediately call Chu Kuang to confirm.

If his judgment is correct, this will be a news that shocks the entire novel world!

But out of curiosity for the following plot, he continued to read on.

After all, he was almost at the end of this chapter.

Sherlock Holmes arrived at a place called "Reichenbach Falls."

The depiction of this waterfall in the text was ominous, and Chu Kuang spent quite a bit of effort presenting this waterfall.

Could Moriarty be hiding somewhere near the waterfall?

The experienced Cao Dezhi felt that something was caught.

All of a sudden.

His already heavy heart suddenly felt covered by a shadow, with the feeling that something bad was going to happen.

Chu Kuang won't...

Impossible!

Cao Dezhi shook his head fiercely.

This is Sherlock Holmes!

When has Sherlock Holmes ever made a mistake in arresting a criminal?

Even if the other person is Moriarty!

I have to say!

The image Sherlock Holmes has left for readers is too powerful!

It's so powerful that everyone thinks that it's only natural for Sherlock Holmes to always have the last laugh.

Including Cao Dezhi.

Cao Dezhi even started to laugh: "How could it be possible, even if the novel is about to end, Teacher Chu Kuang wouldn't dare to commit such a huge mistake."

Some people laugh when they watch horror films.

Experts analyze that this is actually the audience relieving their fear, rather than really not being afraid or finding it funny.

"Nothing comes in threes, right?"

Cao Dezhi muttered to himself as he laughed.

This is what Teacher Chu Kuang said himself, it's pretty much a spoiler.

That's annoying.

Cao Dezhi continued to read the novel with laughter.

Three minutes later. [Explore more stories at My Virtual Library Empire](#)

The smile on Cao Dezhi's face completely froze. In the quiet office, a breathing sound gradually grew heavier.

Standing out against the veins that popped out, Cao Dezhi's rationality was gradually swallowed by anger and resentment.

At the same time.

Jin Mu also finished reading the content of "The Final Case" in the studio, staring at Lin Yuan like he was choosing someone to bite:

"What about the 'nothing comes in threes' promise?"

"Hmmm."

"Biyao was the first, Poirot was the second, Sherlock Holmes is the third, is this the supposed 'nothing comes in threes'?"

Jin Mu looked at Lin Yuan through gritted teeth, and his voice seemed to come out between his teeth!

Swipe, swipe, swipe.

Lin Yuan quickly cleared off all the dangerous objects from the table, and then looked at Jin Mu:  
"This is absolutely the last time."

"..."

Following Biyao and Poirot, Sherlock Holmes became the third ultra-popular character to fall foul of Chu Kuang!