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Chapter 1051 Shame? In Front Of Benefits?

While Grand Elder Valdrey Alstreim remained stumped, Xiao Meili's expression was a bit disappointed. In her years working in this Verdant Alstreim Treasure House, she has never seen an accommodating person, nor had she seen a more overbearing person than him.

Did Alchemist Davis have enmity with Grand Elder Valdrey Alstreim, or is it something concerning Young Mistress Nora Alstreim? She couldn't help but wonder.

Grand Elder Valdrey Alstreim narrowed his eyes after his confusion cleared. However, he still couldn't process the meaning behind Alchemist Davis's words.

Judging by the context, there were three nuances he managed to find.

One is that Alchemist Davis has become greedy for Dragon Queen Isabella with his growing prowess, and so can no longer hold his loyalty towards her but wanted to make her his woman!

The second was to warn him that his own subordinate would become greedy because of something or someone else and try to backstab him.

The last one is one of his many subordinates have become greedy and sold themselves to someone else, ready to backstab him.

If someone asked him what he believed Alchemist Davis meant, it would either be the first one or the last one. The last one had already happened. It wasn't anything surprising to speak of... That left, the more likely the first inference.

But, if it were the second inference... that someone else could be Alchemist Davis himself! He would be the only one who could probably sway his close subordinates!

However...

'Perhaps... Is Alchemist Davis warning me that he would corrupt Zeno Alstreim with incentives and flowery words?' Grand Elder Valdrey Alstreim mused but inwardly laughed.

'What foolishness... Zeno would never betray me...'

He felt that just the thought itself was absurd. How could someone who has remained loyal for thousands of years turn against him?

The loyalist's blood was filled with reverence and worship for a long time already, and even if there were chances of betrayal, he felt that it should be very less that it can be considered negligible. Besides, he never treated the other party with contempt or used as disposable property but showered with rewards and praises.

How could a subordinate who has never been wronged by him betray in cold-blood?

However, there were others he felt that he should be cautious of...

Due to the Aqua Flood Dragon incident, he knew that many were starting to waver, conform, and harmonize with other sides. He had personally executed a few these days, making him again know some people's true faces. Moreover, if it weren't for Zeno Alstreim, who was acting like he was going to betray him on the behest of his orders, he wouldn't have even known half of the others who were truly prepared to betray him.

Yes, Grand Elder Valdrey Alstreim was the one who ordered Elder Zeno Alstreim to act distant from himself at the Alchemy Exchange! This allowed him to pick out the weeds and keep the crops as the former had contacted Zeno Alstreim, misunderstanding that he was dis-aligning himself from his master!

In these two months, he faced so many betrayals all of a sudden that he became utterly tired of it, no longer caring about the other party's reason to betray and mercilessly killed! Moreover, his daughter Elise Alstreim was unable to concentrate on her cultivation and became a bit listless, spacing out all the time.

Clearly, Weiss Alstreim's betrayal had taken a clear toll on her. This made him feel even more fatigue than killing those subordinates whom he thought were loyal.

But whenever he recalled Nora Alstreim's face, he was able to keep smiling, knowing that their future would become better.

'Realistically, the fact that Nora was able to make Alchemist Davis hand over the Enlightenment Martial Surge Pill to me for Elise speaks volumes of her progress in the Purple Guest Palace.'

'Perhaps, it is truly just a matter of time before Nora truly shines under the Dragon Queen's light...' He couldn't help but become satisfied as he looked at the pill in his hand.

With this, his daughter would finally be able to step into the Martial Master Stage, thereby regaining her lost vitality!

However, he didn't know that Nora Alstreim was miserable; that she had her cultivation base sealed and mercilessly beaten up before being locked in a room, facing an unknown fate!

In the silence, Xiao Meili's eyes became moist as she finally recalled that she came here for as she forgot her current worries.

'Father... Mother... Xiao Melli has finally earned enough wealth to return and set up a shop that would support us and last for generations...'

It was just too many years had passed that she forgot the reason she came here and worked hard to make ends meet without getting married like her peers back in the town.

Just the living conditions, and to live safely without being harassed by a few scums cost a fortune that she ended up running on fumes certain days! Few times, she had to even hire bodyguards with her own wealth so that she would not be harmed when she traveled outside the city for doing errands.

"Xiao Meili, do you want to become the vice-manager of my Verdant Alstreim Treasure House?"

"Eh?" Xiao Melli became stunned.

She slowly turned her head to look at Grand Elder Valdrey Alstreim in question, wondering if she heard it right.

Grand Elder Valdrey Alstreim repeated the same thing, and Xiao Meili finally realized that what she heard wasn't wrong. She was initially planning to resign and return to her town to initiate humble beginnings, but who would've thought she would be personally invited by the Grand Elder!?

Right now, she felt utterly graced and honored!

There was still room for growth!

Xiao Melli gave a deep bow as she clasped her hands, "Xiao Meili thanks Grand Elder for his magnanimous and indiscriminate heart, and humbly accepts the vice-manager position of the Verdant Alstreim Treasure House."

Grand Elder Valdrey Alstreim laughed.

'Ah, little lass. You aren't a person of the Alstreim Family. Otherwise, for receiving even a bit of favor from Alchemist Davis, you would've stood a chance to gain a Low-level Emperor Grade Treasure...' He inwardly sighed.

'The least I can do is reward you with this post.'

He knew about the ongoing commotion that had exploded from yesterday. It seemed like every family elders, Elders, and Grand Elders subtly gave their approval to the younger generation for this matter. Every younger generational expert, especially young maidens, was aiming to earn the favor of Alchemist Davis.

'Well, which family doesn't want the addition of talent, especially when the talent leaves everyone out of their league? However, isn't this a bit shameful?'

'Oh well, in front of benefits, what is shame? I'm similarly sinful for a few deeds of the past, but as for Nora, she will be the one to decide who she wants, not the other way around.' Grand Elder Valdrey Alstreim's eyes flashed.

If Alchemist Davis tried to make a move against her, he didn't know what he should do... but if it was mutual, he welcomed it all the same. He took a deep breath and relaxed.

"Vice-manager Xiao Melli..."

"Y-Yes!" Xiao Melli came out of her reverie and stood in attention.

Grand Elder Valdrey Alstreim smiled, "Your first task as the vice-manager is to personally deliver these Poison Essences to Alchemist Davis in the Purple Guest Palace."

"Yes!"

Chapter 1052 I'll Show You How Rogue I Am

Davis, Evelyn, and Nadia flew in the skies as their clothes gently fluttered. They were returning to the Purple Guest Palace after they left the Verdant Alstreim Treasure House.

"Husband-"

"Now, now... don't thank me for purchasing that Poison Essence for you. That would make us seem like we are distant." Davis chuckled.

Evelynn abruptly opened her mouth but got interrupted. She couldn't help but grin with a giggle.

"Then, I'll gladly be spoiled by Husband."

"What's there to spoiled? I bought you some ugly essences that you have to absorb and digest. Is that something a man would buy his woman?"

Evelynn shook her head, "Please don't twist it and say that this is nothing..."

She knew that fifty Peak-Level Spirit Stones wasn't worth on her.

Davis narrowed his brows before he reached out his hand with a lewd smile, "But if you insist..."

Evelynn slapped his palm away with the back of her dainty hand, "You have to wait till we return to 'spoil' me..."

She rolled her eyes, but that came off as seductive instead.

"Oh my..." Davis's mouth went agape as he grinned, "Someone is getting bold!"

Evelynn felt like hugging him with all her strength, but since they were out to open in the skies, she was too shy to do anything intimate.

After a few seconds of secretly feeling happy, Evelynn moved her lips.

"Husband, can I know why you decided to give that pill to that person? Is it because of those Poison Essences?"

"Are you dissatisfied?" Davis smiled.

"No, as I believe that it is because of the Poison Essences, or there's a deep reason behind it."

Davis chuckled, "Haha, there's no deep reason behind it, and it is not for the Poison Essences either."

"Then, why?"

Davis hesitated for a second before he answered, "Just a promise that I gave to Nora Alstreim to get her to kowtow to mother at that time."

"I see... but aren't those people our enemies?" Evelynn didn't understand.

When had her husband ever treated enemies with favor?

"They are... and that pill is for Elise Alstreim. If Elise Alstreim manages breakthrough into Martial Master Stage, it still won't make a difference as she is already a Peak-Level Law Sea Stage Expert. She still poses the same amount of threat to us."

"But-"

"Or do you want to go back on my words for no valid reason, knowing that they were enemies when I gave my word to Nora Alstreim?"

"I don't! Upholding and staying true to the words one has given is more important than measly benefits." Evelynn replied with heartfelt emotions.

She had just understood about that on a soul level, consequently making a breakthrough to High-Level Young Soul Stage.

"That's right. Don't look at measly benefits. Keep your soul free of heart demons by never going back on your words. Your guilt and regret would bind your soul, and that ultimately be your own undoing."

"Yes!" Evelynn obediently echoed like a student. In reality, she was still a student to him in Soul Forging Cultivation.

However, she became a bit confused as she thought about another matter. She initially had this doubt but never had the opportunity to ask.

"Husband, why did you make the list you gave to Jaisi Alstreim public? Isn't it disadvantageous to us since people would know what we want to possess, thereby giving them an opportunity to-"

Davis chuckled a bit, "Evelynn, your worries are on point."

"Then..."

"I meant both of your worries, the one back at the Jaisi Alstreim one..."

Davis couldn't help but still chuckle at what he witnessed in the Jaise Alstreim Inn through his soul sense. Surprisingly, those youths were all gathered in that place to earn his favor!

Initially, he felt dumbfounded, but it eventually made sense to him. That's why he changed his mind.

Even though it seemed disgraceful, it was not in their perspective. Earning his favor meant rising up through ranks and status for them, and since he was a youth, he wouldn't be impervious to beauty. This probably formed the basis of their reasoning, making them try to do something like convening a gathering to specially discuss earning his favor.

Most likely, their first agenda should be how to bring him out of the Purple Guest Palace, but since he magically appeared there, everyone became taken aback, losing the chance to interact with him.

'Both of my worries?' Evelynn felt confused before it dawned on her.

"Those youths... Are they all...?"

"Since they seem like they want to please me, I merely gave them a chance..." Davis deviously grinned.

All the ingredients and treasures he listed and gave to Jaisi Alstreim was at King Grade! Without even having to spend a dime or having to search store after store, he would be able to obtain it all, all the while relaxing in the Purple Guest Palace like an Emperor!

"Husband, you're a rogue..." Evelynn couldn't help but giggle.

"Indeed, I'll show you how rogue I am after we return..." Davis shamelessly reached out his hand again, causing Evelynn to dodge before she instantly rushed off into the distance, her bashful figure and laughter resounding like a melody to his ears.

Nadia, who was behind, had her lips curls into one of confusion.

They seem to be having so much fun by teasing each other?

'Maybe I should try teasing master some other day...'

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"Idiot! Since Alchemist Davis already came out, there's no reason to talk about how to attract him out of the Purple Guest Palace!"

"Naive! Do you really think Alchemist Davis would roam the city for days? Judging by his previous movements, I'd say that he would quickly return to the Purple Guest Palace before the day ends and come out a few days or months later!"

"By that time, we would have no choice but to wait for a long time!"

"Shut up! No one asked about your biased assumptions!"

"You!"

A heated discussion was going on to and fro over a round table. There were hundreds of younger generational experts here, but it was divided into three groups. The Burning Sea Brigade, the Brilliant Flame Corps, and the other groups, plus individuals who weren't in any powers.

The gathering had just started on the top floor of the Jaisi Alstreim Inn, and it looked like it out was already going to turn into a brawl. It was understandable. After all, the Burning Sea Brigade and the Brilliant Flame Corps never got along with each other.

Their relationship was one of rivalry and hidden battles that took place under the nose of the elders.

The leaders of the two groups stayed calm as they looked at their members, scolding each other. However, a sudden sound attracted all of their attention, and even the quarrels quickly died down.

The door to the hall opened, and a man quickly came running in, his expression a bit stressed. He quickly ran behind Kayan Alstreim, the Burning Sea Brigade's Leader, and whispered through soul transmission.

"What!? Is it true?" Kayan Alstreim abruptly stood up.

However, his expression changed as he knew that it was too late. Everyone was already looking at them speak, and his echo of surprise just gave it away.

"What happened?" Ravalat Alstreim, the leader of the Brilliant Flame Corps, asked.

"That's right! Information should be shared commonly!"

"To reach the end goal, at least the minimum information should be shared!"

The third group's young experts also raised their voices of concern, primarily tinged with reluctance and jealousy that they didn't obtain the information first.

Chapter 1053 Hand Over The Lis

Kayan Alstreim inwardly sighed before he gestured his subordinate to speak up. There was no use hiding it since he knew that this must be taken care of as soon as possible.

The subordinate nodded his head, "Everyone! I just heard that Alchemist Davis had requested the Jaise Alstreim Inn to procure some resources from Jaise Alstreim's own mouth. Apparently, she is going to release this news to this list to the public and buy them so that she could collectively sell it to Alchemist Davis."

"What!? Is it true!?" Many people displayed the same reaction as they echoed.

The atmosphere became boisterous as they became dismayed. This ruined some of the initial plan they had in their minds.

"Yes! I felt that if we could obtain the list and get the resources instead, we could successfully gain the favor of Alchemist Davis!" The subordinate answered.

"How and where did you hear this?" Ravalat Alstreim's expression became suspicious. Following him, a few others also frowned.

After all, he was a person from the Burning Sea Brigade. It could be a scheme to make them disorderly, and as a result, lose the initiative to earn Alchemist Davis's favor.

"I... I was p-peek- eh... relaxing in the men's bath in the hot springs for fun, but then I heard the owner of the Inn, Jaise Alstreim, speak about what happened in A-Alchemist Davis's room from the other side. I heard her! There's no way I could be wrong!"

"Then what are we waiting for!? Quick! Stop them from going public! Bring Jaisi Alstreim here!" Kayale Alstreim waved her sleeves as she commanded.

"Yes!" One representative from each group quickly left the hall.

Everyone possessed a smile on their faces. After only a few minutes, they already got a lead on how to proceed with this matter.

Nevertheless, many women who were present cast a judgmental gaze at that subordinate.

"Good job!" Kayan Alstreim patted that person's shoulders, having a deep smile on his face. "You've truly done a great service to us by sacrificing your dignity!"

"Haha, this junior is honored, leader!"

However, Kayale Alstreim walked towards him and abruptly grabbed him by the collars.

"Didn't I tell you to be on the lookout on the ground floor? You used this time to enjoy at the hot springs... and ogle at naked women!?"

"Vice-leader! Please forgive this subordinate!!!" That person trembled as he didn't dare to lie.

"Hmph!" Kayale just snorted and let go of go as she no longer bothered.

'Men are all like this... Even he should be the same...' Kayale Alstreim narrowed her eyes in disdain.

Why does she have to earn his favor? Even go as far as to seduce him? She felt reluctant at her family elders words but felt tempted all the same at the thought of having an exceptional man like Alchemist Davis. Feeling conflicted and ridiculous, she looked around and saw that every beauty who had gathered here all thought that they possessed a chance.

A sneer hung on her lips.

With her here, would they dare to compete!?

A few minutes later, the door to the hall opened again. A blonde-haired woman wearing a fur coat above her robes entered the hall and arrived in front of them. She gracefully bowed a little and greeted, "Jaise Alstreim is pleased to be invited to the gathering of younger generational experts."

Her skin was fair and glossy, glistening, and a feast in the eyes of men and women alike.

Seeing this, Kayale Alstreim and the other women felt like they wanted to enjoy a hot spring! Since they had taken a break from cultivation, why not?

"However, I wonder for what reason I have been invited? Jaisi is not even a person of the younger generation."

Kayan Alstreim looked at Kayale Alstreim, urging her to speak since the other party was a woman.

Kayale Alstreim nodded and walked towards her before she calmly yet arrogantly demanded.

"Hand over the list."

Jaisi Alstreim's expression slightly changed, "What list?"

"Don't play dumb, you tongue-tied woman. We know that you already possess the list Alchemist Davis gave you to procure resources."

"What are you talking about? There's no such thing as that..." Jaisi Alstreim frowned.

"I won't force you, but I will warn you that offending the entire younger generation experts will not bore well for you or for this shabby inn." Kayale Alstreim's lips widened. Her deadly smile was laced with a threat that seemed to have greatly intimidated Jaisi Alstreim.

Jaisi Alstreim took a step back in reluctance before she sighed, "Fine..."

Everyone smiled.

How can a random nobody with no backing resist their commands?

"Everyone, please be understanding. I might possibly offend and incur A-Alchemist Davis's wrath by giving this to someone else. I need some sort of compensation. However... It seems that this list is crucial to you all...? I only have one list with me... So..."

Jaisi Alstreim looked worried, "To whom should I give it?"

"Give it to me!!!" Two people reached their hands out at the same time.

Kayan Alstreim and Ravalat Alstreim looked at each other as sparks flew atop their gazes.

"Ravalat! We obtained this information first, and naturally, it should belong to us!"

"First means nothing! Who decided that? The heavens!?" Ravalat Alstreim sneered before he looked at Jaisi Alstreim.

"Miss Jaisi, if you give me the list, I promise that my Brilliant Flame Corps will stand guard for the next fifty years. This will be a low-level mission my Brilliant Flame Corps would have our members take!"

Kayan Alstreim sneered at the unreasonable idiot and turned to look at Jaisi Alstreim.

"Hmph! Fifty years? I'll have my Burning Sea Brigade do the same, but for a hundred years! Moreover, I'll give you a hundred thousand High-Level Spirit Stones and ten Peak-Level Spirit Stones! You can trust me because it's from my Burning Sea Brigade's Treasury!" He exclaimed.

"Double that!" Ravalat Alstreim's expression became furious.

"Heh! My family also has a store that sells carcass of fresh King Beast Stage Magical Sea-Beasts! I could arrange and even give a better deal if you were to oblige and hand over the list to me this instant!"

Kayan Alstreim shouted as they fought back and forth.

Jaisi Alstreim's expression was pale as white-jade. However...

While they were fighting for the list, she cast a momentary glance at that foolish subordinate who thought he heard it coincidentally while peeking. He fell right into her trap.

Although Alchemist Davis just said to make this public to her at that time, she knew how to maximize her profits but also not go overboard by being greedy. Killing two birds with one stone was the best way as far as she knew, and with her years of experience as an innkeeper and a businesswoman, she knew how to measure their limits.

One might think that she was making enormous sums of wealth through this Inn, but it was not true. She was relatively making more wealth but not to a degree where she earned a huge profit. If a person were to look at her accounts, they would know that her profit was on the side of the low margin.

Just the ingredients, magical beast carcasses alone would cost a fortune, making her bleed in pain sometimes. She even spent a whole night crying and a month depressed a few years ago as she almost went broke from having little to no amount of patrons.

Fortunately, the heavens had blessed her, and she was able to find authentic and grand recipes in a random spatial ring that she bought from the street market.

That was the sole turning point in her life!

With these recipes that shook the Grand Alstreim City, she knew that it was just a matter of time before she owned an inn empire!

Chapter 1054 I Will Throw You Ou

Jaisi Alstreim had even grander dreams like becoming a wealthy woman that will enable her to reach the Eighth Stage and live a prosperous life in the future. It was basically guaranteed if she could maintain this Inn and realize the profit for a hundred years!

At that point, she could even become a Mid-Level Eighth Stage Expert, filling in the ranks of the Elders, and someday, even become the second female Grand Elder, just below Grand Elder Elise Alstreim!

That person was her idol and a symbol who supported her ideals, but after the Aqua Flood Dragon's incident, she couldn't help but feel sympathetic.

When a woman makes a blunder, she is treated worse than a dog; she couldn't help but lament that person's fate.

As for the rumors that she controlled the internal affairs...

'Heh... Who exactly on the seat of Grand Elders didn't want to control the state of affairs?' She sneered.

In the end, even the third group wanted the list first, and she somehow convinced all of them to trade with her.

As a result, she obtained their backing in the form of low-level missions for hundred years, three hundred thousand High-Level Spirit Stones, thirty Peak-Level Spirit Stones, and a few other miscellaneous favors that guaranteed fresh carcasses and patrons to her Inn.

All that for a single list from Alchemist Davis!

"Crazy! These people are all crazy!" After returning to her lodging, she couldn't help but scream at the mirror.

Fortunately, she felt like she had missed an arrow to the knee. If anyone knew that she had actually tried to earn Alchemist Davis's favor, she knew that it was possible that she would be bullied to death! She couldn't hope to stay alive after offending this bunch of men in greed and women in heat as she had no backing!

She was a woman who knew how to measure, and she knew that she lost and was not worth the moment Alchemist Davis didn't even bother to cast her a glance. Either that, or he was already ensnared and entranced by that poisonous and seductive woman, becoming unable to look at another woman sexually, but the existence of another wife destroyed that hypothesis.

In any case, she knew that she should stay away and instead compete in the Grand Alstreim City for resources at her own pace.

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Xiao Meili walked out of the Spirit Attribute Source Hall and reached the first floor with an excited smile on her face. She couldn't help but grin like a fool.

But, her expression suddenly became calm as she saw the people in front of her.

When she arrived on the first floor, she went stiff for a second but continued on as she received the jealous looks of her seniors. News had already reached their ears, and she perceived that Grand Elder

Valdrey Alstreim must've told Manager Yuven about her promotion, which in turn caused everyone to know about the event in the Spirit Attribute Source Hall.

Nevertheless, she put on a brave face and walked towards her post as she strode past them.

However, only after strolling past them did she recall that her duty wasn't to return to the first floor and take care of patrons but to assist the manager and command other people like the previous her. That meant she has to introduce herself again to these people, flouting the position of vice-manager.

Feeling a bit timid, she thought otherwise but finally gathered her courage and was about to turn back.

But...

Whoosh!~

"Hahaha!"

Everyone swiveled their heads to look at the entrance and saw a youth with flames blazing under his feet laugh out loud!

"Hahaha! I'm first!"

"Quick! Where is the manager of the store!? I, Kayan Alstreim, the leader of the Burning Sea Brigade, wants to have the manager show me around!"

Xiao Meili became intimidated.

Two seconds later, a fat person came flying from the inside.

"Leader Kayan, hahaha! Welcome to our Verdant Alstreim Treasure House!" He boisterously laughed and exchanged pleasantries.

Many were wondering why there was an intensity like this with the young man when their attention was taken again.

Shhhh!~

The soaring sound of flames searing the air echoed.

A woman flew in and looked around before she pointed at a person, "You! Aid me in browsing some treasures!"

"Eh!?" Xiao Meili became taken aback as she saw the renowned vice-captain of the Burning Sea Brigade point at her!

"Kayale, what are you doing? I'm acquiring treasures for you, not for me..." Kayan Alstreim echoed before following Manager Yuven into the store.

"If you insist, brother..." Kayale smiled and no longer bothered to look at Xiao Meili as she left with them.

Xiao Meili's lips twitched. Even with her new status, she was still ignored.

'Ah... I still haven't changed my robes...' She realized that she still wore her blue robes with one little shiny star-patterned over her back. It denoted her status as a low-level staff in this place.

After that, numerous people continuously entered the Verdant Alstreim Treasure House as they landed before the entrance. They quickly pointed towards a few people, and the staff all obliged to show them around as they were already acquainted with each other.

The Verdant Alstreim Treasure House remained a famous store, and the younger generation experts would've at least visited the first level once in their meager lifetime.

Xiao Meili looked at them as they disappeared one by one. All of them looked like they were potential patrons but seeing them choose someone else when she was first in line; she inwardly laughed as she recalled her dark past. She turned back and knew that she should head towards Manager Yuven to report and assist.

However, she was suddenly stopped as her shoulder was grasped by a hand!

"Eek!~"

Xiao Meili screeched and retreated a bit and turned around. She looked at the person with a frown before her eyes widened into two saucers as she recognized the man in front of her.

"Haha! Little Meili, take this young master around the Verdant Alstreim Treasure House. I want to purchase a few treasures that are on my mind." The young man pompously spoke.

Xiao Meili frowned as she shook her head. She didn't want to entertain this person. The last time he fancied a senior in this store, he defiled that senior after he pulled some strings to make life difficult for her.

She resigned and fell to his lap as if it was the natural thing to do.

'I won't make the same mistake as her...' Xiao Meili inwardly vowed.

"Mhm?" The man noticed the despise on her face, and coldly laughed.

He reached out his hand and tried to grasp Xiao Meili's wrist.

Pat!~

Xiao Meili struck his hand and retreated a few steps back as she kept staring at him.

"I will throw you out if you touch me again..." Xiao Meili had her eyes narrowed.

The young man seemed to become visibly taken aback.

She moved two more steps back before she turned around and left.

"Hehe, getting arrogant, are we?" The young man coldly laughed before he looked at an old man waiting at the side, who was almost looking as if begging to make him bring her around.

Chapter 1055 Passionate Hours

"Old man, what's wrong with this woman? I recall that she was just a pushover?" The young man inquired with a playful smile on his face.

The old man sighed, "She has become the vice-manager..."

"What!?"

How can it be!? He had visited the Verdant Alstreim Treasure House before, and he recalled that this woman was just a low-level salesperson!

Now, she, a non-Alstreim, has become a vice-manager!? What kind of absurdity was this!?

"How...?" He incredulously asked.

"It is said that she hosted a grand person while most of us were gathered in the monthly meeting...! This bit- woman successfully sold a treasure to that person, and Grand Elder Valdrey Alstreim personally raised her position to be one of far above us!"

"Though we are reluctant, we have no choice but to digest this humiliation!" The old man's eyes seemed to be practically spitting flames. He almost cursed but held himself back.

The young man nodded his head before his eyes lit up. Perhaps, that treasure might catch Alchemist Davis's fancy, no?

He posed his question to the old salesman.

"Apologies, I can't tell that..."

The young man instantly shoved a low-quality spatial ring to the old man, "Ten High-Level Spirit Stones..."

The old man slyly chuckled.

"It's a Spirit Attribute Source..."

"So it's a Spirit Attribute Source... no wonder..." The young man nodded his head before he inquired again, "What type is that Spirit Attribute Source?"

"This... I'm not sure, but from what I heard, it was that rotting Peak-Level Sky Grade Poison Essence whose price is sky-high that no one bothered even to take a glance at it..."

"Poison Essence!?" The young man exclaimed before he felt that something important crossed his mind but couldn't grasp it quite well.

'This wouldn't be helpful to Alchemist Davis, would it?'

He pursed his lips and contemplated but quickly threw the towel the next second.

"So, why would Grand Elder Valdrey Alstreim go as far as to raise a person who isn't an Alstreim to this position? What is that grand person's identity, capable of warranting a Grand Elder to raise her status personally?"

"At this time, if not the Dragon Queen, who else can it be other than Alchemist Davis?" The old man couldn't help but sigh, but his eyes widened into two saucers as he saw the young man turn around and walk away in a hurry.

"Eh? Young master? Do you not want me to show you around the store?"

"Young master? Young master Gyren!? Why are you leaving without at least having a look around!?"

'Did I do something to offend?'

Looking at the Gyren Alstreim disappear as if he just saw a ghost, the old man became stumped as to what had happened. He didn't know that Gyren Alstreim, who had inadvertently offended Alchemist Davis, wanted to make up to him by presenting a gift.

But now that he ended up with offending the person who seemed to have received Alchemist Davis's favor, he no longer held any notion of wanting to reconcile and even felt that it would be better if he hid!

'Fuck! How did I end up offending him a second time!? Do the heavens want me dead!?'

Gyren Alstreim stiffly ran and flew away from the Verdant Alstreim Treasure House like the wind. His back was drenched in sweat as he imagined that he would not be spared if Alchemist Davis came to know that he tried to do something to Xiao Meili.

After all, judging by how Grand Elder Valdrey Alstreim suddenly raised her status, it was rather relevant that Xiao Meili managed to at least obtain some sort of goodwill from Alchemist Davis.

If his family came to know about this, he felt that his own father would chop him up and gift his remains as a present to earn favor or just clear a mere misunderstanding!

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Davis, Evelynn, and Nadia returned to the Purple Guest Palace. The day was over without encountering any major incidents, while minor incidents couldn't be even counted as incidents to him.

After they returned, he let Nadia roam free in the Purple Guest Palace while he dragged Evelynn into her room. Their lips met as it devolved into a passionate battle. The next few hours, Evelynn poisoned him with her body, and his bones melted in her embrace.

Needless to say, Evelynn took a birth control pill of her own volition, so there was no chance of a child being brought into this world.

Half a day later, Xiao Meili arrived while holding a Peak-Level King Grade Spatial Ring in her spatial belt.

She had her attire changed as she now wore a white robe with flame patterns, and accompanying her was two men who seemed to be Peak-Level Law Dominion Stage Cultivators. They had this blazing presence that seemed to say that they were veterans and would not hesitate to lay their own lives to protect Xiao Meili.

She waited for a few minutes outside the Purple Guest Palace because Davis was still pounding Evelynn with his very soul, ascending to the heavens time and time again. Only after he released his thirty-eighth and last yang essence in her did he let her off and entered the bath to clean himself up.

Evelynn knelt with her bottom steered towards the skies while her face plunged into the bed. Yang essence overflowed from her valley while she possessed a stupid yet satisfied smile on her face. The bed sheets were stained in their fluids, but she stayed like that for a while, relishing the wild feeling she shared with Davis these few hours.

After getting out of the bath, he invited Xiao Meili inside, and she respectfully handed over half a dozen spatial rings to him, each of them hosting one Poison Essence.

Davis took a good look at them before he patted Xiao Meili's head and gave her a tip of thousand High-Level Spirit Stones for her good work. Xiao Meili was unable to hold back as her eyes became moist.

No one treated her this good, and additional wealth was usually handed over as a form of bribe.

Tip? What was that?

She never got something like that ever before. Feeling complicated, she felt that she would say one thing that she hadn't confirmed yet.

"Esteemed Patron, many younger generational experts came to our Verdant Alstreim Treasure House to purchase many treasures. From what I heard, it seems to be something Esteemed Patron ordered the Jaisi Alstreim Inn to procure resources for you?"

Honestly, as a person of the Verdant Alstreim Treasure House, she shouldn't tell all these things as it is disadvantageous to their business, but she had done it anyway.

Davis smiled, "Something like that happened? I see. Thank you for the information, Xiao Meili."

Xiao Meili became flustered, "No, it's my honor to be of service..."

After this, Xiao Meili naturally left with her bodyguards, but she was disappointed as she one that she would never see her lucky star once again, probably ever again in her lifetime.

Davis looked at her disappearing silhouette before he mused, 'A pity... If I knew that the Verdant Alstreim Treasure House had Light Elementals and Darkness Elementals, I would've added them to the list...'

'But in any case, it's not like I have time to digest all of them. Being a jack of all trades is fine and all, but it will not help me reign supreme in this cultivation world... It is better if I invest in a single path or a two at best for each cultivation system at a time...'

Davis nodded his head in agreement as he felt that his reasoning was more than apt.

Chapter 1056 Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn

'For my Essence Gathering Cultivation, my main path relies on comprehending Lightning Laws. For Body Tempering Cultivation, it is Earth Laws. As for my Soul Forging Cultivation, my permanent path is that mysterious Death-like Laws.'

Davis opened his mouth and spoke to himself, "That leaves a few options for my secondary path..."

'Fire Laws are deadly and explosive, and combined with Lightning Laws; it should pack an immense destructive and explosive power that reaches an apocalyptic force...' He mused.

Honestly, he was tempted to learn Fire Laws ever since he saw Ancestor Dian Alstreim's might during the Aqua Flood Dragon's incident. It was absolutely overwhelming and overreaching! It made him stand at the edge of the seat as if he was watching an exciting scene in a movie.

However, it was the same with Ancestor Tirea Snow's Ice Laws. He was moved by the defensive and piercing prowess of the Ice Laws, but that is not something he can easily learn like Fire Laws. He mused since he possessed the Alstreim Family's genes, it was possible for him to quickly learn Fire Laws compared to Ice Laws.

Besides, he additionally considered that Fire Laws would come in handy in Alchemy.

It was just that he never tried his hands on Flame Laws and never had the need to... After all, Lightning Laws were plenty destructive, and his soul flames easily made him a genius in alchemy. However, if he additionally learned Fire Laws, it was apparent that his destructive prowess and alchemy prowess would skyrocket!

'However, if I managed to fuse Lightning Laws and Fire Laws together...' Davis's pupils trembled with intensity, but he quickly calmed down with the help of his will.

Getting ahead with daydreaming would do nothing to increase his prowess. He presumed that he understood at least that much.

"Nadia!" He called out.

A figure quickly appeared beside him, their expression calm without a ripple.

"Master..." Nadia answered his call.

"Take me out of the city, preferably to a secluded yet spacious place where there are no humans nor magical beasts."

An illuminating yet dark light flashed from her entire body as Nadia changed shape. She transformed into a Dark-Winged Twilight Wolf as her figure stretched. Her majestic dark wolf figure took shape into reality, and her golden horn stretched from her forehead, displaying her regal status as a King-Tier Magical Beast!

Looking at her grandeur and wings, Davis smiled in satisfaction as he mounted. His mount was quite intimidating, even from his perspective. Suppose she suddenly appeared behind a cultivator in the dark. In that case, even a battle-hardened expert might come themselves become stiff for a second, ultimately having their lives end at that moment.

He felt that she would make a better assassin than him if it weren't for Fallen Heaven's death-like energy shrouding him.

Nadia understood from his words that she should travel in a concealed manner. She left the Purple Guest Palace and headed south. Since the city wasn't sealed with formations all the time, she was able to exit the Grand Alstreim City without being noticed.

She headed further south and constantly scanned for many places as they traveled for hours. Nevertheless, Davis found a suitable location with his soul sense and directed her to that place.

It seemed to a deserted plain with few trees sprouting here and there, but it was not a desert, not barren. It seems to be in the middle of two of those environments.

'The vitality within the earth seemed to have been sucked dry... Is this the work of an Earth Essence or a Water Essence?' Davis mused as that would explain the absence of people, but he smiled.

This was a perfect place to try what he wanted!

He waved his sleeves, and a six-legged cauldron came flying out!

"Hehe... I read how Spirit Attribute Sources are able to devour other Spirit Attribute Sources... So, I wonder if I can make the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn reach King Grade?"

Davis wondered out loud as he unleashed the Poison Essence out!

THUD!~

The six-legged cauldron landed on the dirt, but at the same time, Davis simultaneously unsealed the cauldron by waving his hands. His soul force flew towards it and flung the lid that sealed came off easily.

This was not a real cauldron but a gimmick. A sealing formation that was in the shape of a cauldron. However, the lid seemed to be a solid object that seemed to be able to seal the objects inside it in conjunction with the sealing formation. The six-legged cauldron and the lid seemed to be a complete set.

Davis had yet to see what kind of material it was made off, but he had his focus on the rotten face that came out of it in an eerie manner.

'Oh... It's not even trying to run...?'

A smile hung on his lips.

"Hehe... Hesheheshe!~"

The Pestilent Dragonfly Dusk Spawn snickered, its facial features melting and restoring. It seemed to stare at Davis with its two dark green eyes, and its lips curved with a playful glint.

"SHSHSH!!!~"

It instantly moved!

'It really is attacking me without trying to run... Is it stupid?' Davis became flabbergasted.

He didn't do anything but kept watching the Pestilent Dragonfly Dusk Spawn zoom in an instant towards him. However, a big figure appeared in front of him, still concealed. It reached out its large paws towards it.

But, Nadia's claws rushed past nothing but the air that was sliced apart by her, or so she perceived, but a breeze of poison flew from the side towards Davis! Nadia's pupils glanced at it before a curtain of darkness shot out from her golden horn and completely eroded the poison.

The Poison Essence didn't even stop but change its trajectory once it neared and flew towards the distance.

'Damn... It really is cunning as the description says...' Davis couldn't help but laugh. It didn't even know that Nadia was present but still charted a maneuver that tried to both kill him and escape.

"Nadia, keep it from escaping..."

"Yes..."

A sound of acknowledgment echoed.

Davis stood without making any movements, but his seamless soul force rushed past out like a tide, enshrouding the surrounding ten kilometers.

"Hesheshesheshe!~"

The Pestilent Dragonfly Dusk Spawn snickered as it felt that it got away. It looked at the distance. Mountains came into its view, making it feel free and energetic. It didn't know how many years it had been sealed but was not relevant to it as it didn't understand much about the concept of time.

It hid in a crevice for a long period of time and made the place its habitat, preying on whoever and whatever life source it got but was finally caught by a human. It was then locked up in that dislikeable environment, but even then, it did not know how to be depressed as it was unable to understand the ten thousand plus years it spent in imprisonment or angered as it knew that its life wasn't in danger.

But now that it was finally freed... escape from this human who seemed to have taken it out for some reason became its top priority!

"!!!"

The Pestilent Dragonfly Dusk Spawn suddenly went stiff and stopped as it saw the surroundings turn pitch black! It instantly turned back and saw the human, but the next second, even that human was engulfed in darkness!

"!!!"

How can this be!? How could the scenery of the outside world suddenly be encased in darkness!? It was unable to comprehend and ended up panicking a bit before instantly looking for a way to escape!

However, it suddenly saw a figure heading its way.

At first, it perceived the darkness slightly becoming thin before it spread out, and what appeared in its view was a ghostly green lamp that shook and trembled in the air, seeming to look back at it in a cautious manner.

"Pestilent Dragonfly Dusk Spawn... I hope that you don't disappoint me. Therefore, become a King Grade Poison Essence so that my wife can digest you and comprehend Poison Laws to a terrifying degree!!!"

A voice reverberated from the surroundings, but due to the pitch-black darkness, the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn felt as if the deep voice sound just came from within, making it feel fear for the second time in its life!

Chapter 1057 A Meal? No, Two!

The Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn managed to calm down as it did not see the human, but it raged the next second!

This human was too arrogant!

It could sense that the human possessed a threat to him, but it mused that it shouldn't be life-threatening. It was able to escape from even Eighth Stage Experts after unleashing the deadly poison within, so it did not think much of this human who just seemed to be at the Seventh Stage.

It was unable to gauge the strength of this area shrouded with darkness but misunderstood that it should be at the Peak-Level of Seventh Stage because of the human.

But now that it felt scared towards a puny existence, it became offended!

However, looking at the ghastly green lamp in the distance, its eyes became hazy before becoming filled with desire and greed! It was as if it saw a naked woman in front of it after a long time! A voracious temptation took over its instincts, and even its Will was influenced.

It was none other than the Ivy Leaf Poison Lamp! The Peak-Level Earth Grade Poison Essence!

The Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn knew what it saw in front of it would provide the nutrition required for it to grow! It liked absorbing the blood of humans and magical beasts alike, but the ghastly lamp in front of it seemed appetizing than any dishes it had before that any thoughts of that human that remained were instead replaced!

In the blinding darkness, it easily forgot about the previous matter and slowly moved towards it. However, the Ivy Leaf Poison Lamp instantly retreated as it quivered.

The Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn's eyes flashed. It was obvious that the Ivy Leaf Poison Lamp had already discovered it and was on the lookout.

It slowly retreated and disappeared from Ivy Leaf Poison Lamp's line of sight. However, realizing that it would also lose sight of it if it were to continue to retreat, it stopped. It hovered around the range where it felt that the Ivy Leaf Poison Lamp would not be able to perceive it and moved in the darkness, trying to circle around it.

The Ivy Leaf Poison Lamp also stopped retreating. It looked around but was unable to catch sight of anything in the pitch-black environment. It floated but decided against moving upwards and instead descended towards the surface. It touched the ground and felt that it was like dirt. It did not know that it was in an open plain as it was summoned the moment darkness had already engulfed the area.

When it came to its senses, it already laid its eyes on the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn's figure, making it panic.

Its ghastly body shook, and an eerie green light illuminated the area, making it become more aware of its surroundings. However, its green light remained incapable of extending more than five-meter, so it was unable to perceive more than that range.

It was still unable to see the terrifyingly powerful Poison Essence it saw before. So, it thought of searching for a way out.

Whoosh!~

The sound of moving could be heard directly behind it that it swiveled its lamp-body and saw the rotten and dissolving face rush towards it!

"Hesheshehe!~"

The Ivy Leaf Poison Lamp's illuminating ghastly light flickered as it became terrified of it. It thought of escaping but knew through instinct that it was too late. Its body trembled with intensity before the light green flame in the lamp soared intensely! Dark green smoke started to appear out of the lamp and zoomed towards the incoming threat at a rather unsuspecting speed.

However, the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn sneered with its ugly face and unleashed its own power! Verdant ashes spread out like ember and transformed into a curtain of poison! It directly encased the poisonous dark green smoke that tried to hinder it and flew towards the Ivy Leaf Poison Lamp in an unabated manner!

"Hesheshehe!~"

The Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn coldly laughed with desire as its curtain of verdant poison ashes directly engulfed the Ivy Leaf Poison Lamp. It didn't stop but directly passed through its curtain of poison ashes as if it were passing through water and collided with the lamp!

Its maws enlarged as it tried to swallow it whole!

The Ivy Leaf Poison Lamp didn't even know what to do as it was quickly suppressed and engulfed! It's Will was about to take form when it stepped into the Sky Grade in the future, but before it could even be truly born into this world, its hopes were dashed!

It was instantly taken into the body of the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn.

Wshhsh!~

The dark green smoke spread within! Its poisonous property of making the victim become paralytic seemed to be of no use as it could feel that its poisonous energy was being wiped clean! It was rapidly drained that it repeatedly bore damage.

Perceiving that it was trapped and constricted, it could only rely on its instincts to struggle, but the powerful Poison Essence was like a parasite that stuck to it, rendering its counterattacks useless no matter how hard it tried!

Both of them were out of energy in their long time imprisonment, but considering the gap between their grades, it easily became prey to the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn.

Its body twitched, the light from inside the ghastly lamp started to fade. Its energy was being sucked out, and even its nascent Will was currently being eroded by the predator. It knew that it met its end but was reluctant to give up.

It struggled till the very end, trying to attack and smoke it away in various ways but it was overwhelmed and engulfed, absorbed by the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn, becoming its source of nutrition.

In the end, not even a trace of it was left in the outside world.

Burp!~

The Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn let out a sound that was similar to burping and satisfactorily brought out its eroded tongue and licked its rotting lips. It had just taken in the Ivy Leaf Poison Lamp in its entirety into its body, slowly digesting it.

However, it felt great!

Its expended energy and the weak state that it was in before slowly started to improve! In fact, its energy that was hovering at five percent got instantly restored to thirty percent and was still rapidly increasing as seconds passed.

It could feel itself rejuvenating with renewed vigor, making it become nostalgic over its glorious times as its rotten face constantly dissolved and restored back!

Nevertheless, it didn't slack as it knew the human was present somewhere in this dark, perhaps watching it with complete attention. It looked around but was unable to see the human. So, it tried to move in one direction, thinking that it would eventually reach the exit.

But this time again, its orbs widened into two saucers as it laid its eyes on a lone yet clueless purple beetle that fluttered its dark wings in the utter darkness.

Another Poison Essence!?

The next moment, its two wide yet sly eyes narrowed into two tiny slits as its lips turned into a smirk.

This little beetle would become its nutrition just like the previous one!

Chapter 1058 Feeding It With Poison Essences

"Sigh... Looks like one Peak-Level Earth Grade Poison Essence isn't enough..." Davis became a bit disappointed as he floated in the skies over the darkness.

The Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn didn't reach King Grade! That made him sigh even after he gave Natalya his word that he would try to stop sighing all the time.

He sent another Poison Essence, the Haze-Loving Lavender Beetle, a High-Level Earth Grade Poison Essence, one level lower than the previous one, hoping that it would be enough to make it step into the next stage.

Its appearance looked like an adult palm-sized insect. It didn't look harmful at first glance, and even its presence was not big, but its description said that its bite could even cause humans to be infused with

both a dormant poison and an aphrodisiac, with the latter being more potent enough to send the victim insane rather than horny.

It was the first time he heard how an aphrodisiac would cause one to become insane. Apparently, it was said that a man who was bitten with it would become crazy enough to violate women and vice versa, and it was always said that when they receive the other party's yin or yang essence during the deed, the dormant yet deadly poison will activate and kill the victim.

It seemed that the victims of Haze-Loving Lavender Beetle always died on top of the body of the opposite gender.

Davis couldn't help but just feel the chill over its poisonous might. It was unknown if the victim managed to experience heaven before death or not. However, he was particularly interested in knowing either as he knew that this beetle would become nutrition for the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn.

Would its properties integrate or be directly suppressed and digested?

He wasn't able to tell. However...

'But... I wish I could've improved Haze-Loving Lavender Beetle's prowess, but It's too much work, and the results wouldn't probably be satisfactory... Moreover, I don't want Evelynn biting anyone other than me...' Davis seriously mused with a stiff expression on his face.

He turned aside and asked.

"What do you think, Nadia?"

"Master, I don't know anything about Spirit Attribute Sources... but I can say with blind confidence that it won't be ever about to escape from my darkness even if it became a King Grade Poison Essence." Nadia floated by his side in her human form.

Her golden eyes flashed with darkness as she held Davis's arms and their connection made him see through the darkness a bit more clearly than the others.

However, this wasn't a domain technique that she was using, but her pure energy from her magical beast core that encased the surrounding kilometers, and on top of it was Davis's Supreme Soul Stage soul force enshrouding the current battlefield, making it remain concealed unless someone entered the hundred-kilometer range.

After all, concealing such a huge area wasn't Davis or Fallen Heaven's expertise.

"I see... I hope that the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn would really reach King Grade... Otherwise, it would be a waste of these precious Poison Essences..."

Davis inwardly sighed.

If Evelynn absorbed and comprehended the poisonous and venomous variations of each and one of those Poison Essences, her foundation would become incredibly stable, giving her a base to easily comprehend the diverse Poison Laws in the future. However, it would take a long time for her to comprehend each and one of them.

Perhaps, it would take anywhere between ten to fifty years, depending upon her comprehension speed. Evelynn might be good at comprehending Poison Laws, but her comprehension speed was nowhere near Natalya's level, who seemed to be great at comprehending Yin Laws.

What they lacked was time, and he couldn't let her become stagnant when it comes to increasing prowess while others left her in the dust.

And that led him to believe that rather than making her learn Poison Laws to a comprehensive degree, it would have been better to make her concentrate on a single branch of Poison Laws, causing her prowess in Essence Gathering Cultivation to skyrocket!

Even he was not all that comprehensive in learning Lightning Laws as what he specialized in was the extinction property of the lightning. His prowess in using extinction type lightning created genuinely for destructive and enduring powers remained top-notch!

However, if he dared to use other types of lightning with similar properties, his prowess would end up dropping. If he tried to use lightning with completely different properties, he wouldn't even be able to conjure lightning but instead would even injure himself in the process!

Davis wanted Evelynn to absorb at least two Poison Essences, and finally the Low-Level King Grade Poison Essence!

Perhaps, she could even remold her Law Manifestation two-folds, giving her terrifying prowess to threaten the Young Masters, Young Mistresses, and Top Disciples of the Nine Eastern Territories into submission!

After all, Poison was a terrifying thing that made people look the other way even if the poison cultivator was responsible for their own family members' death. They wouldn't go offend a poison cultivator unless they were pushed to the brink of death, or they possessed countermeasures, antidotes, the will to die, or the will to see themselves fade away to a crippled state or death in a poisoned state even if they emerged victorious in the battle.

However, looking at its endless appetite that had already absorbed two Poison Essences while he was thinking all these things, he couldn't help but sigh.

The Ivy Leaf Poison Lamp had been absorbed, and the Haze-Loving Lavender Beetle was also engulfed within, but the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn still didn't display any single sign of improvement!

Looking at this improvement rate, perhaps all the Poison Essences he had would be needed to be absorbed before it reached King Grade?

'Fuck! Didn't they say that it was near to the King Grade level after hiding for thousands of years? Why is it not improving!?' Davis felt like cursing till it bled.

But he was the one who was actually bleeding.

He reluctantly released another High-Level Earth Grade Poison Essence into the pitch-black darkness and waited for it to be devoured. This merely left him with the Mid-Level Sky Grade Poison Essence, which he felt extremely reluctant to use on the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn.

After all, if even it was absorbed, then Evelynn's chances of increasing the quality of her Law Manifestation drop by a little, becoming only a single-fold improvement rather than two-fold. He didn't want to see such a result, but looking at the scenario, it seemed like he would really have to sacrifice the Mid-Level Sky Grade Poison Essence for the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn to reach King Grade!

He felt that absorbing the Low-Level King Grade Poison Essence that is born anew would undoubtedly be a huge boon to Evelynn. Still, at the same time, it would not give the necessary force required to remold the Law Manifestation enough for increasing the Law Manifestation's quality by two times.

Right now, she had comprehended an Undistinguished Law Manifestation. If she were to improve it, he felt that only by using two Poison Essences at Sky Grade and King Grade did he feel that she would be able to increase the level of Law Manifestation by two times!

Only then would she be able to reach the level of Grand Law Manifestation, surpassing the level of Distinguished Law Manifestation!

Chapter 1059 What Did I Just...

Davis looked at the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn become attracted to the High-Level Earth Grade Poison Essence, like a moth that was drawn to a light source. It used its cunning nature to ambush once again displayed in its actions and caused it to incapacitate it successfully.

It didn't absorb quickly but had in its grasp.

However, Davis could see that it had yet to digest the previous Poison Essence, or perhaps both.

His eyes brightened!

'Maybe I won't need to use the Mid-Level Sky Grade Poison Essence after all...'

He became satisfied with the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn's progress but didn't count on it much as he knew that his selfish expectations might be arbitrarily betrayed by reality. He silently watched it play with the captured High-Level Earth Grade Poison Essence, seemingly torturing it while it seemed to be screeching in pain as a result.

An hour passed, but it still appeared to be digesting. Moreover, it didn't seem to be wary of him anymore. It didn't even try to escape, nor did it look around, afraid that he might attack him.

"Nadia, are you fine? Maintaining this darkness shroud in a huge area for a long period of time might really take a toll on you. Besides, you're using your powers ingeniously and skillfully to make me aware of the surroundings."

"Are you not tired?"

Nadia shook her head as she remained clinging to his arm from the side, her eyes still gleaming with a golden hue, "This is nothing, master. My King-Tier Magical Beast Core allows me to maintain this state for many days. Besides, my energy consumption would lessen when night falls. It's sunset already, so there's no need to worry about me, master."

"King-Tier Magical Beast Core, huh..." Davis mused out loud before your expression became strange.

"I don't know if I should say this, but both your body and magical beast core would sell for about a million or more Peak-Level Spirit Stones..." Davis wryly chuckled, "You have that much of a value in the cultivation resources market... especially in front of people who practice Darkness Laws."

"They would probably do anything to obtain your magical beast core..."

"That is..." Nadia turned to look at him, her golden eyes staring at him, "Is Master implying that I am too valuable, or is it a warning that if I do not do my duty properly, that I will be killed?"

Davis's expression became stiff.

Okay, how could she get both nuances wrong? Davis inwardly cried as he had underestimated how a magical beast would think when he only meant it as a joke.

However, he stared back at her with his soul-gazing sapphire eyes, "What do you think I meant?"

Nadia stared at his eyes for a few seconds before she reluctantly avoided his gaze, "You didn't mean both."

"Then why'd you ask me something like that? I meant it as a joke, not as a threat."

"But I need to know..." Nadia's melodious voice became strained.

"Am I a valuable magical beast?"

Davis didn't even hesitate, "You are-"

Nadia interrupted, "I can see that master and the others are rapidly increasing their cultivation base, and perhaps, it would only be a matter of time before all you surpass me. At that time, will I become someone who is only valuable in terms of cultivation resources?"

"Will I be killed and sold if I outlive my usefulness due to my bloodline limitations?"

Davis had his mouth slightly agape. He didn't think that Nadia would carry such simple yet deep worries, the same as humans. His words had perhaps prompted to call out the hidden concern she had in her heart.

But he wasn't surprised as Nadia was sympathetic and possessed a high emotional quotient among magical beasts, even able to express herself in words, unlike other magical beasts who only knew to express through anger and violence.

However, she had a point. Due to her bloodline limitations, she would only be able to reach the Peak-Level of King Beast Stage, which is the Eighth Stage for a magical beast's cultivation system. Reaching the Ninth Stage would become naturally impossible since the bloodline change she needed to achieve would be massive to mutate!

Davis knew that there were two ways she would mutate.

The first way is that she would need to use her King-Tier Bloodline as a stepping stone and mutate to the next stage. However, she would lose her King-Tier Bloodline at that point, but she still needed some kind of catalyst to fuel her mutation even then.

The second way is to acquire a heavenly resource like the Million Emerald Vines Calamity's nectar. This way, she would maintain her status as a King-Tier Magical Beast and mutate to the next stage.

Davis mused that the Million Emerald Vines Calamity's nectar would not have much effect on Nadia since she is already a High-Level or even a Peak-Level King Beast Stage Magical Beast in terms of prowess. If it were to be graded, she would be a Mid-Level Emperor Grade existence, which is similar to the treasure grade of Million Emerald Vines Calamity's nectar.

Logically, he could understand that she transcended the usefulness of the nectar. But he still might try giving her some. After all...

"Nadia," Davis raised his hand and touched the back of her palm to placate, "I give you my word that even if you outlive your usefulness, you're still mine. Anyone who tries to harm you would have to deal with my wrath."

Nadia became visibly taken aback as her pupils dilated.

'Isn't that what master would say to his... mates?'

Feeling strange, she inched closer, her warm body stuck to him. Her head propelled closer to his head while her pursed and rosy lips slightly opened agape. However, she looked towards the left and gazed at the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn.

"Master, it's moving..."

"Ah...?, Yes..." Davis instantly turned his head and saw that the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn was on the move again.

It tended to look for the exit for a while before giving up because it couldn't get out. Of course, it wasn't able to get out because Davis and Nadia always followed it around, so the powers they deployed also followed them around, always entrapping it in the center of the darkness enshrouding.

So no matter how it went around trying to find the exit, it would be unable to find it unless an external influence twisted their powers.

Davis possessed a stiff expression on his face as he followed it around with Nadia still holding him.

'What was that!? What was that just now!!!?'

'Was I deluded into thinking that... she was going to kiss!!!?'

At that moment, Davis became momentarily entranced by her transcending beauty and her rosy lips that he totally froze. It wasn't that he froze, but he refused to take any actions as he wanted to see what she would do, and as expected, she was just distracted, perhaps looking for the truth in his eyes or something.

'Yes, that must be it...' He became convinced.

On the other hand, Nadia's lips kept quivering while her eyes were slightly wide in disbelief.

'What was I doing...?'

'What did I just try to do a while ago!?'

She couldn't believe that she just tried to place her lips on her master like how her Mistresses would do! She couldn't believe she tried to kiss a human, who was also her master, the person she swore to be of service!

What blasphemy!

Chapter 1060 You Belong To My...

Nadia didn't know why she tried to do that but was able to tell that it was just an impulse that suddenly took over her. She calmed down a few seconds later and looked at the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn suddenly stop.

She narrowed her eyes, wondering why it would cease to move this soon when it should still be searching for an exit, but the next moment, a flash of green light emerged from its rotten head. Energy overflowed from it, making her gasp in wonder.

'It's near a breakthrough...' Nadia could feel it.

This feeling where heaven and earth energy congregated around a living being during a breakthrough was familiar as if it were a raw feeling to them magical beasts.

"Good! It has started to digest the third Poison Essence!" Davis forgot about the previous matter and became excited at the ongoing phenomenon in front of him.

Once it digested the High-Level Earth Grade Poison Essence, he felt that it should be enough for it to reach Low-Level King Grade!

In truth, Davis knew that these three Poison Essences were nowhere near the level of increasing Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn's grade as they were just Earth Grade Spirit Attribute Sources. If it weren't for the information that said the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn was already near the King Grade wall, he wouldn't have tried to feed all the three Poison Essences first but used the Mid-Level Sky Grade Poison Essence to fuel it into a breakthrough!

Nevertheless, it seemed like he didn't need to go to such lengths. The Ivy Leaf Poison Lamp, Haze-Loving Lavender Beetle, and another Poison Essence appeared to be enough for it to reach King Grade!

Davis waited for another two hours this time.

Heaven and earth energy started to twist and spike in the atmosphere around them. Even in the darkness enshrouding the region, heaven and earth energy remained unimpeded. It disrupted the darkness, and the moonlight shined in a few places, making the surroundings distinctive enough to be recognized.

However, the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn seemed to be floating still in one place. All the heaven and earth energy surrounding it rushed towards it as it took inside while its expression continually changed into a frown, pain, scowl, grimace, laughter, and sadness. Its expression seemed to be constantly twisting, making it look even more revolting and vicious.

Davis couldn't bear it. A human face dissolving and restored at the same time while making those numerous expressions made his stomach churn, but on the other hand, Nadia seemed to be fine. Her golden eyes were purely concentrated on the changes the Poison Essence seemed to be experiencing.

Suddenly, a flame lit up near the forehead of the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn. It blazed with a dark green hue before turning verdant. It was as though it seemed to have the lush vitality of the greenery, but it was rather obvious that it constitutes the poisonous prowess of the prowling poisonous vines in dangerous vegetation.

"It has become a King Grade Poison Essence..." Davis's lips widened into a satisfied smile.

He had achieved what he had come to do!

However, looking at its change, Davis mused that the Ivy Leaf Poison Lamp's poison flame lamp had become one with it. The Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn somehow took its essence and integrated it into its powers.

Perhaps, it was temporary, or they were compatible with each other...

Davis didn't know if it were the former or the latter, but he became confused.

'Wasn't it said that the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn was immune to paralytic poison? But it then integrated Ivy Leaf Poison Lamp's paralytic ability into it... Does this mean that it both immune to and deadly with poisonous paralytic abilities?'

Davis experienced a terrifying chill on his back.

It carried a deadly poison that quickly erodes all life, and now, it is capable of making its victims paralytic, causing them to be incapable of searching for an antidote or even stand on their own two legs.

All they could wait for is death!

It was chilling to know that it could pose an immense threat to the entire Grand Alstreim City now. With its King Grade Poison, it could even threaten Law Sea Stage Experts!

Only an Ancestor-level character would be able to deal with it without having to fear the result of being poisoned during the battle!

Nevertheless, knowing its terrifying prowess, he became convinced that if Evelyn were to absorb it, she would undoubtedly comprehend a Grand Law Manifestation!

However, he became hesitant about whether to let her absorb or not.

After all, the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn became too powerful that Evelyn may not be able to thwart its poison from attacking her entire body during the absorption process.

However, musing that it should not be a threatening variable because of her Martial Master Stage body, also powered by the Earth Dragon immortal's Blood Essence, he felt that it should be relatively safe for Evelyn to absorb the Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn without being poisoned back to death.

Of course, if things went wrong, he knew that he could reverse the process by using the life-like energy from Fallen Heaven. He had nothing to worry about but still couldn't help himself because she was one of his cherished, precious, and beloved wife.

Suddenly, the region around them became enshrouded in verdant ashes, slowly spreading into the distance.

Nadia noticed this, and she waved her sleeves. The darkness that was scattered churned as it congregated and wrapped the area again, turning into sharp yet tiny pitch-black claws that seamlessly concealed itself in the dark and eroded the verdant poisonous ashes!

"Hesheshehe!"

The Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn quickly knew that its sneak attack was discovered. It didn't bother to act anymore and rushed towards them in a frenzy! It exposed its verdant flames to its front, and the darkness that blinded it quickly receded like a tide, but the next second, the darkness tried to overwhelm it instead!

Its eyes widened into two saucers!

This... This darkness was too thick!

It no longer held back and used its stored energy that was completely restored from the breakthrough! Verdant ashes leaked from its orifice as it erupted, and the verdant flame became further intense, burning with a poisonous might that equally tried to corrode the darkness!

Shshshsh!~

The sound of erosion echoed.

The Pestilent Dragonfly Dust Spawn narrowed its eyes before its body trembled in the realization that its poisonous ashes were being overwhelmed again!

What!?

Why is this human so tricky and hard to deal with!? It couldn't understand!

By the time the third Poison Essence came into its view, it already knew that the human trapped it in his darkness cage was feeding it. It wasn't able to tell that human's intentions, but it was not naive as to think that it was being treated well.

It was not a newborn Spirit Attribute Source to be deceived, nor was it a peaceful-natured entity but an entity that took a massive liking to torture and killing like a psychotic child who only thinks that it's fun. It wanted to kill this human so that it could thank him in its own way, absorbing him into its body as well for nutrition.

However, why?

Why didn't its attacks manage to thwart the darkness? But it was instead easily enshrouded by the darkness like a rat that was caught in a trap!?

It was forced to suddenly come to a stop by an abrupt force that emerged from the darkness suppressing its attacks and body! It became shaken as it realized that it was unable to move!

The next second, the darkness receded, and what came into its view was a woman with her fair white arm reached out, her palm and lithe fingers enshrouded in darkness clawing towards it, clearly intent on suppressing it from making any moves.

"Give up struggling because, according to master's wishes, you belong to my Mistress Evelynn!"