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Chapter 751 - Wolf Fang City, The Divine Wolf Hall , Yet Another Shrine?

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Qing Shui's sleeve consecutively fluttered a few times. A few people instantly died on the spot. The Fire Bird then spread its wings and flew towards the south and disappeared into the distance almost instantaneously.

Ye Yan had been gripping tightly on Qing Shui's sleeve all this time. Her little face was flushed from excitement, because she knew that she had finally found the right person. She had looked for so many people over the past two years, but none of them were willing to help her. She also didn't want to bring trouble to the others. She couldn't escape and had been trapped in Tianyuan City for two years just like this. It had been almost three years since she left her sister's side.

Three years. It was hard to imagine what kind of life she had been through, as well as her anguish and yearning.

But now, she knew she had found someone who could help her. She was so excited that she didn't know what to do. All she knew was that she had to grab Qing Shui tightly.

Fire Bird's speed was very fast, but the few of them were shielded by a middle prominent bone of Fire Bird. In addition, they weren't able to feel the wind's intensity from their spot due to the way the Fire Bird flew. However, the howling of the wind was still quite terrifying. Fortunately, Qing Shui was there to shield Ye Yan, so it wasn't a problem.

Qing Shui had gotten quite skillful in killing cultivators of Martial Saint level by now, he could now do it without much effort. Besides, this was only a cultivator of Martial Saint beginner level.

No one chased them from behind. Fire Bird's speed was quite decent and Qing Shui had nothing to fear either. This was the northernmost part of the South Viewing Continent. They were heading towards the southernmost part of the South Viewing Continent.

Based on the terrain and some rumors, the South Viewing Continent was stronger towards the southern side. The truly powerful clans were situated around the Southern Sea area. It was much like the Greencloud Continent, which was weaker towards the west. The Hundred Miles City was situated at the westernmost part of the Greencloud Continent and was also one of the weakest cities on the continent.

Qing Shui wasn't the least bit worried. This Cai Clan of the Tianyuan City shouldn't be too much of a problem. He felt that they were men of very bad character so he killed them without sparing a second thought.

"Grandpa Cang, Uncle...thank you." Ye Yan expressed her sincere gratitude to the few of them. Tears streamed down her cheeks again within an instant. She wasn't as emotional as this before.

"Why are you crying again?" Qing Shui quickly comforted her.

"Aside from big sister, you're all people who treat me best," Ye Yan wailed with her red eyes.

The Wolf Fang City!

When they passed by Wolf Fang City three days later, Ye Yan let Qing Shui know about their location. Stopping by wasn't in Qing Shui's plans at first, but he decided to stay for a meal and let the others clean up and get changed after hearing that they were at Wolf Fang City.

The Wolf Fang Country was famous due to a Wolf Fang Divine Artifact. Legend has it that this place wasn't initially known as the Wolf Fang Country a long time ago. A Divine Beast, the Nine-Headed Moon Wolf appeared here. After it died, a legendary craftsman obtained a fang from its main head. He then spent a hundred years to forge a Wolf Fang Dagger out of it. However, no one currently knew where this Wolf Fang Dagger was. Instead, the Wolf Fang Country was passed down as a name.

A Divine Artifact. Qing Shui couldn't help but to yearn for it too. Divine Artifacts and Supreme Treasures were objects that cultivators in the World of the Nine Continents yearned for the most, since they had no restrictions. Even a False-Divine Artifact had usage restrictions. The Thunder God that Qing Shui obtained required the strength of a few thousand countries to use.

However, Divine Artifacts and Supreme Treasures had none of those restrictions. They could also offer an extremely powerful protection effect. This meant that while one was in the state of absolute defense, all damage would be negated. Of course, there was a limit to this negation. However, the Divine Artifacts would be able to at least render the strength of peak Martial Saint and below ineffective. It could also launch powerful attacks. With a Supreme Treasure and a Divine Artifact in possession, even an ordinary person could obliterate a cultivator of peak Martial Saint level and below. This was provided if he was under that state. After the state vanished, he would revert back to an ordinary person.

The Wolf Fang Dagger was definitely a powerful existence. It was a shame that no one knew whose hands it had fallen into, since it was an ancient tale. Divine Artifacts and Supreme Treasures were simply too scarce. It was very rare to hear anyone possessing a Supreme Treasure within a continent.

That woman from the Tantai Aristocrat Clan seemed to be in possession of one. Qing Shui couldn't help but to think that the woman was indeed fortunate. This had immensely strengthened the Tantai Aristocrat Clan once again.

Wolf Fang City appeared to be a little more lavish compared to Tianyuan City, it was a more boring and frivolous place. They were able to sense the Bell Spirit and grace of the Southern Viewing Continent here. Everything here also seemed to be slightly spiritual in nature.

"Yan'er, are there any fun or famous places in this Wolf Fang City?" Qing Shui asked. He was searching for an inn to have their meal.

"I'm not too familiar around here. But the Wolf Fang Mountain comes into mind whenever Wolf Fang City is mentioned. Legend has it that the carcass of the Nine-Headed Moon Wolf was buried there." Ye Yan answered with a smile after thinking for a moment. She seemed to be so much more cheerful now than before.

"Oh, the Wolf Fang Mountain?" Qing Shui laughed. This name was too familiar to him, what a coincidence. Then again, this had nothing to do with the Wolf Fang Mountain in his previous world.

"That's right. Do you want to visit there, Uncle? Look, it's the tallest one," Ye Yan pointed through the open windows of the restaurant and towards the hazy mountain silhouette in the distance.

“Let’s eat first. We can wait until tomorrow to explore with everyone.” Qing Shui didn’t think that it was a bad idea to have a look around that place. If he was lucky enough, he might even find a Wolf Fang to be used as a forging material.

“Uncle, are you trying your luck in finding the Wolf Fang?” Ye Yan laughed.

“Cough cough, of course not. Eat your food, little girl,” Qing Shui was a little embarrassed to be seen through like this. This idea was after all, a little too naive. Even Qing Shui himself thought that it was impractical. Even if there were any Wolf Fang, it would never be his turn to discover it.

As soon as he entered the Realm of Violet Jade Immortal that night, The Ten Thousand Poisonous Violet Sable immediately leapt onto his shoulder and squeaked. It seemed to be in an exceptionally good mood.

Qing Shui was speechless. The Ten Thousand Poisonous Violet Sable had eaten quite a number of the poisonous things in the realm. It has even eaten the ones that he had repeatedly warned it not to eat in order to avoid the calamity that would befall on the things in the Realm of Violet Jade Immortal.

Those things might just be valuable items to his future cultivation or forging!

The Soulshake Bell hadn’t levelled up for a very long time. It seemed to have hit a brick wall this time. Even so, Qing Shui continued to refine it everyday. When this thing got more powerful, he will be able to dispatch his opponents’ demonic beasts within an instant if he was lucky.

The Demon Binding Ropes seemed to have increased by one realm again. This made Qing Shui extremely happy. It was too bad that it would level up slower towards the end. Qing Shui could afford to wait though, he was content as long as there was hope rather than being left in a limbo.

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The next day, after their morning practice and breakfast, the group immediately got onto the Fire Bird and head out for the Wolf Fang Mountain.

“Yan’er, have you been to the Wolf Fang Mountain?” Qing Shui stood on the back of Fire Bird and questioned Ye Yan, who was standing on one side.

“Nope.” Ye Yan shook her head.

Fire Bird’s speed was incredibly fast. The Wolf Fang Mountain was already in their sights. The mountain was covered by lush vegetation, overrun with weeds and vines. The endless stretch of green pine trees and green bamboos made for a very beautiful scenery.

The Wolf Fang Mountain was very tall. It could be considered the highest mountain range around this area. The Fire Bird landed slowly on the summit of the Wolf Fang Mountain. This place was very famous, but Qing Shui honestly failed to see anything special about it.

He could make out the silhouettes of people who were ascending the mountain in the distance along the very long stone steps, which went all the way up to the summit. This place had become a tourist spot, but the spot that Qing Shui landed at was much more secluded.

The Divine Wolf Shrine!

An enormous Divine Wolf Shrine sat on the summit. It was also the only building on the entire Wolf Fang Mountain. This place was visited by a lot of people daily, but most of the visitors were armed with weapons and cultivation. It was impossible for ordinary people without cultivation to ascend this Wolf Fang Mountain.

“Since we’re here, let’s go have a look at the Divine Wolf Shrine,” Qing Shui said cheerfully.

Fire Bird landed on a spot not too far away from the Divine Wolf Shrine and was then put away by Qing Shui. Their group followed everyone else towards the Divine Wolf Shrine. However, Qing Shui had an odd feeling when the Divine Wolf Shrine came into his view.

A shrine?

Qing Shui couldn’t shake off the odd feeling as he followed the others into that enormous Divine Wolf Shrine. The place was a little familiar to him. Qing Shui was dumbfounded as soon as he set his foot inside.

It was a shrine!

Qing Shui was immediately struck dumb by the familiarity and the faint oppressive aura. Although it was a different statue from before, there was a towering statue of a Nine-Headed Moon Wolf...

A familiar pressure...

This was a pleasant surprise to Qing Shui. He didn’t expect this Divine Wolf Shrine to actually be a shrine. It was his third time discovering a shrine. He had received great benefits previously when he’d stumbled upon two other shrines. The only difference this time was that many people knew about it too. He wondered if there was still something valuable left in here.

He shifted his gaze to the bottom of that gigantic Nine-Headed Moon Wolf statue and got extremely excited, since he saw a familiar box.

The immense pressure kept everyone from advancing any further. Even Ye Yan was affected by it. The oppressive aura from the previous two statues didn’t affect people without any cultivation. He was uncertain if it were the same case in this shrine.

Many people tried to approach the Nine-Headed Moon Wolf statue, but most of them gave up completely after just a few steps. Some were trying to use stuff like hooks. As soon as the iron hooks were thrown out, they were crushed in midair. This greatly discouraged many others from any further attempts.

“Forget about it. There was once a peak Martial Saint cultivator who tried and he could only make past two-thirds of the distance,” someone sneered at the persistence of those people.

“No one stronger came?” Someone asked curiously.

“A stronger one? A few peak Martial Saints came, but do you think peak Martial Saints are cabbage sellers? How many peak Martial Saints have you met?” The person from earlier shot back at the person who questioned him disdainfully.

The person who asked that question immediately left with his tail between his legs!

The people here came and go. Qing Shui pondered for a moment and decided that he would leave as soon as he got his hands on the box. He immediately released a big swarm of Jade Emperor Bees. The air around them was instantly filled with buzzing noises that could make one's blood run cold.

"Poisonous bees!"

"RUN!"

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The crowd immediately left the Divine Wolf Shrine in chaos. Each and every one of them scrambled to escape outside. After all, every single Jade Emperor Bee was about a few metres large and they were of Martial King level. It was especially terrifying to see a several hundreds of them.

"Uncle, let's escape!" Ye Yan called out to Qing Shui in panic.

"Everything is fine, don't be scared!" Qing Shui assured her with a smile. He then slowly made his way towards the Nine-Headed Moon Wolf statue. That familiar oppressive feeling felt quite pleasant to him. It bestowed a warm feeling on Qing Shui.

With his previous experience, Qing Shui was brimming with confidence. He had Thunder God on his left hand. The increase of one-fold strength allowed him to advance a little further.

He flung the Demon Binding Rope that was tied to a special metal chain.

It binded that box and he managed to pull it forward slightly before he had to repeat the same thing again...

The Demon Binding Ropes that had broke through another level of realm seemed to be able to keep its target bound a little longer. At least, this held true for objects that weren't living. This had saved Qing Shui a considerable amount of time.

Chapter 752 - The Box In His Possession, The Benefits of The Ability, The Arrival At The Southern Sea City

When Qing Shui finally acquired the box, he didn't waste any time and quickly stored it in the Realm of the Violet Jade Immortal. Then, he proceeded to call back his Jade Emperor Bees and ran outside with the others. Everything happened only for a brief moment.

Although Cang Wuya and the other men were shocked, they were pleasantly surprised as well. They ran out and quickly followed Qing Shui outside then mounted onto the Fire Bird. The Fire Bird also quickly flew towards the south for safety.

When they were finally out from the shrine, Qing Shui finally let out a deep sigh of relief. Although no one had the ability to get the box from this shrine, it did not signify that the item was allowed to be taken away. Naturally, if someone were to notice that the box was gone, it would rouse the attention of powerful warriors and they would definitely try to find out who took the item.

Because of that, Qing Shui decided to leave the place as fast as he could. A lot of people were forced out by the Jade Emperor Bees awhile ago, but it wasn't certain that no one didn't see him took the box.

“Uncle, you are so awesome.” Ye Yan exclaimed in joy after they had flown out to a safe distance.

“Yan ‘er, don’t tell anyone that I got the box. If you do that, you and I will be dead for sure.” said Qing Shui as he smiled at her.

“Mm, I understand. I will not tell to a single soul.” Ye Yan bit her lips for a while before she said in a determined tone.

“Qing Shui, do you think they will find out that we took the box away?” Cang Wuya was happy yet worried at the same time.

“Unless someone saw us taking the box at that time, they wouldn’t be able to find out what we did for now. They might find it out in the future, but it’s not certain yet. After all, we only stayed there for a few moments, so no one might have noticed us there.” Qing Shui shrugged it off with a laugh, as if he wasn’t worried at all.

No one inquired what the box contained. Qing Shui was currently not interested to open the box right now because it wasn’t the best time. All he could focus on at the moment was to leave the Wolf Fang City as fast as possible.

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“What? The box in the Divine Wolf Shrine is gone?”

In the southwest corner of the Wolf Fang Country, an old man in a decorated manor stood up as he shouted in disbelief. The old man was of 60 years in age, but his age didn’t show through his well-proportioned physique. The yellow silk garments on his body gave off an air of nobility and gentleness.

“Yes, I came to tell grandfather first when I have received the news.”

The one who reported about the missing box was a man on his 40s. He had more or less the same facial features as the old man he addressed as his grandfather. Both of them were handsome nonetheless, and both gave off a strong fierce aura from their demeanor. The man in the 40s was seemingly shocked as well when he reported the news to the old man.

The old man pondered for a bit before he started speaking: “Any news from the Yang Clan, the Huang Clan, and the Dong Clan?”

“They seem to be doing their investigations as well. We have found out some people who went to the Divine Wolf Shrine, but there are those who have already left the place on a flying beast. We have ordered a lockdown on the city and also closed the city gates. They will proceed with a strict investigation throughout the city. A small air force team had been dispatched as well.” The younger man bowed as he relayed the proceedings of the investigation to the old man.

“I suspect that we might not be able to find out who stole the box from the Divine Wolf Shrine. The thief must be someone with the strength of a Peak Martial Saint. It must have been very easy for that person to steal the box like that.” The old man said as he sighed.

“Grandfather, the allied clans all have Peak Martial Saints. You are a Peak Martial Saint as well.” The younger man seemed to disagree with his grandfather’s opinion.

“Indeed, our clan and the allied clans do have Peak Martial Saints, but all of us have only barely touched the Peak Martial Saint realm. We are considered the weakest in that circle, so if meet another Peak Martial Saint, all we can do is retreat.” said the old man as he maintained his calm disposition.

The younger man went silent. His grandfather was one of the best in the Wolf Fang City. If he said it was impossible, then it was impossible. In any case, no one had been able to take away the item stored at the Divine Wolf Shrine for many years, despite the participation of a few powerful Peak Martial Saints. Because of that, everyone had a fixed assumption that the item could never be taken away regardless of those who want to take it.

However, the item was abruptly taken away by an unknown person. Of course anyone would feel uncomfortable knowing that the box that was always there was now gone. Not only that, they would also develop the notion that they must take it back just for themselves. This was the nature of humans.

Just then, someone came in and said: “Sir, the members from the Yang Clan, the Huang Clan, and the Dong Clan have come to see you for an urgent matter.”

“Let them wait in the living room. I will go soon.” The old man was startled by their sudden arrival, but he had finally managed to curled a smile in the corner of his mouth. He knew what the urgent matter was, because it could only concern the stolen box from the Divine Wolf Shrine.

“Ye ‘er, let’s go and take a look.” The old man gave a smile to the younger man.

“Yes, grandfather.”

Inside a large living room, there were three seemingly venerable elderly men of endless vigor waiting in silence. When the old man appeared, one of the slightly heavier elderly man quickly lashed out: “Old Bai, how are you still calm? The box in the Divine Wolf Shrine has gone missing.”

“Old Dong. What’s gone is gone. We couldn’t take it even when it was there in the beginning.” The old man retaliated, feeling extremely annoyed.

“Old Bai, you can’t say such things. That item has been in the Divine Wolf Shrine for so many years, even during the time when our forefathers were still alive. Moreover, that item was the symbol of our Wolf Fang Country, how can we allow someone to steal it away?” said the other elderly man with a similar long yellow robe.

“Yes, Old Huang is right.”

Bai Yushu looked at the three of them and laughed: “Then tell me what we can do. We don’t have any leads, so where on earth can we find this strong Peak Martial Saint who took the box away?”

“Strong Peak Martial Saint?” The three elderly men exclaimed in shock.

“Isn’t that the case? We couldn’t even take it with our current abilities, and neither could the previous few who tried to take it. Logically, for someone to snatch the box with ease, it must be a high-levelled Peak Martial Saint.” Bai Yushu said in rational tone.

“Well, we didn’t have any information initially, but now we have two. First, a group of people riding on a giant red bird had killed the members of the Cai Clan in the Tianyuan Country before the box incident happened. Second, these people have stopped by at the Divine Wolf Shrine only for a few moments.

Also, none of them came out immediately when a bunch of large poisonous bees appeared inside the shrine. It was after a few moments when everyone had came out that they appeared for a brief moment and left immediately. When someone went inside to check the situation later on, they discovered the box was already gone." Old Yang relayed the information he received casually.

"That means the box was taken by the people riding on a giant red bird." Bai Yushu was surprised. He didn't think that they could gather the information about the thieves this fast.

"That should be it. We should go check it out. Perhaps we might be able to apprehend these people." Old Dong let out a few chuckles.

"Do you think we can take them down on our own?" Bai Yushu frowned. It would require a lot of effort in order to take down the thieves, but he didn't want to take such a big risk. Even though the content of the box was extremely tempting, some things were not worth the trouble. Not all things would be beneficial once they had them in their possession.

"We should check it out. Despite being considered as the weakest ones in the Peak Martial Saint level, we are still four Peak Martial Saints anyway. If our opponent is stronger than us, then we will let him leave. If he doesn't have the capability to match against us, then we will take back the box for our country. What do you think, Old Bai?" said Old Huang after a he took a few moments to ponder for an answer.

"Alright, but we must not be reckless about it." Bai Yushu gave a stern look at the three of them.

The three elderly men naturally agreed to Old Bai's proposition. The Bai Clan was the strongest amongst all of them, which was why they had made most of the decisions before it was carried out.

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Qing Shui and his company had rushed towards the south as they rode the Fire Bird in an extremely fast pace. The gate of the Wolf Fang City peeked at the horizon, and just when Fire Bird was going to speed through towards the gate, a couple of flying beasts suddenly appeared and surrounded the Fire Bird to prevent its escape.

When Qing Shui saw the men on the flying beasts, a smile appeared on his face. He already knew that they wouldn't be able to easily get away from the Wolf Fang Country, but he didn't expect that his pursuers would react so fast. However, there was nothing to worry about, so he decided to observe what the martial warriors on top of the flying beasts would do.

"Step aside!"

Qing Shui bellowed softly as he stared at the martial warriors on the flying beasts while he simultaneously released a tremendous suppressing force from his body. This was the dignity of a strong person that could not be trampled easily.

The flying beasts retreated to about 10 li away from Qing Shui after they felt the suppressing force throughout their bodies. As they retreated, some got inflicted with fear and let out a piercing cry.

"Sir, please wait for a moment. We are just doing our duty." A capable-looking man bowed in front of Qing Shui to signify a gesture of respect.

This was a gesture of respect towards a strong martial warrior.

“I will say this again, step aside.” Qing Shui roared at the martial warriors in front of him.

“Sir.....”

Qing Shui commanded his Fire Bird and flew towards the martial warriors riding on the flying beasts. He increased his suppression to the maximum, which had heavily suppressed both the martial warriors and the flying beasts in an instant.

“Sir, have mercy!”

All of the sudden, a giant demonic beast flew by. This butterfly-like demonic beast was golden and gleaming brightly. The voice of the person who talked awhile ago had already reached Qing Shui even before he could show himself.

It was a Golden Light Demonic Butterfly!

If he had the strength of his younger self, he would have considered to show mercy for his opponents. Now that he had gained an extreme amount of power, Qing Shui had somewhat lost his compassion for his enemies. The disparity between his ability and those of the martial warriors was too great. Qing Shui could initiate a split-second kill if he wanted to.

Ultimately, Qing Shui decided to stop his action. Then with a fierce gaze, he turned around to look at the four elderly men.

“I don’t have much time. If you have anything to say, make it quick.” said Qing Shui calmly.

“What a young and promising man indeed. There isn’t much outstanding lads like you in this world. We don’t mean to start a fight with you, we just wanted to meet you, that’s all. If you come by next time, please remember to visit us even for a while.” Bai Yushu showed a smile as he explained politely.

If someone were to admit their defeat, albeit indirectly, then it was wise to let them go. Qing Shui smiled and nodded his head, then flew away with his Fire Bird soon after that.

“Sigh, you see, this young man is the epitome of evil. If we make a move against him today, we will all be killed on the spot. Even if he didn’t manage to kill all of us today, he will definitely succeed next time. Watch and see, he will become famous one day throughout the nine continents.” Bai Yushu sighed as he became a bit emotional.

“It’s a shame that we have to let him go like that. We don’t even know what’s in that box yet.” Old Yang sighed as well.

“Some things can’t be forced. Even if you try to force it, it will be a waste of time, and will cause a lot of trouble for ourselves. When that happens, it will be too late for regrets.” said Bai Yushu.

“Yeah, luckily we didn’t act recklessly today. Think about it, for someone as outstanding as this man, do you think he will have weak supporting forces behind his back?” Old Huang followed up with a deep sigh too.

When they had considered about Qing Shui's supporting forces, they felt chills down their spines. After a brief moment of helpless sighs, all of them went back to their residences. The incident had concluded without a proper settlement.

In their lifetime, there had been many passing travellers just like Qing Shui - they were neither enemies nor friends. Perhaps in the future, they would never have any interaction with each other ever again.

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"Uncle, there were so many of them, yet they let us go. You are really awesome." Ye Yan giggled while she looked at Qing Shui with a happy expression.

Qing Shui smiled, but said nothing more.

After that incident happened, three months had already passed by. Eventually, they could see the Southern Sea Country at the horizon. Qing Shui now knew he had miscalculated at this point, because right now, the Southern Viewing Continent seemed much more larger than the Greencloud Continent.

Chapter 753 - A Few Materials, The Southern Sea City, Ye Clan

They spent three months traversing from the north to the south before they could reach the Southern Viewing Continent. The distance was even longer than crossing between two continents. This was the fastest and the limit that the Fire Bird could travel after it acquired a huge boost to its speed.

Qing Shui could now feel the vastness of the World of the Nine Continents. With his current ability and the Fire Bird's current speed, it would be impossible for both Qing Shui and the Fire Bird to travel the whole nine continents.

During the three months of their travel, Qing Shui had already went into the Realm of the Violet Jade Immortal to open the box. The contents of the box had made Qing Shui excited for quite a long time, so when he finally had the chance, he opened the box to look inside and observe its contents.

There was one giant tooth, one piece of beast bone, one piece of beast parchment, and one core inside the box. Nothing else was in there, but that was enough to made Qing Shui maddened with joy.

These must be the remains of a Nine-Headed Moon Wolf. Qing Shui was quite certain about this because of the spiritual qi that lingered within these materials. Moreover, the box was from the Divine Wolf Shrine located at the Wolf Fang Mountain, so essentially the materials should be the remains of a Nine-Headed Moon Wolf.

When he took a closer look at the words inscribed on the beast parchment, he was ultimately convinced that he was right - these were the materials salvaged from a Nine-Headed Moon Wolf. Qing Shui was extremely elevated because this was only his speculation before but now it had become a fact.

He decided to put away the wolf tooth and the wolf bone for the time being. Using the Quad-color Rainbow Art of Forging to refine those would be a waste of resources. Nevertheless, those materials from the Nine-Headed Moon Wolf could be used to refine medicinal pills as well as for the temperament of equipments. Lastly, there was the core of the wolf. The core was considered a great item that could be devoured directly by a demonic beast. However, Qing Shui wasn't brave enough to let his demonic beast to try it at the moment.

This was because he feared that the energy stored inside the core would be too much for his demonic beast to handle, which could result in death by self-detonation. Fortunately, Qing Shui was an experienced alchemist. He could separate the core into equal portions, which would be a lot safer. Furthermore, if the core was separated into smaller pieces, a demonic beast may be able to learn the battle techniques of the Nine-Headed Moon Wolf multiple times which could increase the mastery of the techniques with each fusion. However, doing this would also sharply decrease the chance of absorbing the techniques. Still, separating the core would be more beneficial than to risk the chances of self-detonation.

The beast parchment must have been left in this box by a divine craftsman with an ability beyond comprehension. Qing Shui had a suspicion that the craftsman's ability was exceptional due to the divine words inscribed on the beast parchment - the craftsman was one of his kind regardless of his profession. Moreover, the craftsman must have a proficient cultivation base, otherwise he wouldn't be able to forge the divine artifacts as well.

Qing Shui stored the items away for the time being. He might have a use for them in the future when his Ancient Art of Forging would undergo another breakthrough. As long as the Ancient Art of Forging managed to reach the Five-color level, he would attempt to forge his equipment once more. He might try to fuse the wolf fang into his Big Dipper Sword and Thunder God in hopes to increase the ability of these two weapons.

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Although the Southern Sea Country wasn't the main capital of the Southern Viewing Continent, it was definitely the largest and the strongest country of this continent. In essence, Southern Sea Country could be considered as the representation of the Southern Viewing Continent as they had the best in almost everything - in terms of businesses, martial power, the scenery, or the ambience.

The south part of the Southern Sea Country was a vast and boundless Southern Sea. No one knew what lay beyond the Southern Sea, or even the most southern part of the sea because of its extensiveness. In the past, there were a couple of explorers who tried to venture through the Southern Sea, but most people who went beyond the sea had either never come back or they would come back after the first 10 years of journey, albeit only one out of nine would survive. In the end, they would spend 20 years in the sea, but only came back with no new discovery of what lays ahead the boundary of the sea. Thus, they would say there was no end beyond the horizon.

However, it might be possible that the end existed but nobody had been able to reach there yet because they lacked the ability to do so. Just the number of years taken by the voyagers to venture through the Southern Sea could tell that it was absolutely vast.

No one in this world had stopped thinking about this mystery. The Southern Sea and the Eastern Sea, no one had ever seen the other side of this seas.

Qing Shui didn't pay that much attention about this mystery. Based on his experience from his past life, he presumed that the World of the Nine Continents was spherical as well but much larger in comparison to the Earth he knew.

The moment they entered the boundary of the Southern Sea Country, Ye Yan screamed in a pleasant surprise. There was an indescribable liveliness in her excitement - she never thought that she would be able to come back again, or to be precise, to be able to come back very soon.

“Uncle, the Ye Clan is at the very north of the Southern Sea City. If we go through all the way there, we can reach the Southern Sea City in no time.” said Ye Yan in a happy tone.

“Oh, it’s good that you know where it is. If not, we might need to ride on a beast carriage to reach there.” Qing Shui replied with a smile. The Southern Sea City was quite vast after all. If he needed to find a clan somewhere in the city, it would be an extremely difficult task.

It had been a few days since they had entered the Southern Sea Country. The city was situated at the very south side of the country, almost adjacent to the Southern Sea. The city was quite easy to find because of this and most of the cities and countries were also easy to find.

“Uncle, it looks like we still need a beast carriage after all. The Ye Clan is at the very northern side of the city. But the city is too big, so I’m not really sure about the exact location.” said Ye Yan, feeling embarrassed.

Qing Shui comforted her with a smile and commanded the Fire Bird to land on the ground. It was a normal thing to be unsure, since the city was indeed huge. He called a beast carriage immediately. The coachmen in the city should be able to know Ye Yan’s residence due to their knowledge about the surrounding areas and the neighboring clans’ location.

“Ye Residence, right? The distance from here is too far. My beast carriage has never went through a journey that long. It will take about a week to reach there.” An old coachman smiled while he shook his head.

Normally, beast carriages would travel from one distance to another in a day’s time. If the passenger has to go somewhere far, they would need to go to the nearby skydeck to find a flying mount. Otherwise, they would need to find a beast carriage that would be able to go to further destinations.

After Qing Shui showed his gratitude to the old man with a smile, he hopped onto his Fire Bird and continued their journey ahead. They flew in a moderate speed and also kept watch on the road as they estimated the path to the residence.

“Uncle, there it is. I see the goddess statue there. Let’s get down, the Ye Residence shouldn’t be too far from here.” said Ye Yan as she pointed at the giant statue below.

“Oh, that’s good.” Qing Shui commanded the Fire Bird to descend once again. There was a large skydeck just beside the giant goddess statue. A number of large beast carriages and flying beasts were constantly on the move after they had stopped by for a while. This place seems to be always busy throughout the year.

He called his Fire Bird back to the Realm of the Violet Jade Immortal. After that, Qing Sui continuously stared at the goddess statue. It was the biggest statue he had ever seen - it was about 500 meters in height. It was so tall that he could see it clearly as they flew in the sky awhile ago.

The statue was obscure - the carvings on the facial features weren't clear. Even so, this statue emitted an almost sacred-like charm. He didn't expect to feel a subtle aura of suppression like this from the giant goddess statue.

"Uncle, don't you think this goddess statue is huge?" Ye Yan laughed, but at the same time, she seemed quite anxious.

"Haha, let's get on the carriage. You must be excited to go home soon. You missed your elder sister, right." Qing Shui gave her a smile. He understood how she currently felt, because he had those same feelings numerous times when he was away from home.

Ye Yan smiled in embarrassment. Qing Shui quickly called for a beast carriage, and this time, the coachman was willing to send them towards the Ye Residence.

On their way to the Ye Residence, the little girl seemed to be fidgeting as she sat inside the carriage. Once in awhile, she would peek outside through the small window from the carriage, as if saying the beast carriage was travelling too slow.

Qing Shui tried to tell the story of the goddess statue to Ye Yan, but he decided that he shouldn't because even he didn't know the true story behind it. Moreover, all Ye Yan could focus now was going back home, so she wouldn't be able to concentrate in listening to him even if he were to tell the story anyway.

After an hour had passed, the beast carriage finally stopped. When they peeked out from the window, they could see a luxuriously decorated manor in front of them. There was a certain delicate beauty in it, but the air of luxury had almost overshadowed the beauty of the manor

There was also a large tablet inscribed with two words on the gate: Ye Clan!

After Ye Yan went out from the carriage, she immediately cried when she saw the familiar gate in front of the manor. She had finally came back. Ye Yan found it hard to describe her emotions right now. There was excitement, and there was hope.....

Qing Shui stood beside Ye Yan, but remained silent. He understood how she felt perfectly, this was a moment of immeasurable joy and excitement.

"Uncle, Grandpa Cang... Let's go in." said Ye Yan with a bright smile on her face.

The beast carriage dropped them off about 100 meters away from the residence before it turned around and went back to its station. After that, they all walked towards the gate of the Ye Residence. As they got closer to the gate, the gatekeepers standing by seemed to noticed them walking towards the residence.

One of the gatekeepers with sharp eyes brightened up when he saw Ye Yan.

"Second young miss!"

"Second young miss is back! Quickly, inform the clan mistress."

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In an instant, the Ye Clan was in a mess. A number of people rushed into the residence hastily, while the remaining few quickly surrounded Ye Yan with excitement on their faces.

“Uncle Xiong, Yan ‘er is back.” Tears rolled down on Ye Yan’s cheeks as she addressed a middle-aged man of good-nature that walked towards her.

“Second young miss, it’s good to have you back. The clan mistress thinks about you everyday. She has turned the entire Southern Sea Country upside-down to search for you.” The middle-aged man patted Ye Yan’s head gently while he held back his tears.

Qing Shui could feel the love the middle-aged man had towards Ye Yan. It was as if he had finally seen his own child coming back safe and sound.

“Is my elder sister well?” asked Ye Yan worriedly.

“She is well, but she has grown thinner. She has been running about looking for you these past few years. It was only the day before yesterday that she finally came back after days of looking for you. She planned on going out tomorrow to look for you, saying something about looking for you even if she has to travel around the World of the Nine Continents.” The man known as Uncle Xiong smiled.

“So no one has come to find elder sister and state their conditions?”

“No. When clan mistress couldn’t see you in person, she killed those few men immediately in the midst of anger.”

“No wonder no one came to discuss about the conditions.” When Ye Yan thought about the Wu clan, she must have figured out that they couldn’t send her back due to the fear of being killed. If they were to send her back, Ye Yan would explain everything and her elder sister would never forgive them or let them go alive. To save their hides, all they could do was to make her disappear completely. Ye Yan turned around to look at Qing Shui, the man she called as ‘uncle’, her life savior. If not for Qing Shui, she might not be able to come home for the rest of her life.

Perhaps the men from the Wu Clan didn’t have the courage to kill her or to send her back, which explained why they let her stayed at the Tianyuan City for almost three years.....

Just then, a group of people rushed out quickly from the Ye Residence which was lead by the seemingly young clan mistress. She was wearing a plain white warrior garment, her hair was tied up with a hairpin made of white jade. She had an elegant appearance, with a pair of bright eyes on her white jade-like face. This woman had the aura of a young lady and the graceful poise of a mature woman. When she finally saw Ye Yan, her eyes that was similar to black gemstones was full of tears. She quickly ran towards Ye Yan with tears rolling down her cheeks.

“Yan ‘er!” A pleasant and attractive voice called out to Ye Yan.

“Elder sister!”

Ye Yan ran towards her elder sister quickly and then gave her a tight hug.

Chapter 754 - The strength of Southern Viewing Continent, the powerful Eastern Palace Clan

Upon seeing the girl, Ye Yan ignored everything. She ran towards her and hugged her tightly.

“Sister.....”

Even though Ye Yan has been away for a few years, there weren't many changes to her face. Despite her significant height increase, people who were familiar with her would still be able to tell that it was her.

The two girls hugged each other tightly for a long time. Ye Yan constantly called out to her sister. The kind of excitement and concern they had for each other were all expressed fully without any holding back.

“Yan`er, where have you been for the past three years? Who brought you away?”

After they finally calmed down, the woman looked at Ye Yan with her slightly knitted brows. Her pleasant voice sounded extremely pressuring. Even though she sounded really calm when she said it, it was still fairly easy to see that she was furious.

“Wu Clan from Deep Sea City, they were the ones who brought me away. If I hadn't run into uncles, I wouldn't have ever been able to meet you.” Ye Yan said as she pointed at Qing Shui.

It was as if the girl only saw Qing Shui now. After that, she pulled Ye Yan and went towards Qing Shui along with the ten elderly men behind her. The closer she went, the more shocked she looked.

Qing Shui was just as shocked as he looked at the girl. The reason being that the girl's strength..... The girl whose age he was unable to tell... The girl with an exceptionally beautiful face which lay in between that of a girl and a woman... Actually possessed strength that worth three stars..

This was the strongest person Qing Shui has ever seen from the younger generations so far. The girl on the other hand, she could feel that Qing Shui was a mysterious man, causing her to feel a bit unreal when she looked at him.

Originally, she thought that the strongest person here was Cang Wuya. But it turned out she found that the ability of the people at the back were barely average. However, they were no longer at a standard where people of her cultivation realm were placed in their eyes.

However, things were different for the young man standing in front of her. The young man's face looked really delicate and handsome. The mark on his forehead looked really bewitching. It had a fatal charm to it. His eyes however, looked incomparably tranquil and clear, making people feel many times closer with each other.

This was a man who she wasn't able to see through. Not only was he really young, it seemed like he possessed tremendous strength. She wasn't able to tell clearly but she had a feeling that it would be hard for her to win if she was to go against him.

Even though her strength was considered quite average in Southern Viewing Continent, there were still fairly quite a lot of people who has beaten her before. But because of her age, no one would try to pick on Ye Clan, reason being that they're concerned for their own future.

Among the younger generations, she knew two people who made her felt really impressed. One was Donggong Taiqing from Donggong Clan. He was already the main support for Donggong Clan. He was one of the strongest warriors in his clan.

The other one was Tantai Xuan from Tantai Aristocrat Clan. Even though she hadn't met her in person, her reputation was spread all over the continent. Not only that, she even got the World Cleansing Demonic Lotus. There was no longer anyone among the younger generation who could be like her.

The young man in front of her right now gave her a really strange feeling. She smiled, walked up to Qing Shui and bowed: "my name is Ye Guyan. Thank you for saving my sister."

"No worries. If it's just a small thing." Qing Shui quickly tried to escape.

"Brother and seniors, please come in to Ye Clan to allow us to return you the favor. Ye Guyan smiled as she saw Qing Shui's action. She let them entered Ye Clan.

"Uncle, Grandpa Cang, you guys have to stay in Ye Clan for a few days." Ye Yan said as she pulled both Qing Shui and Cang Wuya.

"Sorry for the trouble then." Qing Shui smiled.

They greeted each other politely and proceeded towards Ye Clan. Along the way, Ye Yan constantly held Ye Guyan's arm with one hand and Qing Shui's hand with the other. One was the most important person to her, her sister, while the other one was the person who saved her and gave her a second chance to live. Hence, she who only had two hands used both to pull the two most important people to her.

Ye Guyan never expected Ye Yan would call him Uncle Qing. She shared the same position in family as her sister. Previously, she originally wanted to address him as senior, but she eventually still settled down with calling him brother.

Ye Clan's courtyard decoration could be compared to Zuoshi Clan's. Zuoshi Clan was the weakest secluded Clan. Ye Clan on the other hand, seemed to also be at the same level considering that the elderly men behind Ye Guyan had all achieved the lowest class of Peak Martial Saint Stage.

The weakest supreme aristocratic Clan!

Most importantly, the person-in-charge was a youth. He knew that the future of Ye Clan was really bright. Hence, very few people would try to have conflicts with Ye Clan.

They all knew the moral of not discriminating against a poor youth.

What's different about Ye Clan compared to Zuoshi Clan was that the buildings here were more towards looking delicately beautiful. All of the buildings and decorations here had a really strong elegant feeling to them. It was as if it was made by a woman's hands.

They walked past a jade colored bridge. There was a clear man-made lake under the bridge and its trickling water flowing noises made Qing Shui realize that it was actually living water.

There were fish, prawns, turtles and crabs in the lake. There was also a Puppet Tree by the lake. It was cut really meticulously and from time to time, bird chirping noises would be heard, adding in more living atmosphere to this place.

They arrived at the main hall. Very quickly, people came to serve them tea. It's just a really faint tea smell and Qing Shui could already tell that this tea was extraordinary. Even though it couldn't be compared to Qing Shui's Red Robe in the Realm of the Violet Jade Immortal, it was definitely still

counted as an outstanding tea. In reality, there are very few teas that are better than this tea he was drinking.

“Sister, I haven’t introduced them to you, this is Uncle Qing Shui, grandpa Cang, Uncle Fei and Grandpa Bai.” Ye Yan smiled.

“Clan Head Ye, you can just call me Qing Shui.” Qing Shui smiled.

“Then stop calling me Clan Head Ye, you can just call me Ye Guyan!” Ye Guyan smiled when she heard what Qing Shui said.

“Seniors, Qing Shui, please have some tea.”

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“Oh, you guys are from Green Cloud Continent. That place is quite far away from here, it’s Yan`Er’s pleasure to meet gramps and a few of my life saviours.”

The group once again greeted each other politely. After all, they didn’t really know each other well. The conversation began with Ye Yan talking about her own stuff.

“Qing Shui, is there something you and gramps need to do? That’s why you came to Southern Viewing Continent from so far away.” Ye Guyan raised her head and asked after pondering for a while.

Qing Shui hesitated and felt that it was best if he didn’t mention about these things. Hence, at the time when he wanted to look for an excuse, Ye Guyan smiled and said: “I don’t mean anything, I just want to see if I’ll be of help. I’m keen on helping you guys, but it seems like this is a matter that’s not really convenient to talk about.”

“Thank you, actually it’s our first time here, so we aren’t really familiar with this place. In the future, we are going to need a lot of help.” Qing Shui said hurriedly.

“Don’t worry about it, just tell me whenever you need help. As long as it’s something I can do, I would never step back. Saving Yan`er was the biggest favor you did for me.” Ye Guyan said seriously.

Qing Shui smiled and nodded. He could feel their sincerity. People with formidable strength took promises the most seriously. If they couldn’t do it, they would use some other methods to repay them.

Very quickly, it’s already evening. Food and alcohol have been served. There were only Ye Guyan and Ye Yan in Ye Clan. Including Qing Shui and the group, there were only six people here.

“Miss Ye, what kind of powerful forces are in Southern Sea City? Would you mind telling me about it? I need to get myself prepared as well. If not, I wouldn’t even know how I die.” Qing Shui smiled and said to Ye Guyan.

“Of course, Tantai Aristocrat Clan is counted as one, Wuma Aristocratic Clan, Putuo Mountain, Sea King Palace, Eastern Palace Aristocrat Clan, Southern Sky Poison Sect, Violet Bamboo Forest”

When Ye Guyan talked about Eastern Palace Aristocratic Clan, it completely stunned Qing Shui. He didn’t manage to hear the last few parts clearly, but he did hear the words Putuo Mountain.

Southern Sea? Putuo Mountain?

This was too much of a coincidence. Even Qing Shui was a bit shocked now. But actually, he was more stunned when he first heard about Eastern Palace Aristocratic Clan.

“Miss Ye, is Tantai Aristocrat Clan really strong? I happened to hear by chance people saying that someone called Tantai Xianzi got a World Cleansing Demonic Lotus.” Qing Shui smiled.

“Tantai Aristocrat Clan is really strong. It’s an aristocratic clan that has passed on for a long time. It’s considered a supreme aristocratic clan in the Southern Viewing Continent. It’s always said that Tantai Aristocrat Clan has supreme warriors, but it shouldn’t be just rumors, Tantai Xianzi is the strongest warrior among those of her generations. Even if she was to be compared to all the nine continents, very few could actually be compared to her. She is a girl who’s known by others as being fairies.” Ye Guyan smiled.

“How is she compared to Miss Ye?” Qing Shui asked.

Ye Guyan stunned and smiled: “compared to her, I have to admit that I’m not as good.”

Qing Shui knew about the habit of warriors, there would be a limit to which they stayed humble, let alone this was a beautiful woman in front of him. Logically, for someone as beautiful as her, she wouldn’t admit that she wasn’t as good as any women. But now, even a girl like her who came down from Heavens felt that she wasn’t as good as her, Qing Shui could imagine just how outstanding the girl was.

“Miss Ye, I have a feeling that you’re already beyond an ordinary person, so if it goes like this, that person shouldn’t be half bad as well?” Qing Shui smiled.

“Hehe, don’t praise me so much, I’m someone who has quite a good endurance to things like this.” Ye Guyan smiled at Qing Shui.

“Old Master, please have some tea!”

Ye Guyan invited Cang Wuya and the others to drink some tea.

“Is Putuo Mountain powerful?” Qing Shui smiled and asked. He didn’t actually ask directly about Donggong Clan. One must be vigilant so as not to be harmed.

“Putuo Mountain is a sect located deep in an island that’s in Southern Sea. They’re all women of extreme beauties and formidable strength. There were traces of them across the World of the Nine Continents even though it’s very few. Legend has it that Tantai Xianzi is someone from Putuo Mountain. However, it’s just a rumor, she would be the only one who knew if that’s right.” Ye Guysn smiled and looked at Qing Shui. Her beautiful pupils looked as calm as water.

“Sea King’s Palace is such a weird name. It gave people a feeling that it’s underwater.” Qing Shui acted like he was asking casually.

“Hehe, they’re under water. Their base is just below the Southern Sea. It’s an underwater palace. However, it’s really close to the island itself and really far away from Putuo Mountain. They’re really mysterious, hence, I don’t really know as much about them.

“Wuma is a very special surname.”

“Hehe, do you want to know more about the things that I mentioned just now? I’ll go through it briefly with you then. There are some things which even I’m unclear about because some of the information was very hard to get.” Ye Guyan wanted to laugh when she looked at Qing Shui trying to make up excuses to ask questions.

Qing Shui smiled awkwardly: “Well then, sorry Miss Ye for the trouble.”

Chapter 755 - Decomposing the Almighty Core of the Nine-Headed Moon Wolf

“You can think of the Wu Ma Aristocrat Clan as a poison-specializing branch, known for their capabilities in controlling poisonous insects. They cultivate these insects in-house with poison and blood essence. Their specially-cultivated poisonous insects can be injected into a target’s body from a long distance away. The insect will then begin to gnaw on the target’s bones, bone marrow, and even brain matter. Unless the victim manages to refine the poisonous insect, there is no other remedy once this happens. Fortunately, their poisonous insects require extremely harsh cultivation conditions. Even still, the terror that their poisonous insects instill is considerable, which is why few people are willing to deal with them.”

Ye Guyan spoke in one breath and looked towards the expressionless Qing Shui.

Qing Shui’s face lacked any expression because he had actually been a victim of that aforementioned poisonous insect.

Marrow Nibbling Worms.

Qing Shui had once been a victim of one of these strong poisonous insects, the Marrow Nibbling Worm. Although hearing about these insects now didn’t instill any fear, Qing Shui still felt an involuntary chill down his spine. Back then, if he hadn’t had the Golden Buddha Aura Lotus, he would have had a miserable death.

In reality though, the experience had been a blessing in disguise. Qing Shui’s near brush with death back then had allowed his Yin-Yang Image to break through. Although Qing Shui didn’t exactly know what level the Yin-Yang Image had reached, he knew its power had increased by several times. If he were to fall victim again to a similarly poisonous insect, his Yin-Yang Image would be able to refine it. This was the tremendous improvement of a breakthrough.

“The Eastern Palace Clan is one of the long standing clans in the region. Even though they aren’t comparable to the other famous clans or family sects, their status has recently risen because they’ve produced an absolute genius.” Ye Guyan said with a smile.

“An absolute genius?” Qing Shui questioned.

“Yes, his name is Donggong Taiqing, second only to Tan Tai Xian Zi from the Tan Tai Clan. He is quite young and yet he has such a frightening ability. He also supposedly owns a high level treasure, but nobody knows exactly what it is.” Ye Guyan said while smiling at Qing Shui. Her gut feeling was telling her that Qing Shui was especially intrigued by the Eastern Palace Clan, but she couldn’t completely understand why.

“How is that Donggong Taiqing compared to you?” Qing Shui asked after thinking a bit.

"I am a little bit inferior to him. He is about ten years older than me, so we should be equally matched, but right now he should be a little stronger." Ye Guyan smiled.

Qing Shui felt bitter. He wasn't the only one possessing treasures. Moreover, in just one day, he had heard about three individuals of the younger generation with capabilities stronger than himself. One of them even belonged to the target clan he had to wipe out this time.

Afterwards, Ye Guyan continued to briefly detail the situation of the other clans to Qing Shui. Qing Shui also raised questions at the appropriate time to ensure there wouldn't be any doubt. From what he heard from Ye Guyan, Qing Shui seemed to realize there wasn't much to be worried about.

As evening approached, Qing Shui, Cang Wuya and the others settled into the isolated courtyard where Qing Shui would temporarily live. Since it was still early in the evening, everyone sat together to discuss matters.

"Qing Shui, we should return." Cang Wuya was first to speak up. However the words he spoke carried such a serious tone that they made those around feel extremely discouraged.

Fei Wuji couldn't even utter a word. He had once reproached Qing Shui for reaching Grade Five Martial Saint and yet refusing to go to Southern Viewing Continent. Now he knew how ridiculous that action was.

A chill ran through his heart. Words could not describe the sadness he felt at that moment. All his hopes had been placed on Qing Shui and yet, the difference between Qing Shui and his opponents was

"Old man, Martial Uncle Fei, you don't have to be pessimistic. Who said there's no chance of success? Donggong Taiqing may be the Eastern Palace Clan's expert martial artist from the younger generation, but at most, he'll only be in the Eastern Palace Clan's top 5. So there's nothing to fear as their strongest capabilities aren't even at the level of Grade Six Martial Saint. For things like this, you can rely on me, even if it will take a bit more time to accomplish." Qing Shui smiled after some thought.

"Qing Shui, don't force yourself. There's still plenty of time left to leave." Cang Wuya insisted after some thought.

"Qing Shui, it has already been so many years for us that waiting for a few more won't hurt. Listen to the elderly. We will return tomorrow." This time Fei Wuji urged Qing Shui to return.

Only Bai Gui remained silent, sitting to the side taciturnly. He was never one to stand out, giving off an ordinary air but possessing an expert's awareness. The only drawback was that his capabilities were relatively weak. Qing Shui decided that he would help train Bai Gui in the future.

"Old man, I know. I won't act recklessly. As I have said before, I have a way to resolve this matter, but it will take some time to ensure a surefire plan is executed. Believe me." Qing Shui said with confidence.

"Qing Shui, are you certain?" Cang Wuyi said while feeling ill at ease.

"Old man, be reassured, I promise nothing bad will happen. If I don't need to fight, I won't." Qing Shui said with certainty.

"Qing Shui, in any event, you need to safely return to Greencloud Continent. You have to understand that there are many people there that can't go on without you." Cang Wuya sighed.

“Be reassured Old man, I don’t want to die young either. Furthermore, I won’t sacrifice my life in vain.” Qing Shui laughed again.

“Alright, that’s that. We will listen to you, but if you have anything to say just say it bluntly. There aren’t many of us here, so you don’t have to be overly concerned with us elderly. “ Cang Wuya relaxed. He chose to believe Qing Shui. If he said there was a way, then there must be a way.

At night, Qing Shui entered the Realm of Violet Jade Immortal.

Despite his seeming confidence, Qing Shui’s heart actually felt heavy. The reason why he had dared to say that he had a way to resolve the matter was because of his reliance on his superior ability to resist physical force. On top of that, he also had his concealed weapons and his recently acquired Ten Thousand Poisonous Violet Sable.

The Ten Thousand Poisonous Violet Sable was Qing Shui’s trump card, but Qing Shui dared to say he could handle the Eastern Palace Clan because of one main reason: that item he had received from the Wolf Shrine three months ago, the Core of the Nine-Headed Moon Wolf.

The Core of the Nine-Headed Moon Wolf was one of the legendary mythical beast cores. Throughout the years, many cores had been lost, but the ones still existing were frightening. The other cores would come into play at some other time.

What Qing Shui had to do now was decompose and refine the core into several smaller pills. He could add extra ingredients, such as the Crystal Lion’s crystals, during refining to increase the effectiveness of the pills.

Decomposing cores was not difficult to do, as it was a fundamental skill of all Alchemists. Qing Shui felt as much excitement as unease because even though he had decomposed many things before, he was still dealing with a mythical beast core.

Whether or not he would be able to wipe out the Eastern Palace Clan depended on this. If he didn’t have this mythical beast core, Qing Shui’s hopes of succeeding would be slim to none. Therefore, Qing Shui prayed that he could decompose the core and that the resulting pills would be enough.

The moment Qing Shui decomposed the Core of the Nine-Headed Moon Wolf, he realized the formidable power hidden within. Once the decomposition had started, it could not be stopped or else the core would turn into waste.

Fingertip-sized spheres were being decomposed from the core. The spheres were sparkling, translucent and released a majestic aura. Qing Shui was covered in sweat, but he couldn’t stop now, as these spheres were the beacons of hope he was betting on. Without these spheres, he wouldn’t be able to wipe out the Eastern Palace Clan. This would be a detrimental and even deadly result for him and everyone else.

Therefore, everyone would have to use all the force they had to wipe out the Eastern Palace Clan and open the gate to the Southern Viewing Continent. Otherwise, returning would become an even greater burden.

He must push on!

As the last sphere decomposed from the core, Qing Shui fell into deep slumber. Ten days passed by, but luckily ten days in the Realm of Violet Jade Immortal was nothing.

Due to his exhaustion, Qing Shui slept for 16 hours straight. When he woke up, he directly went and examined the pills extracted from the core's decomposition.

The Core of the Nine-Headed Moon Wolf had been about the size of an adult brain and managed to produce a hundred pills.

Qing Shui was rather surprised. After he had enough rest, Qing Shui took out a hundred of the Crystal Lion's crystals and caught several dozens of Triple-eyed Grass Green Frogs.

Putting everything together and refining was easy compared to the work he had already done. It only took half a day to complete this step. Qing Shui found several large bottles to fill his newly refined pills in.

After filling the bottles, there were about ten pills remaining. To test the pill's effect, he called upon a Jade Emperor Bee. To be safe, he found the most common monster to test his pills on. More than three hundred Jade Emperor Bees appeared before him.

A three feet long Jade Emperor Bee saw the pills and reacted with unease, flying up and down while creating a loud buzzing noise. Qing Shui took this opportunity to throw one of the pills in its mouth.

Qing Shui watched the Jade Emperor Bee with much anticipation. Qing Shui knew that each pill was invaluable, with a worth that couldn't be estimated.

Buzz Buzz...

Immediately, the Jade Emperor Bee's body began to transform as it flew up and down with unease. As clear as day, Qing Shui could feel the Jade Emperor Bee's abilities rise at an amazing speed.

Grade Two Martial King... Grade Three Martial King...

In this moment, those insurmountable bottlenecks between levels became like paper, easily broken through again and again. Qing Shui heart felt as though a sweet fountain was flowing through it.

The Peak of Martial King!

From Grade Two Martial King directly to Peak Martial King. Qing Shui could not believe his eyes.

Qing Shui gave it some thought; A breakthrough of this level was within the norm. This was because a normal Jade Emperor Bee had poor aptitude, which limited its breakthroughs. Ordinary Mythical Beasts that had trouble breaking through to the pinnacle couldn't be compared to pinnacle-level beasts

As a result, the three feet long Jade Emperor Bee became almost three meters long. It was comparable in size to the Jade Emperor Queen Bee, but lacked the domineering aura of a king.

If a normal Jade Emperor Bee could consume the pill, then the Jade Emperor Queen Bee could also consume it without any problems. Just like that, Qing Shui fed the pill to the bee.

Currently, the Jade Emperor Queen Bee was a Grade Four Martial Saint. Its entire body had become translucent like jade. The same effect could be seen with the Jade Emperor Bee that had consumed the pill before, proof that its constitution was raised significantly.

While Qing Shui allowed his imagination to run wild, the Jade Emperor Bee's body released a dazzling jade light accompanied by a loud buzz.

Qing Shui wasn't startled, even though the bee had become a Grade One Martial Saint. These pills should allow the Jade Emperor Queen Bee to breakthrough even further, but there was no knowing how many breakthroughs it could achieve...

Chapter 756 - Advancing by Leaps and Bounds, Qing Shui's Formidable Demonic Beasts

Qing Shui watched as the Jade Emperor Queen Bee rapidly grew in size and abilities. As the situation progressed, Qing Shui became more hopeful about the result.

There weren't any signs of slowing down even at the peak of Grade Four Martial Saint. Qing Shui could only stare at the growing Jade Emperor Queen Bee as he waited for its next breakthrough.

Qing Shui lost track of time as he focused all of his senses towards perceiving the subtle changes occurring with the Jade Emperor Queen Bee.

Buzz!

The Jade Emperor Queen Bee cried another loud buzz. Qing Shui smiled as he watched the Queen Bee's body release a dazzling jade light. It had successfully broken through to Grade Five Martial Saint!

As expected from a mythical beast core, an entire level could be gained from consuming a mere 1% of the original core.

Qing Shui only hesitated a second before feeding another pill to the Jade Emperor Queen Bee. Although he knew that continuously feeding the pills to the Queen Bee was impossible, he was still curious of what the limit of the breakthroughs was. He would need to keep the rest of the pills for the upcoming mission.

Once again, a jade-colored light flashed from the Jade Emperor Queen Bee as it grew to nearly ten meters in size. The Queen Bee had broken through again.

Qing Shui grew more excited as he watched the growth of the Queen Bee. The strongest attacks of any Emperor bee was its Poisonous Killer Sting and its Venom Attack. What Qing Shui was looking forward to was not the Queen Bee's massive growth in strength, but rather its poison.

The Poisonous Killer Sting was a great countering ability due to its potency. However, the attack was still limited by the Bee's ability, even after several breakthroughs. Pitting the Poisonous Killer Sting against a Peak Martial Saint wouldn't be very effective. Qing Shui had originally just wanted to test the effectiveness of and the resistance levels imparted by the Moon Wolf pills, so having the Jade Emperor Queen Bee's abilities be raised was an extra side benefit.

Qing Shui felt as though he was in a fantasy as he witnessed an unfathomable result occurring right in front of him. The Jade Emperor Queen Bee had another breakthrough to Grade Six Martial Saint after

consuming two pills! Normally, two pills would only allow the user to reach the bottleneck between two levels. Consuming more pills, even after an extended period, would not have any additional effects.

Grade Six Martial Saint!

Qing Shui debated internally as he clenched his teeth, but finally decided to feed one more pill to the Jade Emperor Queen Bee. Again, an aquamarine light appeared but the Queen's ability progressed by a negligible amount.

Although Qing Shui felt a bit of regret about wasting one pill, he confirmed that two pills was the limit. Fortunately, there were around hundred more pills, so even though he had used three, there was still plenty to go around. Qing Shui made a mental note to save some for Luan Luan, so that her ten Earth Devouring Mice would gain formidable strength. Afterwards, Qing Shui would have no need to worry about where she went in the future.

Suddenly, the Thunderous Beast appeared and started to circle Qing Shui with excitement. Its purple body was especially beautiful, with its build displaying its matchless strength.

Qing Shui immediately retrieved a pill and fed the Thunderous Beast. At the same time, the Ten Thousand Poisonous Violet Sable leapt onto Qing Shui shoulder and started making creaking noises.

Qing Shui also retrieved a pill to feed the sable and then looked on in anticipation. Qing Shui had the highest hopes for these two beasts, especially for the Ten Thousand Poisonous Violet Sable.

Surprisingly, the Thunderous Beast had its breakthrough first. A loud boom akin to the sound of thunder striking earth broke out as the Thunderous Beast's body released a dazzling violet aura. Its body began to grow at a rapid rate while exuding a powerful pressure on its surroundings. The pressure was so strong that it even attracted the attention of the Fire Bird and the Diamond Gigantic Elephant.

The Thunderous Beast reached Grade Two Martial Saint. This growth completely exceeded Qing Shui's expectations.

The Thunderous Beast was now about fifteen meters long and four meters tall. The originally cute Thunderous Beast had become a giant monster, giving off an impressively oppressive force.

Without any hesitation, Qing Shui fed the Thunderous Beast a second pill. Suddenly, the Ten Thousand Poisonous Violet Sable flew into the air, startling Qing Shui.

Previously, the Sable couldn't fly, but after gaining the benefits from one pill, had now gained the ability to do so. Much like for the Queen Bee, Qing Shui cared more about its poison and speed than its strength. The Ten Thousand Poisonous Violet Sable was like a tiger that had grown wings, its abilities becoming massively enhanced.

Again, Qing Shui fed the Sable the second pill, so he wouldn't have to remember to feed it again.

Bang!

A purple aura was once again emitted from the Thunderous Beast's body, but this time the light was even sharper. As Qing Shui watched his beasts breakthrough, the excitement he felt was the same as when he experienced his own breakthroughs.

The second pill caused the Thunderous Beast to breakthrough three levels to Grade Five Martial Saint!

Qing Shui didn't even have the time to grasp the Thunderous Beast's new abilities before the Ten Thousand Poisonous Violet Sable had broken through again. Although their innate strength was lower than that of other beasts, Poisonous Beasts specialized in their venom.

However, the Ten Thousand Poisonous Violet Sable was a Five Coloured Poison Beast, one of those special types of Spirit Beast that exist between the heavens and the earth. Although the second pill had only enhanced its power to Peak Grade Three Martial Saint, its actual capabilities could strike fear even into Peak Martial Saints.

Qing Shui felt content after seeing the Ten Thousand Poisonous Violet Sable successfully breakthrough. Before its power spike, the Ten Thousand Poisonous Violet Sable was already a force to be reckoned with against beginner Martial Saints. Now that its capabilities had multiplied by almost ten times, the difference to its past self was like night and day.

Qing Shui paused for a moment to gather his thoughts. He planned to feed the pills to the Diamond Gigantic Elephant and Fire Bird a bit later. Right now, he wanted to observe the abilities of the Thunderous Beast.

Seeing the violet aura-clad Thunderous Beast made Qing Shui full of expectation.

Heavenly Vision Technique!

Violet Thunder Protection: The Thunderous Beast's unique ability that activates automatically to double its strength with zero energy consumption. When the Thunderous Beast is under physical attack, it has a chance to paralyze the enemy.

Qing Shui could only smile after seeing the first skill, which was even more troublesome than a hedgehog's spikes. It directly raised the Thunderous Beast's fighting ability by one fold. The Thunderous Beast's Violet Thunder Protection was just like the Diamond Gigantic Elephant's Passive Fighting Technique and the Fire Bird's Phoenix Dance. Their aptitudes towards fighting were pretty similar.

Qing Shui continued reading downwards, hoping there were more surprises in store for him.

Thunderbolt: A thunder attack emitted from the beast's core, with a two meter attack range. The attack causes a slight Paralysis effect as well as Deceleration and Reaction Delay debuffs. These effects are stackable.

A skill that can cause dullness to the enemy!

Thunderbolt actually had such an effect. In battle, speed and reaction time were generally more important than direct strength, but if the Thunderous Beast could reduce an opponent's capabilities in all these areas, the result would be devastating...

Holding back his excitement, Qing Shui continued to read the third skill.

Violet Lightning Strike: Harnesses the core's power and releases a powerful lightning strike to disable the opponent. It has a one hundred percent chance to paralyze the enemy, with the length of the paralysis depending on the opponent's abilities. This skill can only be used every twenty four hours.

A hundred percent chance to paralyze the target! This was a deadly trump card for the Thunderous Beast. Qing Shui felt his blood boiling at the thought of how broken this skill was!

Although the ability could only be used once every twenty four hours, this was just one hour's time in the Realm of Violet Jade Immortal. However, if it was a real battle, the chances of using this ability a second time were slim to none.

Using this skill to instantly kill an enemy would be effortless. The unexpected growth of the Thunderous Beast caught Qing Shui off guard. What he had originally thought would take another year's worth of training was already complete. These pills directly increased the Thunderous Beast's strength by the equivalent of five hundred years of cultivation. Qing Shui could not be more satisfied.

That each of the Thunderous Beast's skills was so powerful was a true testament to its innate talents. Putting his excitement aside, Qing Shui read the Thunderous Beast's final skill.

Lightning Recovery: The Thunderous Beast grew up in the Golden Buddha Aura Lotus, harnessing an extremely powerful self-recovery ability. Using Lightning Recovery, the Thunderous Beast can immediately heal half of the injuries on its body. Its natural restoration speed will also increase by fivefold for an hour. After two uses, the cool down time will be two hours.

Another powerful technique. As long as the Thunderous beast wasn't killed instantly in battle, this skill could immediately heal half of its injuries and furthermore increase the speed of injury recovery by five times.

The Thunderous Beast's natural recovery had always been strong, but now it could be even more perverse. Once Qing Shui thought about the Golden Buddha Aura Lotus, he immediately understood the reasoning behind the skill. The Thunderous Beast had grown up absorbing the essence of the Golden Buddha Aura Lotus and it wasn't a stretch to call it a Medical Beast.

With four extremely practical and overly powerful combat skills, the Thunderous Beast's fighting prowess had grown to be terrifying. Essentially, it had become a surprise assassin. Qing Shui could also rely on its Thunder Strike to electrocute enemies that were stronger than him to death.

Overall, the Jade Emperor Queen Bee and the Thunderous Beast had reached Grade Five Martial Saint. The Ten Thousand Poisonous Violet Sable had reached Grade Three Martial Saint. Qing Shui's heart became calmer as he realized the gap between his fighting power and that of the Eastern Palace Clan was decreasing. His hopes for the future grew as the unrest in his heart settled down.

With about ninety more pills, Qing Shui's heart was filled with satisfaction. He called the pair of Gold-Silver Coloured Butterflies over and fed them both two pills.

Of course, he fed the pills one at a time.

The two beasts that were originally Peak Grade One Martial Saints became Peak Grade Four Martial Saints. Their body lengths increased to ten meters, but the change didn't distort their beauty. The sight of one gold and one silver butterfly together was especially beautiful.

"Their combat skills should be more powerful now!" Qing Shui thought as he observed the changing Gold-Silver Coloured Butterflies.

Qing Shui called the Diamond Gigantic Elephant and Fire Bird over. Originally, he these two beasts were his backup plan in case of failure, but he had gained another reliable battle force in his arsenal with the growth of the Thunderous Beast.

Right now, Qing Shui hoped that the Diamond Gigantic Elephant and the Fire Bird would see large increases in abilities as well. The Thunderous Beast and the Ten Thousand Poisonous Violet Sable were not enough by themselves in the upcoming fight...

Chapter 757 - Promotion, Qing Shui standing amongst the experts

Qing Shui Skywalked and at the same time, both the Fire Bird and Diamond Gigantic Elephant also flew towards him. He first took out four Crimson Pellets and fed each of them one. After that, he kept the rest of them because these things were precious treasures that could not be easily found. These were treasures which every tamer would seek.

Qing Shui didn't plan to let the Jade Emperor Bee use it as he thought that it would be a waste. He planned to give those that he left behind to Di Chen, Luan Luan, Mingyue, leaving them with two each for their mounts.

After a short while, almost at the same time, both the Fire Bird and Diamond Gigantic Elephant shone with golden and red light. The Diamond Gigantic Elephant shone with golden light whereas the Fire Bird was bathed in flame. Loud chirping and trumpeting noises could be heard constantly.

Qing Shui gripped both of his fists tightly because the amount of strength increase for both the demonic beasts was a deciding factor to see if he would continue to stay here or leave. Qing Shui wouldn't want to risk it if he could only rely on both the Thunderous Beast and Ten Thousand Poisonous Violet Sable. Hence, he would see how much the Fire Bird and Diamond Gigantic Elephant broke through and how much additional strength boost he could receive from the Diamond Gigantic Elephant as a result.

They broke through!

Qing Shui smiled as he felt the strength of the Fire Bird and Diamond Gigantic Elephant increasing madly. Furthermore, it was a continuous breakthrough. Eventually, it came to a stop.

Qing Shui showed a satisfied smile because of the Fire Bird's rapid improvement in strength. The Fire Bird's raw strength doubled from the original two thousand and five hundred countries to a strength that was worth five thousand countries.

Qing Shui now knew that once one's strength exceeded a certain boundary, their ability to absorb more power would increase as their strength progressed further. It's just like what's happening with the current Fire Bird. It was absorbing a few times more amount of strength compared to the Thunderous Beast. The Thunderous Beast definitely wouldn't come short in talent, it's just that it started off really weak, hence, it was restricted with a lot of limitations.

Five thousand countries worth of strength. It could already achieve strength that's worth one star under the effect of State of Phoenix Dance. Under the effect of Phoenix Dance of Nine Heavens, it's strength would once again double up. Before achieving the Martial Emperor Grade, the strength of both demonic beasts and human warriors were measured using stars as a standard.

Merely one Crimson Pellet was already so powerful.

After that, Qing Shui observed the Diamond Gigantic Elephant. There weren't many changes in terms of its physical size. However, the aura that was emitted from it felt different. Its strength had also increased from the original two thousand and five hundred countries to five thousand countries.

It went up by two thousand five hundred countries. Qing Shui felt roused. The thing that roused him the most was that the raw defense of the Diamond Gigantic Elephant had broken through from the original five thousand countries to eight thousand countries.

The inner core of the Nine-Headed Moon Wolf had managed to significantly awaken the Diamond Gigantic Elephant's and Fire Bird's innate skills and helped tremendously improve their strength. This was all achieved with just one.

Without further hesitation, Qing Shui immediately fed them the two pills that he left in his hands and calmly observed them. His heart was thumping, the sense of exhilaration felt great.

Not long after, the Fire Bird and Diamond Gigantic Elephant once again broke through. The Fire Bird's strength barely increased by another two thousand five hundred countries and achieved a total of seven thousand and five hundred countries worth of raw strength. This time, a change also occurred to the Fire Bird's body. The length and width of both of its wings were almost a hundred meters.

Even though the Realm of the Violet Jade Immortal was huge, the space around it still felt a bit tight. The Fire Bird looked a lot smaller as soon as it folded its wings, the reason being that its wings were too large.

An entire body of fire red feathers plus the crown that had gotten a few times bigger in size... A phoenix, that's what Qing Shui felt that it looked like even though he hadn't necessarily come across an actual one.

This time, the offensive strength of the Diamond Gigantic Elephant went up by two thousand countries and achieved a total of seven thousand countries. Its raw defense had also increased by three thousand countries and achieved a total of eleven thousand countries.

Roarr-roarr!

Qing Shui immediately let out multiple screams in the Realm of the Violet Jade Immortal to express his joy. It was a kind of joy that's not shared with anyone else. It felt more like he was stealing happiness.

Under the effect of Phoenix Dance of Nine Heavens, the Fire Bird would possess strength of one star and it could execute attacks with strength that was worth three stars. Under the effect of Diamond Qi and Diamond Protection, the Diamond Gigantic Elephant would have attacks that was worth fourteen thousand countries and defense that was worth twenty two thousand countries. When the Diamond Gigantic Elephant attacked violently, it could draw out almost three stars worth of strength.

But these were all unimportant. The most important things as of now were the Diamond Gigantic Elephant's Mighty Elephant Stomp at Great Perfection Stage that could draw out ten times its raw offensive strength which was worth seven stars.....

This was what was scary. Even though the damage wouldn't be as great if the Mighty Elephant Stomp was used from long range, it could still deal six a half stars worth of damage. Furthermore, it was capable of attacking one whole group.

“Haha!” Qing Shui realized that he was already considered to possess two Peak Martial Saint Grade demonic beasts. During this crucial period, it seemed they appeared at just the right time.

All of these happened too coincidentally. If they hadn't met Ye Yan, they wouldn't have stopped by Wolf Fang City. If Ye Yan hadn't talked about the Divine Wolf Shrine, Qing Shui too wouldn't have gone there, nor would he have gotten the inner core.

Half a day passed after all of this happened. The weight that had been on Qing Shui's heart also finally dropped down. He had always been afraid that the power boost of the Demonic Beasts, upon feeding them the inner core, would go in an undesirable direction. Now, not only did he feel satisfied, it has even gone beyond his expectations.

Just what kind of strength did the Nine-Headed Moon Wolf possess when it was alive? Qing Shui couldn't help but start thinking about it. He was unclear about its ability, hence, he also couldn't figure out the answer to it.

Now, he wanted to refine the 20% strength boost that was provided to him as a result of the Diamond Gigantic Elephant's breakthrough. The four thousand five hundred countries strength increase to its offensive strength and six thousand countries strength increase to its defense along with its incredible speed, 20%. They were equivalent to nine hundred countries of strength and a thousand and two hundred countries of defense with some other boosts. As Qing Shui thought about it, he felt really agitated. This was the most significant strength increase he had ever experienced.

Ancient Strengthening Technique!

Qing Shui started cultivating to adjust his body's condition. The cloud of qi within his dantian has gotten a lot bigger compared to before. This made Qing Shui feel really agitated and excited. He remembered that there were still three experts of his generation who were stronger than himself.

They had supreme treasures but similarly, he also had his own Heaven defying treasures. He couldn't afford to lose to anyone, especially the young man from Donggong Clan who surpassed himself. If he was to lose to a young man from Donggong Clan, how was he going to help find justice for the Old Ancestor.

Explode!

The more he thought about it, the more agitated he felt. Qing Shui immediately used his Qi of to penetrate through the cloud. Immediately, a violent strength started spreading out of his body. The tenacious meridians also reached their limits upon taking in the sudden supply of formidable energies.

Compress!

Qing Shui only felt scared after penetrating through the clouds. The last time he did it was when he was in the shrine, this time, he was a bit too rash. He didn't dare to be reckless. Qing Shui operated all of his abilities all the way to its peak and progressed forward step by step. He wouldn't allow any mistakes to be made.

The speed at which the Yin-Yang image revolved also became faster and faster as it constantly refined the violent Qi of and changing it to Qing Shui's strength.

The limitless surging strength was still increasing. Very quickly, Qing Shui was already sweating all over his body like he got showered with water. Qing Shui clenched his teeth and held on stubbornly. He was already provoked by it before when he attempted to forcefully pierce through the formidable clouds.

Pu!

Qing Shui spurted out a mouthful of fresh blood. His body managed to loosen up a lot. Fortunately, after his last increase in strength, his meridians and bones all underwent a drastic improvement. Furthermore, the Yin-Yang Image had leveled up too.

Slowly, a layer of fine grey sweat appeared on his body. The endurance of his body also reached a critical point. A lot of the bones across his body cracked. But at the moment when he was about to give up, Qing Shui suddenly remembered the grieving look of the Old Ancestor before he passed away.

Also, both Qing Zun and Qing Yin's face appeared in front of Qing Shui. For them, he would have to hold on no matter what. Considering that both Mingyue Gelou and Shi Qingzhuang were also already pregnant, he thought to himself that he needed to survive to take care of them. As this happened, a mysterious strength emerged.

Rebirth!

The power from the Ancient book of Rebirth once again appeared. His damaged body and meridians were constantly recovering.

The bones that cracked before also started recovering on their own. He no longer felt excruciating pain in his body. Instead, it was replaced with a warm feeling.

The Energy of Rebirth continuously wandered around his body. More and more strength was refined and as a result, the burden of his body also became less and less. Slowly, he could already control it as he pleased.

Yet another two hours passed, Qing Shui opened up both of his eyes. This power took him three days to refine. He lowered his head and looked at the bloodstains all over his body and smelled the smelly bloody scent. He quickly took a bit of water to wash himself and put on the Silk Shirt of the Moon Silkworm. After doing so, he could already feel a kind of comfort that he never experienced before.

Successfully refined!

Qing Shui sensed his own strength and realized that his raw strength had increased by nine hundred countries and his defense had increased by a thousand two hundred countries. This caused Qing Shui's offensive strength to achieve a net worth three thousand one hundred countries and his defense to achieve five thousand countries.

Under the effect of Diamond Qi, Diamond Protection and Diamond Crossing Rivers, he managed to achieve one star defense and six thousand and two hundred countries of offensive strength under his default state.

The Nature Energy increased his raw strength by 50% whereas the Immovable mountain boosted it by 40%. His Frenzied Bull's Strength also helped provide a 30% boost and the same also happened with the Heavenly Thunder Slash. Shield Attack helped provide a 20% strength boost and the Heavenly Talisman

provided him with 40% boost for both his offense and defense states. The Combination Sword Technique provided a 20% boost whereas the Thunder God helped increase all of his strength by one fold.

If Qing Shui was to take out the Violet Gold Divine Shield and Thunder God, his strength would end up slightly above three stars. If he was to take out the Big Dipper Sword and Thunder God, his offensive strength would end up being slightly weaker. If so, he could still use the 7 Stars Armor. Since his defense was already slightly more than three and a half stars to begin with, it would end up being about seven stars worth with the armor.

To hit people, one must first learn to endure being hit. Now that he already possessed the ability to do so, even though his offensive strength wasn't really that strong, he still had other killer weapons. His offensive strength was already enough for him to execute those techniques.

Talismans drawing, drawing the Hundred Forms of the Tiger, Qing Shui who experienced a huge leap in strength calmed his mind and dedicated himself to cultivating. This was considered to be one of the shortcuts Qing Shui found. Once a person experienced a huge leap in strength, the person would similarly have significant improvement in both refining medicines and drawing talismans during that time. This was most likely the effect of the correlation of strength.

Qing Shui's was still threshold of the level of drawing bones in terms of drawing Hundred Forms of the Tiger. He was unable to step into the level that he has always looked forward to. It was when one achieved the level of drawing bones that one was considered to have officially stepped into the world of drawing.

One by one, Qing Shui kept on drawing. At this moment, he was able to calm down his mind really easily. Maybe because of the huge leap in strength, he felt that the things which he has been concerned about for a long time weren't as far-fetched as he had felt.

This time, Qing Shui was able to draw it really skillfully, so much so that for an instant, it made Qing Shui feel that those that he drew in the past were unbearable. Nevertheless, he felt that he hadn't broken through yet. Even so, he didn't really bother about it as long as there was an improvement.

Qing Shui woke up really early the next day. After that, he carried on with his morning exercise. Even though the Taichi Fist didn't break through, it was constantly improving. Qing Shui felt that it was considerably stronger when he executed the moves now compared to before. This was the benefit of gaining an upgrade in strength. Once one's strength ascended, the strength of Taichi Fist would become stronger even if it didn't break through in realms. Similarly, if one only experienced an ascension in realm, the strength of Taichi Fist would also become stronger.

Chapter 758 - Martial God Street, Wuma Aristocratic Clan

Qing Shui had just finished when Ye Yan arrived. When she saw Qing Shui, she happily called out, "Uncle, let's go eat."

Qing Shui silently smiled and nodded his head. He once tried to get the little girl to call him brother, as that way he would not be placed in the same generation as Fei Wuji. However, it seemed that it wasn't of much use...

Qing Shui, Cang Wuya and the others walked together with Ye Yan toward the great hall. When Ye Guyan saw Qing Shui again, she could not help but be shocked. However, she recovered very quickly.

Not seeing Qing Shui for one night, she discovered that this youth was a little different from yesterday. His complexion looked good, causing one to feel comfortable. Most importantly was his charm, which seemed to be calmer, similar to the confidence of someone strong.

“Grandpa, Qing Shui, how is your stay here?” Ye Guyan stood at the entrance, welcoming them into the living room.

“En, very good!” Cang Wuya smiled as he replied. By the side, Qing Shui also nodded his head.

Although there was still only six people in the living room, it felt livelier than yesterday. Perhaps it was because everyone was now slightly more familiar to each other.

“It must be hard for Miss Ye to manage such a big clan by yourself.” Qing Shui said casually while they were eating.

“It’s not too bad, I am already used to it. I don’t really feel that it is hard. Since I’m willing to do it, I don’t feel tired.” Ye Guyan raised her head to look at Qing Shui and smiled, her attractive voice sounding especially pleasant. .

“How is the relationship between the powers in Southern Sea City? I am quite curious.” After the table was cleared, Qing Shui asked Ye Guyan calmly.

Yu Guyan looked at Qing Shui, her eyes gleamed before she smiled gently and whispered, “Between the sects and aristocratic clans, unless there is an alliance by marriage or they are subordinates, there are only beneficial relationships. Usually they seem to have good relationships. However, when disaster strikes, even the clans allied by marriage would retreat far away. After all, the most important thing was their own survival.

“Has Miss Ye fought with Donggong Taiqing before?” Qing Shui looked at Ye Guyan, asking calmly.

Qing Shui actually wanted to directly ask Ye Guyan everything regarding the Eastern Palace Clan, but he felt that it was a little early. There was a saying, to both know yourself and the enemy is half the battle won.

“I have not but I am slightly inferior. In a life or death battle, I might not lose but I would definitely not win.” Ye Guyan chuckled as she replied.

“These aristocratic clans have no one they are close to? Even by marriage?” As Qing Shui asked this, he felt a little embarrassed. After all, he was not used to bombarding others with questions. Furthermore, the other party was someone that he was not that familiar with.

“Haha, you have just arrived, it is normal to ask these questions. I will tell you everything that I know, there is no need to stand on ceremony.” Ye Guyan chuckled, seeming to have seen through Qing Shui’s awkwardness.

Since she had said that, Qing Shui naturally felt better as it would be easier to speak of certain things. It was easy to have a good impression of such an understanding and intelligent woman.

The Tantai Aristocratic Clan is a clan that has been passed down for a long time. It could be said that they are firmly rooted here and have many experts in their clan. In addition, they are very amicable. Therefore, no one dares to antagonize the Tantai Aristocratic Clan. They are the clan that many other clans would want to fawn upon.

The Wuma Aristocratic Clan is very mysterious. Putuo Mountain and Sea King's Palace can be considered semi-secluded. The Southern Sky Poison Sect is a sect that specializes in poisons, thus most people would avoid them.

The Eastern Palace Aristocrat Clan is very arrogant. Adding that a genius had appeared, most people would not dare to antagonize them. An ordinary clan would not be able to shoulder the consequences of doing so. Their reputation isn't good plus members of their younger generation are arrogant and domineering.

The Violet Bamboo Forest is another unknown power but there is no doubt in their strength." Ye Guyan slowly summarised the situation of the different powers to Qing Shui.

Currently, it could be said that Qing Shui had a basic understanding of the major powers in Southern Sea City. Actually, his highest priority was understanding the situation of the Eastern Palace Aristocrat Clan.

The above mentioned were the strongest powers in Southern Sea City. There were still many other smaller powers below them. For example, the Ye Clan, who could barely be considered a third rate Supreme Clan, just that they had a bigger potential.

Now, Qing Shui finally understood that the Eastern Palace Aristocrat Clan also had a very bad reputation here. Their younger generations were prideful, arrogant, and domineering. It's easy to understand once you think about it. Back then, those that the Old Ancestor met were also the younger generations of the Eastern Palace Aristocrat Clan. It was due to their arrogant and domineering attitude that resulted in him coming to the Southern Viewing Continent today.

Decades had passed and the Eastern Palace Clan was still the same, not changing their ways. They would run into trouble sooner or later, just that he was not sure if he would be the one to create disaster for them.

"You just arrived at the Southern Sea City. How about I bring you to take a look around today?" Ye Guyan thought for a bit before looking and smiling at Qing Shui, Cang Wuya and the others.

"I'm too old already, you go with Qing Shui. There is no need to bother with us old men." Cang Wuya waved his hands and laughed loudly.

Ye Guyan did not press the matter. When it was late in the morning, Qing Shui, Ye Guyan, and Ye Yan went out, flagging down a Beast Carriage the moment they went out.

"Miss Ye, How far are we from the Southern Sea?" Qing Shui really wanted to see the sea. He had never seen the sea before in his previous life. In this life, he had only see the Jade Sea in Jade Sea Country but that was just an inner sea.

"There is still a distance from here to the Southern Sea. If we ride a high-speed flying beast, it would take half a month." Ye Guyan said after thinking for a while.

Qing Shui stared blankly, the Fire Bird that had broken through could be considered a high-speed flying beast that Ye Guyan mentioned. Even so, it would still require half a month. It looked like the Southern Sea City was quite far away from the Southern Sea.

“That’s quite a distance away, looks like we can only go there in the future. Where are we go today then?” Qing Shui looked at Ye Guyan and asked.

“I noticed that you are quite interested in the powers of Southern Sea City. I’ll bring you to feel the atmosphere.” Ye Guyan smiled gently.

Martial God Street!

This was a famous street in Southern Sea City and was also the widest street. Legend has it that a Martial God once originated from this place. As for what rank he was, no one knew. They only knew that he was very strong.

There were many people staying on Martial God Street. Most of them were cultivators, strong cultivators at that. This was because the clans that stayed here were especially strong clans.

After one hour, they had arrived. Qing Shui, Ye Guyan and Ye Yan stepped onto this special street. The street was paved with Blackrain Stones, making it look jet black, giving off solemn and serene feeling.

There were many people on the street but there weren’t many stores or people selling goods. Qing Shui could feel that the people walking on the street on the whole had a decent cultivation. Of course, they were not all Martial Saints. No matter where it is, it was impossible to find a street filled with Martial Saints.

Qing Shui could see a few weapon shops, armor shops and even accessory shops. There were many types but they did not seem as messy as other big streets.

The width of the street was 1000 meters and there were manors on both sides. Most of the buildings here were only nine stories tall but each floor was very high. Even the pavilions in the manors could be seen very clearly from the outside.

The people staying here were not just rich, more importantly they were strong. Of course, not every clan here were like those supreme clans. The Ye Clan definitely had the qualifications to stay here, but it was unknown why they did not do so. Qing Shui felt that being able to stay along this street was considered a form of status.

In the distance there were a few large dueling platforms. There were many people walking about on the platforms, seeming very lively. Turning his head towards Ye Guyan, Qing Shui asked, “With Miss Ye and the Ye clan’s strength, staying here shouldn’t be a problem.”

“Currently, the Ye clan does indeed qualify to stay here. Actually, there are many people who can stay here but they do not. On the other hand, there are many who are not qualified but are staying here.” Ye Guyan smiled lightly in Qing Shui’s direction.

Qing Shui understood after he thought for a while. There was actually no need to fight for a space here. There were some who would be invited by others to stay, or given the best manor, even if they decided not to.

As for those that weren't qualified, they would think of ways to stay there. This way, they would not only raise their clan's prestige, they could have more interactions with the strong clans. Therefore the benefits were huge.

Hence, this was the place where people of great strength gathered because this way, they could interact with the greatest powers in Southern Sea City.

However, Ye Guyan did not do that. She was the pillar of the Ye Clan and the glory of the Ye Clan was the result of her efforts. Thus, she had no need to do that.

Actually, there was a manor that was left specifically for the Ye Clan, but the Ye Clan did not move in.

"This street is famous because the Tantai Aristocratic Clan, Wuma Aristocratic Clan and Eastern Palace Aristocrat Clan stay here." Ye Guyan looked into the distance and smiled.

"Oh, looks like there are more Aristocratic Clans here." Qing Shui looked at Ye Guyan and smiled.

"Basically every clan here is an Aristocratic Clan. This is the gathering ground of the strongest Aristocratic Clans. Even within the Southern Viewing Continent, the strength of this place is among the top." Ye Guyan turned her head and smiled as she walked forward with Qing Shui and Ye Yan.

Ye Yan stood quietly by Ye Guyan's side, frequently looking at her surroundings. Occasionally, the people on the street would also look toward the three of them. After all, Ye Guyan was a supreme beauty, it was normal for her to attract some attention. However, as this was Martial God Street, there were less people watching them. The people here had complex backgrounds, thus even when they saw a beauty, not many would dare to be impudent.

"Do you see that? That is the Wuma Aristocratic Clan. Actually, this can only be considered as a branch of the Wuma Aristocratic Clan. No one knows where the rest of them are." Ye Guyan pointed to a grey manor and said.

With one glance, Qing Shui felt that it was very strange. The grey building against black street made the manor feel gloomy. The other manors were white, green, red..... With the blue sky, they were comfortable to look at.

"What a strangely colored building, it makes one to feel gloomy." Qing Shui smiled.

"The Wuma Clan research poisonous worms, also known as Witch Worms. It is said that the color of the building is one of the requirements for rearing them. You will notice that the nearest building is at least 100 meters away. This is due to the fear of the poisonous worms crawling over." Ye Guyan smiled casually.

Qing Shui knew that these worms were very precious and would not crawl over by accident. However, no matter who it was, they would be worried. Thus, the nearest pavilion with someone staying in it was at least 300 meters away. Those across the street were not afraid as the street was 1000 meters wide.

"Who stays in front and behind of the Wuma Clan?"

Chapter 759 - Tragedy of Gongxi Hao, Donggong Taiqing's Assertiveness

Qing Shui was just asking casually without any ulterior motive.

“Oh, the two clans that forced their way in are the Song Clan and the Xu Clan.” Ye Guyan said softly with a chuckle.

Qing Shui was surprised at that realization. The trio continued down the Martial God Street. Along the way, Qing Shui checked out the surrounding topography while waiting for Ye Guyan to continue describing the two families’ position.

“Qing Shui, look, that’s the Eastern Palace Aristocrat Clan’s mansion.” Ye Guyan looked back at Qing Shui, pointing out a huge luxurious manor in front of them.

Qing Shui stared blankly in the direction that Ye Guyan was pointing towards. All Qing Shui could see was the most luxurious manor with the tallest pavilion in the nearest vicinity. The building materials used for construction were also the most expensive.

No matter what the Eastern Palace Aristocrat Clan was still very strong. Even though they could not compare with the likes of the Tantai Aristocrat Clan, Putuo Mountain or Sea King’s Palace, those that could suppress the Eastern Palace Aristocrat Clan on Martial God Street were close to none.

Looking over the manor wall, you could see a majority of the pavilions and kiosks. Due to the distance from the manor and the height of the wall, Qing Shui could only see some of the pavilions’ roofs.

This manor was wide enough to span a couple hundred meters. The Eastern Palace Aristocrat Clan’s main personnel could live here with space to spare. Qing Shui observed the unending crowd moving through the gates of the Eastern Palace Aristocrat manor, trying to distinguish those from the Eastern Palace Aristocrat Clan. Qing Shui momentarily felt a little fatigued.

Unconsciously, he had already walked to the front gate of the Eastern Palace Aristocrat manor. He could not help but look inside. While walking, he saw that there were dozens of guards by the gate. Qing Shui glanced towards them, but none of them had any reaction.

The guards’ job was to gatekeep. Over here, even the Eastern Palace Aristocrat Clan guards did not dare to be arrogant. After all, anyone appearing here could have the ability to take their heads.

“Guyan, why are you here?”

At this time, a clear voice could be heard. Qing Shui glanced over toward the origin of the voice. Not far from them, a group led by a young man approached them. That man could still be counted as a young man. At least from his appearance, he was radiating with health and vigor. However, compared to a youth, his age should be higher. Perhaps calling him a man was more appropriate.

In reality, this man’s real age was around forty years old. He had thin cheeks, a pair of bright black eyes and tight lips when he was not speaking. His complexion gives off a sense of perseverance.

“Brother Hao, what a coincidence.” Ye Guyan said while smiling at the man.

Qing Shui looked at Guyan’s relaxed expression, deducing that the two of them had a decent relationship, probably knowing each other for a long time.

“And who might this be?” The man said in surprise, only noticing Qing Shui now.

“His name is Qing Shui, a new friend that I met.” Ye Guyan explained in a hurry.

“Qing Shui, this is Gongxi Hao. Our parents are best friends.” Ye Guyan smiled while looking towards Qing Shui.

“I see that you do not seem to be older than me, you would not mind letting me call you brother, right?” Gongxi Hao smiled while extending out his hand in greeting towards Qing Shui.

“It is an honour to meet Brother Hao.” Qing Shui hurriedly shook his hand. Making new friends at such a time was for the best.

“What are you guys up to? Do you need any help?” Gongxi Hao said while laughing.

He exuded such friendliness that it would be difficult to dislike him even if it was just the first meeting. Either he had a great grasp of the situation or it was his appearance that was easy on the eyes.

“I have just arrived and unfamiliar with everything, so Miss Ye brought me around to familiarize with the surroundings.” Qing Shui said without waiting for Ye Guyan to explain.

“Oh, Yan`er?” It was during this time that Gongxi Hao finally noticed Ye Yan who was behind Qing Shui. He then glanced towards Ye Guyan. Qing Shui had completely blocked the view of Ye Yan earlier... ..

“My younger sister was saved by Qing Shui.” Ye Guyan said while downplaying the situation.

“Hmph, Brother Hao used to be the one who adored me most, but this time i was lost and he did not come find me.” Ye Yan said while raising her little nose and puffing her cheeks.

“Yan`er, your Brother Hao has been trying his hardest to find you these last two years.” Ye Guyan said softly to Ye Yan.

“Guyan, I am incompetent. If not, Yan`er would not have to bear such hardships.” Gongxi Hao said with a wry smile.

“Brother Hao, I`m only teasing, Yan`er knows that you would look for me.” Ye Yan said quickly with a smile.

“Brother Qing Shui, from the fact that you saved Yan`er, I, Gongxi Hao, will treat you as a brother. Whatever you may end up doing, you will always be my brother.” Gongxi Hao said to Qing Shui with much reassurance.

Qing Shui smiled without saying much. Although he felt that Gongxi Hao was speaking from the heart, it was hard to grasp the truth. Sometimes it was better to be on guard.

“Oh, why is Gongxi`s eldest son standing in front of our doorsteps? Was the last beating not enough? To address others as brothers, ah I see, you can only show off a little in front of those people.”

A sharp and harsh voice suddenly sounded. Qing Shui watched as Gongxi Hao clutched his fists as they heard the voice.

Qing Shui wrinkled his brows a little. He was also insulted by the words that were spoken. As he looked up, a tall man walked out from the Eastern Palace Aristocrat Clan`s manor.

He was roughly forty years old, had a pair of sharp eyes and a hooked nose. Although he would not be described as handsome, he still carried a wicked charm, one that would cause people to take a second look at him.

From the strength of his presence, Qing Shui had already guessed who he was.

This person was a strange one.

“Donggong Taiqing, compared to how you were ten years ago, you’ve already stagnated.” Ye Guyan said softly.

“Ye Guyan, have a little restraint. In my eyes, your talents are nothing worth flaunting. Your Ye clan is not worth mentioning as well.” The man looked at Ye Guyan and spoke with sharp and harsh words again.

There are all kinds of fish in the sea. Qing Shui could never understand what such a derisive person was thinking. However the world was not short of these types of people. Qing Shui could never understand the type of people who vilify others to make themselves feel superior.

“Donggong Taiqing, you’ve gone too far with that statement.” Gongxi Hao said while clenching his teeth at Donggong Taiqing.

“Gone too far? Haha, so what if I am bullying you? Are you worthy?” Donggong Taiqing glanced at Ye Guyan coldly and said with a smile. He did not even bother looking over at Gongxi Hao.

“I want to duel with you!” Gongxi Hao said while clenching his fist. His eyes were beginning to get bloodshot. Even though men are fully aware that they are being baited by these words, they will still do the most stupid things. It was better to die than to swallow his pride.

“A duel? That’s really funny... Hahaha...” Donggong Taiqing said with a harsh tone.

“Villain!” Ye Yan said angrily at Donggong Taiqing.

“Brother Hao, it isn’t worth getting angry at these people, he is not worth your anger.” Qing Shui said while grabbing the hotheaded Gongxi Hao. Qing Shui only stopped Gongxi Hao because he saw Ye Guyan moving to stop Brother Hao as well.

Therefore, Qing Shui decided to act the part of the fool, knowing that he would have to fight with the Eastern Palace Aristocrat Clan anyways. It was unknown whether the best occasion, but it was definitely the most appropriate.

Gongxi Hao was not stupid. Previously, no one had given him an opportunity to withdraw, but what Qing Shui had just said was too good a cue to miss.

“Boy, I admire your courage, but do you know that only having courage without having any actual ability will only make you an idiot.” Donggong Taiqing said while tightly grinding his teeth.

“Qing Shui, don’t step into his trap, this matter doesn’t concern you.” Ye Guyan stepped forward in front of Qing Shui and said.

“Oh it doesn’t concern him? A man hiding behind a woman is no man at all. He will pay dearly for what he said.” Donggong Taiqing said aggressively.

He could tell by the way Ye Guyan was defending Qing Shui that there was nothing to fear about Qing Shui. The Eastern Palace Aristocrat Clan never paid much heed to the Ye Clan anyways. For a man to require the protection of the Ye Clan after uttering such insults was no different than courting death.

Although what Qing Shui said was to help Gongxi Hao, Ye Guyan could not help but feel upset. If Qing Shui had kept quiet, she could have stopped Gongxi Hao without incident. At most, they would have only heard more harsh words.

However, they could not get away so easily now. Qing Shui had good intentions but have overstepped his bounds. Donggong Taiqing had been deliberately trying to find ways to force his hand with her.

Only Ye Guyan knew that Donggong Taiqing had intentions to force her to marry him. The problem was that Donggong Taiqing already had seven other women.

He had been looking for opportunities to force his hand, especially by insulting Gongxi Hao in front of Ye Guyan, because Gongxi Hao was Ye Guyan’s fiancé.

Gongxi Hao frowned a little, feeling sorrow for not having enough talent. Although his hatred for Donggong Taiqing was strong, he was helpless in this situation even though he was aware of Donggong Taiqing’s intentions.

Since they were young, Gongxi Hao and Ye Guyan’s engagement had been determined by their parents. However, Ye Guyan’s parents were no longer around. Even though the Gongxi Clan had proposed for Gongxi Hao and Ye Guyan to marry, Guyan had immediately declined. She wanted to continue training. Given her genius talents, and her ability to control the Ye Clan, she was definitely outshining Gongxi Hao in every possible way.

Gradually, Ye Guyan’s achievements kept on growing and the Gongxi Clan stopped mentioning any matters related to marriage. It was to the point where Donggong Taiqing continuously insulted Gongxi Hao in order to force him and Ye Guyan to cancel the engagement.

“Oh? You want to defend him?” Donggong Taiqing looked at Ye Guyan coldly.

“He is my friend, I won’t let him get hurt.” Ye Guyan said calmly.

“Get out of the way, you aren’t my opponent nor do I want to kill you.” Donggong Taiqing hollered.

Ye Guyan grimaced a little and Gongxi Hao stepped forward. “If I die, will today’s incident be over?”

“Who are you, get away. You however need to die.” Donggong Taiqing pointed to Qing Shui without the slightest hesitation while completely ignoring Gongxi Hao.

“Moron, why don’t we have a duel of our own then!” At this moment, Qing Shui said as he stepped to the side of Ye Guyan, smiling toward Donggong Taiqing.

Chapter 760 - Duel with Donggong Taiqing three days later

“Moron, why don’t we have a duel of our own then!” At this moment, Qing Shui said as he stepped to the side of Ye Guyan, smiling towards Donggong Taiqing.

Qing Shui’s sentence caused everyone to be stunned. Ye Guyan looked at Qing Shui in confusion. Although she was not that familiar with Qing Shui yet, she felt that he was not a rash and impulsive person. However, just today itself, this was already the second time. Furthermore, each time was sufficient for Donggong Taiqing to want to kill him. Why is he doing this?

This sentence of Qing Shui had also infuriated Donggong Taiqing. His complexion turned scarlet and his hair became loose and messy, the result of him turning extremely angry.

Although the strength of a lower leveled cultivator would not be able to cause any change in the emotions of the higher leveled cultivator, it was still possible to infuriate the higher leveled cultivator to death. Taking the present for example, Donggong Taiqing could no longer maintain his calm. No one had ever scolded him before, it had always been him scolding others.

“Qing Shui.....” Ye Guyan shouted at Qing Shui. At this moment, she was very perplexed.

Earlier, she had already felt that this situation was problematic but it was still possible for her to smooth things over. However, things had now progressed to an irreconcilable level.

“Alright, you reckless fool. I shall accept this challenge. When and where?” Donggong Taiqing was so infuriated that his expression turned into a sinister smile.

“Three days later, late in the morning. We shall hold it there.” Qing Shui pointed to a huge arena not far away from the Eastern Palace Aristocrat Clan.

“Alright, I accept. I shall let you live for two more days.” Donggong Taiqing clenched his teeth in anger.

At this time of day, there were already many people in the surrounding area. The news of Donggong Taiqing dueling with someone was undoubtedly a big piece of news. This news was soon rapidly spread around.

Duels were sacred. Once a duel had been arranged, no one could stop it or make changes to it unless someone surrenders or the two parties came to another agreement. Thus, Qing Shui’s duel with Donggong Taiqing was something set in stone. Even Ye Guyan could not do anything to stop it. Furthermore, there was no other way to settle this problem apart from having the duel.

In any case, there was no longer any ways to change it either because news of this had already spread. Furthermore, Donggong Taiqing definitely did not have any intention to make any changes. It was already surprising for him to agree to holding it three days later. Going by his usual personality, he would have just killed Qing Shui on the spot.

Gongxi Hao currently felt very guilty. Today’s matter happened as a result of him. The first time, it was so. On the second time, it was still so. At this moment, he felt that he was really useless.....

Donggong Taiqing was currently looking playfully at Qing Shui and the others. His expression was disdainful as he turned around to head back to the Eastern Palace Aristocrat Clan, laughing frivolous as he left.

“Qing Shui, why are you doing this?” Ye Guyan sighed gently.

"I could not stand his arrogant manners. He went too far in bullying others." Qing Shui said angrily. Although this kind of person would not cause Qing Shui to be too angry, he was very hateful. The most important thing was that this was someone he would kill sooner or later. This was an opportunity that was hard to come by.

Qing Shui did not expect that he would bump into Donggong Taiqing on the second day after he arrived at the Ye Clan and when he had just come out to take a look... It was truly coincidental. Although he had already been in the Southern Viewing Continent for quite a long time, he had only been in Southern Sea City for just one day.

"Is that truly the reason?" Ye Guyan looked suspiciously at Qing Shui.

"Of course. I was too rash and caused trouble for you all."

What a joke. It was impossible for Qing Shui to speak of the true reason. The time was not right yet. Furthermore, there was no need to speak of it.

"You did not cause any trouble from us. However, what are you going to do about the duel three days later?" Ye Guyan's emotions were in turmoil. He had saved her sister and she owed him a debt of gratitude. Today's matter supposedly had nothing to do with him but yet.....

"Brother, I let you down." Gongxi Hao struck his own head with his hands in remorse.

"Brother Hao, we are brothers. What is the meaning of this? If I were you, when I meet such a situation, would you just stand by the side and watch?" Qing Shui grabbed Gongxi Hao's wrist.

Qing Shui did not feel guilty about saying this at all. Although he had a grudge with the Eastern Palace Aristocrat Clan, even without it, he would have done the same. Donggang Taiqing kept humiliating him from the very start. This kind of person ought to be killed.

Gongxi Hao was now quite different from his earlier high-spirited self. Qing Shui could understand this. This was normal after meeting a person like Donggong Taiqing and having to humble himself for the sake of survival, even to the point of not showing any signs of his anger.

"Miss Ye, let's keep going. We have only walked for a short while, if we don't keep moving, it would be impossible to finish by today." Qing Shui smiled at Ye Guyan.

Although Ye Guyan was unable to see through Qing Shui's strength, she felt that it was impossible for Qing Shui to triumph over Donggong Taiqing. Furthermore, there were still other people in the Eastern Palace Clan. Not to even mention defeating Donggong Taiqing, even if he managed to do so, there was no way he would be able to carry on living.

Ye Guyan understood the Eastern Palace Aristocrat Clan well. Qing Shui would not have a good end. Even if he tried to flee, he would not be able to make it far. She felt turmoil in her heart but she did not know what to do.

"Stop thinking too much, it will be fine." Qing Shui gently consoled Ye Guyan.

Ye Yan stood at the side and frowned, looking apologetically at Qing Shui: "I have harmed Uncle."

She felt that if she did not meet Qing Shui, he would not have come to Southern Sea City and met Donggong Taiqing. Thus, this conflict that led to the duel would not have happened.

“Yan`er, all of you are not to blame. This is my matter.” Qing Shui said ambiguously.

The more he behaved like this, the more the others felt upset. Finally, Ye Guyan told Gongxi Hao, “You should go back first. let me handle this.”

“Guyan.....”

“Go back.” Ye Guyan said gently.

Gongxi Hao bit his lips before turning to look at Qing Shui apologetically, “I will come and find you later.” After saying that, he turned to leave, bringing his people with him.

“Uncle, let’s go back and discuss what to do next.” Ye Yan was almost in tears.

“That’s fine too!” Qing Shui could only smile and reply. He had seen Ye Yan’s expression and also noticed that Ye Guyan did not have the mood to continue touring around.

“Hai, I don’t know what to say about you. Are you bold and powerful or are you just an ignorant idiot?” As they walked, Ye Guyan said to Qing Shui.

“Which would you prefer?” Qing Shui smiled gently at Ye Guyan.

“Of course I hope that you are bold and powerful.” Ye Guyan gave Qing Shui an irritated look. Actually, she was a little angry at Qing Shui. Today’s matter could have been resolved just by keeping quiet and enduring it. There were many people who just endured the Eastern Palace Clan. It would not be strange if they did so too.

Furthermore, based on Donggong Taiqing’s attitude, he could tell that the Eastern Palace Clan did not have much good relations with people. While they might have some scoundrels as friends, Qing Shui was not afraid of them. The helpers of the Eastern Palace Clan would definitely not be as strong as the Eastern Palace Clan.

Thus, the problem of eradicating the Eastern Palace Clan would be resolved. Qing Shui decided to start with today’s matter. He hoped that it would go smoothly.

When he returned to the Ye Clan, they ran into Cang Wuya and the others. They saw the sullen expression of Ye Guyan as well as the bitter expression of Ye Yan.

However, Qing Shui’s expressions did not seem to be changed. Cang Wuya puzzledly looked at Qing Shui, “What’s wrong? What happened?”

“Three days later, I will be having a duel with Donggong Taiqing at Martial God Street.”

Although his voice was not loud, a few of the Ye Clan passersby heard it, causing them to stop in their tracks, feeling shocked and at a complete loss.

Cang Wuya and Fei Wuji were also instantly stunned. Although they knew that Qing Shui wanted to fight against the Eastern Palace Clan, they did not expect him to take action so fast.....

Bai Gui was still very calm. He cultivated the way of assassination, which required him to have a strong heart. He would not be shocked easily and had strong endurance and acceptance abilities.

As the few of them spoke, they headed to the great hall!

“Yan`er, please go and get Grandpa Crazy.” Ye Guyan stopped and told Ye Yan.

Ye Yan stared blankly for a moment before leaving.

Qing Shui saw Ye Guyan’s distressed looks and felt a warmth in his heart. Regardless, she was worrying because of his problems.

“Miss Ye, I have already said, you don’t have to worry about this.” Qing Shui said seriously to Ye Guyan.

“I really wish to not worry for you. However, currently I feel that it would be an extravagant hope to wish that I don’t have to worry about you” Ye Guyan looked at Qing Shui and shook her head.

“Then what does Miss Ye intend to do?” Qing Shui asked out of curiosity.

“I said before that I would not let anything happen to you. I intend for you to break your promise.” Ye Guyan said with a lonely expression after thinking for a while.

“Break my promise? How? Although this is the first time I ment Donggong Taiqing, I know that he would not let me off.” Qing Shui looked at Ye Guyan and said.

“Actually, he has a motive in doing this. Once he achieved his motive, he would definitely let us off.” Ye Guyan frowned slightly.

“Motive? Something to do with you?” Qing Shui looked at Ye Guyan in confusion as he asked.

“Donggong Taiqing has always wanted me to marry him. If I agree to it, he would forget about the matter between you and him. However, it is best that you quickly leave. Don’t stay here any longer.” Ye Guyan hesitated for a moment before saying, as though she had been struggling with this decision.

Qing Shui was shocked. Could it be that she intend to wrong herself for him? She did say that she would not let anything happen to him but he never expected that she would go this far.

At this moment, Qing Shui felt very guilty. However, everything was fine. Regardless of the situation, he would not let this happen. He smiled gently at Ye Guyan: “I would rather choose to die than to let you marry that kind of man so that I can live.”

“I am not doing this for you, so you don’t have to feel guilty. This is for my beliefs. You rescued my sister, I owe you for that. Now that you are in a tight spot, I would naturally have to help you, regardless of the price.” Ye Guyan shook her head and said.

“What if I said that my purpose in coming to Southern Sea City is to eradicate the Eastern Palace Clan. Would you believe me?” Qing Shui said after they took a seat.

Qing Shui now knew that there was no more point in concealing this. Things have now come to a point where he should reveal it. There was no need for Ye Guyan to carry such a huge and heavy burden.

Ye Guyan stared blankly for awhile before shaking her head at Qing Shui, "If you had said that at the very start, I might have believed you. Even when you suggested that duel, I was suspecting so. However, I do not believe you now." Ye Guyan continued to shake her head as she looked at Qing Shui.