

Beast Tamer 1051

Chapter 1051:

A neglected creature's greatest fear is suddenly receiving care.

The blood-exhausted other shore flower only longed for a name from Fang Mu.

In the end, Fang Mu not only gave it a name but also the care and promises it had dreamed of.

The blood-exhausted other shore flower had never imagined that it would have the opportunity to casually make demands for resources to enhance its bloodline.

Different species of fairy have different characteristics.

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For example, Hu Tao's retrace sparrow demon is a fairy transformed from a mechanical beast, very serene.

It usually prefers to stay quietly by Hu Tao, the contractor.

As a fairy evolved from the floral beasts, the flower spirit is very adept at discerning people's intentions.

The exhausted blood flower spirit could feel the sincerity in Fang Mu's words.

Fang Mu genuinely wanted to help it strengthen itself and evolve its bloodline!

The lips of the exhausted blood flower spirit curled into a smile, and after fluttering around Fang Mu for a while, it suppressed its joy and said,

"Red Blood is a beautiful name, I really like it!"

Upon saying this, the exhausted blood flower spirit hesitated for a moment before continuing.

"I need to absorb a large amount of blood regularly, and it's best if this blood doesn't contain any toxins."

"Otherwise, it would be a burden to my original form, and my roots would also be affected."

"Besides providing blood, you only need to supply me with wood element potions and life elixirs occasionally."

Hearing this, Fang Mu gently reached out and caressed the exhausted blood flower spirit, smilingly saying to it,

"I have never prepared blood from guardian beasts before."

"From now on, I will collect a variety of guardian beasts' blood for you, ensuring that they are not toxic."

"However, you probably have your own preferences in terms of taste."

"If you find you like the blood of a certain guardian beast, just tell me."

"Later I will make sure to keep a supply of that guardian beast's blood for you."

With that, Fang Mu took out an embroidered box larger than the flower spirit's form and handed it over to the exhausted blood flower spirit.

"Red Blood, this box contains life elixirs and wood element potions."

"If you need these two types of elixirs to nourish your original form in the future, feel free to take them!"

"When the elixirs in this embroidered box are finished, tell me, and I will help you restock. Don't be thrifty with them."

“I have plenty of resources here, and even if resources are finite, I will prioritize your use.”

To instill confidence in a high-intelligence creature lacking in care requires nurturing it with attention.

The future capability of the exhausted blood flower spirit to condense covenant blood essence is intimately linked with Fang Mu; it deserves special treatment in his care.

Curious, the exhausted blood flower spirit opened the embroidered box Fang Mu had given it.

Seeing the elixirs inside, Red Blood’s breathing quickened with excitement.

Fang Mu could feel Red Blood’s excitement and joy.

These elixirs proved the truth of Fang Mu’s recent words.

With such a supply of resources, Red Blood estimated it wouldn’t take long for its bloodline to receive an enhancement!

Fang Mu and Red Blood had a serious conversation for quite some time.

Only when Fang Mu received a message that Zhang Renbin was coming to visit him under cover of night did Fang Mu rub the little head of the exhausted blood flower spirit with his fingertip and say,

“Red Blood, I am cultivating you because I need you to curse me.”

“Now, use your abilities and curse me!”

Upon hearing this, the face of the exhausted blood flower spirit paled as it looked at Fang Mu.

An elder from Chonghuaju had once made the same request to it.

It had cast its curse ability on that elder.

Afterward, the elder disappeared for a while, and when he reappeared, he completely changed his attitude toward it, as if it were an enemy!

This made the exhausted blood flower spirit exceedingly sad.

Because that elder had been the only one in Chonghuaju to take an interest in it since it was born.

The exhausted blood flower spirit feared that after it cursed Fang Mu, it would end up with the same fate as before.

Truth be told, these resources were far less important to the exhausted blood flower spirit than receiving care.

The exhausted blood flower spirit really didn't want the hard-won care to slip away.

Seeing the expression of the exhausted blood flower spirit, Fang Mu guessed its thoughts.

Fang Mu pointed directly to the embroidered box he had just handed to the exhausted blood flower spirit and said,

"Red Blood, look at how many life elixirs are in here."

"The life elixirs I gave you are a very small part of all my life elixirs."

"Using life elixirs, I can maintain my own safety. Your curse will not affect my safety, so curse me without worry!"

Hearing this, Red Blood hesitated for a long while before its crimson wings vibrated, and a special energy fluctuation emerged from its body.

A crimson pattern of the nirvana flower branded itself onto Fang Mu's hand.

In just an instant, Fang Mu felt the life energy in his body rapidly draining away.

This curse brought some changes to his body.

Fang Mu's constitution allowed him to directly absorb energy from the elixirs, replenishing his life energy.

Without the effect of this curse, a normal person taking life elixirs, no matter how refined they were, would still require the body to process and absorb them.

As Fang Mu felt the energy leaving his body, he began to drink heartily from the life elixir.

Only when he felt his life energy was on the verge of bursting did Fang Mu stop consuming the life elixir.

He had drunk five bottles of the pure, one hundred percent life elixir in one go.

Chapter 1052: The Curse Effect of Exhausted Beyond Blood_2

Fang Mu summoned the Blood of Abundance, took out a few Needle Mosquitoes that were kept as tools, and began to infuse them with blood into the Blood of Abundance.

When Fang Mu infused blood into the Blood of Abundance and extracted Heartblood, he was already well practiced at it.

The red Needle Mosquitoes fed on fresh blood and didn't find the current scene strange at all.

In this annex, any other creatures who witnessed Fang Mu's actions at this moment would have definitely been terrified.

Due to the curse, the Life Energy within Fang Mu's body was continuously being transformed into blood.

Today was not supposed to be the day when Fang Mu infused blood into the Blood of Abundance.

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But Fang Mu still infused nearly seven thousand milliliters of fresh blood and about five hundred milliliters of Heartblood into the Blood of Abundance.

After infusing this blood and Heartblood into the Blood of Abundance, the swelling sensation of Life Energy within Fang Mu's body disappeared.

Fang Mu couldn't consume the Life Elixir again until the curse flared up, accelerating blood production through the curse.

Fang Mu retracted the Needle Mosquitoes back into the Purple Ice Crystal Ring.

Fang Mu planned to enhance the strength of the Abdominal Territory Worm to a Sequential level in the short term.

Once the Abdominal Territory Worm stepped into the Sequential tier, the space in the Abdomen Environment would inevitably expand.

By then, Fang Mu could transform the Abdominal Space into a paradise for cultivating various rare Guardian Beasts.

He would nurture those Floral Beasts and auspicious creatures not contracted by him within the Abdominal Space.

Firstly, it could be observed whether Spiritual Energy had a nourishing effect on these Floral Beasts and fairies.

Secondly, it could also ensure the safety of these uncontracted Guardian Beasts.

When the curse was not active, Fang Mu looked no different from an ordinary person.

When the curse became active, the pattern of the flowers from the beyond on Fang Mu's arm would spread towards his entire body.

The sight of it was both glamorous and eerie.

However, even when the curse acted up on Fang Mu, it would be immediately contained.

The patterns would not spread beyond Fang Mu's forearms.

The clothing that Fang Mu wore was long enough to cover the back of his hands when his arms hung down.

Given Fang Mu's status, others would not actively pull up his left sleeve when interacting with him.

Su Qing didn't stay long.

After obtaining those elixirs, she left Lu City.

Before leaving, Fang Mu even gifted Su Qing three Infinite Silver Silkworms, which left her extremely excited.

For the younger generation, Infinite Silver Silkworms were very beneficial, and Chonghuaju also joined the power struggle among various factions.

They had been working on cultivating the younger generation.

These three Infinite Silver Silkworms could let the most outstanding juniors of Chonghuaju advance even further!

This time, Fang Mu didn't arrange to meet Zhang Renbin in the reception room but directly invited him to the living room.

There were only two people in the living room, Fang Mu and Zhang Renbin; She Wan was not accompanying them.

Instead, She Wan was sent by Fang Mu to purchase resources at the black market in Lu City.

As a Noble Lady of the Lu Dushe clan, She Wan had her own connections in Lu City.

She Wan could obtain many resources at the black market that wouldn't normally appear in the public eye.

Although Shu Liangjun was not present in the house, she was secretly protecting Fang Mu.

If Zhang Renbin showed any abnormal movements in front of Fang Mu, Shu Liangjun would appear immediately to protect him.

After being cursed with the Blood of Abundance, Fang Mu had been infusing blood into it, which took up much of his time.

Zhang Renbin obediently waited in the reception room for Fang Mu.

He was contemplating the possible topics of conversation with Fang Mu later.

Seeing Fang Mu walking in, Zhang Renbin immediately stood up.

His originally straight back also bent, showing the fawning posture of a subordinate to a superior.

While assuming this stance didn't mean that Zhang Renbin was such a person, it was enough to indicate his submissive attitude towards Fang Mu.

This attitude served as Zhang Renbin's response to Fang Mu.

Zhang Renbin guessed that Fang Mu intended to bring him into his fold.

Rather than waiting for Fang Mu to initiate the conversation, it was better for Zhang Renbin to express his stance beforehand.

Zhang Renbin also hoped to have the support of a powerful Grandmaster Creator at his back.

Being able to trade for Grandmaster Creator resources and being under the protection of a Grandmaster Creator were two different things.

Having made his decision, Zhang Renbin wasn't there to haggle with Fang Mu this time.

Instead, he was thinking of ways to ingratiate himself with Fang Mu and solidify his future position with him.

Zhang Renbin had not considered communicating directly with the Grandmaster Creator behind Zhang Renbin.

Fang Mu would not likely be willing to introduce the Grandmaster Creator behind him to himself.

In the future, Fang Mu would serve as the bridge between himself and that Grandmaster Creator.

This was something Zhang Renbin could still see clearly.

“Sir Jianmu, greetings, I am Zhang Renbin. From now on, I am willing to follow your orders!”

“If there’s anything you want the Ji Feng Travel Group to do, just tell me directly.”

“I’ll make arrangements right away!”

“If the Ji Feng Travel Group ever acquires any quality supplies, I’ll also deliver them to you as soon as possible.”

Upon hearing Zhang Renbin’s words, Fang Mu thought to himself that Zhang Renbin was clever.

Zhang Renbin understood the meaning of the message he had Shu Liangjun convey.

After deciding to rely on himself, he had already begun to curry favor and seek benefits.

Although Zhang Renbin was clever, he wasn’t clever enough.

Because, although Zhang Renbin guessed Fang Mu's superficial intention, he did not guess Fang Mu's deeper thoughts.

"I indeed will have matters for which I'll need to trouble your Ji Feng Travel Group in the future."

"If your Ji Feng Travel Group delivers quality supplies into my hands, I will likewise exchange them for resources from a Grandmaster Creator."

"I will not let the Ji Feng Travel Group suffer a loss, nor will I let you suffer!"

"But do not underestimate the value of the Ji Feng Travel Group."

As soon as Fang Mu uttered the word "But," Zhang Renbin immediately knew that Fang Mu must have other tasks to assign to the Ji Feng Travel Group.

And these tasks were ones that he had not previously contemplated.

Zhang Renbin really couldn't understand what use the Ji Feng Travel Group could have for a disciple of a Grandmaster Creator like Fang Mu.

Take Fang Mu, for instance, even the Dao Protector by his side was above a Sequential level.

There wasn't a single person in the entire Ji Feng Travel Group who was above that level.

Fang Mu didn't allow time for Zhang Renbin to figure it out on his own and directly told him,

"The bodies of those two Outer Domain Spirits today, I will have need of them in the future."

"The Ji Feng Travel Group could help me trade with other travel groups for the bodies of Outer Domain Spirits."

Zhang Renbin felt a silent sigh of relief when he heard this.

So, that was the matter!

Fang Mu valued the channels that the Ji Feng Travel Group had built while wandering far and wide among the various travel groups.

It was indeed stipulated that bodies of Outer Domain Spirits encountered by the various travel groups should be immediately incinerated.

But the bodies of Outer Domain Spirits did have certain value.

Otherwise, Zhang Renbin wouldn't have treated the bodies of Outer Domain Spirits as treasures to present to Fang Mu.

Zhang Renbin felt that other travel groups would not foolishly dispose of the bodies of Outer Domain Spirits outright.

He could probably make the exchange using some precious supplies he had!

Before Zhang Renbin could fully relax, he heard Fang Mu change his tone,

"Having a single Ji Feng Travel Group collect supplies while wandering here and there is of limited usefulness to me."

"I welcome the Ji Feng Travel Group to bring more travel groups to my acquaintance and allow me to take on the task of supporting their development."

Zhang Renbin was silent for a long while upon hearing Fang Mu's words.

At that moment, Zhang Renbin finally understood Fang Mu's intentions.

Fang Mu might have spoken about needing the bodies of Outer Domain Spirits, but he actually wanted to leverage the relationships of the Ji Feng Travel Group.

Like controlling the Ji Feng Travel Group, he intended to gain control over more travel groups.

Zhang Renbin was not willing to facilitate such a situation.

The Ji Feng Travel Group was not considered a particularly strong presence among the many travel groups.

Facing the benefits offered by Fang Mu, even the travel groups stronger than the Ji Feng Travel Group would likely be willing to align themselves with Fang Mu.

When the time comes, with these stronger travel groups around, where would there be a place for the Ji Feng Travel Group to play a role?

Zhang Renbin would not be so conceited as to think that Fang Mu would treat him the same after he had gathered a large number of travel groups under his command.

Zhang Renbin did not express this outright, but his expression already told Fang Mu of his concerns.

Fang Mu thoroughly understood the concerns that Zhang Renbin had.

If their roles were reversed, he would have the same concerns standing in Zhang Renbin's position.

What Zhang Renbin needed now was a concrete commitment and assurance of his interests from him.

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Fang Mu would guarantee Zhang Renbin's safety, but not right now.

Before Zhang Renbin responded to his demands, Fang Mu wouldn't make any commitments.

Fang Mu intended to make clear to Zhang Renbin the primary and secondary roles in this collaboration.

The relationship between Fang Mu and Zhang Renbin was less a partnership and more a dependency.

One who depended on him must obey his commands.

His commands were meant to override everything else.

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If Zhang Renbin couldn't do this, Fang Mu saw no need to incorporate Ji Feng Travel Group under his command nor to expend effort cultivating it.

After an internal struggle, Zhang Renbin knelt on one knee and clasped his hands towards Fang Mu, saying,

“Master, I, Zhang Renbin, am willing to serve you with the loyalty of a dog or horse!”

“I will definitely lead Ji Feng Travel Group in drawing more powerful travel groups to your side, providing you with opportunities to network with their leaders!”

“I humbly beg for your future benevolence towards me!”

Upon hearing this, Fang Mu’s face bore a smile that was a few degrees brighter than before.

Zhang Renbin was truly intelligent and knew to act according to the times.

Once he made a decision, he would go all in, without hesitation or distraction.

With someone like Zhang Renbin under his command, Fang Mu could avoid many troubles.

Fang Mu had means to control Zhang Renbin, holding his life and death in his hands.

He wasn't worried about Zhang Renbin causing any trouble under his leadership.

Generally, subordinates cause trouble for one of two reasons.

First is that the superiors can't meet their subordinates' demands, leading the latter to feel their interests are compromised.

Second is that the superiors weaken in stature, causing subordinates to lose faith in them.

Neither scenario was likely to happen with Fang Mu.

Currently, Fang Mu was at a stage where both his power and influence were surging, with his strength growing more formidable.

His network and energy within the power structures were also strengthening.

Once Zhang Renbin made his position clear, Fang Mu would promptly promise him benefits.

"Since you are willing to be as loyal as a dog or horse, I will naturally look kindly upon you!"

“Previously, I had never considered collaborating with powers such as travel groups.”

“Now that I’ve thought about it, and you’re the first travel group leader to pledge loyalty to me,”

“Once you’ve helped me sway those travel groups to pledge loyalty to me, I will give you the authority to supervise and manage other travel groups.”

As he spoke, Fang Mu produced a Servant Soul Ant Queen, a new queen bred through its unique trait [New Queen Nuptial Flight].

With Fang Mu providing plentiful Soul Energy to the Servant Soul Ant Queen, the speed at which it cultivated a new queen wasn’t slow at all.

This was also largely due to Fang Mu’s good fortune.

If Fang Mu had been less lucky, no matter how much energy he provided to the Servant Soul Ant Queen,

it might not have been able to produce a Soul Parasite Ant fit to be a new queen.

There’s a significant difference between an ordinary Soul Parasite Ant offspring and a new queen.

Ordinary ant offspring lack wings, but a new queen has two pairs of insect wings,

with the silvery-purple patterns on the second pair symbolizing the new queen's status and authority.

Zhang Renbin, the leader of Ji Feng Travel Group, had traveled far and wide, undergoing many trials.

Though he had never seen a Servant Soul Ant Queen, he guessed the purpose of the ant-like Guardian Beasts Fang Mu had presented.

Without letting Zhang Renbin ponder further, Fang Mu stated directly.

"This is a new queen cultivated by the old queen."

"Once you form a contract with this queen, the old queen will control you through the new queen."

"You can then use the offspring produced by the new queen to control other travel group leaders, or the members of your own Ji Feng Travel Group!"

"Besides the control aspect, the new queen will build a nest in your Soul and provide you with strong soul protective abilities, enhancing your Soul's defenses."

“This will give you security against soul attacks when you face the outside world.”

Zhang Renbin didn't feel despondent about losing his Freedom or being at Fang Mu's mercy in the future.

On the contrary, he was extraordinarily excited.

Zhang Renbin had come prepared to pledge loyalty to Fang Mu and be controlled by him.

Many powerful travel groups had already established relationships with GrandmasterCreators.

These Grandmaster Creators, willing to invest resources into a travel group, all did so with the precondition of ensuring control over the group.

Fang Mu's actions were completely normal.

This new queen was Fang Mu's assurance, as well as his own.

This new queen, which would allow him to control other Beast Masters, must be incredibly valuable.

More importantly, it could protect his own Soul!

The fact that Fang Mu was willing to entrust such a new queen to him showed the importance he placed on Zhang Renbin.

It also proved that Fang Mu's promises were sincere.

Fang Mu indeed planned for him to manage other travel group leaders.

In the relationship-forming process between the strong and the weak, the bind that the strong place on the weak permits the latter to gain more security.

Because within this relationship, the security of the strong is never in doubt.

Zhang Renbin kneeled in thanks to Fang Mu and, to show sincerity, immediately forged a contract with the new queen in Fang Mu's presence.

After forming the contract, Zhang Renbin could feel even more directly the actual benefits that the Covenant Servant Soul Ant Queen's new queen brought to him.

Zhang Renbin was now a Hexagram Beastmaster, and the new queen born from the Servant Soul Ant Queen was enough to control him.

Fang Mu did not make Zhang Renbin contract with the Infinite Silver Silkworm.

"I've heard you'll be staying in Lu City for a while, during which time I hope you can strengthen your control over Ji Feng Travel Group,"

"Then tell me what resources you need to improve your strength, and I will help to boost your power shortly."

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"Remember, I personally paid for these resources out of my own pocket."

"If I ever find out that you've been disloyal, I will have the Covenant Servant Soul Ant Queen dispose of you directly."

"There will be no mercy for you."

"On the contrary, if you do well, not only will your subordinates control many groups and be respected,"

"but your family in the background will also be supported and flourish because of you."

Afterwards, Fang Mu handed a Legend Butterfly over to Zhang Renbin.

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Zhang Renbin was wise to know his place and wouldn't bother his boss without reason.

When he did approach his boss, it was either because he had acquired a body from an Outer Domain Spirit or encountered some unsolvable problem.

Either scenario was of the utmost importance to Fang Mu.

Zhang Renbin's channel was tied to another resource channel under Fang Mu's control.

This resource channel could potentially bring fabulous surprises to Fang Mu.

Zhang Renbin had now become Fang Mu's man, and he never imagined that this connection would go so smoothly.

Zhang Renbin really liked Fang Mu's personality.

Throughout their interactions, Fang Mu always maintained the absolute upper hand.

Yet Fang Mu had never overly pressured him.

It seemed that future conversations with Fang Mu would also be quite comfortable!

Suddenly, Zhang Renbin thought of something that he had previously been too apprehensive to consider.

The Ji Feng Travel Group didn't have the capability to contend for it.

Zhang Renbin felt that this particularly thrilling entity would likely excite Fang Mu as well!

It would be a good opportunity to bring this up and further strengthen their relationship.

"Master, a Growth Type Secret land has appeared in the deep recesses of the Desert Coast Mountain Range, adjacent to the Thousand Ravine Ocean Trench," he said.

"This secret land is surrounded by a fresh aura of vegetation energy."

"This Growth Type Secret land is likely related to the Wood Element."

“Not many powers are aware of this information, and the Ji Feng Travel Group has become one of them.”

“The Witch School has been blocking the news of this Growth Type Secret land, and a witch even approached me to issue a warning.”

Zhang Renbin merely mentioned the circumstances regarding the creation of the Growth Type Secret land and did not tempt Fang Mu to contend for it.

The Witch School was no vegetarian; their methods were ferocious and unconventional.

Countless forces had been executed by the squads led by the Void Beast Witch and the Spirit Witch headed by the Butcher Witch due to offending the Witch School.

If he suggested that Fang Mu contend for this Growth Type Secret land,

and should any harm come to Fang Mu’s side as a result, he simply couldn’t bear the responsibility!

If Fang Mu was truly interested in the Growth Type Secret land,

he would naturally respond after hearing this news.

Upon hearing this, a look of surprise and astonishment appeared on Fang Mu's face.

A Growth Type Secret land was indeed a remarkable existence.

The foundation of Truth Hall was that very secret land capable of producing pure radiance.

While a normal secret land would close on its own after a period of inactivity, even if unexplored,

a Growth Type Secret land would not only remain open but could also be moved and claimed using special methods!

The Ji Feng Travel Group, as part of those who knew about this secret land, now had the opportunity to share this information.

Other forces aware of the secret land's existence were very likely to disclose it as well.

No matter how domineering the Witch School's actions were, they couldn't silence these forces without eliminating them.

Fang Mu was well aware of the benefits a Growth Type Secret land could offer to himself.

The Desert Coast Mountain Range was not too far from the Dragon Rising Federation.

According to the divisions of the Contract Garden's four competition districts in the north, south, east, and west, the Desert Coast Mountain Range was on the edge of the East Competition District.

The Thousand Ravine Ocean Trench was to the north of the Desert Coast Mountain Range.

At its deepest, the trench reached tens of thousands of meters, while at its shallowest, it was only a meter or two deep.

The exposed rocks above were often covered with various types of vegetation.

Some plants could grow up to seven or eight meters tall, their roots barely anchored in the crevices of the rocks.

Every time a periodic tsunami occurred or the sea level rose, the plants on the rocks would become a feast for the Guardian Beasts below.

After the tsunami receded, the vegetation on the reefs underwent a new cycle of life.

This was a perilous place, and any Beast Master below the Diamond Level without Guardian Beasts found it challenging not only to adventure here but even to protect themselves.

Fang Mu quietly calculated in his mind.

If he wanted to contend for this Growth Type Sanctuary, he wondered whether he currently had enough power at his disposal.

After some thought, Fang Mu gently shook his head.

Even with more than three Order Strong individuals at his disposal, it was still not enough to guarantee taking over this Growth Type Sanctuary.

Moreover, he could not possibly deploy all these strong individuals at once.

Mister Hei was guarding Fang Yuan's safety at the Jianmu Commerce Association.

As Jianmu Commerce Association grew larger, many forces in the Outer Realm, seeing the commerce association as part of their function, had already started to view it as a competitor.

Especially since the Jianmu Commerce Association had begun to dispatch specially trained Guardian Beasts to manage lands in the Dragon Rising Federation contaminated by foreign creatures.

Many forces outside the Dragon Rising Federation had already started making proactive contact with Fang Yuan.

Withdrawing Mister Hei to vie for this Growth Type Sanctuary was something Fang Mu could not be at peace with.

Both the Yin Yang Leopard and Blood Race Queen Yisi were also under Fang Mu's control.

Unless necessary, Fang Mu preferred not to rely on forces from the Beast Masters and the Blood Race.

Fang Mu had previously utilized the Yin Yang Leopard because the operation had threatened the safety of both Fang Mu and the Dragon Rising Federation.

Fang Mu decided that in this operation he would either gain control over the Blood Race Queen or exterminate all the Blood Race members.

He was not afraid of any information leakage afterwards.

However, the competition for this Growth Type Sanctuary was chaotic and mixed.

With Order Strong individuals involved, the identities of Blood Race Queen Yisi and the Yin Yang Leopard would be revealed no matter how they tried to hide.

Fang Mu gently rubbed his temples and then spoke to Zhang Renbin,

“You go back first. If I decide to explore this Growth Type Sanctuary, I will let you have a share of the spoils,”

“Just wait for my message.”

“If you come across any new information about this Growth Type Sanctuary, inform me immediately.”

Having said that, Fang Mu raised his hand and tossed a Life Elixir towards Zhang Renbin, as a reward for Zhang Renbin informing him about the Growth Type Sanctuary.

As a superior leader, punishment is not always necessary,

but when you need subordinates to work for you, rewarding them at the right time is essential!

Zhang Renbin caught the Elixir thrown by Fang Mu and returned to the Run Tide Pavilion with great delight.

He prepared to wait until his newly bonded Covenant Servant Soul Ant Queen produced offspring then use these offspring to first gain control of the members of the Ji Feng Travel Group.

Zhang Renbin had already planned to dispose of Du Yong.

But now with the new rewards from Fang Mu, Zhang Renbin no longer needed to kill Du Yong.

He just needed to ensure that Du Yong was controlled by the new Covenant Servant Soul Ant offspring.

Zhang Renbin would gain complete control of the entire Ji Feng Travel Group in an extremely short time.

This was the only way to facilitate controlling other travel group leaders in the future.

If he could not gain complete control of the Ji Feng Travel Group, it would clearly show Fang Mu his incapability,

prompting Fang Mu to replace him.

After Zhang Renbin left, Fang Mu contemplated for a moment, then immediately contacted Shui Miao through the Legend Butterfly.

Once Fang Mu realized that his strength alone was insufficient to compete independently for this Growth Type Sanctuary,

he chose to seek help.

Among the forces closest to Fang Mu, the Twelve Pavilion had the most contact with him,

and they controlled information channels from various sectors.

Fang Mu needed to learn more about this Growth Type Sanctuary through Shui Miao,

Zhang Renbin, whose life was in Fang Mu's own hands, would not dare deceive him on this matter.

This Growth Type Sanctuary certainly existed!

Fang Mu needed to understand more specific details about it.

If in the course of the conversation, Shui Miao did not know about the existence of this Growth Type Sanctuary,

it would mean that the Witch School's blockade of news was somewhat successful.

Regardless, Fang Mu would seek cooperation with the Twelve Pavilion.

Therefore, Fang Mu did not mind if Shui Miao heard about the Growth Type Sanctuary without prior knowledge from him.

Chapter 1055: Contact with Contract Garden!

It had been some time before Shui Miao finally replied to Fang Mu through the Legend Butterfly.

"Ah Mu, sorry about that, I just had something urgent at hand."

"Do you remember Yin Hanrong, who was captured by the Flower Envoy of Bliss Palace?"

"Yin Hanrong has been returned to the Ten-thousand Nations Federation."

"However, Yin Hanrong lost an arm and is now mentally incapacitated."

“She is currently undergoing treatment by the Saint Creator Han Ming.”

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“People from Bliss Palace have come to the headquarters of the Twelve Pavilions seeking some information.”

“I saw you were looking for me, so I rushed to reply!”

Upon hearing Shui Miao’s words, a surprised expression appeared on Fang Mu’s face.

The message conveyed by Shui Miao was enormously significant.

Fang Mu naturally remembered Yin Hanrong.

Yin Hanrong, who was captured by the Flower Envoy of Bliss Palace, was indeed a legitimate Grandmaster Creator!

Having understood the grudge between the ruler of Bliss Palace, Eternal Mother Yongle, and the Saint Creator Han Ming, Fang Mu had thought that Bliss Palace wanted to make a comeback and establish its authority.

Indeed, it would be necessary to suppress the influence of the Ten-thousand Nations Federation.

Otherwise, people would think that Bliss Palace feared the Ten-thousand Nations Federation and was suppressed by them.

But there was really no need for Bliss Palace to target a Grandmaster Creator like Yin Hanrong.

Eternal Mother Yongle could not have forgotten why Bliss Palace had initially been forced to seclude itself from the world.

Breaking Yin Hanrong's arm and rendering her mentally incapacitated would incur the same accountability from Contract Garden as if they had killed her.

Fang Mu did not believe that someone like Eternal Mother Yongle, having suffered once before, would place Bliss Palace in the same situation as before.

Shui Miao mentioned that people from Bliss Palace had come to the headquarters of the Twelve Pavilions to seek information.

Fang Mu estimated that Yin Hanrong's predicament was most likely unrelated to Bliss Palace, and there must be another reason!

Could there be a power scheming against both the Ten-thousand Nations Federation and Bliss Palace, aiming to stir up conflict between them?

If that was the case, then the ambition of this power was far too great!

Shui Miao mentioning setting aside the people from Bliss Palace to reply was also Shui Miao's way of trying to strengthen their relationship.

Initially, when Fang Mu had just started interacting with other powers under the banner of Qixing, he was not clear about the significance of a Grandmaster Creator nor the value of resources related to them.

He was always feeling his way through the proverbially stepping stones of the river.

Now, Fang Mu was acutely aware of the kind of power a Grandmaster Creator possessed.

Fang Mu received countless privileges just because of his status as a Grandmaster Disciple.

Fang Mu did not mention to Shui Miao the Growth Type Secret Land located to the north of the Desert Coast Mountain Range Thousand Ravine Ocean Trench.

The Twelve Pavilions were currently dealing with Bliss Palace.

If Shui Miao were to be busy with Bliss Palace's matters later on, Fang Mu could approach Chonghuaju, the Glorious Clan, or invite other Starwheel members to collaborate during the Stardisk Meeting.

That Shui Miao set aside people from Bliss Palace and communicated through the Legend Butterfly might seem trivial.

If Shui Miao ended up neglecting Bliss Palace's issues to help him,

then he would owe Shui Miao a great favor!

"Ah Shui, are you planning any collaboration with Bliss Palace lately?"

Upon hearing this, Shui Miao responded with a smile.

"It's not really a collaboration; our Twelve Pavilions has always only sold information."

"Apart from for you, the Pavilion Master of the Twelve Pavilions has never undertaken any external actions."

"Bliss Palace is seeking information from the Twelve Pavilions, and we can only do our best."

“The Twelve Pavilions is not made up of immortals and cannot access all information.”

“I’m not sure whether what the people from Bliss Palace are saying is true.”

“If what they say is true, there definitely exists a third-party power involved.”

“A power daring to scheme against both Bliss Palace and the Ten-thousand Nations Federation must have significant ambitions.”

“Unless necessary, I would prefer not to involve the Twelve Pavilions in this!”

Upon hearing this, Fang Mu smiled.

Shui Miao really was, as always, completely open with what he said!

Many core pieces of information from the Twelve Pavilions were shared just like that with him.

The invitation for him to become one of the Pavilions Masters of the Twelve Pavilions was not merely a courtesy.

“Ah Shui, I am now one of the Pavilion Masters of the Twelve Pavilions. Just let me know if there’s anything I can do for you.”

“The Twelve Pavilions might not be made up of immortals, but you must have heard about the Wood Element Growth Type Secret Land, haven’t you?”

Upon hearing this, Shui Miao guessed the purpose of Fang Mu’s call.

The Twelve Pavilions had indeed received related information, but the Twelve Pavilions had traditionally not focused on competing for resources.

Trading information alone had already brought substantial profits to the Twelve Pavilions.

In the Main World, each power had its own foundation.

The Twelve Pavilions had always operated through the channel of information.

If they extended their reach into other powers’ domains and touched other powers’ proverbial cakes,

they would face retaliation from those powers!

Fang Mu mentioning this Wood Property Growth Type Secret Land likely meant he was interested in it.

“Ah Mu, the Wood Property Growth Type Secret Land you mentioned, is that the one near the Desert Coast Mountain Range Thousand Ravine Ocean Trench?”

“I obtained this piece of information through a secret channel.”

“The Witch School seems to be doing everything in its power to block news about it; the secret channel that provided this information to me was eliminated by the Witch School two days ago.”

“The Witch School has shown a determination to secure this Growth Type Secret Land, which suggests that they probably have the support of allies.”

“Among the various Growth Type Secret Lands, resources produced by the Wood Property Secret Land are mostly related to the Wood Element or Life Energy.”

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“Production type beasts are mostly plant-type beastmasters, so the value of Wood Attribute Growth Type Secret Lands is higher than those of other properties!”

“If you need my Twelve Pavilion to lend a hand, I will personally lead a team and redeploy four Pavilion Masters to assist you.”

“Among these four Pavilion Masters, two have already stepped into Order, while the other two are just one step away from Order.”

Fang Mu was quite moved upon hearing this.

Shui Miao didn't even wait for him to ask; upon guessing his intentions, she took the initiative to offer help.

The affairs of the Twelve Pavilion are always very busy; each Pavilion Master oversees the intelligence gathering of a specific area.

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Shui Miao personally taking out four Pavilion Masters to lead a team would affect the affairs of the Twelve Pavilions during the operation.

Every time Fang Mu asked for Shui Miao's help, she supported him wholeheartedly.

This was certainly related to the Grandmaster Creator resources that Fang Mu controlled.

But it also represented the camaraderie Shui Miao had for him.

“Ah Shui, I do indeed need manpower on my side.”

“You said that the Witch School likely has the support of other allies behind them.”

“How many people do you think I need to prepare if I'm interested in this Growth Type Secret Land and want to contend for it?”

Since the Twelve Pavilion received this news and has its own undercover channels,

whether this undercover line has been purged by the Witch School or not, the Twelve Pavilion must hold quite a bit of intelligence on this Growth Type Secret Land.

Otherwise, Shui Miao wouldn't be guessing that the Witch School had allies behind it.

Originally, Shui Miao thought it was the Saint Creator Qixing who had designs on this Wood Attribute Growth Type Secret Land.

One Wood Attribute Growth Type Secret Land is indeed enough to tempt a Saint Creator.

It is a precious treasure that can serve as a legacy for a power.

But from what Fang Mu said, he mentioned, "I am interested in this Growth Type Secret Land."

Could it be that Fang Mu wants to contend for this Growth Type Secret Land himself!?

If that's the case, then Fang Mu's ambition is simply too great!

In other words, ambition stems from the energy and strength one controls.

As a disciple of a Saint Creator, Fang Mu couldn't possibly be unaware of what a Growth Type Secret Land signifies.

If Fang Mu dares to covet the Growth Type Secret Land, he must have the support of Qixing behind him.

Or it could be that other Grandmaster Creators inside Infinite Tower also trust and favor Fang Mu a great deal.

Fang Mu's collaboration with Chang Le Pavilion to jointly develop Tide Bay is something that Shui Miao is well aware of.

Within Infinite Tower, there is more than one Grandmaster Creator.

The Grandmaster Creator Fang Mu represented at that time was far more than just Qixing.

Previously, there were precedents where multiple Human Forces contended for a Growth Type Secret land.

During that struggle, multiple forces allied, and one party had as many as eight Order Strong appear.

Although no Order Strong fell in that contest, there were two Sequential peak strong who perished.

More than ten Sequential strong perished, and the number of the injured was innumerable.

It was rumored that an Order Strong even suffered fundamental injuries during the struggle.

This time, the Witch School has been trying as much as possible to control the news and prevent information about the Growth Type Secret Land from getting out.

However, it's undeniable that the news has been leaked.

Not only does the Twelve Pavilion know, but Fang Mu also heard the related news.

If, at this moment, it wasn't Fang Mu who came to her, but instead another force that had cooperated with the Twelve Pavilion wanting to buy the information,

as long as the resources offered met Shui Miao's expectations, she would be willing to release the news.

However, since Fang Mu is interested in this Growth Type Secret Land, if any other force comes to the Twelve Pavilion seeking related intelligence,

Shui Miao wouldn't trade the news of this Growth Type Secret Land anymore!

"Ah Mu, based on the intelligence currently held by the Twelve Pavilion, we are not able to make an accurate estimate for you."

"Taking previous cases as reference, at least eight Order Strong would need to be involved."

"Other forces contending for this Growth Type Secret Land will also compare it to the previous cases."

"So, eight Order Strong can only be considered a safeguard for oneself."

"Whether it's actually possible to seize this Wood Attribute Growth Type Secret Land is still an unknown quantity."

Fang Mu wasn't aware of the previous contests among the major forces for the Growth Type Secret Lands.

The strongest faction actually deployed eight Order Strong!

Fang Mu calculated all the forces at his disposal, including the Blood Race Queen Yisi and the Yin Yang Leopard which he was reluctant to use, barely scraping together five Order Strong.

Mister Hei was controlled by Liu Xi and turned into a humanoid weapon.

His strength, compared to the living Mister Hei, was definitely lacking.

Indeed, Mister Hei possessed two Bone Marrow Terrorists whose strength was comparable to an Order Strong.

But in real combat, the Bone Marrow Terrorists weren't flexible enough.

Under the condition of ensuring the safe operation of the Jianmu Commerce Association, he could at most take Liu Xi and Shu Liangjun with him.

Liu Xi, because she had already controlled a Mister Hei whose strength had reached the level of Order.

If Liu Xi's strength didn't break through, she would have no way to control new Order Strong.

Including the three Order Strong sent from Shui Miao, Fang Mu could barely muster five and absolutely had to find new allies.

The Glorious Clan wasn't suited for this operation.

According to Fang Mu's understanding, the Glorious Clan had adversaries.

The matriarch of the Glorious Clan was reaching her limit, and rival forces were eyeing them like prey.

They had refrained from action only because of Qin Shao's capabilities.

They were just waiting for Qin Shao's lifespan to end, eager to carve up the Glorious Clan.

Originally, Jinya Club had approached Fang Mu entirely because Qin Shao urgently needed to replenish her lifespan.

The old matriarch Qin Shao had left the Glorious Clan in secret, exposing them to great risks.

Moreover, the Glorious Clan could at most provide one or two Order Strong to aid Fang Mu, which wouldn't fundamentally help him.

Chonghuaju might be a good choice.

But having just concluded a deal with Su Qing, it seemed somewhat inappropriate to ask for her help immediately.

It would cast doubt on his own network of connections.

Truly, there wasn't much time left until the next Stardisk Meeting.

Fang Mu planned to extend invitations to other members in the next Stardisk Meeting, which would undoubtedly allow him more ease.

Meeting with Star Wheel Members in reality and networking with the powers behind them was most beneficial for Fang Mu.

As soon as the cooperation with Shui Miao was set, Fang Mu began to ponder.

Before taking any risks, Fang Mu would always weigh the impact on himself and the benefits for his own gain.

He wasn't going to the Stardisk Meeting to ask for help from other Star Wheel Members, but to seek cooperation with them.

Even if he failed, all he would lose was some resources that Xi Xi could easily create.

Despite the intensity of the last competition, according to Shui Miao, no Order Strong had perished.

With the number of his side's Order Strong reaching eight, even if unable to seize the Growth Type Secret Land,

he wouldn't have to face any significant risks.

Thus, undertaking this task would bring Fang Mu only benefits and no disadvantages.

This Growth Type Secret Land was more than a month away from maturity and opening, giving Fang Mu enough time for preparation and planning.

Zhang Renbin was a seed that Fang Mu planted to gather the Travel Group's power.

Fang Mu hoped that Zhang Renbin would not disappoint him and bring returns swiftly.

If Zhang Renbin couldn't recommend a new leader for the Ji Feng Travel Group to him after a month of returning, Fang Mu would plant another seed.

By that time, the old seed, which hadn't sprouted, would lose its value.

After settling all matters in Lu City, Fang Mu returned to Lu City with Hu Tao and Jiang Tuo.

Ever since Fang Mu declared his identity as a Grandmaster Disciple, he had been waiting for an initiative from a power to contact and invite him.

Now, the power had finally sent someone to reach out to him!

This power was none other than the Contract Garden, which wielded immense influence over humans like turning clouds and commanding rain!

The identity of Qixing was something Fang Mu casually fabricated; speaking truthfully, Fang Mu was himself Qixing.

Fang Mu was not a member of the Contract Garden at present.

The Contract Garden, amassing Creators from all over the world, upon discovering the emergence of the potent new Creator Qixing,

held internal clarifications that Qixing was not among their members, and would undoubtedly seek to make contact.

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Indeed, it was a bit late for Contract Garden to make contact with Fang Mu.

In Fang Mu's own guess, Contract Garden should have been in contact after his last visit to the Ancient Battlefield in the Panfeng Federation.

At that time, Fang Mu had fabricated the existence of the Infinite Tower, a force that internally wasn't just home to a single Grandmaster Creator.

With the capabilities of the Contract Garden, they should have been able to figure out the connection between the Infinite Tower and Qixing.

The fact that it took them so long to contact him showed that Contract Garden was extremely cautious in the process of contacting new members.

The ones who came to visit Fang Mu from Contract Garden were two old men, one fat and one thin.

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These two old men had arrived in Lu City and had gone to the Mountain Manor for a visit even before Fang Mu returned.

Knowing that Fang Mu was not there, the two old men didn't say much and just left a letter for Lu Xiaoyin.

Then they left the Mountain Manor.

Lu Xiaoyin could sense their extraordinary aura, so she took their visit seriously.

When Fang Mu returned to JA City, he immediately took the letter to Fang Mu.

That Fang Mu was Jianmu was not a secret to the powerful forces of the Dragon Rising Federation.

Thus, there were often forces that came to Mountain Manor wanting to make contact with Fang Mu.

Lu Xiaoyin would receive many letters for Fang Mu.

Among many letters, Fang Mu would notice the ones from Contract Garden first because the envelope from Contract Garden had a visible energy circuit on it.

Fang Mu held the envelope in his hands and after studying it for a moment, muttered, "The difficulty of making this envelope is no less than crafting an artifact with golden spiritual energy!"

Furthermore, Lu Xiaoyin emphasized this particular letter, prompting Fang Mu to open it immediately, only to see it written.

"Under the command of Contract Garden, Wang Mi and Xu Fengnian specially request an audience with Qixing Grandmaster, hoping to discuss academic issues together!"

"It is hoped that Qixing Grandmaster will grant us the favor of sparing some time to show Wang and Xu some respect."

Looking at the content of the envelope, Fang Mu's eyes suddenly lit up, then his face showed a thoughtful expression.

Wang Mi and Xu Fengnian were two individuals Fang Mu had not heard of before.

But since they claimed to be under Contract Garden and wanted to discuss academic issues with him as Qixing, it indicated that Wang Mi and Xu Fengnian were surely Grandmaster Creators!

The fact that they addressed Qixing using the title 'Grandmaster' either meant they intended to appeal to Qixing's good will or they knew their own status was lower than Qixing's.

Among Grandmaster Creators, those with lower rank do not have as much say as those with higher ranks.

Lower-ranked Creators need to show respect to higher-ranked Creators.

While other people cannot control a Creator, a powerful Creator can still influence a weaker Creator!

Qixing could not possibly meet with Wang Mi and Xu Fengnian, who were both Grandmaster Creators.

Even if Wang Mi and Xu Fengnian insisted, it was impossible because Fang Mu simply could not produce a Qixing.

Their visit to meet Qixing was meant to probe the reality of Qixing.

After determining Qixing's capabilities, they would invite Qixing.

Qixing's disciple—namely himself—wasn't even considered by them.

But Fang Mu had a perfect excuse, which was that his master, Qixing, was in seclusion.

Grandmaster Creators in seclusion do not wish to be disturbed by outsiders.

Since Wang Mi and Xu Fengnian's powers were inferior to Qixing's, they dared not coerce Qixing.

During this period, Fang Mu had been expanding his network.

Fang Mu felt that he could use this opportunity of Contract Garden sending people to initiate contact to build a good relationship with Wang Mi and Xu Fengnian, the two Grandmaster Creators.

Fang Mu knew that they currently looked down on him as Qixing's disciple.

However, Fang Mu had a way to make them respect him.

He had heard that Grandmaster Creators would trade with each other.

A Grandmaster Creator can not only concoct Life Elixirs and Element Potions but also create various other functionally diverse elixirs.

These elixirs are often used to assist Guardian Beasts in improving their stage or quality.

Fang Mu felt it necessary to acquire a traditional Grandmaster Creator channel to stockpile standard Grandmaster Creator resources.

This would only benefit the development of Fang Mu and the Infinite Tower, with no drawbacks.

The last part of the letter was a special Array drawn on paper.

Fang Mu only needed to use spiritual power to make contact with the Array to activate it.

The two Grandmaster Creators from Contract Garden did not leave a contact method, most likely this Array was meant for contacting them.

Fang Mu didn't rush to activate the Array, but instead contacted Yi Han through the Legend Butterfly.

Yi Han, a Grandmaster Creator, had already joined under Qixing.

Fang Mu knew about Contract Garden's plan to change the rules, making the resource competition among Federations a contest between younger generations rather than older powerhouses, through Yi Han.

Since Yi Han had been contacted by Contract Garden and became an official member.

He was certainly aware of the purpose of this Array!

Besides, Fang Mu also intended to inquire about Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi through Yi Han.

When it came to interacting and communicating with the two Grandmaster Creators, Fang Mu was quite nervous.

Fang Mu, Shui Miao, Shu Liangjun, Yi Han, and other strong individuals established relationships through Fang Mu's subtle inductions.

Fang Mu would initially throw out many hints, gradually leading a few people to believe in Qixing's existence, then cooperate with them.

However, the upcoming contact with Wang Mi and Xu Fengnian, the two Grandmaster Creators, left Fang Mu with no time to prepare.

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Therefore, Fang Mu must give the upcoming meeting some serious thought!

Yi Han, the Qixing Grandmaster, was exceptionally busy every day.

But no matter when Fang Mu sought out Yi Han, Yi Han always responded to Fang Mu promptly, treating him with extraordinary reverence.

At this moment, Yi Han's attitude towards Fang Mu had become even more respectful than it was at the beginning.

In the past few months since siding with Qixing, Yi Han had enjoyed substantial benefits.

It also boosted Yi Han's confidence.

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The elixirs that Fang Mu provided to Yi Han were mostly used by him to enhance his strength.

A small portion was used to establish ties with other Grandmaster Creators or powers.

The influence of the Yi Family now extended beyond the Dragon Rising Federation.

Feeling the message from the Legend Butterfly, Yi Han set aside the spiritual materials he was cutting.

He communicated with Fang Mu through the Legend Butterfly.

"Little Wood, the last time you contacted me was last Wednesday, and it's been seven or eight days since then!"

"If you don't call this old man again, I'll have to come find you in JA City!"

"Xiao Yan has been growing extremely quickly during this time."

"Rest assured, my teaching won't let 'Dragon Mother' be outdone!"

Every time Fang Mu called, he would inquire about Yan Wood's situation.

Yi Han thought that Fang Mu was contacting him with the same purpose this time.

What Fang Mu said next made Yi Han's eyes widen.

"Uncle Yi, I would like you to look at this energy array and see if you recognize it."

With that, Fang Mu had the Legend Butterfly simulate the general appearance of the array through the vibrant patterns on its back.

The Legend Butterfly, intricately bred by Fang Mu with the bloodlines of four Guardian Beasts, had functions well beyond mere messaging.

Yi Han recognized the origin of this array at a glance.

"Little Wood, there are not many people in the world who can draw this kind of teleportation array on paper."

"One is Shu Liangjun, the Forge Spirit master supported by the Contract Garden."

"If I'm not mistaken, someone from the Contract Garden must have reached out to you proactively!"

"Could it be that one of your fellow disciples has successfully become a Grandmaster Creator?"

The Contract Garden had the means to find out about the relationship between the Infinite Tower and itself, though Yi Han was unaware of this.

Fang Mu had previously told Yi Han that he had two fellow disciples who had already become Master Creators.

No wonder Yi Han would think along those lines!

That Yi Han instantly recognized that this array was related to the Contract Garden indicated that he had probably received a similar letter and knew the specific use of this array.

“Uncle Yi, this array should be activated by spiritual power to enable communication, right?”

Thinking that Fang Mu wanted to try activating this array, Yi Han quickly spoke.

“Little Wood, I don’t know which of your fellow disciples this letter was sent to.”

“Make sure to let the intended recipient activate this array.”

“Once the array is activated, the soul will be drawn into a special space.”

“In this space, a Creator from the Contract Garden will communicate with your fellow disciple.”

“The Contract Garden will set forth certain terms and also some restrictions.”

“It’s best left up to your fellow disciple to decide how to handle it!”

“If someone who is not invited activates this array, their soul will be pulled into the space.”

“It might greatly displease the Grandmaster Creator responsible for the guidance.”

Upon hearing this, Fang Mu silently nodded; fortunately, he had consulted with Yi Han before rashly activating the array.

Fang Mu, upon hearing Yi Han's words, gave no reply, which was taken as an acknowledgment of Yi Han's advice.

However, Fang Mu did not continue on this topic anymore.

After chatting casually with Yi Han for a few moments, Fang Mu ended the conversation.

Truthfully, Fang Mu did not like the Contract Garden's method of communication.

Because Fang Mu did not want to contact Wang Mi and Xu Fengnian, the two Grandmaster Creators, through his soul.

The soul is both fragile and private.

Communicating with them through his soul, no one could know if something unexpected might happen.

If he were to meet them in reality, Shu Liangjun might still be able to protect him.

It would also be more convenient for Fang Mu to manipulate and guide them.

However, currently, going through this Array to contact Wang Mi and Xu Fengnian had become an inevitable path.

After pondering for a moment, Fang Mu realized that any rehearsal was meaningless.

Because Fang Mu couldn't guess what these two Grandmaster Creators, Wang Mi, and Xu Fengnian, would say to him.

Once he had a general direction and an excuse in mind, Fang Mu immediately activated the Array using his spiritual power.

Almost instantaneously, Fang Mu felt an attractive force from the Array pulling at his soul.

The moment Fang Mu felt his soul about to be absorbed into the Array, he sensed an astonishing energy being emitted from the Crescent Moon Pendant hanging on his chest.

This energy mingled with his soul and together they entered the Array.

Before Fang Mu entered the Array, there were already two temporary Soul Shadows existing within it.

These two Soul Shadows were communicating ceaselessly through their minds.

“Fengnian, all this information about Qixing was gathered by you.”

“Don’t you think Qixing is too mysterious, almost as if it appeared out of nowhere?”

“Previously, the Contract Garden had absolutely no information about Qixing.”

“Indeed, there are some hermit Creators who do not wish to appear in the Dust World, but the growth of Grandmaster Creators always leaves traces.”

“They have always had at least some contact with the Contract Garden.”

Xu Fengnian, upon hearing Wang Mi’s Soul Sound Transmission, nodded in agreement.

As the one who investigated the information, Xu Fengnian was even more surprised than Wang Mi.

A person living in the world inevitably leaves traces, especially since the growth of a Grandmaster Creator requires a substantial amount of resources.

Both inferred that Qixing might be a title that this Grandmaster Creator had only taken on in recent years.

Yet, after searching through currently available Creators compatible with Qixing's abilities, none of these Creators were within the territory of the Dragon Rising Federation.

"Old Mi, based on my understanding, Qixing must also be at least a Top-level Grandmaster Creator."

"As two intermediate Grandmaster Creators, you and I have a huge gap with Qixing."

"We must be sufficiently respectful when facing Qixing."

"We don't know Qixing's personality, so you must not offend Qixing!"

Xu Fengnian always acted boldly, frankly speaking, he was somewhat careless.

Acquaintances might like Xu Fengnian's personality, but when Xu Fengnian interacts with high-ranking individuals, it could easily lead others to perceive his behavior as inappropriate.

Upon hearing this, Xu Fengnian nodded seriously.

In the past, Xu Fengnian had offended a Senior Creation Master due to his personality.

This Senior Creation Master later caused some minor obstacles for Xu Fengnian, making him suffer quite a bit.

That incident had been a substantial lesson for Xu Fengnian.

The opportunity to connect with Qixing was indeed sought after by both.

Both of them sought this opportunity primarily to try and make a connection with Qixing.

Suddenly, both their faces became solemn. Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi felt like they were standing on a riverbank, watching a bright, vast crescent moon rising from the end of the river.

The moon transcended the river surface, floating in the Array's space.

This essence of the moon enveloped Fang Mu's soul, making it impossible for Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi to probe Fang Mu's soul with their spiritual power.

Fang Mu was completely unaware of this.

Just as Fang Mu was about to open his mouth to speak to Wang Mi and Xu Fengnian from a junior's perspective, he saw Wang Mi and Xu Fengnian bow deeply to him.

"Xu Fengnian has met the Qixing Grandmaster!"

"Wang Mi has met the Qixing Grandmaster!"

Fang Mu was stunned by their actions.

Normally, Wang Mi and Xu Fengnian would not have failed to recognize his soul.

Could the current situation be related to the energy just emitted from the Crescent Moon Pendant on his chest?

Fang Mu now needed to assess the situation carefully.

Firstly, Fang Mu was not certain how long the Moonlight Energy could last.

Secondly, Fang Mu also needed to be sure that Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi had completely mistook him for Qixing.

If either of these factors failed, Fang Mu would not be able to conclude today's incident smoothly.

After bowing, Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi felt a mix of awkwardness and fear when the supposed Qixing did not speak.

It seemed Qixing was not an easy individual to approach!

From the resources exchanged by Qixing, Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi confirmed that Qixing must be at least a Top Creation Master.

Qixing might not need to speak, but they certainly had to.

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Xu Fengnian proceeded without receiving a response from Qixing, steeling himself as he spoke.

"Qixing Grandmaster, the both of us have been entrusted by the Contract Garden to make contact with you," he said.

"May I inquire if you have any plans to join the Contract Garden?"

Immediately after Xu Fengnian spoke, Wang Mi hastened to add.

“Qixing Grandmaster, we hold profound respect for you.”

“We have even brought a gift this time, hoping that you won’t find it inadequate!”

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It is well said, one does not strike the smiling face that reaches out.

Wang Mi and Xu Fengnian had not prepared much for this visit.

Yet now they found themselves compelled to make these statements.

Feeling the imposing aura of the moonlight before them, Xu Fengnian did not contradict Wang Mi’s words.

As a Grandmaster Creator, presenting a gift to another Creator stronger than oneself,

the gift must inevitably be significant, notably draining their resources.

Otherwise, should the gift appear too mediocre, there was a significant risk Qixing would think they were merely going through the motions.

Upon hearing Wang Mi and Xu Fengnian repeat these sentiments, Fang Mu could confirm that the energy within the Crescent Moon Pendant was sufficient to obscure their ability to sense his soul.

The moonlight energy presented Fang Mu with an opportunity to act with an air of superiority.

But Fang Mu decided he would not take up that posture just yet.

Fang Mu conveyed via Soul Sound Transmission.

“This seat is currently in seclusion, not suitable for meeting with you.”

“This time, I will meet you through the Array on the letter, solely as a courtesy to the Contract Garden.”

“You have seen this old man now. Discuss other matters with my apprentice!”

“My apprentice has full authority to represent me in negotiations with you.”

Having said this, Fang Mu actively commanded his soul to withdraw from the Array.

The moon that had risen from the river surface, as perceived by Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi, once again submerged into the waters.

The Array that could entwine a soul within it would be immediately destroyed once someone exited.

With their consciousness and souls returning to reality, Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi exchanged looks after a long while.

Both saw a flicker of bewildered amazement and incredulity in each other's eyes.

The embodiment of a soul into a tangible object resembled the legendary Dharma Aspect only accessible at the Peak of Order.

Yet, Dharma Aspects are usually associated with a Beast Master's Destiny Guardian Beast.

How could a Beast Master's Destiny Guardian Beast be the moon!?

As Grandmaster Creators, Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi always possessed a strong curiosity towards things they did not understand.

However, right now, neither dared to probe into Qixing any further.

The image of that full moon had left a profound impression in the minds of Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi.

They recalled Qixing saying he was in seclusion.

Through the resources flowing from Qixing's hands, they confirmed that at the very least, Qixing was also a Top Creation Master.

Could it be that Qixing was striving to reach the rank of Saint Creator?

Or, was Qixing already a Saint Creator!?

Possibly attaining further advancement at the level of a Saint Creator!

Whether Qixing was poised to break through to become a Saint Creator or was already one,

such a figure was not one they could afford to provoke.

Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi prepared to curry favor with Qixing as much as possible.

Qixing had shown Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi a way forward, which was to negotiate with his apprentice.

The mention by Qixing that his apprentice could fully represent him elevated Fang Mu's status in the minds of Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi.

Otherwise, Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi, both being Grandmaster Creators, would not have really considered focusing their attention on Fang Mu.

Nor could it be said whether they would have esteemed Fang Mu.

Previously, Fang Mu appeared to Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi as insignificant as an ant.

But now, due to Qixing's influence, Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi had decided to treat Fang Mu as an equal in their interactions.

Forming a closer relationship with a young man was certainly easier than doing thus with Qixing.

Fang Mu, in his room, saw the letter with the now inactive Teleportation Array and read the letter again.

Soon after, Fang Mu, emotionally stirred, poured himself a cup of tea.

It wouldn't be long before the two Grandmaster Creators would seek him out.

He was not only about to join the Contract Garden, one of the most formidable obstacles in the human world,

but he was also likely to reach a cooperation with the two Grandmaster Creators.

Enabling Fang Mu to exchange ordinary resources in his possession for some special resources produced by the Grandmaster Creators.

Lu Xiaoyin, Fang Mu's personal steward, was set to leave for Tide Bay tomorrow.

As the head responsible for Tide Bay on Fang Mu's behalf, she would oversee the development there.

Today was Lu Xiaoyin's last day working as a steward by Fang Mu's side.

Fang Mu was very satisfied with Lu Xiaoyin's work as his personal steward.

Yet, at Tide Bay, it was essential to send someone Fang Mu trusted.

There were very few under Fang Mu's command who he truly trusted.

Apart from Lu Xiaoyin, Fang Mu was not confident in the capabilities of others.

In terms of oversight and internal affairs, She Wan was no match for half of Lu Xiaoyin's ability.

However, in terms of combat ability, three Lu Xiaoyins would still be unable to compare with She Wan.

Everyone has their strengths. Fang Mu particularly liked to capitalize on these while avoiding their weaknesses when training his subordinates.

Making them maximize their individual advantages.

The last day of working as a steward by Fang Mu's side made Lu Xiaoyin feel particularly ceremonial.

Though parting from Fang Mu fostered a sense of reluctance in her heart,

Lu Xiaoyin knew that Fang Mu was sending her away because he trusted her.

Only then would he entrust her with full responsibility to oversee such a significant investment!

Determined, Lu Xiaoyin resolved to make a notable impact at Tide Bay.

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Lu Xiaoyin heard from the people below that the two men who had visited earlier were paying a visit once again.

Images of Wang Mi and Xu Fengnian emerged in Lu Xiaoyin's mind.

These two men carried themselves with elegance and composure.

Lu Xiaoyin could feel that when the two handed over the letter, they had not truly looked at him.

Why would such dignitaries come to visit the young master again!?

Lu Xiaoyin had just handed the letter to Fang Mu, and Fang Mu had also inspected it.

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Lu Xiaoyin pondered for a moment, not immediately going to the door to greet them but swiftly returning to his room.

He then informed Fang Mu about the situation.

Upon hearing this, Fang Mu put down the teacup in his hand and said to Lu Xiaoyin.

“Xiao Yin, accompany me to the entrance to welcome them!”

“Remember to contact Elder Shu and have him return immediately.”

The climate in Lu City tends to be humid, which Shu Liangjun could say is quite disagreeable to him.

Upon returning to JA City, Shu Liangjun immediately went to soak in the hot springs.

Lu Xiaoyin shivered upon hearing Fang Mu’s words, subconsciously thinking that something must have happened.

After all, Shu Liangjun has always been there to protect Fang Mu.

If Fang Mu was personally asking him to fetch Shu Liangjun, could it be that these two men might bring danger!?

Lu Xiaoyin immediately contacted Shu Liangjun through a Legend Butterfly.

Fang Mu originally could have contacted Shu Liangjun using Soul Sound Transmission.

However, Fang Mu chose not to do so because Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi are two intermediate Grandmaster Creators.

Most likely, they are two authentic Order Strong.

With Order Strong present, they would be able to sense Fang Mu's Soul Sound Transmission to Shu Liangjun.

With the recent encounter, it was not possible for Wang Mi and Xu Fengnian to harm him.

Not only would they not harm him, but they wouldn't even have time to protect him.

Fang Mu's reason for calling Shu Liangjun over was to create an opportunity for Shu Liangjun to meet the two Grandmaster Creators, Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi.

Since becoming his Dao Protector, Shu Liangjun still had a great need for social connections.

A strong person must, after all, continuously make connections with other powerful entities.

To increase and enhance their access to resources.

Shu Liangjun had often considered for him, and at critical moments, Fang Mu would also consider for Shu Liangjun.

After receiving the Soul Sound Transmission from Lu Xiaoyin, Shu Liangjun initially thought that trouble had befallen Fang Mu's side.

Shu Liangjun immediately set out for the Mountain Manor.

Upon arriving at the Mountain Manor, he saw Fang Mu standing at the entrance, smiling and greeting the two men.

Shu Liangjun could feel that both men were Order Strong.

He was not unfamiliar with one of the men, having had the opportunity to interact with him several times before.

That man was Xu Fengnian!

Xu Fengnian was known for his flamboyance, so why was he being so courteously deferential to young Fang Mu!?

The connections between Qixing and Xu Fengnian were likely the reason.

Looking at Fang Mu, Shu Liangjun saw him smile and wink at him twice.

Shu Liangjun immediately understood Fang Mu's intention and felt deeply touched.

Fang Mu was using his master's connections to introduce him to Grandmaster Creators!

Shu Liangjun certainly would not miss the opportunity Fang Mu had given him.

Shu Liangjun laughed heartily and stepped forward to greet Xu Fengnian first.

“Phoenix Lord, it’s been a long time. I didn’t expect to have the chance to see you here again!”

Xu Fengnian was pondering how to forge a good relationship with Fang Mu when he heard Shu Liangjun’s voice.

Xu Fengnian’s gaze shifted.

“Old Shu, I heard your lifespan was nearly up, but seeing you so spirited, it seems congratulations are in order!”

“Do you know young friend Fang Mu from this place?”

Seeing Shu Liangjun, Xu Fengnian felt he had found someone familiar.

It was clear from Xu Fengnian’s words that he wanted Shu Liangjun to help him get introduced to Fang Mu.

Xu Fengnian carefully sensed Shu Liangjun’s condition.

Even though Shu Liangjun’s lifespan might not be extensive, it had definitely been replenished.

Yet, Shu Liangjun's strength did not seem to have improved beyond its original state.

This indicated that Shu Liangjun had found other means to replenish his lifespan.

This method was very likely provided to Shu Liangjun by Qixing.

Otherwise, there was no reason for Shu Liangjun to stay by the side of Qixing's disciples.

Xu Fengnian thought to himself that he had discovered one of Qixing's great skills.

Helping people replenish their lifespans was not something an ordinary Grandmaster Creator could do.

The more Xu Fengnian thought about it, the more he believed that Qixing was probably a Saint Creator!

Shu Liangjun did not pass up this opportunity.

Fang Mu had called him back precisely to facilitate his contact with these two Grandmaster Creators.

Shu Liangjun immediately disclosed his identity.

"I am Little Wood's Dao Protector, responsible for ensuring Little Wood's safety and accompanying him as he grows," he said.

"Little Wood, this is Master Xu Fengnian, also known as Phoenix Lord."

"He is particularly skilled at nurturing Phoenix-type Beasts."

"His contracted Guardian Beasts are all dominant Phoenix-type beings."

Shu Liangjun was not aware of Wang Mi's identity.

But considering that Wang Mi was able to travel alongside Xu Fengnian, he must also be a remarkable person.

Shu Liangjun would not rashly introduce such a person.

Wang Mi did not expect Shu Liangjun to introduce him either.

After Shu Liangjun introduced Xu Fengnian, Wang Mi immediately took up the conversation.

“Young friend Fang Mu, my name is Wang Mi, the outside world likes to call me the Imprisoned Snake Grandmaster,” he said.

“It was your Master who asked us two to come find you.”

“We two have some matters we need to discuss with you in detail.”

After introducing himself, Wang Mi quickly explained their purpose.

Owing to the presence of Shu Liangjun and Lu Xiaoyin, neither Wang Mi nor Xu Fengnian volunteered to reveal that the purpose of their visit was to represent Contract Garden in engaging the Qixing Grandmaster.

Contract Garden, as an entity composed of Grandmaster Creators, always acted covertly.

They would not lightly let unrelated individuals know about any of their actions.

If it had not been for the fact that Wang Mi and Xu Fengnian truly could not get in touch with Qixing, they would not have sent the message to Fang Mu’s place.

To Shu Liangjun, Qixing had always been exceedingly mysterious.

Despite being by Fang Mu's side for so long, Shu Liangjun had never seen Qixing.

Although Shu Liangjun had never doubted what Fang Mu had told her, she always felt that something wasn't quite right.

Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi said they came for Qixing-related reasons and were so polite to Fang Mu.

The pair had surely met Qixing!

Both of their attitudes towards Fang Mu reaffirmed to Shu Liangjun the powerful status of Qixing.

Fang Mu smiled upon hearing this and said.

"My Master has already notified me, please come with me to the reception room," he said.

"I will stand in for my Master and cooperate with you two Grandmasters."

After that, Fang Mu gave a junior's salute to Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi and gracefully led the way.

Fang Mu's salute as a junior was greatly appreciated by Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi, letting them feel respected.

If Fang Mu had been arrogant, relying on his status as Qixing's disciple, Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi would have had no choice but to continue negotiating with him due to their mission from Contract Garden.

Moreover, they both harbored the intention of befriending Qixing.

If Fang Mu were to be overbearing, Xu Fengnian and Wang Mi truly would not know how to deal with such an insolent junior.

They certainly could not afford to lose face just to make contact with Qixing in front of this little junior.

When Wang Mi and Xu Fengnian made it clear that they had serious matters to discuss, Shu Liangjun did not follow them.

Since Qixing had sent Wang Mi and Xu Fengnian to find Fang Mu, he surely wouldn't compromise Fang Mu's safety.

If a fight were to break out, Shu Liangjun didn't think she would be a match for Wang Mi and Xu Fengnian.

Upon hearing the title, Imprisoned Snake Grandmaster from Wang Mi, Shu Liangjun realized who he was.

The Imprisoned Snake Grandmaster was a figure standing behind the Haichuan Federation.

All four Guardian Beasts he had contracted had stepped into Order.

He had more than a dozen disciples and assistants, and half of them had also stepped into Order.

It was the presence of the Imprisoned Snake Grandmaster that allowed the Haichuan Federation to be so dominant in the entire North District.

Although the Imprisoned Snake Grandmaster was only a mid-level Grandmaster Creator, his connections were incredibly extensive.

This had a lot to do with his penchant for providing resources to his subordinates and trusted followers.

The Imprisoned Snake Grandmaster would always send his trusted people to assist other Grandmaster Creators.

Fang Mu was interested in that Growth Type Secret Land; if he were to ask the Imprisoned Snake Grandmaster for help, it could likely yield significant manpower for Fang Mu.