Beast Tamer 1361

Chapter 1361: Don't Make Me Wait Too Long! Gu Ting racked his brain but could not figure out what exactly affected his relationship with Master Yun Tian.

Not long ago, the Beast Collection Merchants' Association had just provided a substantial amount of resources to Master Yun Tian, for which he was particularly satisfied.

After receiving the resources from the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, he even sent Wu Liang to trade an extra batch of elixirs with them.

Wu Liang's attitude at that time was vastly different from now.

At this moment, Gu Ting could no longer afford to care about his dignity in front of an assistant of a Grandmaster Creator.

Gu Ting could disregard his dignity, but it did not mean that those under his command could see him in this state.

Gu Ting gave a meaningful glance, signaling Yu Yi and his assistant to leave immediately.

Although Yu Yi and Gu Ting's assistant were petrified by the scene before them, they grasped Gu Ting's intent.

They hurriedly disappeared from Gu Ting's sight, and only then did Gu Ting ask Wu Liang in a low voice.

"Mr. Wu Liang, I have no idea what happened to make you take your anger out on the Beast Collection Merchants' Association?"

"The Beast Collection Merchants' Association has surely done nothing to disappoint Master Yun Tian over the years!"

"Our association's store in the Second World has achieved excellent results and will soon deliver another batch of supplies to Master Yun Tian."

Upon hearing Gu Ting's words, Wu Liang subconsciously thought that Gu Ting was feigning ignorance. After all, in Wu Liang's view, offending a Saint Creator was a serious matter, and Gu Ting could not possibly have heard nothing of it.

If Gu Ting knew of the incident, he should have informed Master Yun Tian immediately.

If Master Yun Tian had received the news first, even if he couldn't get Saint Creator Qixing's forgiveness for the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, he would not be as passive as he was now.

Yang Paiyun truly valued the supplies provided by the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, but this incident could not simply be resolved by providing some supplies.

"Gu Ting, I don't care how much money your Beast Collection Merchants' Association has made in the Second World, just don't forget who reminded you to purchase land in the Sacred City!"

"Do you think that Lord Yun Tian doesn't know about your association's achievements!?"

"Tell me, has your Beast Collection Merchants' Association offended some important figure in recent times?"

Gu Ting was caught off guard by these words, and a vague guess formed in his mind.

The Beast Collection Merchants' Association had indeed wronged some powers previously, some of which even had Grandmaster Creators behind them.

In such incidents, it was him who had sought the help of Master Yun Tian and Master Wu Xin.

Both Master Yun Tian and Master Wu Xin were willing to help the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, and the association would later compensate them generously!

Before this, neither Master Yun Tian nor Master Wu Xin had ever sent someone to question him about these incidents. At most, they would simply remind him afterward not to keep causing trouble.

Now that Master Yun Tian had sent his assistant Wu Liang, and given Wu Liang's attitude toward him, it suggested that the Beast Collection Merchants' Association had indeed offended some potential formidable adversary, and he, the president of the association, had no clue.

This revelation stirred panic in Gu Ting's heart.

Master Yun Tian's first reaction was not to solve the problem for the Beast Collection Merchants' Association but to hold it accountable.

The person the association had offended must be extraordinary.

Gu Ting earnestly said to Wu Liang.

"Mr. Wu Liang, we've known each other for a long time. With your understanding of me, if you knew that the Beast Collection Merchants' Association had offended some great figure, you would have informed Lord Yun Tian immediately!"

"Recently, our association has been focusing on managing our store in the Second World, and we haven't had any contact with any factions."

"So we genuinely don't know who we have offended!"

Having said that, Gu Ting took out a piece of Platinum Tier Spatial Equipment filled with supplies and handed it to Wu Liang, hoping to prompt him to clarify the situation.

Wu Liang glanced at the Spatial Equipment that Gu Ting passed to him, and just as he was about to take it, his hand stopped mid-air.

Gu Ting's actions showed that he truly did not know what had happened, which surprised Wu Liang.

Since Gu Ting was unaware, it was likely that someone under Gu Ting's command had unintentionally offended Master Qixing.

Wu Liang was more than willing to receive some benefits from Gu Ting to fill his own pockets.

But under the current circumstances, where Master Yun Tian might sever ties with the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, it was not appropriate for him to accept favors from Gu Ting.

Otherwise, he could easily become the subject of gossip and possibly incur Master Yun Tian's dissatisfaction.

He had already felt Master Yun Tian's wrath, otherwise, Wu Liang would not have failed to control his emotions and confronted Gu Ting with such an attitude from the start.

"Gu Ting, we are indeed old acquaintances, so I'll leave the goods, but let me be straightforward with you."

"I'm very curious to know how you managed to offend Master Qixing, to the extent that Master Qixing himself spread the word about sanctioning your Beast Collection Merchants' Association."

"Don't say I can't help you, not even Master Yun Tian can stand up for you in this matter!"

Gu Ting had heard of Qixing, but the name didn't click in his confused mind immediately.

A character like Qixing was far beyond Gu Ting's reach.

Gu Ting murmured 'Qixing' to himself twice, then it hit him.

Could Wu Liang be referring to Saint Creator Qixing?!

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This news made Gu Ting's legs weak for a moment, unsure of how to react.

Gu Ting's mind rapidly spun, the Beast Collection Merchants' Association must have recently offended Qixing, otherwise Qixing wouldn't have released the news now.

Recently, the Beast Collection Merchants' Association had been focusing on the development of the second world, and the problem most likely arose there!

Fortunately, the second world had only been operational for a few days, so an investigation now would surely clarify everything!

The development of the situation required time, and the news from Saint Creator Qixing couldn't have reached Master Yun Tian's ears immediately.

Based on the timeline, Gu Ting felt that this issue very likely happened on the first day of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association's opening in the second world!

"Mr. Wu Liang, I will definitely investigate and report to you as soon as possible."

"However, our Beast Collection Merchants' Association really doesn't have any relationship with Saintly Truth Creator Qixing, could you perhaps help us bridge a connection, giving us a chance to communicate with Master Qixing?"

Wu Liang looked at Gu Ting speechlessly.

"Gu Ting, what do you think I am, to just establish a connection with Master Qixing like that?" "I can't help with this favor; you should look for other connections!" Joking aside, even if he was merely the assistant to Master Yun Tian, establishing such a connection wasn't so straightforward! With that said, Wu Liang heavily patted Gu Ting on the shoulder. "First know what exactly has happened, so I can go back and report to Lord Yun Tian." "Whether or not I can help your Beast Collection Merchants' Association through this difficulty is up to Lord Yun Tian, not me." "I'll wait here for your message, hoping you can update me within two hours and then take that information back with me." "Don't make me wait too long!" "How long I wait doesn't really matter to me, but if Lord Yun Tian loses his temper for waiting too long, don't blame me for not warning you!" After speaking, Wu Liang prepared to enter the conference room, which only the president of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association could enter. Suddenly, Gu Ting turned around and forcefully stuffed a piece of Platinum Tier Spatial Equipment into Wu Liang's hand.

"Mr. Wu Liang, this is a small token of my appreciation; please accept it!"

"I don't need you to do anything for Beast Collection Merchants' Association, I just hope that in the future if it's suitable, you could speak well of us to Master Yun Tian!"

"It won't take two hours; I'll bring you the information within one hour!"

With that, Gu Ting quickly disappeared at the end of the corridor.

Gu Ting abruptly shut down the Beast Collection Merchants' Association's shops in the second world without explanation, gathering all the managers and staff within a mere twenty minutes.

Yu Yi and Gu Ting's followers did not dare to disclose what had happened previously.

The other managers and staff of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association were completely unaware of the situation.

Everyone in the Beast Collection Merchants' Association knew how much Gu Ting valued the development in the second world; regardless of what happened, closing the shops shouldn't have been an option.

The closure of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association's stores would have a severe impact on them and could even affect their reputation!

The crowd speculated whether a significant issue had arisen in the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, and one of the managers spoke up upon seeing Gu Ting.

"President, our reputation in the second world has already been established, and now many factions are interested in visiting our headquarters."

"At this time, closing the stores is an immeasurable loss!"

"The resources needed to set up shops in the second world are far less than in the real world, you see..."

This manager was interrupted by Gu Ting before he could finish. "My decision was made after careful consideration; you just need to execute it." "Do you think I'm unaware that this will affect the Beast Collection Merchants' Association's development in the second world?" "Our Beast Collection Merchants' Association had just managed to establish these shops ahead of others!" At that point, Gu Ting paused and didn't continue discussing the matter. He directed his question at the three managers, including Yu Yi. "Have there been any issues during the time you three have managed the Second World?" Gu Ting's words were too obvious, as if the forced decision by the Beast Collection Merchants' Association had something to do with the three of them. Yu Yi had just received praise from Gu Ting and was expecting a reward from him in front of all members of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association later. Now, with Gu Ting asking this question, Yu Yi felt extremely conflicted. To say whether there had been any conflicts during the time he managed in the Second World, there indeed had been three rather serious ones.

However, Yu Yi knew the protagonists of two of the conflicts, and these two parties were hardly any

One of the conflicts was even started by Yu Yi standing up for his client.

threat, nor did they affect the Beast Collection Merchants' Association itself.

As for the conflict with Fang Mu and Wang Longfei, Yu Yi had long since put it out of his mind.

Yu Yi didn't consider these two young teenagers worth his attention.

Today, the manager in charge of operating the Beast Collection Merchants' Association was extremely frustrated, firstly because the sudden closure of the store prevented him from explaining to several clients who had made appointments.

Secondly, this manager found that several key clients who had made appointments suddenly withdrew, expressing their reluctance to patronize the Beast Collection Merchants' Association.

It was understandable if one key client made such a decision, but it seemed absurd that several key clients decided simultaneously.

This manager keenly felt that someone might be targeting the Beast Collection Merchants' Association!

President Gu Ting's decision was also very likely related to this issue.

With this thought, the manager reported the situation to Gu Ting.

Upon hearing this, Gu Ting angrily asked,

"Zhao Jiapo, why didn't you report this situation to me earlier!?"

Gu Ting was usually very stable and well-tempered in front of these managers.

Even if a manager really encountered a problem at work, Gu Ting was always the forgiving one.

It was rare for Gu Ting to burst out in anger like now, and in Zhao Jiapo's memory, Gu Ting had only ever been angry once before.

At that time, the person Gu Ting was angry at had since disappeared from the Beast Collection Merchants' Association.

This time, Gu Ting was venting his anger in front of everyone, and it wasn't directed only at Zhao Jiapo.

Zhao Jiapo hurriedly explained,

"President, the first key client who refused to visit the Beast Collection Merchants' Association sent the message just one hour ago, and all of this happened within a short hour."

"I couldn't report to you directly without understanding the situation!"

"And before receiving your message, I had already instructed my deputies to report the situation to you before accounting for the finances tonight."

Zhao Jiapo's explanations were not made in haste. Although Zhao Jiapo's deputies worked with him, their relationship was both cooperative and competitive.

If Zhao Jiapo hadn't mentioned these points, his deputies wouldn't cover for him.

This incident made Zhao Jiapo exceptionally frustrated; so many key clients choosing not to visit the Beast Collection Merchants' Association indicated his poor management in the Second World.

If he were to be the last among all managers, Zhao Jiapo wouldn't be able to hold his head up.

There was no need for Zhao Jiapo to hide these matters from Gu Ting; discussing them in advance could have secured Gu Ting's understanding.

Gu Ting vented some of his repressed anger on Zhao Jiapo, but in reality, he knew that Zhao Jiapo wasn't to blame for this situation.

Zhao Jiapo's poor business performance was due to problems that had occurred in the management over the past two days.

Gu Ting turned his gaze to Yu Yi and the other two managers.

"Within these two days of managing and operating the store, you must have offended someone."

"I need to know the details of these incidents now; there's no time for you to cover them up here!"

"Now tell me about all the conflicts that have occurred!"

Chapter 1363: Compared to encountering problems on the second day of operations, Gu Ting was more inclined to believe that the Beast Collection Merchants' Association had encountered issues on the first day.

The development of events took time; issues from the previous day shouldn't have spread to Master Yun Tian's ears so quickly, nor should they have prompted such a reaction from many of the association's major clients.

The rage of Saint Creator Qixing was equivalent to directly stomping the Beast Collection Merchants' Association into the ground, leaving no chance for recovery.

This matter needed to be resolved as soon as possible.

No matter how the Beast Collection Merchants' Association sought Saint Creator Qixing's forgiveness, it was essential to first clarify the situation.

The woman with chestnut mid-length hair standing next to Yu Yi stepped forward and spoke.

"President, I was in charge of management and operations on the second day of business at the Second World branch of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association."

"During that time, we only had a conflict with a group of troublemakers from the Cluster Dragon Association, which has always had poor relations with our association."

"I definitely had to retaliate against the troublemakers from the Cluster Dragon Association, and I reported this to you yesterday."

"There was no other issue beyond that!"

Sun Ya's mood was quite gloomy these past few days; logically, the second day's performance of the Second World branch should have been better than the first.

But Sun Ya's managed performance did not surpass Yu Yi's.

Aside from the impact caused by people from the Cluster Dragon Association on the operations of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, it also related to the fact that Yu Yi had already secured sales for two display items on the first day.

Among these was a Fire-Affinity Disaster-Level Ghost-Beast that many had their eyes on, and one of Sun Ya's major clients had also taken an interest in it.

When Sun Ya accompanied her major client to view the Fire-Affinity Disaster-Level Ghost-Beast, she found out that Yu Yi had already reserved it.

If it weren't for the fact that her own client couldn't simply make a one-off purchase of this Fire-Affinity Disaster-Level Ghost-Beast,

Sun Ya would have definitely had a showdown with Yu Yi.

Upon hearing this, Gu Ting frowned and fell into deep thought; the Cluster Dragon Association had long been a rival of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association.

The Cluster Dragon Association also primarily dealt in Guardian Beasts, but unlike the Beast Collection Merchants' Association—which trained and sold all types—the Cluster Dragon Association specialized in those with Dragon Bloodlines.

The Cluster Dragon Association possessed the technique of cultivating Dragon Beard Grass, which had the effect of activating the Dragon Bloodline within Guardian Beasts.

In the training of Dragon race Guardian Beasts, the Beast Collection Merchants' Association was inferior to the Cluster Dragon Association, but they hailed the banner of all-category sales and would not abandon selling Dragon race Guardian Beasts just to avoid conflict with the Cluster Dragon Association.

This was the main reason for the feud between the Beast Collection Merchants' Association and the Cluster Dragon Association.

Gu Ting had anticipated that the Cluster Dragon Association might cause trouble for the Beast Collection Merchants' Association's Second World branch upon its opening.

The Cluster Dragon Association did not have the opportunity or capability to connect with a Saint Creator like Qixing.

If they had such opportunities and capabilities, they wouldn't be competing in the same arena with the Beast Collection Merchants' Association.

This was no trivial matter; Gu Ting did not merely take Sun Ya's word for it and continued to question Sun Ya's deputies and several attendants.

"Did anything else happen on the second day of operations at the Beast Collection Merchants' Association besides the trouble from the Cluster Dragon Association?"

"Whoever thinks of anything, just let me know!"

"This is a critical moment for the Beast Collection Merchants' Association; whoever figures out the reason will be the association's hero!"

Gu Ting's words stirred up agitation among the various deputies and attendants present.

However, indeed, no other significant issues had arisen on the second day. At this point, Sun Ya would not have withheld any issues from Gu Ting. Sun Ya glanced at Yu Yi, unaware of what had occurred, but Gu Ting's words had clearly targeted those responsible for managing the shop in the Second World. Since it wasn't her, it had to be Yu Yi. While Sun Ya's deputies and attendants offered no meaningful insights, agitation brewed in Gu Ting's heart. Firstly, because it had been twenty minutes since he arrived without uncovering any potential issues, while Master Yun Tian's assistant Wu Liang was awaiting his news. Secondly, the issue ultimately pointed towards Yu Yi. Yu Yi was brought up by Gu Ting himself; without Gu Ting's favor, Yu Yi wouldn't have become the head of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association so quickly. "Yu Yi, what exactly happened when you managed the shop on the first day? Tell me everything now!" Yu Yi was already somewhat panicked. But after thinking it over, he didn't recall any issues from that day. Yu Yi spoke to Gu Ting in a deep voice.

"President, I already reported to you everything that happened that day; there was nothing else of note."
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Before Yu Yi could finish, Gu Ting spoke to Yu Yi's assistants and the attendants.
"What happened on the first day, do you have anything to add? Surely there were only these two incidents!"
"These two incidents alone couldn't have affected the Beast Collection Merchants' Association to the extent of causing this huge commotion now!"
Yu Yi's deputies shook their heads. The attendants, unless they had made some significant discovery, typically would not speak.
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The attendant clenched his teeth and stepped forward to say,

"President, there is something on the first day that the person in charge did not explain to you."

"On my first day, I attended to two customers who wanted to purchase an exhibit through a fixed price, and they were at the final payment stage."

"That exhibit was still clearly on display, yet the person in charge claimed that the exhibit had already been sold at a fixed price, which caused a conflict between him and the two customers."

"Ultimately, the two customers left the store. Before leaving, one of them declared either to have the person in charge summon an elder to apologize and then proceed by the rules, or let our Beast Collection Merchants' Association bear the consequences!"

"He said he would have you personally deliver these exhibits in front of him for his choice."

The attendant's words suddenly reminded Yu Yi of Fang Mu and Long Fei, the two young men.

Since Yu Yi didn't take Fang Mu and Long Fei seriously, he forgot to mention this when he just reported.

The young man who made the declaration was incredibly audacious in threatening the Beast Collection Merchants' Association.

Now that the attendant had spoken out, whether or not it had a practical effect, it was tantamount to publicly confessing his misconduct.

Gu Ting's expression turned stern upon hearing the attendant's words.

Gu Ting's sixth sense told him that the conflict Saint Creator Qixing held with the Beast Collection Merchants' Association was mostly related to this incident.

The most prominent person related to Qixing was the disciple named Jianmu from Qixing.

Jianmu, reportedly under twenty years old, was of a similar age to the two young men mentioned by the attendant.

Although the attendant did not specify which exhibit the young man had purchased at a fixed price, as the president, Gu Ting was very aware of the value of the exhibit.

Anyone who could purchase those exhibits of Beast Collection Merchants' Association at a fixed price must have a significant background, and Yu Yi dared to offend such a person!

Just as Gu Ting prepared to question Yu Yi, he heard the attendant continue to say,

"One of the young men showed a Saint Light Card upon arrival; if not for this, I wouldn't have chosen to attend to them."

"I mentioned this situation to the person in charge, but he did not take it seriously. He even went to check the wallets of those two customers, doubting their ability to purchase the exhibit at a fixed price."

More than explaining the matter, the attendant seemed to be making a complaint.

The attendant did not give Yu Yi any chance to defend himself and directly reported the situation as it occurred.

Hearing this, Sun Ya was secretly shocked. No wonder Yu Yi had accumulated customers so quickly over the years; so this was his method!

Using this method to accumulate customers had a significant flaw—it was that once you offend someone you should not offend while accumulating customers, you would face severe backlash!

Upon hearing this, Gu Ting was so angered he laughed,

"Very good! Yu Yi, you really are something! And to think I was planning to commend you today!"

"Is this how you manage the Beast Collection Merchants' Association?!"

"Yu Yi, come with me. If it truly is trouble you've caused for the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, then you need to bear the consequences of this matter!"

Having said this, Gu Ting turned and walked towards the room where Wu Liang was.

Gu Ting had already identified a problem himself, but aside from this issue, he really couldn't find any others.

Thus, Gu Ting prepared to discuss this situation with Wu Liang.

Usually, if there was a solution, Master Yun Tian would not simply abandon the Beast Collection Merchants' Association.

Regardless of whether it was because of this matter that the Beast Collection Merchants' Association was facing such an embarrassing predicament, Yu Yi was someone the Beast Collection Merchants' Association could no longer employ.

If it truly was because of Yu Yi, then Yu Yi must pay the price for it.

Even if they managed to secure the forgiveness of Saint Creator Qixing, the targeting of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association by Qixing would lead to decades of bleak circumstances for the association.

Wu Liang quietly waited in the room, having already inspected the supplies stored in the spatial equipment Gu Ting had given him.

Gu Ting was generous enough; the supplies in this Platinum Tier spatial equipment were hard to come by even if Wu Liang spent a year beside Master Yun Tian.

Since he had accepted Gu Ting's generous gift, Wu Liang intended to help Gu Ting solve his problem.

By helping Gu Ting, Wu Liang thought that Gu Ting would definitely offer him more benefits later as a token of his gratitude.

During this waiting time, Wu Liang had communicated with his mentor, Yang Paiyun, who had already completed negotiations with Master Wu Xin.

Master Wu Xin's intention was to first understand the situation and then deal with it as much as possible to see if there was any chance for the Saint Creator Qixing to forgive the Beast Collection Merchants' Association.

If there was a chance for forgiveness, they would urge the Beast Collection Merchants' Association to earnestly seek Qixing's forgiveness.

However, if Qixing adamantly refused to forgive the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, they would decisively sever all ties with the association to prevent any negative impact on them.

Master Wu Xin did not want to offend Qixing because of this!

Even after severing ties with the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, Master Wu Xin still planned to personally visit Qixing to express his apologies.

Master Wu Xin was truly worried that Qixing would hold a grudge against him because of this incident.

When Yi Han had just joined Contract Garden, Master Wu Xin had taken the initiative to form a bond with him, at which time Yi Han had not yet revealed his role as Qixing's spokesman.

The relationship that developed between Master Wu Xin and Yi Han was quite harmonious.

After reconsidering the situation, Master Wu Xin and Yang Paiyun decided to contact Yi Han to inquire about the reasons behind Qixing's anger.

Yi Han had foreseen that Master Wu Xin, the person standing behind the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, might contact him.

Upon learning that the Beast Collection Merchants' Association had offended Saint Creator Qixing, Yi Han would certainly panic.

When Yi Han had just attended the gathering at Contract Garden, he was quite inconspicuous, and he was very appreciative of those Creators who had willingly formed good bonds with him and understood Master Wu Xin's feelings.

Thus, this led Yi Han to not beat around the bush with Du Rui.

Yi Han couldn't obtain the details of the incident from Fang Mu, but he did learn the specific circumstances from Wang Fengjian.

The person in charge of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association was really seeking death daring to treat Fang Mu like that!

Fang Mu was not a person who acted arrogantly or ostentatiously; he very much preferred to abide by the rules.

But it was precisely someone like Fang Mu whose anger could be truly frightening once aroused.

Yi Han recounted the situation thoroughly to Du Rui and reminded her to resolve the matter properly.

Yi Han was well aware that this matter had ignited Fang Mu's anger and it was up to the Beast Collection Merchants' Association to find a way to calm him down.

Moreover, Fang Mu had already proposed a solution, and the president of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association acting according to Fang Mu's suggestion would be able to appease him.

"Sister Rui, I've told you everything I should, and how to resolve it is for you to consider on your own!"

"Personally, I hope this matter is resolved properly, otherwise, if it affects both you and Brother Yang, I will also feel uneasy!"

Having said this, Yi Han ended the communication with Du Rui.

If this matter could be properly resolved to Fang Mu's satisfaction, both Du Rui and Yang Paiyun, these two Grandmaster Creators, would owe him a favor.

This was a win-win situation for Yi Han.

Chapter 1365: Illusionary Eye Witch Lion! Du Rui was already furious before communicating with Yi Han.

Du Rui and Yang Paiyun had the same mindset, supporting the Beast Collection Merchants' Association because it could feed back a large amount of supplies to them.

Moreover, when they encountered some special Guardian Beast resources, the Beast Collection Merchants' Association could help to find them.

But now, the Beast Collection Merchants' Association had greatly impacted Du Rui, making it very likely that Du Rui would be secretly disliked by a Saint Creator.

Asking about Yi Han's situation, Du Rui had to owe Yi Han a huge favor.

After inquiring about Yi Han's situation, Du Rui could not suppress her anger any longer.

If it weren't for Yang Paiyun sending his assistant to the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, Du Rui would have liked to personally go to the association, grab Gu Ting by the head, and ask him how he managed the Merchant's Association.

Then she would personally execute the person who dared to offend a Qixing Disciple.

"Old Yang, it seems we have been too lax in managing the Beast Collection Merchants' Association over the years!"

"From now on, we don't need to give face to the Beast Language Federation, regardless of whether the Beast Collection Merchants' Association is an official force of the Beast Language Federation or not, we must strictly restrain and control the Merchant's Association!"

"Otherwise, a mere manager of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association may put us in jeopardy!"

When Yang Paiyun heard Du Rui speak this way, he knew that Du Rui must have found the reason, and this brought relief to his heart.

Once the reason was found, it ensured they would not become fools no matter what.

And from what Du Rui said, it seemed they wouldn't need to abandon the Beast Collection Merchants' Association!

This was excellent news for Yang Paiyun.

Yang Paiyun had invested so much in the Beast Collection Merchants' Association and certainly did not wish to clear it out over this matter, which would cause him great losses and make him a laughingstock in the Grandmaster Creator circles.

This was definitely not what Yang Paiyun wanted to see!

"Sister Rui, just speak up about any situation. After using up this favor, if there's a chance, your older brother will repay you."

Du Rui quickly shook her head upon hearing this.

"Old Yang, what are you talking about? We have known each other for so many years, why mention favors?"

Having said that, Du Rui told Yang Paiyun the situation in its entirety.

Yang Paiyun originally thought there was a conflict of interest between the Beast Collection Merchants' Association and the Saint Creator Qixing, but it now seems that the manager of the Merchant's Association had offended Qixing!

Yang Paiyun had just communicated with Wu Liang, and neither he nor Du Rui knew the situation when talking to Wu Liang.

Now Yang Paiyun felt the impulse to inform Wu Liang directly to execute the manager who had offended Qixing!

But very soon, Yang Paiyun abandoned the idea.

Since Du Rui decided to strictly control the Beast Collection Merchants' Association henceforth, Yang Paiyun also harbored this idea.

The most critical individual within the entire Merchant's Association who needed examination was Gu Ting, the president.

This matter must be thoroughly investigated by Gu Ting for both Yang Paiyun and Du Rui to let him continue as the president of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association.

Otherwise, Yang Paiyun would take the lead and directly replace the president of the Merchant's Association.

As long as Yang Paiyun was willing to continue supporting the Merchant's Association, the Beast Language Federation would not dare to say a word against it.

Over at Wu Liang's side, after receiving Gu Ting's report, he frowned deeply and looked at Yu Yi. Wu Liang remembered that when he arrived, Gu Ting seemed to be commending Yu Yi.

Now, this person praised by Gu Ting had suddenly turned into the Merchant's Association's calamity, an absolute irony!

"Gu Ting, you better thank your luck that it is indeed for this reason that your Merchant's Association has suffered this misfortune. If not, how could you, as the president of the Merchant's Association, fail to investigate the specific situation? How could you manage the Merchant's Association in the future with such incompetence?"

"Better to resign from the presidency sooner rather than later. It would be better to abdicate in favor of the wise!"

Having spoken, Wu Liang ignored Gu Ting's reaction and took out the Communication Beast to once again communicate with Yang Paiyun.

By the time Wu Liang arrived at the Merchant's Association, an entire hour had already passed—an hour that was neither long nor short.

Based on Wu Liang's understanding of Yang Paiyun, as long as what Gu Ting said was indeed the spark of the entire controversy, and if this matter was not enough to make the Saint Creator Qixing dissatisfied with Yang Paiyun...

Yang Paiyun should be able to forgive the Merchant's Association!

Gu Ting would still get severely penalized, but most likely, he could retain his position as president.

As for Yu Yi, this manager, even if Lord Yun Tian did not bother dealing with such a trivial person, Gu Ting would certainly not forgive Yu Yi.

Committing such an act was synonymous with inviting disaster for the entire force.

Whether Gu Ting keeping Yu Yi would displease Qixing was something Wu Liang dared not presume.

A mere trivial person like himself dared not guess the thoughts of the Saint Creator Qixing!

But if they didn't deal with Yu Yi, Gu Ting would have no way to justify it to the Beast Collection Merchants' Association and the entire Beast Language Federation.

When Yang Paiyun heard the news from Wu Liang, his anger did not lessen one bit, but he had already discarded the idea of replacing Gu Ting.

"Little Wu, go inform Gu Ting to take care of Yu Yi and then bring him to me."

After that, Yang Paiyun ended the communication.

Regardless of whether Yu Yi had offended a Saint Creator Qixing or Qixing's Disciple Jianmu Chapter 1366: Illusionary Eye Witch Lion!_2

Bringing Yu Yi to face Master Qixing or Jianmu again would only cause them headaches.

Besides that, there was no other use!

Dealing with Yu Yi now was a way for the Beast Collection Merchants' Association to show its stance.

Stance was very important in front of significant individuals like Qixing and Jianmu.

How exactly to atone to Qixing was the problem that Gu Ting needed to consider.

Yang Paiyun felt that if it really came down to it, Du Rui should go find Yi Han again and beg him for another chance.

Wu Liang hadn't said many words to Yang Paiyun, but he told Gu Ting everything Yang Paiyun said.

Gu Ting's eyes were chilling as he looked at Yu Yi—it really was Yu Yi who had caused this! Yu Yi had not only failed to report this matter to him, but also failed to mention it during self-inspection. In Gu Ting's heart, it seemed as if Yu Yi had done this on purpose. Since Master Yun Tian suggested getting rid of Yu Yi, Gu Ting didn't give Yu Yi any time or opportunity to explain. With a raise of his hand, a large black lioness appeared in front of Gu Ting. The lioness's pupils were purple and green, appearing both dangerous and elegant. Gu Ting said with a chilling voice, "Illusionary Eye Witch Lion, swallow this troublemaker for me directly!" "I have always trusted and promoted this troublemaker." "This troublemaker even wanted to destroy the Beast Collection Merchants' Association unforgivable!" Gu Ting's power was much stronger than Yu Yi's, who never expected to meet such an end.

Recalling the scene of refusing those two young men, Yu Yi felt as if in a dream.

Yu Yi summoned his two Guardian Beasts while retreating rapidly.

But Yu Yi obviously couldn't just resign himself to death under these circumstances.

The two brightly colored massive lizards clearly possessed potent toxicity, one of which even bore three heads.

This kind of Tri-headed Lizard had the potential to evolve into a Nine-headed Lizard Dragon—a Guardian Beast that Gu Ting had once chosen for Yu Yi.

The Illusionary Eye Witch Lion didn't consider these two massive lizards a threat at all.

The movements of the two lizards became erratic, as if they were fighting a formidable foe, lunging forward in combat.

But the direction of their combat was not towards where the Illusionary Eye Witch Lion was charging.

In their scuffle, the two lizards completely exposed Yu Yi's figure.

The Illusionary Eye Witch Lion devoured Yu Yi in one gulp, swallowing him without even chewing.

The Illusionary Eye Witch Lion was a Spirit Series, Toxic System dual-type Guardian Beast with a stomach like a massive corruption pool, possessing highly acidic gastric juices and various toxins adept at decomposing flesh.

In just half a minute, it could turn Yu Yi into dense fluid.

After swallowing Yu Yi, the Illusionary Eye Witch Lion's gaze turned to Gu Ting, who nodded to the beast. The Order Level Illusionary Eye Witch Lion then began to feast on the two Sequential Rank lizards with relish.

The toxins in the two lizards' bodies were of no concern to the Illusionary Eye Witch Lion.

The Illusionary Eye Witch Lion chewed its prey with great elegance.

However, Wu Liang, standing by, had no interest in watching this performance. He frowned and said to Gu Ting,

"Gu Ting, are you planning to keep Lord Yun Tian waiting while you feed your Guardian Beast here?"

"Put away your Illusionary Eye Witch Lion and hurry up to meet Lord Yun Tian!"

"Getting rid of Yu Yi is just the first step in resolving the issue for your Beast Collection Merchants' Association. How to solve the following problems and seek Master Qixing's forgiveness is what you should be considering!"

Wu Liang was somewhat worried for Gu Ting; after all, he couldn't think of any solution himself.

After understanding the situation, Gu Ting certainly felt pressure, but he already knew how to resolve the issue.

The young man who had a dispute with Yu Yi had already provided a solution for the Beast Collection Merchants' Association before leaving, promising that if they brought the exhibition items with them to apologize, there was a chance to earn the young man's forgiveness.

Gu Ting had learned through Wu Liang that the one offended by the Beast Collection Merchants' Association was Saint Creator Qixing; Wu Liang had made the decision to execute Yu Yi after communicating with Master Yun Tian.

And then he would lead them to resolve this turmoil.

This indicated that the Beast Collection Merchants' Association had a good chance of surviving this storm unscathed, not having to suffer its consequences.

Gu Ting himself could potentially get in touch with people from Saint Creator Qixing's side through this turmoil.

Could he use this opportunity not only to resolve the conflict with Saint Creator Qixing but also to possibly establish cooperation with him in the future?

Of course, these were all assumptions on Gu Ting's part.

As the leader of a force—especially one like the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, which did not have a Saint Creator at its helm—the bolder the visions, the more beautiful the future they could create!

It must be known that the initial connection between the Beast Collection Merchants' Association and Lord Yun Tian and Master Wu Xin was also due to a conflict.

However, in that conflict, the Beast Collection Merchants' Association seized the opportunity, which allowed Lord Yun Tian and Master Wu Xin to support them.

Gu Ting hadn't mentioned this to Wu Liang, but he would lay everything out clearly when he faced Lord Yun Tian and Master Wu Xin.

When the time came to meet Qixing's disciples, Gu Ting would simply bring not just the exhibition items but also all of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association's assets.

The assets of the Association, accumulated over nearly eighty years of its establishment, contained resources Gu Ting had been reluctant to offer to Lord Yun Tian and Master Wu Xin.

But if it was for the purpose of making connections with Saint Creator Qixing, Gu Ting was very willing.

This incident had only developed for two days, and many of the Association's major clients had already stopped cooperating with the Beast Collection Merchants' Association.

The other major clients who hadn't expressed their stance were not unaffected by the turmoil; they were simply observing.

Wishing to see whether the Beast Collection Merchants' Association and its backers, Lord Yun Tian and Master Wu Xin, would make a move.

Solving this issue as soon as possible was the only way to minimize its impact on the Beast Gathering Merchant.

Fang Mu had had a few leisurely days recently. After being busy for such a long time, Fang Mu really should take some time to cultivate.

The combat capability of the King-level Alien Creature Sky Abyss Pupil, contracted through Covenant Blood Essence by Fang Mu, had been tested by Lian Dai, who was surprised to find it possessed the power at the Order Apex Level.

This was even when the Sky Abyss Pupil had just hatched from an Extraterrestrial Embryo and hadn't reached its prime.

If the Sky Abyss Pupil could achieve its full potential, it was estimated it might reach the level of Halfstep God's Domain, which surprised Lian Dai.

If this King-level Extraterrestrial Being was so powerful, how did Bu Jue, the vice-captain of the Sacred Decree Knights, overcome it!?

According to the report from Longze, this King-level Extraterrestrial Being was only at High Order level, far from the Order Apex.

Could it be that this King-level Extraterrestrial Being was already injured before the fight with Bu Jue? Maybe the injury occurred during the process of avoiding obstacles.

That was the only explanation that could make sense of this situation!

Lian Dai couldn't understand why the Sky Abyss Pupil was so strong, but Fang Mu knew very well.

It was the work of his Contracting Blood and Blood Aged Wine.

It was his Contracting Blood and Blood Aged Wine that had caused a leap in the Life Level of the Sky Abyss Pupil.

Fang Mu now also possessed the power akin to a Half-step God's Domain.

In the impression of most people, those Extraterrestrial Beings that came through the barrier were most suited to move in water.

However, the Sky Abyss Pupil was capable of moving not only in water but also in the sky.

It was just as potent in aerial combat and movement as it was underwater.

The reason why the Sky Abyss Pupil didn't ascend high into the sky was because, in its mind, the high sky lacked cover.

Those days were just sunny days, with the sky over the sea clearing up, cloudless.

If there were thick clouds in the sky to provide cover for the Sky Abyss Pupil, it might have had a better chance of not being at a disadvantage in its fight with Bu Jue!

Fang Mu had just completed a duel in the second world, and now he had officially advanced to the Diamond Rank.

Throughout his journey to this point, Fang Mu had remained undefeated.

Fang Mu had just left the second world when he received a message from Yi Han.

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"Little Wood, I hope I didn't disturb you by suddenly reaching out?"
Fang Mu responded with a smile.
"Uncle Yi, you don't have to be so formal with me. Anytime you need me when I'm free is good!"
"If I'm busy, I might not answer the phone right away, but I'll always get back to you."
"You're my elder, and your significance to me is different from others—a fact that even my master acknowledges."
"Otherwise, I wouldn't have been able to provide you with so many supplies last time!"
Yi Han always felt somewhat constrained around Fang Mu, being excessively formal each time they communicated.
Fang Mu didn't like this feeling.
He was very aware of what Yi Han was worried about and decided to clarify things with him, all at once.
He also took the opportunity to remind Yi Han that the generous gifts were a result of taking his sister, Third Sister Fang Yan, as a disciple.
Yi Han was a smart man; he would surely understand what Fang Mu meant.
Yi Han had been taken under Fang Mu's wing because of this relationship. If Yi Han failed to see this point, Fang Mu might have to find someone else to cultivate in the future!
If need be, Fang Mu would even consider finding a new master for Fang Yan. He didn't want a fool teaching his Third Sister!

Yi Han understood the implication behind Fang Mu's words. In fact, Yi Han didn't want to approach Fang Mu with such a low stance every time.

It was more that Yi Han feared if he truly acted as if he was Fang Mu's elder, it might displease Qixing.

Yi Han knew what kind of person Fang Mu was, but he was unclear about Qixing's character.

Now that Fang Mu had mentioned that Qixing also acknowledged this point, Yi Han's heart finally settled down.

"Little Wood, the task you asked me to do was finished the day before yesterday. I can assure you that all the Grandmaster Creators have received the message, and I also found out the two Grandmaster Creators standing behind Beast Collection Merchants' Association are Yang Paiyun and Du Rui."

"These two Grandmaster Creators didn't show the slightest intention of indulging the Merchants' Association. As soon as they learned of the situation, they contacted me immediately to investigate."

"In less than half a day, both Yang Paiyun and Du Rui wanted to apologize to you in person."

"Little Wood, what do you think? Should we give Yang Paiyun and Du Rui a chance?"

"I could really feel their earnestness when Yang Paiyun and Du Rui contacted me."

In so many words, Yi Han spoke highly of Du Rui and Yang Paiyun, believing it necessary to take their feelings into account.

Of course, whether or not to accept their goodwill ultimately depended on Fang Mu's attitude.

If Fang Mu was adamantly disgusted with the Merchants' Association's behavior, then Yi Han would have some thinking to do.

In any case, Yi Han wouldn't offend Fang Mu just to gain the favor of the two Grandmaster Creators.

Fang Mu understood exactly what Yi Han meant upon hearing his words.

Fang Mu wouldn't make such a fuss over a trifle as to not give face to two Grandmaster Creators, causing them public embarrassment.

Making a big deal out of this was of no benefit to Fang Mu.

Fang Mu simply wanted the Merchants' Association to make a gesture to quell his anger.

"Uncle Yi, you should know I'm not unreasonable. The people involved know how this should be resolved."

"This doesn't concern the two Grandmaster Creators, so of course, it won't be blamed on them."

"Convey my words to these two Grandmasters exactly as I've said them. Otherwise, it will look as though I'm making things difficult for them for no reason!"

After that, Fang Mu ended the conversation without further interaction with Yi Han.

Fang Mu didn't mind Yi Han using this incident to earn the goodwill of the two Grandmaster Creators. On the contrary, by doing so, Yi Han proved his intelligence.

He knew to take this opportunity to build connections.

Yi Han had only recently become a Grandmaster Creator and held little sway at Contract Garden gatherings, lacking significant connections.

Even if some approached Yi Han because he was recognized as Qixing's mouthpiece, they did so with their own agendas, making it difficult for Yi Han to truly connect with them.

By helping Yang Paiyun and Du Rui, these two Grandmaster Creators would certainly deepen their communication with Yi Han in the future.

Perhaps Fang Mu might be able to make use of Yang Paiyun and Du Rui through Yi Han down the road.

Having received Fang Mu's response, Yi Han let out a sigh of relief, knowing how to handle the situation.

Since Fang Mu didn't intend to hold Yang Paiyun and Du Rui accountable, Yi Han could freely spin Fang Mu's words when replying to them.

Regardless, Yi Han had secured the favor of both Yang Paiyun and Du Rui!

Fang Mu had already informed the parties involved about how the issue would be resolved, so let Yang Paiyun and Du Rui find out for themselves from the said parties!

Having a good relationship with Yang Paiyun and Du Rui in mind, Yi Han didn't ask for any benefits in exchange for his help.

But both Yang Paiyun and Du Rui made promises to Yi Han, saying they would go through fire and water if Yi Han ever needed help in the future!

Promises from two Grandmaster Creators were even more valuable than tangible supplies.

If not for Yang Paiyun and Du Rui's fear of offending the Saintly Truth Creator, Qixing, because of this matter, they wouldn't have actively sought Yi Han's assistance.

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Both would never make such a promise.

Yi Han's feedback was exactly the same as what Gu Ting had said, to which Yang Paiyun coldly said to Gu Ting,

"Gu Ting, your Beast Collection Merchants' Association has caused such a big incident, even obliging us to make promises."

"You've already heard what we just said to Master Yi Han. We've left room for your association in this turmoil, saving you from being erased from the map of human forces. This is your luck; you should be more vigilant!"

"We both have provided so many resources to your association, and you, as the president, must be well aware of it!"

"After this incident, both of us will get involved in the internal management of your association. All black sheep like that person in charge must be completely cleared out from the Beast Gathering Merchants!"

"You just said you would take the supplies hoarded by the Beast Collection Merchants' Association to show your apology to Master Qixing's disciple, in hopes of receiving forgiveness from Master Qixing's disciple."

"Remember, no matter what, you must handle this matter beautifully. If there's a solution and it's still not well executed,"

"Let's not say that Master Qixing's disciple won't forgive you; even I won't forgive the Beast Collection Merchants' Association!"

Gu Ting had often communicated with Yang Paiyun in the past, and Yang Paiyun seldom said much in Gu Ting's memory, always maintaining a dismissive attitude during communication.

Now that Yang Paiyun had said so much, it indicated how seriously he took the matter.

It was a good thing for the Beast Collection Merchants' Association that both Yang Paiyun and Du Rui, two Grandmaster Creators, intended to take control.

Besides being the president of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, Gu Ting was also one of the four major senators of the Beast Language Federation.

The Beast Language Federation side was equally willing to facilitate this matter.

All he had to do next was to think about how to pacify Master Qixing's disciple while making connections with them.

Letting his Main Battle Mystic Beast, the Illusionary Eye Witch Lion, devour Yu Yi was the best way to show his stance.

As long as Master Qixing's disciple was not an unreasonable person, they would certainly not hold a grudge against the Beast Collection Merchants' Association after knowing what happened.

"Lord Yun Tian, Lord Wuxin, I want to leave immediately to select additional exhibits and supplies to bring to the association."

"Whether it's items from the Beast Collection Merchants' Association that have already been auctioned or have fixed-price offerings, I'll bring them all along, without any mistakes."

"This matter, our Beast Collection Merchants' Association will definitely resolve perfectly!"

After speaking, Gu Ting knelt down on the ground, bowing in a worshipful attitude toward Yang Paiyun and Du Rui.

At this moment, Gu Ting was inwardly grateful for the final resolution of the incident.

Yang Paiyun and Du Rui didn't say anything more and directly allowed Gu Ting to leave.

Although Sir Jianmu had clearly stated that the incident would not be taken out on the two of them, Yang Paiyun and Du Rui still planned to go to the Dragon Rising Federation with Gu Ting, to meet Master Qixing's disciple.

They sought to form a good relationship with Master Qixing's disciple!

At this moment, the goals of Yang Paiyun, Du Rui, and Gu Ting were completely aligned.

Fang Mu, on the other hand, was leisurely watching Lv Jifeng's designs with Lv's company.

As a Grandmaster Craftsman, Lv Jifeng's professional skills were exceptionally solid, and after many collaborations with Fang Mu, Lv had become very familiar with Fang Mu's preferences.

Lv Jifeng intentionally catered his design style to please Fang Mu's tastes.

Fang Mu had a liking for designs that were simple but also grand. The pond Lv Jifeng built for the Heavy Cherry Washing Carp was made with Blue Jade.

Blue Jade was exceptionally clear, looking like the sky from a distance.

Lv Jifeng deliberately inlaid the bottom and sides of the pond made from Blue Jade with numerous Water Pattern Stones, which could form inward flowing currents.

These currents made the whole pond seem to have a spring, keeping the water continually flowing.

This continuously flowing water was very suitable for Fish Beasts with long tails like the Heavy Cherry Washing Carp to dwell in, greatly benefiting the growth of their fins and tails.

The pavilion in the middle of the pond was made with jade-converted Sandalwood, nurtured by the Pure Spirit Qi in Fang Mu's Abdomen Environment.

This jade-converted Sandalwood had the effect of calming the mind and stabilizing the spirit. When Fang Mu and others meditated by the pavilion with the Sacred Object: Heavy Sakura Cleansing Carp, this jade-converted Sandalwood would provide them with considerable assistance.

Lu Jifeng was both shocked by Fang Mu's wealth and felt an immense pressure upon receiving these materials.

Before this, Lu Jifeng had hardly had any opportunity to work with such expensive materials.

This made him extremely cautious when using these materials, almost to the point of being handicapped.

Should he cause any damage to the jade-like white sandalwood during the process, he would have no way to compensate Fang Mu.

Moreover, he might very well lose Fang Mu's trust because of it.

Now, seeing that Fang Mu was so satisfied with his design, Lu Jifeng finally let go of his worries.

"Mr. Lu, you have worked hard these past few days. The pond you have designed for the cultivation room makeover is very much to my liking."

"Besides the pond that needs designing, I am also planning to plant some cherry blossoms in the pond."

"I'll have to trouble you further with designing the appropriate scenery for the area where these cherry blossoms will be planted!"

Keystone Construction has now begun to cooperate with Jianmu Commerce Association and started designing plots of land for the association in the second world.

The plots, whether in Mega City or Sacred City, span vast areas.

Even with help, it remains a great challenge for Keystone Construction.

Keystone Construction is in dire need of Grandmaster Craftsmen like Lu Jifeng, but he is in no hurry at all.

Actually, Keystone Construction working for Jianmu Commerce Association is, in plain terms, working for Fang Mu; their indirect service to Fang Mu is not as good as the direct service that Lu Jifeng provides now.

"If Sir Jianmu is satisfied, that is the greatest reward for me. Do you have suitable cherry blossoms for planting on hand?"

"Cherry Guardian Beasts are not uncommon in gardening, but truly stunning ones are rare."

"We at Keystone Construction have two or three such auspicious cherry Guardian Beasts. If you need them, I can bring them for you!"

Fang Mu said with a smile.

"Mr. Lu, I appreciate your sentiment, but I do have a supply of cherry Guardian Beasts on my end."

"Just plant these fourteen cherry blossom trees in the pond."

With that, Fang Mu handed over the Space Spirit Tool containing the cherry blossoms to Lu Jifeng.

Lu Jifeng was somewhat curious about what kind of cherry Guardian Beasts Fang Mu intended to plant here.

Ordinary cherry blossoms would not complement the fish Sacred Relic, nor would they match the white sandalwood pavilion in the center of the pond.

In design, the most taboo thing is a disconnection in levels between the adornments and the main subject.

If the level of the adornments exceeds that of the main structure, it can maximize beauty and add a finishing touch.

If the adornments are much lower than the main subject, it can degrade the level of the main subject.

It's like placing a bundle of straw in a grand and magnificent hall.

When Lu Jifeng saw the cherry blossoms contained within the Golden Stage Space Spirit Tool, he couldn't help but take a surprised breath of cold air.

These, these, all fourteen cherry blossom trees had birthed Flower Spirits; each one was a rare and famous variety on its own!

Planting these fourteen cherry blossoms with Flower Spirits in the pond would likely turn this place into a paradise on earth!

Planting these cherry blossoms wouldn't impact the water, so Fang Mu proceeded to release the Heavy Cherry Washing Carp into the pond.

The Heavy Cherry Washing Carp had always been in a cramped environment, but now, in the spacious new environment, it gleefully swam around the pond.

It occasionally flicked its tail above the water surface, greeting Fang Mu.

As Fang Mu was about to plant the Lotus Fish Ascending Lotus, he saw the Heavy Cherry Washing Carp seemed to sense something and began to nibble on the jade-like white sandalwood that made up the pavilion, despite having lips that could cause no harm.

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The Heavy Cherry Washing Carp's state seemed somewhat crazed.

Fang Mu had been extremely curious from the beginning, unclear why the Heavy Cherry Washing Carp would turn into such a state, but he soon realized the reason.

The Heavy Cherry Washing Carp had become like this because jade-quality wood was greatly nourishing for it.

It was highly beneficial for the Heavy Cherry Washing Carp.

Previously, Fang Mu had always been replenishing the Heavy Cherry Washing Carp with Life Energy and Water Elemental Energy during its cultivation.

Pure Life and Water Elemental Energies were excellent for promoting the refining and quality enhancement of the Heavy Cherry Washing Carp.

But they were not the food of the Heavy Cherry Washing Carp.

Normal Guardian Beasts needed to be fed, and the Heavy Cherry Washing Carp was no exception.

It's just that when Fang Mu used those high-grade fish entity feeds sold on the markets to feed the Sacred Heavy Cherry Washing Carp, the fish showed little interest.

Even the fish feed specially blended by He Deen, a Senior Creator, for the Sacred Heavy Cherry Washing Carp, didn't seem to appeal to the fish.

Fortunately, the cultivation of the Sacred Heavy Cherry Washing Carp with pure Spiritual Energy and Water Elemental Energy was enough to ensure the life processes of the fish.

Therefore, Fang Mu did not pay extra attention to the diet of the Sacred Heavy Cherry Washing Carp.

After all, the Sacred Heavy Cherry Washing Carp was not stupid; if it was truly too hungry and desired to eat, it would consume the feed prepared by He Deen.

Otherwise, He Deen would really have to guestion his life!

Himself, a Senior Creator on the verge of becoming a Master Creator, couldn't even satisfy the appetite of a Diamond Ranked Fish Guardian Beast.

If word got out, it would definitely be a laughingstock!

If the Sacred Heavy Cherry Washing Carp could regularly be fed completely jade-quality wood, it would greatly benefit the enhancement of its strength.

Fang Mu just needed to place the wood within the secret region space of the Mysterious Bug Cocoon; after a certain period, this wood would undergo the transformation into jade-quality.

The carp couldn't chew and digest large chunks of jade-quality wood, so Fang Mu could crush these completely jade-quality materials into fragments and directly toss them into the pond.

Completely jade-quality wood would not rot even in the harshest of environments.

If thrown at the bottom of the pond, the Heavy Cherry Washing Carp could eat whenever it wished, ensuring it was always in a state of abundant food.

It's just that crushing those large pieces of jade-quality wood seemed somewhat wasteful.

Fang Mu turned to Lv Jifeng, who was still in shock, and said,

"Mr. Lv, you mentioned before that you were the best among the three Grandmaster Craftsmen of Keystone Construction at creating and arranging environments."

"I praised a few pieces of furniture before, and you said someone else crafted them. I have some jadequality wood that I would like to process, could Mr. Lv possibly introduce me to someone?"

At these words, joy flooded Lv Jifeng's face.

No matter what, as long as he could cooperate directly with Fang Mu himself, Keystone Construction would do all in its power to secure the opportunity.

Keystone Construction was currently under Fang Mu's protection, which was the reason for its meteorically rapid development.

Before encountering Fang Mu, Keystone Construction didn't have any clout within the Dragon Rising Federation.

It was only after the news of Keystone Construction's collaboration with Jianmu Commerce Association spread throughout Second World did Keystone Construction's fame essentially skyrocket amongst the various federations of the entire world.

Apart from Keystone Construction, there probably wasn't any other force in the entire Second World with craftsmen as a vocation capable of creating so many plots and shops.

"Sir Jianmu, there is absolutely no problem with what you're asking for, assisting you is an honor for Keystone Construction!"

"The five pieces of furniture you praised earlier were, without exception, crafted by the same person, my younger brother, named Lv Jihong."

"He's not good with words or social interactions, but his skills are unquestionably outstanding!"

"If you have any ideas or specific furniture designs in mind, you can tell me directly and I will pass on your instructions!"

"If you don't have any particular ideas, I'll let him undertake his own research. Sometimes, not imposing specific limitations can bring pleasant surprises!"

Lv Jifeng actively took charge of the matter, not because he wanted to monopolize the credit.

Being both Grandmaster Craftsmen of Keystone Construction and siblings, there was no need to squabble over such things.

Keystone Construction had always been more united than other forces.

This had always been a point of pride and the soul of their guild.

The fact that both Fang Mu and Fang Yuan held Keystone Construction in high regard was closely related to this aspect.

Lv Jifeng was protective in this way because he feared Lv Jihong might say something wrong and offend Fang Mu.

Lv Jihong detested being assigned specific designs; if Fang Mu genuinely had a particular furniture piece in mind, Lv Jifeng would still have to prepare Lv Jihong for the task.

Even if Lv Jihong was stubborn, he wouldn't possibly refuse a request from Fang Mu.

Fang Mu was a benefactor to Keystone Construction, and by extension, to Origin Construction, which was related by marriage.

Keystone Construction was, in fact, eager to define itself as Fang Mu's dedicated construction force, with the entire group's core ethos being to serve Fang Mu.

It was only when Fang Mu and his associated forces didn't need Keystone Construction that the guild would then consider collaborating with other entities.

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Keystone Construction had never actively requested a commission while helping Fang Mu, but the commission Fang Mu gave to Keystone Construction always far exceeded their expectations.

Fang Mu spoke directly.
"I have quite a substantial amount of jade-quality wood on hand, and it's not possible for Master Lu Jihong to personally design each and every piece."
"I have no specific requirements for the design itself; Master Lu Jihong can create as he pleases."
"Master Lu Jihong just needs to select the materials he is interested in for his designs."
"The rest of the jade-quality wood can be outsourced by your Keystone Construction to other powers that employ Grandmaster Craftsmen."
"Remember, they must be Grandmaster Craftsmen!"
"Old Lu, you've seen that this Sacred Relic of mine is very interested in completely jade-transformed wood; later, I will feed it with completely jade-transformed fragments."
"Please take care of the leftover jade-transformed wood for me, and deliver it to me in batches when the time comes."
"As for the payment, you can talk to my second brother; he is the one who has arranged the settlement every time in the past."
"Working with us will definitely not put Keystone Construction at a disadvantage!"
Upon hearing this, Lu Jifeng quickly responded.
"How can you say that, Sir Jianmu? Without your cultivation, how could our Keystone Construction have developed as it has today?"

"Grandmaster Craftsmen need inspiration to create furniture, and hastily making any piece would not do justice to these precious jade-quality woods."

"I can't guarantee the speed at which these Grandmaster Craftsmen will produce furniture, but I can assure that every piece of furniture I bring to you in the future will be crafted by the hands of a Grandmaster Craftsman!"

Fang Mu simply handed over all the jade-quality wood he had produced to Lu Jifeng.

The impact of this on Lu Jifeng was much greater than the shock of the fourteen cherry blossom trees that had sprouted Flower Spirits just earlier.

Even a force with only three Grandmaster Craftsmen, though not strong in itself, because of its function, is already able to allow Keystone Construction to reach those forces at the highest levels of power.

And to work for those high-level forces.

The more powerful a force is, the more they pursue Spiritual Energy, and this Spiritual Energy, so coveted by the powerful of the great forces, is all absorbed by these wooden boards in Fang Mu's possession.

If the concentration of Spiritual Energy does not reach a certain level, these woods could not have transformed into jade to the extent they are now!

The higher the resource level Fang Mu shows, the stronger his power, the more pleased Lu Jifeng is in his heart.

Because this shows that Keystone Construction has found a powerful backer to rely on for decades, or even hundreds of years to come.

After Fang Mu left, Lu Jifeng first made a phone call to inform his family of the matter and then began his serious work.

No matter what, the work at hand must be done well.

Another day passed without the Beast Collection Merchants' Association's arrival when both Grandmaster Creators Yang Paiyun and Du Rui, through Yi Han, contacted Fang Mu, wishing to express their apologies in person.

As long as these Grandmaster Creators didn't want to meet with Qixing, Fang Mu would generally grant them an audience.

In terms of capabilities, neither Yang Paiyun nor Du Rui would be inferior to Wang Mi and Xu Fengnian.

Especially Du Rui, who was already subtly approaching the threshold of a Senior Creation Zenith Master.

And Du Rui had a deep friendship with Ning Hongshu, a fact Fang Mu learned from Jun Feng.

When Ning Hongshu needed help the most, Du Rui used her own reputation and connections to secure ties with some Senior Creation Zenith Masters for Ning Hongshu.

Therefore, Fang Mu would not clash with Du Rui unless necessary.

This time, Yang Paiyun and Du Rui specifically asked to meet him; if he refused, it would almost equate to shutting them out, severing any future relations.

Rather than creating bad karma, Fang Mu preferred to create good ties.

"Uncle Yi is free these next few days; since the two Grandmasters have come specially for me, how could I not show any gesture of appreciation!?"

"I will have my butler go to the Yi Mansion and personally bring the two Grandmasters over."

"Uncle Yi, if you have nothing else to do, why not come along as well!"

"I have a few extra Prayers to Heaven's Tears here, which you can give to the young ones of the Yi Family."

"I heard from Third Sister that among the younger generation of the Yi Family, Yi Mingchen, who is 26 years old this year, has exceptional talent. He has comprehended three electric mystic patterns, two of which are identical."

"The Destiny Guardian Beast has the ability to promote the evolution of those electric Main Battle Mystic Beasts."

"If Yi Mingchen can use this Prayers to Heaven's Tears, he will surely take another big step forward!"

This was the first time Fang Mu praised the juniors of the Yi Family in front of Yi Han.

Fang Mu had asked Yan Wood to observe the situation of the Yi family's younger generation, and Yan Wood quickly grasped the meaning behind Fang Mu's words upon hearing them.

Fang Mu was looking to select a few outstanding individuals from among the Yi family's younger generation to cultivate.

Fang Mu, by gaining control over the Yi Family which Yi Han had authority over, has invested substantial resources into the Yi Family, but a time will come when the Yi Family inevitably evolves.

Fang Mu does not want the resources he invested in the Yi Family to go to waste, so he plans to handpick some high-quality youngsters suitable for control.

Yan Wood understood Fang Mu's purpose and made selections according to Fang Mu's intentions.

After much consideration, Yan Wood concluded that among talent and character, the only one who met Fang Mu's requirements was Yi Mingchen.

Thus, Yi Mingchen has effectively become the young Family Head of the Yi Family through Fang Mu, bypassing the fierce competition among the Yi family's juniors.

There are at least five members of the younger generation in the Yi Family who are stronger than Yi Mingchen, but they lost out due to their character.

Fang Mu's praise for Yi Mingchen took Yi Han by surprise; Yi Han's expression stiffened at first upon hearing it through the Legend Butterfly, then it gradually became complex, and finally, it turned to joy.

Fang Mu was effectively interfering with the internal affairs of the Yi Family, something that would have been absolutely unacceptable to Yi Han in the past.

If only Yi Han hadn't known Qixing was a Saint Creator, still considering Qixing as just a Grandmaster Creator.

Even though Yi Han is now under Qixing's control, in his heart he was undoubtedly still uneasy.

But knowing that Qixing is a Saint Creator changed everything.

The fact that Fang Mu said so probably indicated that it was at Qixing's suggestion, and Qixing's actions meant that although he intervened in the development of the younger generation of the Yi Family, he was willing to provide resources for them.

The promised Prayers to Heaven's Tears were the best proof!

Yi Han knew well how precious Prayers to Heaven's Tears were; he himself had no way to acquire them.

"Little Wood and Xiao Yan thinking of Mingchen is truly a blessing for Mingchen."

"Since Master Yun Tian and Master Wu Xin have contacted me, let me take them there."

"I reckon in a day or two, the chairman of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association will also arrive at the Dragon Rising Federation. They both are keen on observing how the association handles issues in secrecy."

"If the association doesn't handle the issues well, they said they would personally intervene and then personally express their apologies to you."

These words were pleaded to Yi Han by Yang Paiyun and Du Rui, who wanted to demonstrate their stance to Fang Mu in this way.

Fang Mu did not accept this offer upon hearing it, but instead, his tone took a slightly displeased turn as he spoke.

"Uncle Yi, I believe I have already mentioned that this matter is in the past, so why keep bringing it up?"

"If Master Yun Tian and Master Wu Xin are coming just for this matter, then don't bother. I would prefer if they come to make friends instead."

The first part of Fang Mu's statement made Yi Han's breath catch, but the latter half completely eased Yi Han's mind.

Yi Han contacted Fang Mu about this matter because he owed a favor to those two masters, running errands on their behalf.

If Fang Mu did not allow them to come, wouldn't that mean all his efforts were in vain?

Now that Fang Mu expressed his intent to be friend Yang Paiyun and Du Rui, and by telling this to them, one could imagine how happy they would be upon hearing the news.

Yi Han hadn't had much contact with Fang Mu, and he feared that over time, as Fang Mu's identity as a Saint Creator's disciple became more apparent, he might become arrogant and unbridled.

Now it seems he was worrying unnecessarily!