## **Bodyguard 4011**

Chapter 4011 Trouble Is Here

"Manager Tong, I haven't seen you for half a year. How have you been? there are so many of you. Are you preparing to go to the northernmost Island and make a big scene?" Hong Zhong smiled and cupped his hands at the other party's leader.

Like him, the other party was also a shopkeeper of a top Chamber of Commerce's North Island branch. His influence was only slightly inferior to the Hong Chamber of Commerce. He also had a large shop in the inner street of the market. In the past, the two of them had often interacted and had some friendship. However, in the past six months, Hong Zhong had not seen him in the inner street.

Shopkeeper Hao returned the bow and said with an indifferent and distant tone,"Manager Hong, you misunderstand. It's said that the road to the northernmost Island is not very peaceful. I will feel more at ease if I bring more people."

"Is that so?" Hong Zhong smiled noncommittally and wanted to ask more, but the other party had already waved his hand and sped away.

"Manager Hong, is the journey to the northernmost Island very dangerous? do we need so many people to deal with it?" Lin Yi asked. After leaving the North Island, there was the boundless ocean below. If something happened here, no one would be able to help.

"That's right. In addition to the extremely bad weather, we also have to be on guard against the powerful spirit beasts hiding under the sea at all times. They have many long-distance attacks, so even if there are flying spirit beasts, it is difficult for ordinary cultivators to reach the northernmost Island safely." Hong Zhong nodded.

"No wonder." Lin Yi's heart shivered. When he was chatting with this thing, he heard that the Sky Class Island had a large number of super spirit beasts, but just like the back mountain of the North Island, there were still countless powerful spirit beasts in other places. The vast sea had always been a place for legendary creatures.

According to the demonic thing, even the king of the spirit beasts at its peak, even if he ruled the invincible spirit beast clan, had never conquered the endless sea. The water here was so deep that no one would be surprised no matter how terrifying and fierce the creatures were.

"However, although the sea is dangerous, as long as there is an expert holding the line, and they don't rush around randomly, it is actually relatively safe to follow the route on the map. The possibility of an accident is not high, so previously, each family only sent three or four people to the North Island Auction. There was no need for such a large formation of more than ten people, unless there is some other reason." Hong Zhong said thoughtfully.

Hong Zhong wasn't the only one who was surprised-even Lin Yi, who was a bystander, noticed it as well. When Hong Zhong greeted the flying spirit beast, he clearly saw dozens of boxes of goods tied to it, while he only had two or three boxes. They weren't on the same level.

Not only was manager Tong's family like this, but the other Chamber of Commerces were the same. The meaning revealed in this was a little thought-provoking.

People of the same trade were enemies-this saying was true indeed. Lin Yi could already feel that this auction trip of his with the Hong Chamber of Commerce wasn't going to be as peaceful as it was before.

What Lin Yi didn't expect was that his premonition would become a reality so quickly.

Hong Zhong was an experienced and prudent businessman. He would never do anything risky unless it
was absolutely necessary. The route to the northernmost Island this time had always been the safest
route on the map.

This was a route specially designed by an expert. It was always close to the edge of the territory of many powerful sea beasts, and the chances of being targeted by sea beasts were much lower than other routes.

Normally, Hong Zhong wasn't the only one who would travel alone. After all, there were countless terrifying sea beasts in the vast ocean. It was simply playing with their lives. No matter how many experts they had, it was useless.

But this time, the other people from the North Island didn't play by the rules. Lin Yi's flying spirit beast wasn't slow, but he lost sight of them after a short while.

It was fine if it was just manager Tong's family, but the other dozen or so families were also not taking the ordinary path at the same time. This was too strange. It was obvious that they had discussed it long ago.

"What are they preparing to do?" This time, even Hong Zhong couldn't understand what was going on. They were all in the same profession, so he had some understanding of these people's minds. They were not people who liked to take risks.

However, even if he was suspicious, Hong Zhong would not change his route rashly. The other party had the advantage in numbers and could at least take an unusual route. However, if he followed them, he would be dead for sure.
The next hour was uneventful, but both Hong Zhong and Lin Yi could guess that this was only temporary. It couldn't be this peaceful forever.
Sure enough, in the strange calm, the crisis that had been brewing for a long time suddenly arrived.
The aerial spirit beasts were at least a thousand feet above the sea, and above them were thick clouds. If they were higher than this, it would be easy to get lost, and lower than this, they would be easily attacked by sea beasts. This was the safest altitude in theory, but it was at this height that a sneak attack came from below without any warning.
"Young hero Lin, stand firm!" Lin Yi didn't even have time to react when Hong Zhong raised his palm and slammed it down. There was an explosion in the air, and the thin clouds below suddenly exploded into a circle of water.
"What is this?" Lin Yi was shocked-he didn't feel threatened at all, and he didn't even know what was

Hong Zhong explained,"these are the water arrows of the swordfish. They can charge and slide to 300 to 400 feet in the air before launching water arrows to attack. Their penetrative power and lethality are amazing. In addition, the water arrows are transparent and silent, so ordinary people can't detect them at all. If you don't take precautions against them in advance, you'll be hit by them if you're not careful. They're a relatively common threat in the vast sea."

going on after the exchange.

"I see." Lin Yi understood-if it weren't for the bell, this water arrow would've sent them all to the bottom of the ocean, dead.

However, Lin Yi didn't even have the time to celebrate when he felt a sharp killing intent coming from below him. This time, even he could feel it clearly.

Looking down, there were dozens of potholes in the cloud and mist below. The water arrows that were originally undetectable were faintly visible in the air because of the refraction. There were dozens of water arrows, each of which was as fatal as the previous one. This scene simply made people's scalps numb.

Even Hong Zhong's eyelids twitched when he saw this scene. He said in a deep voice,""We actually encountered a school of swordfish? Why is my luck so bad?"

Flying swordfish were very fierce and bloodthirsty sea beasts. Under normal circumstances, they would always act alone. Only in special circumstances, such as mating, would they gather into a school of flying swordfish. If one followed the conventional route, the chance of encountering a school of flying swordfish was basically equivalent to winning the lottery in the secular world.

Chapter 4012 Heavy Losses

Without time to hesitate, Hong Zhong's aura suddenly rose to an unprecedented level. Lin Yi and the other two deputies felt their knees go soft and almost fell off the flying spirit beast. Fortunately, they reacted fast enough.

Hong Zhong pressed down with one hand, and a golden light suddenly shone from below. The shadow of a giant hand appeared out of thin air and directly met the dozens of water arrows with a palm, suppressing them all!

Lin Yi was dumbfounded by Hong Zhong's strength. He could clearly feel that the power of those water
arrows was comparable to his Qi bombs. Dozens of water arrows were equivalent to dozens of Qi
bombs. How terrifying was the power when they were combined together? yet, Hong Zhong suppressed
it with one move!

He was usually quiet and a kind, honest elder, but he was unexpectedly so domineering and shocking when he made a move. As expected, a real person does not reveal his true self. Hong Zhong really hid his true self.

He suppressed dozens of water arrows with a single palm. Under the impact of the unparalleled Qi field, even the flying spirit beast under his feet almost got shot. It struggled for a moment before it finally stabilized its body.

However, before one wave had settled, another wave rose.

This wave of swordfish attacks had just been settled, and then there was a sudden sound in the air. At first, it sounded like a woman's song, but then it sounded like the Zen language of the ancient Buddha, hiding a profound meaning, making people feel an instinctive tremble from the depths of their souls, and then their minds went into a trance.

A divine sense attack! Lin Yi's body shivered. He wasn't strong enough to use his consciousness to attack or defend, but he understood that even if he didn't react in time, the ghost would've warned him. This time, it was the ghost that blocked it for him.

"Be careful! This is the Song of the Sea demon that can destroy one's spiritual sense!" Hong Zhong quickly warned.

Sea demons were the most ghostly and powerful species of sea beasts. They were not large in size and were far less ferocious than ordinary sea beasts. They did not have any substantial destructive power, but they had an extremely troublesome racial talent, which was to destroy one's consciousness.

This innate ability was so terrifying that even a super expert like Hong Zhong had a headache. Although he could protect himself with his strength, it would be very difficult for him to protect the few people beside him who were far weaker than him.

What's more, he had just suppressed dozens of water arrows with one palm, and now was the time when hongzhong was exhausted. The cooperation between the sea demons and the water swordfish was enough to kill anyone.

The sudden attack of the sea demon song was different from ordinary attacks. This kind of spiritual sense attack was impossible to defend against. Even though Hong Zhong tried his best to defend, he still couldn't protect Lin Yi and the other two. The two less powerful assistants were stunned almost instantly. Their eyes turned black, which was a sign that their spiritual sense was destroyed by the sea demon song.

Terrible! Hong Zhong's heart skipped a beat. The Song of the Sea demon was destructive to one's soul consciousness, and once hit, there was no cure. Only a master like Zhang Liju could do it, but his two deputies were obviously done for.

This was indeed the case. After the two deputies were hit, their spiritual awareness was destroyed and they immediately fell into a vegetative state. They immediately fell straight down from the back of the flying spirit beast.

Hong Zhong didn't reach out to save him. For one thing, he really didn't have the energy to save him at the moment. For another, it would be useless even if he did. So far, there had never been a precedent of someone surviving after their consciousness was destroyed by the song of the siren.

However, what surprised Hong Zhong was that Lin Yi, who was weaker than his two deputies, didn't follow in their footsteps. He was calm and unmoved, as if he wasn't affected at all.

Hong Zhong couldn't help but be surprised, and his opinion of Lin Yi increased even more. He wanted to block the song for Lin Yi, but there was a limit to what he could do. Lin Yi didn't get as much care as his two deputies did, and yet he was completely unharmed. It was really strange.

What they didn't know was that Lin Yi's own consciousness and spirit were already stronger than others, and he had a master with him who could resurrect his primordial spirit. This damn thing was a Grandmaster in the realm of consciousness, and this spirit attack was nothing to him.

However, before Hong Zhong could finish sighing, the flying spirit beast under his feet suddenly trembled and began to sway unsteadily, as if it was about to fall at any moment.

Hong Zhong and Lin Yi's expressions changed at the same time. This was the vast ocean, and there was no place to land. There were countless ferocious sea beasts hidden below. If they fell in, even Hong Zhong would die without a doubt, let alone Lin Yi, who was only in the mid-Foundation Stage.

"They won't even let the flying spirit beasts go. They're definitely going to kill us!" At the critical moment, Hong Zhong gritted his teeth and decided to fight to the death. He used all his divine sense to resist the threat of the Song of the Sea demon for the flying spirit beast.

Lin Yi, on the other hand, called out to the ghostly thing. If it really didn't work, he'd have to ask the
ghostly thing to save him. After all, they were in the same boat, and if the flying spirit beast died, they'd
all die.

Of course, this was only a last resort-Lin Yi wouldn't expose the existence of this thing to Hong Zhong unless it was the last resort. It was a secret of great importance, and they weren't that familiar with each other.

Fortunately, after Hong Zhong went all out, the flying spirit beast finally stabilized after struggling for a while, allowing Lin Yi to let out a breath of relief.

He thought that he had finally escaped, but unexpectedly, at this time, a wave of water arrows shot from below, forcing Hong Zhong to hurriedly free up his hands to suppress it again. But this time, it was not as straightforward as before.

Although Hong Zhong's shocking strength had successfully suppressed a large number of water arrows, a fish had slipped through the net. A water arrow whizzed directly towards the wing of the flying spirit beast!

At this time, it was already too late for Hong Zhong to react. Once an aerial spirit beast's wings were injured, it would be impossible for it to fly out of the vast ocean. It would die here in the middle of nowhere.

Bang! Bang! Just as the flying spirit beast was about to be hit, a powerful palm-shaped Qi hit the water arrow. It was Lin Yi's technique, the 23rd Style of the raging fire Eight Trigrams palm!

"Beautiful!" Hong Zhong's eyes brightened-Lin Yi's move didn't stop the water arrow, but he managed to change its direction, causing it to miss by half a step and brush past the wings of the flying spirit beast.

But even so, Hong Zhong and Lin Yi's expressions changed again. It wasn't because they were suddenly attacked again, but because the two boxes tied to the flying spirit beast's back had slid down to the sea after this series of sudden changes, especially without the two assistants watching over them.

Chapter 4013 Bumpy Road

Watching the two boxes of items fall into the sea, Hong Zhong was speechless for a long time, but he couldn't do anything about it. He was still resisting the Song of the Sea demon with all his strength and couldn't be distracted at all. If he rashly let the flying spirit beast lower its altitude in order to catch up with the two boxes of items, it would be simply courting death. Don't forget that there were still fatal water swordfish below.

Lin Yi could put two boxes of goods into the Jade space in an instant, but it was his biggest secret, and he didn't want to reveal it yet. He didn't plan to tell Hong Zhong about the Jade yet.

After a while, the storm finally passed. The water swordfish gave up on their pursuit, and the sea demons that had appeared out of nowhere finally disappeared. The sudden crisis had finally come to an end.

Looking at the empty scene behind them, Hong Zhong and Lin Yi didn't look happy at all. They were silent.

They hadn't even seen the shadow of the northernmost Island, but the two deputies and the two boxes of auction items were all gone. They had died before they could even start. This trip had not even begun, but they had already met with a dejected face.
After a long time, Hong Zhong regained his calm expression and said in a deep voice,""Young hero Lin, I'm really sorry for dragging you into this."
"Manager Hong, what are you saying? I'm already indebted to you for following me here. How can you say that you've implicated me? accidents are inevitable. Manager Hong, you're being too serious." Lin Yi said.
Hong Zhong shook his head and said,"it's not an accident. This incident was definitely planned by someone. I'm almost certain that it was manager Tong and his people who did it."
"How do you know? They only left a step earlier. Our encounter might not necessarily be an accident, right?" Lin Yi guessed, but he still asked.
"Young hero Lin, you don't know this, but the water swordfish and the sea demons are rare sea beasts. They don't mix with each other, and their territories don't have borders. Under normal circumstances, they won't even meet once even if they make dozens of trips, let alone meet at the same time. There's only one explanation for this situation-someone has deliberately lured them here with something." Hong Zhong said with certainty.

It was a bumpy journey, and after four hours, Lin Yi and Hong Zhong finally reached the northernmost Island.

Along the way, Lin Yi had seen the dangers of the ocean. Even if they were following the theoretically
safest route, they still encountered no less than three attacks in four hours. One was in the air, and two
were from the sea.

With Lin Yi's eyes, he could tell that all three attacks were fatal. At least, killing the flying spirit beast was not a problem. However, Hong Zhong managed to suppress the attacks in time and saved him.

Just as Hong Zhong had said, although the sea was very dangerous, as long as there was a reliable master on guard, it was enough to ensure safety.

Lin Yi couldn't help but take a deep breath as he got off the beast. The northernmost Island wasn't very big, but there was a magnificent palace in the middle of it. It was covered in colorful clouds, like a dream, like a paradise on earth.

"A Mirage?" Lin Yi raised an eyebrow. To be honest, he was quite surprised to see the legendary rainbow clouds here.

Hong Zhong chuckled and said,"this is the symbol of the northernmost Island. Because of the climate, this place is covered in clouds all year round. After it was developed into a money-squandering cave, it was man-made into seven-colored clouds. You can't see such a rare sight in other places."

Lin Yi nodded. At least from the outside, the name of the North's money-squandering cave was well-deserved.

In addition to the resplendent Palace, the security of this northernmost Island was also extremely tight. There were three layers, all of them wearing black armor. Each of them was at least at the mid-stage of

the foundation building realm. The rank of the captain and leader was even higher. Even the security of Shangguan LAN 'er's birthday banquet a while ago was slightly inferior compared to them.

"Let's go,"he said. Hong Zhong called out and took the lead to walk towards the palace. Because he was an old acquaintance, the guards did not come over to check and directly let them pass.

However, Lin Yi, who was following behind Hong Zhong, could still feel the countless gazes on him. If he revealed even the slightest bit of strangeness, he would be immediately restrained by the guards. The pressure he gave off was no less than the law enforcement Hall.

After entering the palace, it could be said that it was a different world inside. There were pavilions and water pavilions, birds chirping and flowers blooming. It was completely different from the Grand layout displayed outside. However, this difference did not make people feel uncomfortable at all. Instead, they felt that the style and grade were higher than ordinary palaces.

Lin Yi paid a little attention and realized that these pavilions, other than their elegant and pleasing appearance, also had some profound formation hidden within. He couldn't help but sigh-the designer of this Palace was a genius.

After following Hong Zhong and passing through several pavilions, they came to an open space surrounded by lake water. In the middle was a simple but Grand Pavilion. It was bustling with people and there were already dozens of people sitting there. Shopkeeper Hao, who they had just met, was among them.

"Is this the auction site?" Lin Yi asked. This was like a leisure trip, completely different from the solemn auction he knew.

"That's right. The previous auctions have always been held in this Pavilion, and this time should be no exception. However, there weren't so many people in the past, so why are they here?" Hong Zhong frowned, especially when he saw the identity of the people present. His brows furrowed even more.

"They?" Lin Yi followed Hong Zhong's gaze and realized that these people were sitting together and talking, but they were also separated into a few circles.

The largest group had twenty to thirty people, including the people Lin Yi had met before. There were also a few smaller groups, but they were more than enough to compete with these people.

There were only five or six people in one of them, but each of them exuded an extremely fierce and dangerous aura, like a fierce beast that was choosing people to eat. Even if the people around them were experts, they still instinctively felt a chill.

"Hehe, even the spirit beast clan from the South Island has sent people here. This auction at the North Island is a little interesting." The ghastly thing's voice suddenly sounded in Lin Yi's mind.

"It's indeed a spirit beast in human form. No wonder it has such a dangerous aura." Lin Yi nodded as he'd already guessed it.

Chapter 4014 Tricked

In addition to this small circle, there was another small circle that surprised him. There were only five or six people in this circle, and there was no lack of unfathomable powerhouses. However, these people had one thing in common, and that was that they were all women.

As far as Lin Yi knew, other than the central island, only the Western Island was a gathering place for female practitioners. As for the other three islands, there were very few female practitioners, unless it was a special case like Shangguan LAN 'er' s. Hence, he could guess the background of these people.

Putting the others aside, Lin Yi could already recognize the beasts from the South Island, the female practitioners from the West Island, and manager Tong and the others. This so-called North Island Auction had gathered all the Masters from the three islands and above, and there might even be Masters from the East Island among the rest.

This wasn't the same as what Lin Yi had heard from Hong Zhong-the auction was held once every half a year, and only the factions of the North Island attended. The other islands didn't usually get invited, and they never got involved.

But this time, it was obviously different. Even Lin Yi, an outsider, could clearly conclude that Hong Zhong and the Hong Chamber of Commerce behind him had been tricked.

If Lin Yi could see it, Hong Zhong naturally knew it as well. Even an experienced man like him couldn't help but have his face darkened.

At this time, a man in white suddenly stood up from the pavilion, his figure gracefully and lightly crossing the lake, appearing in front of Lin Yi and the others, smiling at Hong Zhong, "Manager Hong, how have you been? I've been waiting for you for a long time."

Hong Zhong cupped his hands. "Butler song, how have you been? may I ask if there's anything different about this auction?"

Hearing this, the man called steward song smiled playfully and said,""Manager Hong, your question is a little biased. Although the auction is held on my northernmost Island, we are just a host providing the venue and sending people to help. Everything is decided by you and never passed through our hands. You should know better than me whether there is any difference."
Hong Zhong gave him a deep look and nodded,""That's true. Forgive me for being presumptuous, but when will the auction begin? can you tell me?"
"I know about this. The auction will officially start in three days." Butler song smiled faintly.
"Three days later?" Hong Zhong's eyes narrowed, and Lin Yi beside him was surprised as well. In the past, the North Island Auction was always done in a day, and if nothing went wrong, they could return on the same day. This time, it was arranged three days later. It was indeed sneaky.
Butler song raised his head and looked at the crowd in the pavilion in the distance. Then, he looked at Hong Zhong and said with a playful expression,""On account of our many years of friendship, I might as well remind you that this auction is no longer the North Island Auction, but a four-Island Auction exhibition. In the next three days, important people from the other three islands will all be present. Even people from the middle Island will be here. For Chambers of Commerce like you, it will be a rare big scene. You'd better take care."
With that, Butler song left, leaving Hong Zhong alone in shock and disbelief.
"Shopkeeper Hong, if there's anything you need help with, I'm willing to do my best." Lin Yi said.

From a simple auction on the North Island to a four-Island Auction fair, the style and level had been improved by a large margin. At the same time, Hong Zhong, who had been kept in the dark from the beginning, could be said to have been ruthlessly cheated.

It was no wonder that the other Chamber of Commerce forces all brought a large amount of goods. If it was just an ordinary North Island Auction, it would be impossible to consume all of them. However, the four-Island Auction fair was different. All the forces from the four islands would send people over. This was a rare grand event. No matter how many goods were auctioned, they could sell them all.

For the various Chambers of Commerce, this was not only a chance for them to make a fortune, but also an excellent opportunity to increase their influence. The performance of the four-Island Auction could even affect the ranking of the various Chambers of Commerce in the merchant Union, which was a key factor in the distribution of the cake.

The law of the jungle was a natural law in the business world, especially in the highly competitive business Alliance. The difference between the top and bottom ranks was completely different. With the snowball effect, it was not uncommon for the top rank to swallow the bottom rank.

This time, the other Chamber of Commerce forces came prepared, only Hong Zhong and the Hong Chamber of Commerce knew nothing about it. In addition, they were attacked halfway and lost all their goods. It was obvious that they were jointly targeted by these people. The deliberate planning of these people was obvious.

Even if the Hong Chamber of Commerce had a strong foundation, don't forget that the Chamber of Commerce that could deal with it was not weak. If this four-Island Auction fair was disheveled, it might become a Waterloo after the event, and that would be a big hole.

"Thank you for your kindness, young hero Lin. Your thirteen Supreme-grade foundation-breaking pills are already a timely help. As for the other matters, I'll think of a way to solve them." Hong Zhong smiled and regained his usual calmness.

Lin Yi's thirteen high quality foundation breakthrough pills were added on the last minute before the departure and weren't packed with the other goods. It was Hong Zhong's personal collection, which was a blessing in disguise.

In addition, even if the two boxes of items were dropped, as long as they reacted in time, there was still a way to replenish them before the auction, so there was no need to worry too much.

With that, Hong Zhong didn't go to the pavilion to chat with those so-called old acquaintances and brought Lin Yi to his room. He himself didn't stop and immediately used eagle to send letters to the Hong Chamber of Commerce headquarters on the middle Island and the branches on the other islands, explaining the situation he just learned.

Although there was no teleportation array on the northernmost Island, there was one on the northern island. Moreover, the North Island branch and the Hong Chamber of Commerce's headquarters had a special way to contact each other quickly. As long as the Eagle sent a letter back to the North Island branch, and the North Island branch sent the message back, they would receive a response within a day.

The Hong Chamber of Commerce didn't receive any news about the four-Island Auction fair and didn't make any preparations in advance. Fortunately, there were still three days. If they reacted in time, there was still a way to remedy it.

While Hong Zhong was busy trying to make up for the lost sheep, Lin Yi, on the other hand, had nothing to do. He strolled around in the waterside pavilions inside the palace. It was rare for him to come to the northernmost Island, so naturally, he had to take a good look.

## Chapter 4015 The Pill Exhibition

These pavilions weren't only beautiful, they were also a combination of all sorts of entertainment. It only took Lin Yi an hour to pass by a couple of brothels and gambling houses. These were things that normal people loved, but they were also a rare pastime for powerful practitioners.

Lin Yi, naturally, didn't care if he'd seen a place like this before. He wasn't interested in these things at all, and even if he did, he wouldn't just spend money in a place he didn't know-he'd be asking to be ripped off.

Other than the entertainment facilities on the island itself, Lin Yi also saw many merchants displaying their treasures in the pavilions.

Just as steward song had said, this was a four-Island Auction fair. The final auction was set to be in three days. These three days were the time for the various Chambers of Commerce to display their treasures.

Gathering popularity in advance and attracting as many potential buyers as possible, so that in the auction three days later, the price would be as high as possible. This was the significance of the exhibition treasure.

The auction had yet to begin, but the smoke was already everywhere. However, for the Hong Chamber of Commerce, who had no prior knowledge, these precious three days were bound to be wasted. Even if Hong Zhong could take timely measures to remedy the situation, it would take at least two or three days to transport the goods from the headquarters in Nakajima. There was no time at all.

Of course, all of this had nothing to do with Lin Yi at the moment. Even if he wanted to help Hong Zhong
there was basically nothing he could do. The only thing he could do now was to find his target auction
item

The king of junk had given him a list of seven materials. Apart from the mysterious water droplet that he had already bought from the Hong Chamber of Commerce, he had to find a way to gather the remaining six materials in this auction.

If it was just a normal North Island Auction, there might be some missing. But this time, the commotion was so big that as long as one had the heart to look for them, there was a high chance of gathering all of them.

As expected, Lin Yi found four of the materials after walking one round. The exhibition had just started, and many shops hadn't brought out all their items yet. He should be able to find the remaining two materials in two days.

The night passed uneventfully, and Lin Yi went to look for hongzhong the next morning. He found the usually calm elder looking surprisingly bad, his eyes bloodshot. It seemed like he hadn't slept the whole night and was exhausted.

"Manager Hong, the situation is not looking good?" Lin Yi asked. He'd come here with Hong Zhong, and they were considered to be on the same boat. With their past friendship, it was only natural for him to help if needed.

"Good Morning, young hero Lin." Hong Zhong forced a smile on his face, not hiding anything from Lin Yi, "That's right. I just received a reply this morning. This time, our Hong Chamber of Commerce has been buried in a hole dug by someone. "

"Why would I?" Lin Yi blinked, confused. "The Hong Chamber of Commerce is a big business. Even if the others want to join hands to deal with it, it's not an easy thing, right?"

Hong Zhong shook his head and sighed."That may be true, but we have now become the target of public criticism. The other party has been planning this for a long time. Not only did they deliberately block the news of the auction from us, but even our material reserves have been consumed and purchased in advance. Including the Nakajima headquarters and the other three branches, there was a serious shortage of goods at the auction level at the same time. A few days ago, they were bought in batches, which was really unexpected."

Lin Yi was dumbfounded. Even a layman like him knew that a business giant like the Hong Chamber of Commerce placed great importance on their storage.

Even if there was a shortage in a short period of time, there would definitely be channels to quickly replenish it. It was easy to imagine how difficult it would be to make all the branches, including the Nakajima headquarters, have a serious shortage at this critical time.

"If that's the case, then it's really a deliberate plan. However, the other party has gone through so much trouble. Their purpose shouldn't be just for this four-Island Auction exhibition. I'm afraid that they will have more troublesome moves in the future." Lin Yi reminded.

"That's indeed the case. The other party has come with a menacing momentum this time. The auction is only the beginning. Once we appear too weak, and someone gets a hold of our weakness, perhaps our Hong Chamber of Commerce will really face an unprecedented crisis. " Hong Zhong said worriedly.

The other party was a joint force of many forces. In the beginning, many of them might just be in a wait-
and-see state. However, if the Hong Chamber of Commerce appeared too weak and was thought to be
profitable by them, they would eventually swarm in. Then, they would really be doomed.

On the contrary, in this four-Island Auction fair, if the Hong Chamber of Commerce had a way to safely overcome the crisis and show its deep foundation, then these observing forces would automatically retreat, and the killing intent would be resolved.

"Manager Hong, if we can gather enough items in a short time, will we be able to deal with this crisis?" Lin Yi asked, deep in thought.

Hong Zhong nodded and said,"that's right. However, in this level of auction, ordinary goods are simply not of a high enough grade. Even if they were transported here, they would only make people laugh. And the goods of high grade can't be replenished in a short time. It really makes me helpless."

"Then, is a pill like the Supreme-grade foundation-breaking pill good enough?" Lin Yi asked again.

"Of course, the foundation building experts are the foundation and backbone of every force. For them, the Supreme-grade foundation building barrier-breaking pill is a treasure that can only be found by luck. It is even more sought after than some divine weapons. For any force, this is considered a strategic pill. It is an existence that has a price but no supply!" Hong Zhong nodded with certainty.

Lin Yi's lips curved up slightly at the words."If that's the case, then I should be able to help a little. Since they're holding a four-Island Auction fair, how about we hold a Supreme-grade medicinal pill exhibition?"

"A Supreme grade medicinal pill exhibition?" Hong Zhong's eyes brightened and he quickly said,""Could it be that young hero Lin still has a lot of Supreme-grade pills?"
"No, I didn 't," Lin Yi shook his head decisively. He'd already given Shangguan LAN 'er the two peakgrade foundation-breaking pills and sold all thirteen to Hong Zhong-he didn't have a single pill left.
"Then This Supreme grade medicinal pill exhibition, where do you start?" Hong Zhong couldn't help but feel a little disappointed.
Lin Yi smiled,"manager Hong, you know that I'm an Alchemist. I don't have any right now, but as long as I have enough ingredients, I'll be able to make it."
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These domineering words stunned Hong Zhong for a long time, even though he was used to seeing all kinds of things. After a long time, he said,""Lin shaoxia, there are less than three days left. Are you sure you can make a large number of pills, and the quality must be the best?"
Hong Zhong couldn't be blamed for being puzzled. Anyone with a little common sense would be puzzled. As everyone knew, alchemy was an extremely time-consuming and laborious thing. An Alchemist with a lower level was likely to not even be able to refine a single pill in three days.
As for supreme quality pills, unless it was a pill God like Zhang Liju, even a slightly lower level pill master couldn't guarantee it.
After so many encounters, Hong Zhong was 100% sure that Lin Yi could make Supreme-grade elixirs, but it would be too much of an exaggeration to say that Lin Yi could mass-produce them in three days.

"I'll try it as a last resort. There's no other way at the moment anyway. Why don't we give it a try?" Lin Yi said with a smile.
Since Lin Yi had said so, Hong Zhong had no other choice but to nod,"Then I'll have to trouble young hero Lin. I'll reward you heavily after this. I'll go and prepare now."
Hong Zhong started preparing the ingredients, while Lin Yi got a guest room and closed his eyes.
This time, the reason why he offered to help was actually after careful consideration. Firstly, he could return the many favors Hong Zhong had done before and deepen their friendship. Secondly, after he showed his great value in person, their future cooperation would be more smooth.
An hour later, Hong Zhong brought a few sacks of various spirit herbs with him. In order to save time, he had bought them from steward song. These spirit herbs were not important materials here at all and could be bought with spiritual Jade.
The elixirs that could be made from these ingredients were the same as the foundation breakthrough elixir-they were all elixirs that Foundation Stage practitioners often used. If Lin Yi could make a Foundation Stage golden elixir, then he could naturally make these elixirs too.
He even gave Lin Yi a couple of recipes as a form of benefit in advance. After all, to an Alchemist, every recipe was an extremely precious treasure.

After sorting out the ingredients, Lin Yi asked Hong Zhong to borrow a refinement room and started refining in seclusion. Time was limited, and it was time for the godly pesticide cauldron to show its power.

Lin Yi had never come into contact with these elixirs before. After all, there weren't even any Foundation Stage Masters in the common world, let alone elixirs. However, this didn't stop him from making elixirs.

Even if he'd never seen a pill before, the path of alchemy was the same-the theory was the same, after all. Lin Yi had Liju's notes in his hands, and it'd be useful even if he used them as reference for foundation level pills.

One thing worth mentioning was that Lin Yi had gotten quite a bit of inspiration when he was studying the notes-it wasn't about making elixirs, but it was a killer move that could completely overpower the Super energy bomb, although he was still in the exploration stage and hadn't fully mastered it yet.

Other than Liju's notes, the Shennong medicine cauldron had also become a God-tier semi-auto alchemy tool under Jingjing's genius modification. This so-called "semi-auto" only required Lin Yi to input his Qi manually, and the rest was all done by the Shennong medicine cauldron itself. Even if it was a pill that it had never come into contact with before, it was nothing.

As long as he inserted the recipe, the Shennong medicine cauldron would automatically analyze the pill's refining curve. The rest was simple. He just had to follow the instructions of the Shennong medicine cauldron and put in the corresponding materials. Then, he carefully inserted his vital energy and waited for the pill to come out of the furnace.

Two hours later, the first batch of elixirs was completed, and the results were just as Lin Yi expected. As an experiment, he put in five sets of ingredients at once, and this time three elixirs were successfully completed, while the other two were wasted.

To have a success rate of 60% on the first try was already very exaggerated for any Alchemist. And Shennong's medicine cauldron's following performance truly displayed its legendary ability.

For the same elixir, the success rate of the second batch was close to 80%, and from the third batch onwards, the success rate had stabilized above 90%, and even close to 100%.

Every time it concocted a pill, the Shennong cauldron would automatically adjust its pill refining trajectory. Step by step, it would raise its already astonishing rate of success to an unparalleled level. In the first two cauldrons, there were even some wasted pills. However, after that, there were almost no more wasted pills. This was the truly impressive part of the Shennong cauldron!

For two whole days, Lin Yi didn't leave the house at all, focusing on refining elixirs. Hong Zhong didn't know how Lin Yi was progressing, but even if Lin Yi couldn't make enough supreme quality elixirs, his gratitude to Lin Yi didn't decrease at all.

The only two boxes of auction items were dropped midway, and the branches in Nakajima and the other three islands were in a shortage of resources at the same time. The sudden four-Island Auction exhibition had pushed Hong Zhong to the forefront of the storm.

If this development continued, the Hong Chamber of Commerce was bound to end up with a disheveled face. Not to mention what more dangerous and fatal actions those people would take in the future, at least for Hong Zhong, his career as a sole shopkeeper could only end here.

In order to intimidate the people and to give an explanation to everyone, the Hong Chamber of
Commerce would definitely push him out as a scapegoat for this matter. They would blame him for the
root of this failure. This was a logical thing and no one could change it.

And so, forced by the circumstances, the all-powerful Hong Zhong was left with only one life-saving straw-Lin Yi.

If Lin Yi succeeded, he could still escape. If not, he would have to leave it to fate.

In fact, in the two days that Lin Yi had been focusing on his refinement, Hong Zhong and the other potential opponents didn't just sit around either. They all gathered together and went to find steward song.

"The auction is tomorrow. If Hong Zhong still has a way to mobilize resources from other places, he should be able to arrive today. Although the possibility of this is not high, we have to be careful." The first person to speak among the crowd was Hong Zhong's old acquaintance, manager Tong.

"Manager Tong, aren't you being a little too careful? under the control of our anti-Hong Alliance, the reserves of the Hong Chamber of Commerce's central island headquarters and the four-Island branches have all been used up. In addition, he did something to them halfway through and even his two remaining boxes of supplies fell into the sea to feed the fish. Do you think he's a God? hahaha!" A shorthaired young man with yellow hair laughed wildly.

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Hearing this, everyone smiled. The so-called anti-Flood Alliance was formed by the Alliance of five big Chambers of Commerce in the merchant Union. Each of them was a behemoth ranked in the top ten. The Chamber of Commerce behind manager nie and the yellow-haired man was the most powerful.

Manager Tong was backed by a wealthy family, which ranked third in the merchant Union. The yellow-haired man was named Wang Tong, and he was backed by the All Access Grand meeting, which ranked fourth in the merchant Union. Together with the other three powerful Chambers of Commerce, which ranked in the top ten, such a luxurious lineup suddenly launched an attack. Even the Hong Chamber of Commerce, which ranked second in the merchant Union, could not withstand it.

As for the first place, it was the five elements pharmacy of Nakajima, which was a subsidiary Chamber of Commerce of the Nakajima pill Hall. It was founded by the God of alchemy, Zhang Liju, and naturally, no one dared to have any ideas about it.

This four-Island Auction fair was only the first battle of the anti-Hong Alliance. There would be a series of follow-up actions after that. There was only one purpose, which was to divide and swallow the giant Hong Chamber of Commerce in front of them.

Seeing that everyone was unconcerned, manager Tong carefully reminded,""Everyone, this is the first battle of our anti-Flood Alliance, and it is also a crucial one. The higher-ups of each family are watching this closely. The success or failure of this battle will affect your future, so we can't afford to make any mistakes. Although Hong Zhong is now a turtle in a jar, I still think it's better to be careful. Be careful not to fail in an easy task!"

"That's right, manager Tong's words are reasonable. Hong Zhong has been in charge of the North Island for decades and has seen many big and small storms. Perhaps he has some unknown emergency measures that can't be guarded against. If he's careless, he may fail at the last step. Young manager Wang, there's no harm in being careful. " Everyone chimed in.

Wang Tong was the young master of the All Access banquet. He was already very satisfied, but he frowned when he heard manager Tong and the others.

"It's said that the older you are, the less courageous you are. This is true. I've long expected that old man Hong Zhong to be helpless, but since you insist on being careful, then I'll let you do as you wish. But I'll have to ask, he has already fallen to this point, how are you going to guard against him?" Wang Tong squinted his eyes and asked.

Manager Tong chuckled in an experienced and prudent manner."Young shopkeeper Wang, don't worry. I have a way to ensure that it's foolproof. However, I'll have to trouble you to come forward for this matter."

At this moment, a voice came from outside the door,"do you need me to step in?" What kind of special care does everyone have?"

Seeing steward song enter the room as if there was no one else around, everyone present stood up and greeted him. On this northernmost Island, steward song was the full representative for all matters. It was not an exaggeration to say that he was the master of this place.

Manager Tong cupped his hands and smiled,"a straightforward person doesn't resort to insinuations. The matters of us naturally can't be hidden from housekeeper song. I'll be frank with you this time. If there are no accidents, the Hong Chamber of Commerce will most likely try to send a batch of materials over today as an emergency for tomorrow's auction. This is a rare opportunity to crush the Hong Chamber of Commerce. We will definitely not allow him to escape from death. Therefore, we would like to ask housekeeper song for a small favor."

"You want me to stop them halfway?" Butler song glanced at the crowd with a faint smile and said meaningfully.

"That's right. On this northernmost Island, only your Northern Garrison has the strength and the courage to do this. It's a piece of cake for you to intercept a few people. We're willing to pay you 10000 spiritual jades as a fee for your hard work. What do you think?" Manager Tong suggested with a respectful expression.

"Ten thousand spiritual jades?" Butler song raised his eyebrows and grinned.""Manager Tong, you've already said it yourself. I'm the only one on the northernmost Island who has the strength and courage to do so. If I make a move, it means that I've turned my back on the Hong Chamber of Commerce. Have I become so stupid in your eyes that I'll openly offend the Hong Chamber of Commerce for a little spirit Jade?"

Shopkeeper Tong was not in a hurry as he leisurely said,""Housekeeper song, you don't have to worry. With our anti-Hong Alliance, the Hong Chamber of Commerce will soon cease to exist. Besides, even if they know that it was your Northern Wei who attacked, their number one enemy is us. Besides, you don't need to waste your manpower this time. You just need to pass down an order so that the North Garrison guards can make some extra money on the way. It's easy to get ten thousand spiritual jades, so why not?"

Steward song couldn't help but smile."You're indeed an experienced businessman. Manager Tong's words do make sense, but you seem to have forgotten one thing. I've known manager Hong Zhong for decades. Even if we're not brothers, we're at least old friends, so ..."

Everyone's heart skipped a beat."So?"

"That's why we're hitting an old friend when he's down. Don't you think we need to add more spiritual Jade?"Butler song smiled.

"Uh	. So it's this." Everyone couldn't help but feel ridiculous after hearing this. Because it was an old
friend	l, not only did they have to accept the job, but they also had to pay more. Steward song's logic was
really	invincible.

"Well said, well said. 15000 spiritual jades. Butler song, you should be satisfied now, right?" Manager Tong reacted and said hurriedly. The spiritual Jade was nothing to the top ten Chambers of Commerce in the merchant Union.

"In that case, everyone, please wait for the news here." Butler song nodded in satisfaction and immediately turned to leave. He could earn 15000 spiritual Jade with just a casual order. This was already a pie that fell from the sky. It would be a waste not to accept it.

As for the fact that he and Hong Zhong were old friends, although it was not a lie, how could he not want the spiritual Jade given to him for free?

An entire day passed in the blink of an eye. Manager Tong, Wang Tong, and the others had gathered in the living room the entire time, waiting. However, the expected news had not arrived even after a long time.

It was not until the sun had set that everyone saw the figure of steward song slowly walk in through the door with an inexplicable smile on his face.""The North Battlefront Army has already called off the war. The northernmost Island has also been sealed. It seems that the Hong Chamber of Commerce will not send any more supplies before the auction tomorrow. You can pay the 15000 spiritual jades now."

Upon hearing this, everyone present heaved a sigh of relief. In theory, the possibility of Hong Zhong being at his wit's end was the greatest, and naturally, it was within their expectations. The 15000 spiritual jades were spent to buy peace of mind and eliminate the last possibility.

"Hmph, I've already told you that Hong Zhong is not that capable. At a time like this, he has one foot in the coffin. There's nothing he can do except wait for death. Only you people are too careful and waste a lot of spiritual jades in vain." Wang Tong crossed his arms and mocked from the side.

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Manager Tong and the others looked at each other and didn't say anything. They were experienced and prudent merchants. They wouldn't lose out at all by spending this little spiritual Jade to crush Hong Zhong's last hope of turning things around.

After receiving the spiritual Jade, steward song suddenly said with a faint smile,""I've always been honest in my work. This time, I didn't intercept the Hong Chamber of Commerce's supplies, but I took 15000 spiritual jades from you for free. Although it's reasonable, I still feel a little apologetic in private. So, I'd like to give you a piece of information."

Everyone had a strange look on their faces. If he really felt bad, why did he collect the spiritual Jade so quickly?

"Steward song, please tell me what the specific information is." Manager Tong asked as he cupped his hands.

Butler song smiled slightly. "Everyone has been here discussing important matters today. You don't pay much attention to what is happening outside. I think you don't know that the Hong Chamber of Commerce has already joined the ranks of the auction an hour ago, right?"

"What?" Everyone's expression changed drastically upon hearing this. They were all dumbfounded and speechless for a long time.

They had gathered together today to discuss how to deal with the Hong Chamber of Commerce from
the beginning to the end. They had considered all aspects and even took out a large number of spiritual
jades to invite the northern Garrison to come forward for the slightest possibility. They had never
thought that Hong Zhong would have the capital to participate in the exhibition!

"Attend a sales exhibition? How can he still bring out an item for auction?" Manager Tong and the others couldn't help but exclaim in shock.

The two boxes of supplies had already fallen into the sea, and at the same time, it had cut off the material storage and supply channel of the Hong Chamber of Commerce. No matter how one thought about it, this was impossible.

Unless, someone had sold the materials that they were going to auction to Hong Zhong in advance!

The people present were not stupid. They quickly thought of this possibility, and then their faces became ferocious and unkind."How dare they do such a thing behind our backs? do these people think our anti-Flood Alliance is invisible?"

Housekeeper song couldn't help but smile."You must have misunderstood. The things that Hong Zhong has brought out for sale this time are quite amazing. Not any Chamber of Commerce can bring them out. No one is stupid enough to sell such strategic materials to him in private in large quantities. It can be seen that this old friend of mine has already made preparations and played a good trick on you."

Upon hearing this, the faces of manager Tong, Wang Tong, and the others became increasingly unsightly. Without a word, they got up and went out one after another. They wanted to take a good look at what good things this old fogey Hong Zhong could bring out!

Seeing their expressions, steward song secretly scolded them for being a group of idiots. If they didn't scam their spiritual jades, who would?
The group quickly arrived at the pavilion the Hong Chamber of Commerce had reserved. As the manager, Hong Zhong had to do the work himself, and even Lin Yi was there to help.
The pavilion wasn't big, and the things that the Hong Chamber of Commerce displayed weren't big either. They only filled up a row of display shelves. However, the things displayed on this row of display shelves made even the shopkeepers of these large Chambers of Commerce, who were experienced and knowledgeable, stare with their eyes wide open.
"How How is this possible?!" Wang Tong, who couldn't keep his cool, was dumbfounded on the spot.
"More than a hundred, and all of them are Supreme-grade pills?" Even the experienced and prudent shopkeeper Hao couldn't help but feel his temple throb and his heart almost exploded from fear.
In any auction, Supreme grade pills were always the best items. It would be good enough to get three or four of them. A hundred of them was unimaginable unless there was a pill God like Zhang Liju in the house.
From the expected loss of nothing to the sudden appearance of more than 100 Supreme-grade medicinal pills like a magic trick, this sudden turn of events was too shocking and heaven-defying!

'Yo, fellow peers, we meet again! How have you been these past few days? this little business of mine is enough to catch your eyes, right?" Hong Zhong said with a harmless smile as he enjoyed the defeated expressions of the crowd.

F \* ck! Everyone couldn't help but want to vomit blood again. A whole hundred Supreme-grade medicinal pills, and he actually said that it was an unsightly small business. Then what were the ones we had? were they just stinky dog sh \* t on the street?

After scheming and going through so much trouble for so long, not only did they fail to kill Hong Zhong and the Hong Chamber of Commerce, but they also created such an embarrassing and shocking scene. Manager Tong, Wang Tong, and the others "faces were really gloomy and deep at this moment.

Although Hong Zhong was a loyal elder, the words he said at this time were really infuriating!

Lin Yi laughed to himself as he watched from the side. The impact and shock brought by more than a hundred supreme quality elixirs, no matter how experienced and knowledgeable a person was, they wouldn't be able to take it, not to mention these people who were deliberately trying to destroy the Hong Chamber of Commerce.

In fact, it was not just these people. Even the important figures from the middle Island who had arrived late had also come to join in the fun. Each of them had a look of amazement on their faces as they whispered to each other and praised.

In the crowd, a yellow figure suddenly made Lin Yi's eyes light up. He looked closely and his brain exploded. He couldn't help but exclaim, "Tian Huan?!"

Her voice, appearance, speech, and mannerisms all proved that the woman in the crowd was Tian Ji!
However, tianshuo didn't react at all to Lin Yi's call. He just glanced at Lin Yi indifferently before looking away from him, as if he didn't know who Lin Yi was.
Lin Yi was stunned. This person was obviously Tianji, there was no way she could be mistaken. But he wasn't wearing a mask, how could she not recognize him?
Lin Yi wanted to say something, but Tian Gang had already left with the big shots from the central island. They didn't even look at Lin Yi once.
Frowning, he watched as Tian Gang left with the others, as if they didn't know him at all. Lin Yi was completely stunned!
It was impossible for him to be mistaken, but Tian Gang's expression from the beginning to the end had not shown any abnormality or abnormality. It was completely like a stranger. This was incomprehensible.
"What's going on?" Lin Yi took a deep breath as he looked at Tianjie's back. It'd been so long since he came to Tianjie Island, and Tianjie was the first practitioner he'd seen from the common world other than people like Kang Zhaoming and Zhong pinliang. Not to mention, she was a woman he had a close relationship with.
"What's wrong, Lin shaoxia? Is there a problem?" Hong Zhong asked, sensing Lin Yi's change.

In less than three days, he'd made over a hundred Supreme-grade elixirs without stopping. This kind of heaven-defying ability, this kind of huge favor Hong Zhong was completely in awe of Lin Yi now. He saw Lin Yi as one of his own.
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"Manager Hong, are those people from the middle Island?" Lin Yi asked.
"That's right. Not only are they from Nakajima, but they also have a very deep background." Hong Zhong paused. "Have you noticed the five-colored pattern on their sleeves? that's the symbol of the five elements sect, which is also the five elements pharmacy and Chamber of Commerce of the pill Hall of Nakajima."
"Five elements pharmacy?" Lin Yi's eyes lit up, deep in thought.
"Although it's called a pharmacy, it's the number one super Chamber of Commerce in the merchant Union. It's under the rule of the hall of pills. I'm sure you know the leader of the hall of pills, young hero Lin. He's Zhang Liju, the divine Doctor!" Hong Zhong said with a look of admiration.
Lin Yi was even more stunned after hearing this-if this meant that Tian Gang was from the five elements medicine room, didn't that mean that he was already under Zhang Liju? She was directly teleported to Nakajima?

Coming from the common world, different people would be sent to different places. This was a very normal guess, but Lin Yi always thought that a woman like Tian Ji would be sent to the Western part of

the island where female practitioners gathered. He didn't think that it would be like this.

However, even if Tian Ji was sent to Nakajima to become a person of the five-element pharmacy, it shouldn't be to the extent of directly becoming a stranger to him, right? what did this mean?

"Manager Hong, do you have any way to find out where these people are staying?" Lin Yi lowered his voice after some thought.

Lin Yi didn't believe that Tian Gang didn't recognize him. How long had it been since they parted? It was completely unrealistic! He had to find a way to figure out the reason. Moreover, the relationship between him and Hong Zhong was now far from what it was before they came here. They could be said to be on the same line, so there was no need to be too wary of each other. He could just ask this question directly.

As expected, although Hong Zhong was a little surprised, he didn't ask much and directly replied in a low voice,""I'm not sure about this, but according to past practice, the northernmost Island has always arranged for important guests to stay in the core of the elite Gathering Hall. These people come from the five elements pharmacy, so they should be staying there. "

"Elite gathering Palace, good, I will remember it. Thanks!" Lin Yi nodded. Things were almost done here, so he slipped out immediately. He couldn't wait to find Tian Gang and ask him about the situation.

As he watched Lin Yi leave, Hong Zhong smiled as expected,"This young hero Lin really seems to be related to the five elements pharmacy. He's unfathomable. However, to be able to refine hundreds of Supreme-grade pills in less than three days, I'm afraid no one in the entire five elements pharmacy can compete with you except for the God of alchemy, Zhang Liju. "

Shaking his head and sighing, Hong Zhong didn't think too much about it. He turned around and went to deal with manager Tong and Wang Tong. This time, he had almost been forced into a corner by these people. He had to take the opportunity to slap his face back.

As for Lin Yi, everyone had their own secrets. An old man like Hong Zhong naturally knew that knowing too much wasn't necessarily a good thing. The most important thing now was to get Lin Yi on his side. Anything else was unnecessary.
Lin Yi had made a round around the northernmost Island, and after a few turns, he arrived at the entrance of the elite Gathering Hall, but was stopped.
"This is an important place for distinguished guests, and idlers are not allowed to enter." A guard in black armor blocked Lin Yi's way-the symbol of the northernmost island's Northern Garrison.
"This one has a friend living inside and just wanted to talk to him. Can several Big Brothers accommodate him?" Lin Yi tried.
The northern Garrison guard responded with a blank expression,""Unless you have a passage token or someone inside comes out to pick you up, please go back. Don't ask for a snub."
As he spoke, a few of the northern Garrison guards around him showed an aggressive and sharp aura, as if they were ready to kill Lin Yi on the spot if anything went wrong.
Lin Yi's eyelids twitched. He was only a mid-foundation level master, and every one of the northern Garrison guards was stronger than him. If they were to fight, it would be suicide. He could only nod and

back off.

After that, Lin Yi walked around the elite Gathering Hall and found that there was a guard every five
steps and a Sentry every ten steps. There were no flaws at all, and he gave up the idea of sneaking in.

Looking at the elite Gathering Hall from afar, Lin Yi could only shake his head and sigh. It seemed that if he wanted to meet Tian Gang again, he would have to wait until the auction tomorrow.

Early the next morning, the northernmost Island was full of people. Lanterns and streamers were hung up all over the island, making it look like a Festival feast.

If it was just the usual North Island Auction, after all, it was only held once every six months, so it would not be that rare. But this time, it was a rare four-Island Auction exhibition, which might not even happen once in decades.

Following the crowd, Lin Yi and Hong Zhong arrived at the largest Pavilion on the northernmost Island. This was the final place of the auction, where all the items would be competed for by all parties. The winner would be revealed here.

Seeing Hong Zhong and the other man appear, the whole place burst into an uproar. The news that the Hong Chamber of Commerce suddenly took out more than 100 Supreme-grade medicinal pills yesterday evening had spread throughout the entire northernmost Island. Everyone knew about it.

Shopkeeper Hao, Wang Tong, and the others who had arrived early all had dark expressions. This time, they had racked their brains to deal with the Hong Chamber of Commerce, but in the end, before the auction even started, their plot had already been ruined in advance.

It was neither too early nor too late, but he had to rush to the last juncture of the three-day exhibition. Suddenly, he took out more than 100 Supreme-grade medicinal pills. Even if everyone used their toes to think, they could also figure out that they had been played by this old man, Hong Zhong!

Not only them, but even housekeeper song, who sold medicinal herbs to hongzhong, was shocked for a long time when he first heard the news.

Like everyone else, steward song didn't believe that someone could refine so many Supreme-grade elixirs in such a short period of time. The only reasonable explanation was that Hong Zhong had been hiding it for a long time and had been holding it back until the last moment to slap these people in the face. The previous purchase of medicinal herbs was just a cover-up.

"This despicable and shameless old man!" Wang Tong and the others gritted their teeth in hatred. It wasn't easy for them to find an opportunity to drag the giant Hong Chamber of Commerce down, but they didn't expect this to be the result. All the previous plans were simply a joke that made people laugh. They really felt like they were blind.

Taking out more than 100 Supreme-grade elixirs at once, what a F \* cking shocking amount! Even the five-elements pharmacy, which was the number one in the merchant Union, only brought 20 high-grade elixirs and 10 Supreme-grade elixirs this time. That was all, far less than the Hong Chamber of Commerce's exaggerated and awesome spending!

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Of course, it wasn't hard to understand that the five-elements pharmacy didn't try their best this time, but all the wealthy families and big merchants like the all-access banquet had tried their best to squeeze the Hong Chamber of Commerce out this time. This time, they had definitely made full preparations in advance.

However, even if all of them were added together, the number of Supreme-grade medicinal pills was only a fraction of the Hong Chamber of Commerce 's. This really made people speechless.

"Shopkeeper Hong, it seems that this time, not only will the Hong Chamber of Commerce not fail miserably, but it will also shine brilliantly. After making such a great contribution, I think your position in the Hong Chamber of Commerce will move up a bit. It's really worthy of congratulations." Steward song congratulated manager Hong in front of everyone.

"No, no, the auction hasn't started yet. Butler song's words are too flattering." Hong Zhong said with a humble smile.

Although that was the case, any normal person would know that Supreme-grade medicinal pills were strategic materials that would never be left unsold. Even if the auction had not started yet, just the fact that more than 100 Supreme-grade medicinal pills had already been displayed was already enough to determine that the Hong Chamber of Commerce would definitely be at the top and become the biggest winner of this four-Island Auction fair. There was no chance of an accident.

In comparison, the other big Chambers of Commerce such as the all-powerful club and the all-access meeting were not worth watching at all. Even the five-elements pharmacy, which ranked first, could only stand aside this time. It was on a completely different level from the Hong Chamber of Commerce.

"It's not a bad thing to be humble, but being too humble will make you look like a pretentious prick. Fine, I'll hold a banquet for you after we're done. Let's catch up." Steward song laughed and walked up to the stage. He would be the host of the four-Island Auction fair this time.

"This Butler song is really realistic." Lin Yi couldn't help but smile-the Butler wasn't this friendly when he first saw hongzhong.

"This isn't strange at all. It's human nature. Lin shaoxia, you don't know that this guy even made a deal with Wang Tong and the others to deal with our Hong Chamber of Commerce yesterday. Although he already knows that we took out 100 Supreme-grade pills, this method is too much! It's just that, in comparison, he has a better relationship with our Hong Chamber of Commerce. It's understandable for businessmen to pursue profits!" Hong Zhong had been used to this. He had been to the northernmost Island dozens of times, so it was normal for him to bribe some spies. The actions of the northern Battlefront Wei yesterday could not escape his eyes.

"Then he's really a weirdo." Lin Yi couldn't help but laugh.

Just as the two of them were talking, there was another commotion in the venue. The source of the commotion this time was the group of people from Nakajima who had entered.

Tian Huan! Lin Yi's eyes focused on the yellow figure. It was the same as yesterday, still wearing yellow clothes. If the sky was dark yesterday, there was a slight possibility that he was mistaken, but this time, Lin Yi was 100% sure that this woman was Tian Ji!

As for Lin Yi's gaze, tianshuo didn't react at all, just like last night. It could be attributed to the fact that there were too many people around, but Lin Yi believed that she must've seen him already. She just ignored him on purpose for some reason.

At this moment, Lin Yi's eyebrows twitched. He saw a red-haired man standing out from the Nakajima group. His expression was frivolous, and he was about to reach for Tian Ji's waist!

Lin Yi couldn't hold back his anger anymore. He could already guess that this person was the reason why Tian Gang didn't want to acknowledge him!

It'd been half a year since he'd come to Sky Class Island-it wasn't a long time, but it wasn't a short time either. In this completely foreign and cruel world of cultivation, anything was possible.
It was understandable for women from the secular world to get together with other men in order to find a backer. If Murong Zhen, a woman from a heaven class island village, was like this, what more people from the secular world? It wasn't hard to understand why Kang Zhaoming was sucking up to him!
It was just that, while others could do it, for Tiangang As far as Lin Yi was concerned, it was impossible! The relationship between the two of them was built on the line between life and death, so it shouldn't change so easily.
However, even the usually calm Lin Yi couldn't hold back the anger that burst out from the bottom of his heart.
"Young hero Lin, don't be impatient!" Hong Zhong, who was beside Lin Yi, instantly sensed Lin Yi's movement and quickly held him down with one hand. He didn't know why Lin Yi was so agitated, but he knew that if Lin Yi lost control on the spot, even he wouldn't be able to save Lin Yi.
With Hong Zhong's strength, it was more than enough to suppress Lin Yi. With Lin Yi's restraint, no one else noticed anything.
"I'm fine. " In an instant, Lin Yi had regained his composure. He saw that Tian Gang had avoided the redhaired man. This meant that Tian Gang didn't want to be with the red-haired man!

As long as tianshuo didn't do it willingly, then everything else was just floating clouds in Lin Yi's eyes. It couldn't disturb his state of mind at all.
"It's good that you're fine. Lin shaoxia, no matter what you want to do, this old man will help you. But you have to be aware of the situation, act according to your ability, and wait for the opportunity to act." Hong Zhong consoled.
Lin Yi's heart warmed at the words. He and Hong Zhong were originally just business partners, but now they've become good friends. For a businessman like Hong Zhong to say something like this, it meant that he didn't help him for nothing.
"Do you know who that red-haired man is, manager Hong?" Lin Yi asked.
Hong Zhong took a closer look and replied,""I've seen that man a few times in the Nakajima headquarters. His name is Zheng Tianjie, and he's from the hall of alchemy. His grandfather seems to be the Deputy Hall Master of the hall of alchemy. His qualifications and connections are extremely deep, and his status in the hall of alchemy is extremely high."
"Zheng Tianjie? In that case, he's also a proper third generation cultivator. " Lin Yi nodded, deep in thought.
With the arrival of the Nakajima people, all the forces had arrived. Under the loud introduction of steward song, the rare four-Island Auction fair finally opened its final curtain.

Generally speaking, at the beg	ginning of any auction	, the items put up f	for auction wer	e only the
appetizer, but all the good thi	ngs were always left f	or the finale.		

However, the four-Island Auction fair this time was far superior to the previous north-island auctions in terms of scale. Even if it was only the first auction item to be brought out, it was no small matter.

"Sea demon youngling. The starting price is three thousand spiritual jades." After steward song said this, the whole place fell silent. Everyone stared at the tiny and thin figure in the cage.