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Chapter 841: Aftereffects

"Brother Barnes, you haven't eaten for so long, eating rice must be a bit strenuous for your body... so, I boiled a bowl of millet porridge for you."

At that moment, Daisy Wood returned. She placed a bowl of hot porridge on the stone table in the courtyard and said with a smile.

"Thank you."

Wyatt Barnes smelled the aroma of the porridge and his appetite surged. After sitting down at the stone table, he started drinking the porridge, which tasted very good, clearly made with care.

"Daisy, your cooking is quite good... Whoever marries you in the future will indeed be fortunate,"

Wyatt Barnes said with a smile.

However, he soon discovered that his teasing comment, when it reached Daisy's ears, only made her smile bitterly.

"Daisy, what's wrong? Did I say something wrong?"

Wyatt Barnes was surprised.

"No."

Daisy shook her head, forcing a smile on her face and changed the subject, "By the way, Brother Barnes, how did you end up in the reed fields outside of 'Drifting Cloud Town'?"

Upon hearing Daisy's question, Wyatt Barnes couldn't help but smile ruefully, "I don't know."

"You don't know?"

Daisy was stunned. She could tell that Wyatt wasn't lying.

But what could a person have possibly gone through to sleep for eighteen days yet show no signs of injuries or illness?

"Hmm."

Wyatt Barnes nodded and then, as if he remembered something, asked, "Daisy, earlier you mentioned this place is the Wood Family in 'Drifting Cloud Town'? Do you happen to know where the 'Grimm Wolf Fortress' is located?"

"Grimm Wolf Fortress?"

Daisy exclaimed in surprise, "Brother Barnes, are you referring to one of the four major powers south of the Northern Desert, the 'Grimm Wolf Fortress'?"

"Four major powers south of the Northern Desert?"

Wyatt Barnes was startled and asked curiously, "The four powers you're talking about, wouldn't happen to be Grimm Wolf Fortress, Blade and Sword Sect, Cloud Sky Temple, and Heartbreak Sect, would they?"

"That's right."

Daisy nodded and then asked, "Brother Barnes, why do you ask about the Grimm Wolf Fortress? It's located in the southern region of the Northern Desert, quite far from here."

"And where is here?"

A bad feeling arose in Wyatt Barnes's heart.

"We're in 'Drifting Cloud Town', which is located in the eastern region of the Northern Desert,"

Daisy said.

"Eastern region of the Northern Desert?"

Wyatt Barnes was stunned, then regained his composure and smiled bitterly, feeling a sudden shock inside, "How did I end up in this eastern region of the Northern Desert? From here to the southern region of the Northern Desert, it must be quite a long distance?"

"With my current strength, setting out from here to the southern region of the Northern Desert to that 'Blade and Sword Sect' would undoubtedly expose me to dangers... leaving alone poses great risks."

Thinking further, Wyatt Barnes felt rather helpless.

"It seems, if I want to go to the Blade and Sword Sect, I will need to think of another way,"

Wyatt Barnes thought to himself.

"Miss!"

Just then, a voice came from outside the courtyard, "The headmaster heard that the Young Master you saved has woken up and has asked you to bring him to meet him."

"What does he want?"

Daisy frowned slightly, seeming reluctant.

"Daisy, I didn't realize you were the precious daughter of this Wood Family... Speaking of which, I have imposed on you and the Wood Family for some time now, so please take me to meet Headmaster Wood,"

Wyatt Barnes said with a smile.

Since Wyatt Barnes said so, Daisy naturally had no reason to refuse and called for Wyatt Barnes, then headed towards the great hall of the Wood Family.

In the great hall of the Wood Family, the headmaster 'Noah Wood' sat in the principal seat.

Noah Wood was about fifty years old, ordinary in appearance but with an inherent dignity and authority that suited someone of his position.

In a seat below him sat a middle-aged man in his forties.

This middle-aged man's facial features bore some resemblance to Noah Wood, but between his brows was a mix of darkness and cruelty, clearly not an ordinary person.

This man was none other than the Wood Family's Third Elder 'Bill Wood', who was Noah Wood's half-brother from the same father.

"Older brother, I don't mean to criticize Daisy... but think about it, Daisy, a maiden, bringing a man into her own courtyard. If this word gets to the Walton Family, do you think they will let it go?"

Bill Wood said gravely.

"Sigh."

Noah Wood sighed, "That girl Daisy, just like her mother, is kind-hearted and simple... This time, she indeed acted without much consideration. However, I heard that the man had been lying in bed for eighteen days and only woke up today, so there probably wasn't anything improper between them."

"Moreover, I trust Daisy wouldn't do anything inappropriate,"

Noah Wood added.

"I'd like to believe in Daisy as well, but once this matter gets out, how will outsiders view it? By then, wouldn't the Walton Family tear our Wood Family apart?"

Bill Wood's expression darkened as he spoke, "So, Brother... once Daisy brings that boy here, I'm going to tell him to get lost, and you better not help him."

"Sigh... I know what to do. However, since it was Daisy who brought him back, you should give her some face, no matter what."

Noah Wood sighed.

"I understand."

Bill Wood nodded.

Wyatt Barnes followed behind Daisy Wood, weaving through the Wood Family mansion, and finally reached the grand hall.

As soon as he entered the hall, Wyatt detected two gazes locked onto him immediately; one was polite.

The other gaze was not only sharp but also unrestrained.

Wyatt's expression slightly darkened, and he lifted his head to meet the gaze of the man behind it, who was Bill Wood sitting at the lower head of the hall, unflinchingly.

His Origin Force swept out, and Wyatt immediately detected the man's cultivation level, First level of the Cave Void Realm.

"Father."

After Daisy entered the hall, she bowed to Noah Wood, who was seated in the top position, and then briefly glanced at Bill Wood, "Uncle."

"Hmph!"

Bill Wood snorted coldly, and his snort was directed both at Wyatt and Daisy.

"Daisy, you are becoming increasingly disrespectful... Originally, I didn't know what was going on. But now it seems the problem is with the people you associate with, picking up bad habits rather than good ones, which isn't a good practice. What if we are ridiculed by the Walton Family for having no manners when you go there?"

Bill Wood cast a cold glance at Wyatt, then turned to Daisy, saying in a sarcastic tone.

"Uncle!"

Daisy's expression changed as she looked at Bill Wood and said sternly, "My friend hasn't offended you, right? What gives you the right to judge him? And, as I've said before, I won't marry that dandy from the Walton Family; if you want to marry, marry him yourself!"

"You... you..."

Bill Wood's face turned livid with rage, then he turned to Noah Wood, "Brother, look, look... this is your dear daughter!"

"Daisy!"

Noah Wood furrowed his brows and scolded, "How can you speak like that to your uncle?"

"Uncle?"

Daisy laughed, a laugh tinged with sarcasm, "I treat him as an uncle, but does he treat me as his niece? To curry favor with the Walton Family, to connect with them for his own interest, he sold me out behind my back... I don't consider him my uncle!"

By the end, Daisy's face was resolute.

Daisy's hysterical words not only stunned Noah Wood and Bill Wood but also startled Wyatt. Was this still the gentle Daisy he knew?

However, from Daisy's words, Wyatt gained some insight into the conflict between her and her uncle.

"No wonder earlier when I mentioned that whoever marries her is fortunate, her expression seemed off... It turns out her uncle had secretly arranged a marriage for her, forcing her into a marriage with a dandy."

Wyatt always had a meticulous mind and quickly deduced the whole story.

"Brother, it seems Daisy has a big issue with me... Regarding this matter, I'd really like your judgment. Is not what I did, done for the greater good? Marrying into the Walton Family would bring only benefits to our Wood Family, no drawbacks."

Bill Wood looked at Noah Wood and said slowly.

"Daisy, you..."

Just as Noah Wood was about to scold Daisy again, Wyatt stepped forward, standing in front of Daisy and looked at Noah Wood, interrupting him, "Wyatt Barnes has met Headmaster Wood."

"Humph!"

Bill Wood snorted from the side and muttered, "Does he not know that interrupting someone is very rude? How could Daisy know such trash!"

Although Bill's words weren't directly addressed to Wyatt, they were clearly meant for him.

Trash?

Hearing Bill Wood's words, Wyatt's expression darkened and a flicker of murderous intent passed through his eyes.

At the same time, Wyatt felt somewhat irritated, the Origin Force inside him showing signs of agitation, and an unbidden urge to kill Bill Wood arose in his heart.

Moreover, this urge was growing stronger, seemingly driving Wyatt, attempting to control his emotions.

For a moment, Wyatt broke out in a cold sweat.

After taking a deep breath, his agitated emotions began to calm, and he was secretly alarmed, "When did I become so irritable? It feels as though my emotions are somewhat out of my control..."

"It seems that dream was indeed real! And my emotions have likely been influenced by the 'Demon Sealing Monument,' leaving some aftereffects."

Wyatt couldn't help but recall that in that dream, he seemed to possess only bloodthirsty, violent emotions, completely suppressing his normal emotions.

Therefore, he almost confirmed that the 'Demon Sealing Monument' granted him powerful strength to commit great slaughters, leaving behind these 'aftereffects.'

"I originally thought that with the 'Demon Sealing Monument,' I would be able to fend off danger whenever it came, using the power it gave me to eliminate all obstacles!"

"But now it seems, it isn't that simple... The Demon Sealing Monument, while aiding me, also inflicted my soul with trauma and flaws, making my emotions uncontrollable."

"Perhaps, if an event like that in the dream were to occur again, my emotions would increasingly spiral out of control, eventually making me unable to restrain myself, turning me into a true 'demon'!"

Thinking this, Wyatt shuddered with fear.

Indeed, wielding such great external power always comes at a cost; there's no such thing as a free lunch.

Chapter 842: Overestimating Oneself!

"The Demon Sealing Monument, too terrifying... If possible, I should still try not to use the power contained within in the future."

Wyatt Barnes made a firm decision in his heart.

Regaining his senses, Wyatt Barnes recalled the self-talk of Daisy Wood's uncle, 'Bill Wood', and couldn't help but smile faintly.

Following that, Wyatt Barnes looked towards Daisy Wood, who was furious like a little tigress, ready to make a move against Bill Wood, "Daisy, if someone, for their own selfish desires, treats their own family's happiness as a joke, do you think they are worse than pigs and dogs?"

"Of course!"

Daisy Wood, who initially wanted to get angry at Bill Wood's words, now had a smile suddenly appearing on her pretty face upon hearing Wyatt Barnes's words.

At the same time, she sneakily gave Wyatt Barnes a thumbs up behind the scenes.

"Enough!"

Finally, Noah Wood couldn't stand it any longer, "Everyone, say less!"

"You're the young man that Daisy saved, aren't you?"

Noah Wood looked at Wyatt Barnes and asked indifferently.

"Yes."

Wyatt Barnes nodded.

"You're alright now, aren't you?"

Noah Wood continued to ask.

"Yes."

Wyatt Barnes responded once more.

"Since you're fine, take these ten inferior original stones and go back to where you came from!"

As Noah Wood spoke indifferently, he lifted his hand and casually tossed out ten inferior original stones, directly at Wyatt Barnes's feet.

Wyatt Barnes's eyes narrowed.

This seemed like an insult to him, a trampling of his dignity, didn't it?

"Dad, what do you mean by this?!"

Daisy Wood saw this and her expression changed as she angrily said, "Brother Barnes is my friend, insulting him is insulting me... Apologize to him right away!"

Seeing his daughter standing up for someone else, Noah Wood's face darkened and looked extremely unsightly.

Apologize?

Was that possible?

"Tsk!"

Bill Wood let out a snort of laughter and then cast a cold glance at Wyatt Barnes, saying, "Big brother, I think this boy is just being ungrateful..."

"Ten inferior original stones are not few."

Noah Wood said unconcernedly, "The Wood Family doesn't owe him... It is he who owes the Wood Family."

"Headmaster Wood, that's not right."

Wyatt Barnes's eyes narrowed as he said lightly, "Even if I do owe, that is to Daisy, what does it have to do with your Wood Family?"

"Daisy is a member of our Wood Family, owing her means naturally owing our Wood Family!"

Noah Wood gave Wyatt Barnes a contemptuous look and sneered.

"Ha ha ha ha..."

Upon hearing this, Wyatt Barnes suddenly burst into hearty, unrestrained laughter, his voice echoing freely across the grand hall of the Wood Family.

"What are you laughing at?!"

Noah Wood spoke sternly, "Am I wrong in what I said?"

"Headmaster Wood, now you still remember that Daisy is a member of your Wood Family? You made a decision about such a major event as her marriage without consulting her, and acted without authorization... In this matter, do you feel that you have treated Daisy as a member of the Wood Family?"

After holding back his laughter, Wyatt Barnes sneered, "Perhaps, in your eyes, Daisy is just a tool on this matter, a tool for a marriage alliance between your Wood Family and the Walton Family!"

As soon as Wyatt Barnes uttered these words, Noah Wood's face looked incredibly displeased.

Standing behind Wyatt Barnes, Daisy Wood clenched her fists in agitation. Wyatt Barnes's words spoke her heart, resonating with her emotions.

"Hmph! You have no right to interfere in our Wood Family's affairs!"

Bill Wood stood up from his seat and glared at Wyatt Barnes, shouting fiercely.

"Oh? Just now you said I owed your Wood Family a favor, and now you're in a hurry to disassociate from me?"

Wyatt Barnes laughed, his smile bright and radiant.

"Our Wood Family does not welcome you... Get out!"

Noah Wood stood up from the head of the table as well, his Origin Force surging like fire, his gaze sharp as a knife swept towards Wyatt Barnes as he coldly shouted.

"Dad, what are you doing? Brother Barnes is my friend, if you tell him to get out, then I will leave with him, and I'd like to see how you will explain it to the Walton Family!"

Daisy Wood stepped forward. Though not tall, she stood in front of Wyatt Barnes, protecting him with her arms wide open, fearful that Noah Wood would strike at Wyatt Barnes.

"You... Daisy, step aside!"

Seeing his daughter standing by an outsider, Noah Wood's expression grew even uglier.

Although Daisy Wood was young, her temperament was extremely firm, and she did not heed Noah Wood.

"If you don't step aside now, I will no longer recognize you as my daughter!"

Out of extreme anger, Noah Wood shouted fiercely.

Upon hearing this, Daisy Wood's face instantly turned pale as paper, and she looked somewhat lifeless, murmuring to herself, "Everything has changed... The dad who used to love me will never come back. The dad who promised mom on her deathbed that he would make sure I live a happy life is gone. The dad who never raised his voice at me, is gone."

Wyatt Barnes sighed.

Every family has its own issues; indeed, this saying is true.

At this moment, he could feel Daisy Wood's emotional desolation, yet he didn't know how to console her.

But in his heart, he had secretly made a decision.

He was determined to help this kind-hearted girl through this difficult time!

"Daisy."

Hearing Daisy Wood's murmurs, Noah Wood sighed, "Actually, the Walton Family's Young Master isn't that bad... Although he's usually too indulgent and unrestrained. He told Dad that he's just playing around, and that he will sincerely treat you well."

"Dad, I just want to ask you, do you believe any of this nonsense?"

Daisy Wood scoffed, "In our 'Drifting Cloud Town,' as long as there's a girl who is good-looking, which family hasn't been harmed by him? Among the girls he has ruined, how many chose suicide? There might not be a hundred, but there are at least eighty, right?"

"You want me to marry this kind of dissolute fool? Just so that after the marriage alliance the Walton Family can provide some help to the Wood Family, you want to throw me into the fire pit?"

Daisy's series of rhetorical questions left Noah Wood speechless, not knowing how to respond.

"Daisy, you need to be sensible! You are a member of the Wood Family, and naturally, you should consider the family's interests... Sacrificing one person, our Wood Family will reach new heights, and we will never forget your contribution!"

Bill Wood chimed in from the side.

"A family that rises by sacrificing women, even if it stands high, cannot change its inherent lowliness! Sooner or later, it will fall again."

Wyatt Barnes said disdainfully. In his life, he despised those the most who relied on women for benefits.

"You're courting death!"

Bill Wood was furious, unable to contain himself any longer, he pounced towards Wyatt Barnes like a ferocious beast.

Boom!

A palm strike burst forth, Origin Force surged, then merged with the tangible 'water realm,' moving in wide sweeps as it aimed directly for Wyatt Barnes' chest.

The palm wind swept out, causing the air currents to move along with it, forming ripples that spread out in every direction.

"Be careful, Brother Barnes!"

Daisy Wood, initially sunk in grief, changed color drastically when she inadvertently saw this scene. Her eyes filled with extreme anger, furious at her uncle Bill!

Noah Wood had the ability to stop it, but he made no move, coldly watching everything unfold.

However, the next moment, he could no longer maintain his composure, and his pupils contracted abruptly.

Smack!

A loud noise rang out, but it was Wyatt Barnes casually pushing with one palm, catching Bill Wood's attack squarely. Wyatt's expression remained unchanged, but Bill Wood's face turned red instantly.

"Overestimating your own strength! I have no quarrel or enmity with you, yet just because I said a few things I believe to be right, you want to kill me?"

Wyatt Barnes faced him with cold eyes, asking in a deep voice.

Bill Wood had a mouthful of congested blood, which he didn't want to spit out in front of Wyatt Barnes showing weakness, so he naturally couldn't respond.

"For people like you, what use is there in keeping your martial prowess?"

Wyatt's voice grew colder.

"Stop!"

Hearing Wyatt's words and sensing something wrong, Noah Wood realized what Wyatt intended to do, and his complexion dramatically changed.

Whoosh!

Without any hesitation, Noah Wood flew into action like a tiger descending the mountain, targeting Wyatt Barnes.

The moment Wyatt casually caught Bill Wood's strike, Daisy had been stunned. She hadn't expected Wyatt to possess such formidable strength.

Her uncle was a practitioner of the Cave Void Realm!

Even in the entirety of 'Drifting Cloud Town', he was considered a top-notch figure.

Before she could recover her senses, Daisy's complexion changed yet again.

Because she saw her father lunging at Wyatt Barnes, she couldn't help but worry for Wyatt. Her father was even stronger than her uncle.

Boom!

Noah Wood moved quickly, but Wyatt moved even faster. His other hand shot out, and in Bill Wood's startled gaze, it ruthlessly landed on his dantian.

In an instant, Bill Wood's dantian shattered, and his vast Origin Force completely dispersed.

"Ah!"

With his cultivation destroyed, Bill Wood could no longer hold back the blood surging in his throat and vomited it out in large gouts.

"You're seeking death!"

Noah Wood finally arrived, and with a spirit sword in hand, he roared and struck like lighting at Wyatt, who had his back turned, aiming for his vitals in an attempt to avenge his brother by killing Wyatt.

Whiz!

The piercing sound of the sword whistle entered Wyatt's ears, causing his eyebrows to raise.

The wind picks up the remnants of a storm!

In the next moment, Wyatt easily dodged Noah Wood's sword and stood far away, his cold gaze fixed on Noah.

Noah Wood, a second-layer practitioner of the Cave Void Realm, was someone he did not take seriously.

However, considering that Noah was Daisy's father, Wyatt did not attack him, giving Daisy that bit of respect, as he genuinely cared for the kind girl.

"Brother, avenge me! Avenge me!"

Bill Wood, with his cultivation wasted, clutched at his dantian and collapsed to the ground. He hadn't seen Wyatt display his speed and was just roaring there by himself.

Avenge?

A bitter smirk tugged at the corners of Noah Wood's mouth. How could he seek vengeance?

That last sword strike was his strongest and fastest.

And yet, when it seemed just inches away from success, it was easily evaded by the opponent.

Only he knew how that moment felt.

Now, he could be certain of one thing.

And that was, the opponent's strength was beyond his imagination. He and Wyatt were simply not on the same level.

Chapter 843: Calling Off the Engagement at Their Door

"Who are you, really?"

Noah Wood looked at Wyatt Barnes, asking with a bitter smile on his face.

Having witnessed Wyatt's strength, Noah dared not put on the airs of the Headmaster Wood anymore, because he knew that in front of a true powerhouse, his position as Headmaster Wood was as insignificant as an ant.

If the other party wanted to kill him, it would be effortless, and they wouldn't hold back just because he was Headmaster Wood.

"I am Daisy's friend."

Wyatt replied indifferently.

"Brother, why waste words on him? Just kill him!"

When Bill Wood realized that Noah wasn't making any moves against Wyatt, his complexion drastically changed as he shouted sharply.

"Kill, kill, kill, that's all you know! If he wanted to kill your big brother, your big brother would have died several times over by now!"

Noah was already feeling uneasy, and upon hearing Bill's words, he became impatient and rebuked him.

"What?!"

Hearing Noah's words, Bill's face turned pale, and after his core had been destroyed, the immense pain coupled with the shock made him faint.

"Brother Barnes."

Daisy fully came to her senses and realized that the purple-clad young man she had brought back possessed far greater strength than her uncle and her father.

In an instant, he disabled her uncle's core and then, at a critical moment, effortlessly dodged her father's furious sword strike.

Such strength, it seemed even her grandfather, the old head of the Wood Family, was far inferior.

"Daisy, don't worry... I will solve this for you."

Wyatt smiled at Daisy, giving her a reassuring look.

Daisy felt a warmth in her heart, then she looked toward Noah with a trace of pain flashing in her eyes, before finally saying, "Brother Barnes, can... can you spare my father?"

"Silly girl."

Wyatt shook his head and smiled, "You didn't think your brother was a ruthless demon, did you?"

Having heard Wyatt's words, Daisy couldn't help but laugh.

Wyatt's gaze fell on Noah, and he sneered, "Headmaster Wood, you saw just now, didn't you? Even if you want to sacrifice Daisy, at the moment you face danger, she would still be the first to stand up and plead on your behalf!"

"She wouldn't disregard your life just because you were ready to sacrifice her! In her heart, you are her dad, the dad who brought her up!"

Wyatt's words rang out resonantly.

Noah gave a bitter smile, then sheathed his sword and sighed, "Do you think I really wanted to sacrifice Daisy? If there were any other way, even if it cost me my life, I would not have agreed to Daisy marrying that beast!"

This sudden change in Noah left both Wyatt and Daisy stunned.

The current Noah was drastically different from the Noah of just moments ago!

"Hmph!"

Wyatt disdainfully glanced at Noah, "Earlier, weren't you praising the Walton family's profligate son in front of Daisy, saying how wonderful he was? Why the change of heart now?"

"I was compelled by the situation, trying to persuade Daisy that's all."

Noah sighed, then, with a look of affection, he slowly walked toward Daisy.

Noah extended his hand, gently stroked Daisy's head, and softly said, "Daisy, I'm sorry... it's all dad's fault! All dad's fault!"

"Dad!"

Having not seen her father this gentle for a long time, Daisy's eyes reddened, and she threw herself into Noah's arms, "What exactly happened?"

Soon, from Noah's explanations, both Wyatt and Daisy learned the complete situation.

It turned out that this whole ordeal was orchestrated solely by Bill.

Bill had unilaterally agreed to the Walton family's proposal for a marriage alliance, promising Daisy to that profligate son of the Walton family, thereby securing numerous personal benefits under the Walton's influence.

When Noah learned of this, he was furious and even went personally to the Walton family intending to cancel the engagement.

But, would the Walton family agree to that?

The Walton family declared that if the Wood family did not fulfill their promise, the Walton family would declare war on them, obliterating the Wood Family from 'Drifting Cloud Town,' relegating them to history.

"The strongest member of our Wood Family is my father, who seldom leaves the house, but even he is only at the third level of the 'Cave Void Realm'... After this incident, what worried me the most was letting my father find out. Once he knew, he would certainly kill Second Brother himself!"

At this, Noah looked disgustedly at the unconscious Bill.

"Moreover, given my father's temperament, he would undoubtedly fight the Walton family to the bitter end for Daisy! However, should things escalate to that level, it would be the end for the Wood Family!"

"The Walton family is too powerful, just the warriors at the fourth level of the 'Cave Void Realm' number two... and the elder from the Walton Family, who is even at the fifth level of the 'Cave Void Realm'! Our Wood Family facing the Walton Family would be akin to an egg striking a rock."

Noah closed his eyes in pain, then after a while, continued saying, "So, for the sake of the entire Wood family, I made a painful decision to ally through marriage with the Walton Family and to let Daisy comply! For this, I did not hesitate to destroy the father-daughter relationship between me and Daisy, betraying the promise I made to my deceased wife!"

"Daisy, I'm sorry... Dad is sorry!"

By the end, Noah was in tears, his face full of regret.

"Dad!"

Daisy held her father tightly, tears rolling down as she murmured, "Why didn't you tell me sooner? I always thought you no longer cared for Daisy, no longer loved Daisy... Daisy has been in so much pain, really so much pain!"

Looking at the father and daughter before him, Wyatt couldn't help but sigh.

It seemed he had misunderstood Noah as well.

Noah was a good father, but he was also the head of a family, burdened with many concerns.

"Headmaster Wood!"

As Noah and Daisy parted, Wyatt stepped forward and looked at Noah, asking in a grave voice, "Did you just say that the strongest in the Walton Family is a 'fifth-level warrior of the Cave Void Realm'?"

"Yes."

Noah Wood nodded, his eyes lighting up at the same time, "Brother Barnes, could it be that you..."

"Headmaster Wood, I'll go with you to the Walton Family!"

Wyatt Barnes interrupted Noah Wood, then stepped towards the outside of the Wood Family's grand hall. When he reached the main gate, he didn't forget to look back at Daisy Wood, "Daisy, Brother Barnes will resolve this trouble for you today!"

"Brother Barnes, are you really confident?"

Daisy Wood said worriedly, "I also don't want you to get into trouble... Otherwise, I would never have peace of mind in my life!"

"Don't worry."

Wyatt Barnes smiled confidently.

A family whose strongest member is only a 'Cave Void Realm Level Five Martialist' is hardly worth his concern.

If the other party is sensible, well and good, but if not, he wouldn't mind teaching them a lesson!

Thinking this, a cold light flashed in Wyatt Barnes's eyes.

After stepping out of the Wood Family estate with Noah Wood, Wyatt Barnes walked side by side with Noah towards the Walton Family estate.

Along the way, he also learned some matters about 'Drifting Cloud Town' from Noah.

In 'Drifting Cloud Town', the Walton Family was absolutely dominant, and no other family dared to provoke them.

In 'Drifting Cloud Town', there were three families like the Wood Family, all of whom had to act according to the Walton Family's whims. Each had to hand over a part of their income from their respective industries to the Walton Family every month.

"Such a domineering Walton Family!"

A gleam flashed in Wyatt Barnes's eyes as he muttered to himself.

"There's no helping it, on the Cloud Skies Continent, respect the powerful. The Walton Family has three individuals above the 'Cave Void Realm Level Four,' which has already established their domineering status in 'Drifting Cloud Town.'"

Noah Wood sighed, "With those three powerful individuals above the 'Cave Void Realm Level Four,' even if our three major families joined forces, we wouldn't stand a chance against the Walton Family!"

Wyatt Barnes nodded; he found this point truly reasonable.

'Cave Void Realm Level Three' and 'Cave Void Realm Level Four,' although only one level apart, separate by a huge gap, with a difference of a whole twenty ancient Horned Dragons in strength.

Such a gap in power was like a chasm, difficult to cross!

The Walton Family estate, located to the east of 'Drifting Cloud Town,' spanned a vast area, far surpassing the Wood Family estate.

"Truly the first family of 'Drifting Cloud Town'!"

Above the Walton Family estate, Wyatt Barnes stood in mid-air, overlooking the scenery beneath him.

Next to him, Noah Wood looked somewhat uneasy, smiling bitterly, "Brother Barnes, is it really okay for us to do this? After all, the Walton Family is still the first family of 'Drifting Cloud Town.'"

"Headmaster Wood, do you think, even if you paid all due respects today, the Walton Family would agree to your Wood Family's withdrawal from the marriage easily, and let bygones be bygones?"

Wyatt Barnes countered.

"Of course not!"

Noah Wood shook his head in a hurry, "If the Walton Family knew our Wood Family wanted to withdraw from the marriage, they would definitely act against our Wood Family based on their previous threats to us!"

"So, do you think there's a difference between us barging into the Walton Family like this and entering through the main gate with all due respects?"

Wyatt Barnes asked again.

Noah Wood shook his head.

"So, do you prefer this way, or would you like us to enter through the main gate with all due respects?"

Wyatt Barnes asked once more.

"This way."

Noah Wood's eyes brightened, and it seemed like Wyatt had awakened him to something. Looking down at the Walton Family estate below, he shouted loudly, "People of the Walton Family, listen up! Noah Wood of the Wood Family is here to call off the marriage! Our Wood Family's daughter is not someone your Walton Family scions can just lay their hands on!"

His voice was infused with Origin Force, resonating like a thunderclap above the Walton Family estate, startling the entire family.

Wyatt Barnes was stunned and couldn't help but give Noah Wood a thumbs up, his face speechless, "Headmaster Wood, it seems I have underestimated you."

He had intended to teach Noah Wood to do just this, but to his surprise, Noah had figured it out on his own, and the result was better than he had imagined!

"It's people from the Wood Family!"

"The Wood Family is here to call off the marriage!"

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The entire Walton Family estate was completely stirred up due to Noah Wood's words, which were laden with Origin Force and boomed like a thunderclap.

Moreover, Noah Wood's words did not only reach the Walton Family estate, but the nearby people also heard it.

"What does the Wood Family intend to do?"

"Is the Wood Family challenging the authority of the Walton Family?"

"I think the Wood Family doesn't want to live!"

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Around the Walton Family estate, many people took to the air and moved closer to observe the excitement.

"It's the head of the Wood Family, 'Noah Wood'!"

Soon, someone recognized Noah Wood hovering above the Walton Family estate.

"Who is that person beside Noah Wood?"

Others also turned their attention to Wyatt Barnes, who was next to Noah Wood.

Chapter 844: Barehanded Against the Blade

"I knew it, that sound earlier did sound like the voice of the Wood Family head, and it actually was!"

"Logically, the Wood Family head isn't such an impulsive man... but why is he provoking the Walton Family like this today? It's really baffling."

"Perhaps, it's because of that purple-clad young man by his side? That young man in purple seems not to belong to the Wood Family; I've never seen him before."

"A young man who looks to be about 25 years old, can he actually help the Wood Family against the Walton Family? Whether you believe it or not, I certainly don't."

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More and more people gathered over the Walton Family's mansion, looking from a distance at 'Noah Wood' and 'Wyatt Barnes'.

At this moment, those who recognized Noah Wood didn't dare to greet him; each of them was afraid of inviting trouble upon themselves.

"Noah Wood, you've got some nerve!"

By now, the space above the Walton Family mansion was surrounded by people. Out of the mansion, a bearded man in blue clothing soared into the sky with a voice like thunder.

In a moment, the bearded man was not far in front of Wyatt Barnes and Noah Wood, his gaze cold as he looked at Noah Wood, "Noah Wood, it seems you really don't want to live!"

"It's the Third Elder of the Walton Family, 'Rhys Walton'! They say not only is Rhys Walton very powerful, but he also has an extremely volatile temper... often killing someone over a disagreement! He's a true brute."

"A brute isn't scary, but what is truly terrifying is a brute with a strength beyond the reach of ordinary people!"

Soon, someone recognized the bearded man.

For a while, the onlooking crowd was all curious about how Noah Wood would deal with Rhys Walton.

Under expectant gazes, Noah Wood did not even glance at Rhys Walton, he didn't even intend to look. Instead, he turned to Wyatt Barnes, "Brother Barnes, his name is Rhys Walton, he's the Third Elder of the Walton Family, his cultivation is equivalent to mine, both of us are at the 'Cave Void Realm Second Layer'!"

"Cave Void Realm Second Layer?"

Wyatt Barnes was somewhat surprised, not expecting that a person from the Walton Family would match the strength of Noah Wood, the head of the Wood Family.

Now, Wyatt Barnes finally understood why the Walton Family was the number one family in 'Drifting Cloud Town'.

Such a foundation was enough to make the other three families, including the Wood Family, blush with shame.

"Noah Wood, it looks like today you really have the audacity of an ambitious leopard!"

Ignored by Noah Wood, Rhys Walton's bearded face twitched with anger, his eyes suddenly bulging as he bellowed and with a swoosh, he charged towards Noah Wood.

Without any agreement, they came to blows!

This is the Third Elder of the Walton Family, 'Rhys Walton'!

For a moment, the crowd of onlookers sighed, "We have long heard of the notoriety of the Third Elder of the Walton Family, and seeing him today, his temper is indeed as volatile as the rumors!"

"Noah Wood, today your grandpa Rhys will let you know the consequences of provoking our Walton Family!"

Halfway through his charge, Rhys Walton raised his hand and a large blade appeared in his hand. Then, strands of purple lightning crackled around the blade.

Hum!

Thunderblade in hand, Rhys Walton aimed straight at Noah Wood, the blade falling unmercifully toward his head.

In the void above, a sudden change occurred in the heavens and the earth.

Seventy-seven ancient Horned Dragon apparitions, and thousands of ancient giant elephant apparitions, burst forth menacingly.

Cave Void Realm Second Layer!

Second Layer mid-stage Thunder Realm!

Fourth-grade Spirit Weapon!

This was the full extent of Rhys Walton's power.

Yet Noah Wood, engulfed by the shadow of the thunderblade, stood still, unfazed and calm as ever, evidencing a remarkable serenity.

"Has Noah Wood been scared silly?"

The onlooking crowd was flabbergasted.

Soon, they realized that Noah Wood wasn't scared silly; he knew nothing would happen to him.

Before they knew it, the purple-clad young man who had been standing beside Noah Wood was already standing between him and Rhys Walton, moving so fast that no one present could see clearly.

What followed was an unbelievable scene.

They saw the purple-clad young man quickly extend his hand towards Rhys Walton's thunderblade, stunning the crowd once again.

Just one thought remained in their minds:

Was this young man insane?

Quickly, they realized that the young man wasn't insane, they had simply thought too much.

Crack!

The purple-clad young man moved fast as lightning, actually catching Rhys Walton's thunder-infused blade, even leaving Rhys Walton himself dumbfounded.

Boom!

A loud noise echoed as they watched the purple-clad young man throw Rhys Walton's fourth-grade spirit blade aside and land a palm on Rhys Walton's body, blasting him away.

"Wow!"

Rhys Walton flew out like an arrow released from its bow, his complexion turned pale as paper, and unable to help it, he vomited a mouthful of blood midair and, after a while, managed to stumble to his feet.

"Who are you?!"

Rhys Walton couldn't help but gasp, looking at Wyatt Barnes where the anomaly in the sky above him hadn't yet solidified before dissipating, and asked apprehensively.

The young man in purple before him had given him a huge shock.

Although he couldn't see the anomaly caused by the other's moves, judging by the fact that the other could catch his full-powered strike barehanded, he had to be at least at the 'Cave Void Realm Fourth Layer' or above.

"I am Daisy Wood's big brother."

Facing Rhys Walton's query, Wyatt Barnes replied indifferently.

"Daisy Wood?"

Rhys Walton frowned, then as if something had dawned on him, he had a sudden realization, "I remember now; that Daisy Wood is Noah Wood's daughter, and also the intended bride for the marriage alliance between the Wood Family and our Walton Family."

"However, when did the Wood Family have a personage like you?"

Rhys Walton asked in a deep voice.

"I am not a man of the Wood Family."

Wyatt Barnes spoke, "I am here at the Walton Family simply to help Daisy Wood dissolve the engagement... If your Walton Family agrees to dissolve the engagement and promises not to vent your anger on the Wood Family, then everyone can be happy! Otherwise..."

"Otherwise what?!"

Before Wyatt Barnes could finish his sentence, a loud and authoritative voice interrupted him.

Soon after, a burly figure rose into the air and arrived beside Rhys Walton, "Third Elder, are you alright?"

"Family Head!"

Upon seeing the newcomer, even someone as hot-tempered as Rhys Walton respectfully saluted, "However, this young man is not simple. He was able to catch my full-strength slash barehanded, at the very least he is a being above 'Cave Void Realm Fourth Layer'!"

Wyatt Barnes scrutinized the person who interrupted him, a robust middle-aged man whose presence faintly exuded that of a superior. Hearing Rhys Walton's greeting, his identity was clear.

Head of the Walton Family, Adan Walton.

Leaving the Wood Family mansion and on his way here, to the Walton Family mansion, Wyatt Barnes learned from Noah Wood that Adan Walton is one of the two 'Cave Void Realm Fourth Layer martial artists' of the Walton Family.

"Barehandedly caught your full-strength slash?"

Adan Walton's expression subtly changed upon hearing Rhys Walton's words, as he had not witnessed the scene of Wyatt Barnes catching Rhys Walton's slash.

Although he himself could also catch a full-power slash from Rhys Walton, it would be somewhat forced.

"May I ask, young brother, where do you hail from?"

Adan Walton looked at Wyatt Barnes and asked with some apprehension.

At such a young age, possessing a cultivation above the 'Cave Void Realm Four Layer', in his view, this purple-robed young man was very likely from a distinguished background, possibly even from one of the major powers in the region east of the Northern Desert.

"My background, if I were to speak of it, you might not know of it, so let's not talk about it."

Wyatt Barnes said indifferently. Even if he mentioned he was from the 'Great Turdo Dynasty', it's likely that no one in 'Drifting Cloud Town' would know of it.

"Do you truly mean to stand up for the Wood Family?"

Adan Walton frowned slightly and asked in a grave tone.

"Yes."

Wyatt Barnes nodded.

"Do you realize that by making such a fuss today, if our Walton Family were to back down, we might very well become the laughingstock of the entire 'Drifting Cloud Town'? We, the Walton Family, cannot afford to lose face like that!"

Adan Walton said.

"I am aware."

Wyatt Barnes nodded again and spoke lightly, "But if someone defeats the three strongest members of your Walton Family, even if you back down today, nobody will laugh at you!"

"It seems, young brother, you are quite confident in your abilities!"

Adan Walton laughed angrily in response.

"You flatter me."

Wyatt Barnes responded without the slightest hint of embarrassment or breathlessness.

"Since that's the case, I, Adan Walton, shall today thoroughly test your esteemed skills! If you can defeat me, I will go and ask our Walton Family's Supreme Elder to battle you. If you defeat him, the marriage agreement between the Walton and Wood Families will be dissolved, and we will not trouble the Wood Family in the future."

Adan Walton spoke openly and forthrightly.

"Since Family Head Walton is so straightforward, then I shall accept your challenge,"

Wyatt Barnes smiled, rather appreciative of Adan Walton's frankness. Indeed, he was worthy of being the Head of the Walton Family, 'Drifting Cloud Town's' number one family.

"Please, young brother."

Adan Walton nodded and then lifted his hand, a seven-foot long spear appearing, wrapped almost instantly in Origin Force that turned into strands of gray fog-like energy.

"Spear realm?!"

Wyatt Barnes exclaimed in surprise; this was his first encounter with someone who had comprehended the 'Intermediate Spear Realm'. The spear realm was considered an unusual one, with comprehension far more difficult than ordinary realms.

Whoosh!

Above Adan Walton's head in the swirling void, the power of heaven and earth churned and finally coalesced into an extraordinary phenomenon.

One hundred and fifty-one ancient Horned Dragon phantasms, and thousands of ancient giant elephant phantasms, gradually took shape, vivid and ready to burst forth.

Cave Void Realm Fourth Layer!

Intermediate Spear Realm!

Third-Rank Spirit Spear!

"Family Head Walton, you are the first person I have seen who has comprehended the 'spear realm' to such a level... Setting other matters aside, just for this, I hold you in high respect."

Wyatt Barnes said with sincere admiration.

"Haha..."

Adan Walton stood tall with his spear, laughing heartily, "To be praised by such an outstanding young warrior like yourself, I, Adan Walton, consider my life not wasted."

Hu! Hu! Hu! Hu! Hu!

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While Wyatt Barnes and Adan Walton were confronting each other, within the Walton Family estate, one figure after another rose into the sky and gathered around Rhys Walton.

They were a group of Walton Family elders and younger members.

They quickly learned of the prior events from Rhys Walton and were all taken aback.

One set of eyes after another fell on the distant purple-robed young man.

This approximate twenty-five-year-old was the one who had caught a full-power slash from their Walton Family Third Elder, Rhys Walton, barehanded?

The strength of Rhys Walton was known to them. Being a Second Layer practitioner of the Cave Void Realm, he ranked among the forefront of the entire Walton Family.

Chapter 845: Thunderous Nine Strikes

"Is this the kid who's going to help the Wood Family break off the engagement?"

A youth dressed in brocade gazed at Wyatt Barnes, who was confronting Adan Walton, with a sullen expression and asked in a heavy voice, "He's worthy of battling my father?"

This brocaded youth was none other than the groom-to-be in the engagement set by the Walton Family and the Wood Family, the Walton Family's Second Young Master, Esteban Walton.

"Second Young Master, you really shouldn't underestimate him."

Rhys Walton frowned. He had never taken a liking to the indulgent Esteban Walton, but hearing him belittle Wyatt Barnes made Rhys uncomfortable.

After all, even Rhys had been defeated by Wyatt Barnes. Wasn't Esteban's comment also a slight against him?

"Third Elder, it seems to me that you've grown old and useless."

Esteban glanced at Rhys and taunted, showing no fear of the famously hot-tempered Walton Family's Third Elder.

Rhys's face darkened, and yet he couldn't do anything to Esteban.

In his life, he had always done as he pleased, viewing life and death with indifference. Even in the face of the Walton Family's supreme elder, a fifth-level Cave Void Realm existence, he was unafraid.

However, owing the Family Head, Adan Walton, a life debt from his younger days meant that he completely lost his temper in front of Adan and Adan's close kin.

Esteban Walton, the Walton Family's Second Young Master, was Adan's youngest son.

Considering the life-saving grace Adan had shown him in the past, Rhys would never lose his temper in front of Esteban.

"One hundred and fifty Horned Dragon's force..."

Wyatt Barnes muttered to himself as he observed the celestial phenomenon above Adan's head in the void, and before anyone knew, a sword had appeared in his hand.

A sword emitting a terrifying aura.

An Emperor Grade spirit sword!

"Next..."

With a thought, Wyatt channeled his Origin Force and "Second Layer middle-class Wind Realm" into the Emperor Grade spirit sword almost simultaneously, merging them seamlessly.

Whoosh!

The next moment, one hundred and fifty ancient Horned Dragon illusions appeared out of nowhere in the void above, a celestial phenomenon formed by the power within Wyatt's sword drawing upon the force of nature.

Intentionally timed by Wyatt, all the ancient Horned Dragon illusions appeared at once, so no one noticed anything amiss, and no one paid any attention to the "Emperor Grade spirit sword" in his hand.

Wyatt stood with his sword, with one hundred and fifty ancient Horned Dragon illusions hovering above his head, facing off against Adan, who stood with his spear, topped by one hundred and fifty-one ancient Horned Dragon illusions.

Although Wyatt could easily defeat Adan in an instant by using the Soul Technique "Thousand Illusions," Adan's straightforwardness previously had earned Wyatt's favorable impression. Therefore, he had decided to battle Adan in this manner as a sign of respect for him.

While it might be more challenging to win this way, Wyatt had no regrets!

Moreover, battling Adan, who had equivalent strength, could serve as a form of training for him. "Unless Adan uses another realm... I will only use the 'First level low-class Sword Realm' to drive the Nine Dragons Inch Flash, and I will not use the 'Lightning Realm' or the 'Earth Realm'!"

The First level low-class Sword Realm, once unleashed, was comparable to the power of an ancient Horned Dragon.

Thus, when Wyatt made his move, it would be on par with the power of one hundred and fifty-one ancient Horned Dragons, equal to Adan. Even if Adan held a slight edge, it would only be by a few thousand ancient colossal elephants' force.

Such a difference could be entirely disregarded!

Battle!

Wyatt's sword faintly exuded sharp auras, and at the same time, in an inconspicuous corner above him in the void, an ancient Horned Dragon illusion silently emerged.

One hundred and fifty-one Horned Dragons' power, ready to be unleashed!

"Young friend, you are commendable for your youth. I respect you! Today, no matter the outcome, I would like you to join me at my Walton Family for a good drink!"

Adan, standing with his spear, spoke with a sonorous voice, his robe fluttering in the wind, rustling loudly.

"Thank you, Family Head Walton."

Wyatt, standing with his sword, nodded with a smile.

"Family Head Walton is truly magnanimous. Despite being openly challenged at his doorstep, he's inviting the challenger for a drink."

"It's no wonder that the Walton Family is the number one family in Drifting Cloud Town with such generosity from their head."

"The number one family in Drifting Cloud Town truly deserves its reputation based solely on Family Head Walton's magnanimity!"

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The surrounding crowd nodded in agreement, their comments filled with admiration for Adan.

"Young friend, be careful!"

Suddenly, Adan bellowed, and as his voice fell, he had already surged forward, his speed so fast it left a series of clear afterimages.

Whoosh!

A dreadful whistling sound almost simultaneously filled the air as Adan, having reached just a short distance in front of Wyatt, swung his seven-foot spear with a violent thrust.

Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom!

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The passage of the spear was like a Flood Dragon emerging from its den, kicking up thunderous blasts of air, and its dragonhead fiercely charged at Wyatt.

One hundred and fifty-one Horned Dragons' power was fully unleashed!

Nine Dragons Inch Flash!

Right as Adan's initial words ended, Wyatt had already moved. He didn't choose to dodge, knowing his speed couldn't surpass Adan's spear.

Even if Adan deployed a movement martial skill, it would still be far beyond Wyatt's reach.

The celestial phenomenon currently above Wyatt's head, mainly amplified by the "Emperor Grade spirit sword" in his hand, although his cultivation level was comparable to Adan's at "Cave Void Realm Fourth Layer."

Yet, his understanding of realms was far inferior to Adan's.

Movement speed, driven by 'Origin Force' and 'realm', given the disparity in realms, the speed displayed by Wyatt's movement skills was bound to be significantly slower than Adan's!

Under such circumstances, he could only make good use of his own advantage, the nearly-Emperor Grade spirit sword!

Nine Dragons Inch Flash!

Without any hesitation, Wyatt Barnes raised his hand, and a sword howled out, a vast force surged from the blade, eventually transforming into three Divine Dragons.

Two were completely solid Divine Dragons, while the third appeared extremely ethereal.

In an instant, the eyes of the two solid Divine Dragons flashed.

"Hmm?"

At the same time, Wyatt Barnes noticed that the seven-foot-long spear thrust by Adan Walton towards him had suddenly slowed down, which made his heart skip a beat, "Could it be that Adan Walton has discovered something?!"

Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

Four ultimate Inch Flashes shot out from the eyes of the two Divine Dragons, aiming straight for where Adan Walton was, with a speed so swift it was shocking.

Whoosh!

At the critical moment, as if having foreknowledge, Adan Walton's seven-foot-long spear trembled, the tip flashed past like a shooting star.

Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

The seven-foot-long spear, imbued with a 'realm of the spear' that seemed capable of piercing through everything, was thrust out five times in an extremely short span of time.

Although the speed of these five thrusts wasn't as fast as the ultimate Inch Flashes, they still managed to strike the void where the ultimate Inch Flashes would pass, just a moment earlier.

As the first spear hit the void, it collided just in time with the first ultimate Inch Flash coming its way, shattering it!

The second spear shattered the second ultimate Inch Flash.

The third spear, the third one.

The fourth spear, the fourth one.

The fifth spear had no ultimate Inch Flash left to shatter.

Whoosh!

Pointing into the void, like a drop of water falling onto the surface of a still lake, causing the airflow in the air, like the water of the lake, to ripple out, forming circle after circle of ripples.

"Such powerful martial skills!"

Wyatt Barnes failed to hit his target and stood with his sword drawn, staring in surprise at Adan Walton, who stood proudly in the distance.

Of course, the martial skills being impressive was one thing, but what was most important was Adan Walton's reaction speed on the spot.

Adan Walton's martial skills were strong, but compared to his Nine Dragons Inch Flash, they still fell short. The reason Walton could block the four ultimate Inch Flashes shot out with Nine Dragons Inch Flash was due to his terrifying reaction speed.

The continuous five spear thrusts took advantage later to dominate earlier, the first four thrusts shattering his four ultimate Inch Flashes, and although the fifth thrust missed, it was only because there was nothing left to shatter.

Wyatt Barnes believed that even if there had been five ultimate Inch Flashes, they would still not have escaped Adan Walton's fifth thrust.

"It's the Walton Family's Heaven Grade martial skill, Thunderous Nine Strikes!"

Soon, someone in the surrounding crowd couldn't help but exclaim in surprise.

"I heard that once the Walton Family's Thunderous Nine Strikes is cultivated to perfection, it can strike nine times in an instant, with nine consecutive strikes!"

"I also heard that with Thunderous Nine Strikes, one strike is just the beginning; three strikes is a minor success; five strikes is a major success; nine strikes is perfection."

"That means Family Head Walton has already cultivated his Thunderous Nine Strikes to the major success realm."

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The onlookers were all buzzing with discussion, amazed by Adan Walton's mastery of the Thunderous Nine Strikes.

A Heaven Grade martial skill is powerful but very difficult to cultivate.

Everyone was clear on how difficult it was to cultivate to the major success realm, and that's why they felt genuine admiration for Adan Walton in their hearts.

"Hmph! His attacks look well-executed, but in the end, aren't they easily resolved by my father? What a waste!"

Esteban Walton watched Wyatt Barnes from afar, the corners of his mouth curling into a cold sneer.

At his side, Rhys Walton's mouth twitched.

Waste?

This pampered young master dares to call that brilliant and talented young man a waste?

If Esteban Walton wasn't Adan Walton's son, Rhys Walton would have already given him a piece of his mind.

"Second Young Master, do you call him a waste because you think you can beat him?"

Unnoticed, an aged figure appeared beside Esteban Walton, silent and stealthy until he spoke, startling Esteban and the other Waltons.

"Revered Elder!"

Seeing the old man with white hair and white eyebrows, advanced in years, the Waltons respectfully saluted him.

"Re... Revered Elder."

Esteban Walton's face changed slightly when he saw the elder, and he promptly bowed in salute.

Seeing this, Rhys Walton couldn't help but laugh.

In such a prominent family, the only ones who could keep this Second Young Master in line, apart from Family Head Adan Walton and the Eldest Young Master who had joined a powerful force, were only the Revered Elder.

"Second Young Master, you still haven't answered me... Do you think you can beat him?"

The Revered Elder asked Esteban Walton again, his elderly face serious.

Esteban Walton smiled wryly and shook his head.

Although he was indulgent, he wasn't foolish. The young man in purple who appeared to be about his age was clearly a powerhouse on the same level as his father.

How could he possibly defeat the other.

Chapter 846: The Walton Family Supreme Elder

"Then, Second Young Master, on what grounds do you call him 'trash'? You just admitted you're not as good as him, so doesn't that mean you think you're even worse than trash?!"

The Elder said each word with relentless logic.

"Elder, I was wrong."

Esteban Walton took a deep breath, lowered his head, and glanced at the young man in purple standing opposite his father, Adan Walton, a cold light flashing in his eyes.

He dared not harbor resentment towards the Walton Family Elder, so he could only vent all his dissatisfaction on Wyatt Barnes.

"Humph!"

The Elder snorted coldly, then finally turned his attention to the young man in purple in the distance, his gaze heavy with seriousness.

"Young man, your strength is truly admirable!"

Adan Walton, although he had halted Wyatt's offensive, did not feel any self-satisfaction. Instead, he sincerely looked at Wyatt, "May I ask your esteemed name, young man?"

"Wyatt Barnes."

Wyatt Barnes gripped his near-emperor-grade spirit sword tightly, his gaze fixed on Adan Walton, his expression slightly more solemn.

Adan Walton's Thunderous Nine Strikes, in terms of speed, was far from matching the ultimate swiftness of the sword lights unleashed by Wyatt's Nine Dragons Inch Flash, but combined with Adan's terrifying insight, he was able to intercept Wyatt's ultimate strikes.

Unconsciously, sweat seeped from Wyatt's palms; it had been a long time since he felt this way, this uncertainty of whether he would win or lose.

But it must be said that this feeling now thoroughly stirred the long-quiescent blood within Wyatt, causing it to gradually boil.

"Wyatt Barnes... Wyatt, soaring above the heavens, what a good name!"

Adan Walton praised then immediately vibrated his seven-foot-long spear again, his gaze instantly sharpening, "Elder Brother Wyatt, let's go again!"

"Alright!"

Wyatt responded promptly, gripping his three-foot green blade tightly, his gaze intently on Adan Walton.

The wind rose!

Battle!

Adan Walton moved, turning into a gust of wind as he swiftly approached Wyatt, who had no intention of moving, and shook his seven-foot-long spear, lunging swiftly at Wyatt.

Thunderous Nine Strikes!

Swish! Swish! Swish! Swish! Swish!

Although Adan Walton had a mutual admiration with Wyatt, his current succession of five spear thrusts showed no mercy, nearly simultaneously targeting five vital points on Wyatt's body.

Perhaps, it was precisely because of his admiration for Wyatt that he exerted full strength.

This was his respect for Wyatt!

"Well done!"

Wyatt's eyes sparkled as he almost simultaneously countered with his near-emperor-grade spirit sword, its speed matching that of Adan Walton's thrusts.

Sword Drawing Technique!

The simple Sword Drawing Technique, executed by Wyatt, reached a pinnacle of perfection.

Whoosh!

A single stroke, slicing through the void, carrying the power of one hundred fifty-one ancient Horned Dragons, blocked each of Adan Walton's five successive spear lights, shattering them.

"Such a fast sword!"

Adan Walton's pupils constricted as he hastily retreated at full speed.

He could see that the sword technique Wyatt just used was an extremely basic one, maybe not even reaching the 'earth-grade' level.

Yet, such a basic technique, once employed at close quarters, achieved a remarkable effect.

Even many heaven-grade martial arts might not be as fast when up close.

"Haha... Family Head Walton, let's continue!"

Wyatt laughed heartily, calling out to Adan Walton, and once again engaged him in combat.

Sword Drawing Technique!

Nine Dragons Inch Flash!

Wyatt's near-emperor-grade spirit sword, as if endowed with life by Wyatt, met Adan Walton's third-grade spirit spear with divine assistance on each thrust.

Swish! Swish! Swish! Swish! Swish!

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Adan Walton's spear thrusts roared like a Divine Dragon emerging from its cave, with the powerful might of Thunderous Nine Strikes.

The succession of five continuous thrusts, combined with his strong insight, allowed him to remain undefeated in his battle with Wyatt.

Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

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Wyatt's sword strikes were like a light breeze caressing willows, alternating between Nine Dragons Inch Flash and Sword Drawing Technique, of course, he wouldn't use Sword Drawing Technique unless necessary.

Unknowingly, Wyatt found his understanding of Nine Dragons Inch Flash deepening step by step, seeking a breakthrough amid the fierce battle.

Wyatt with his sword and Adan Walton with his spear, the two fought for half an hour, leaving the onlookers dazzled with their display.

"What kind of monster is this young man, to actually be able to fight Family Head Walton to a standstill?"

"It seems he's from the Wood Family, here to annul their engagement with the Walton Family! However, given the current situation, it seems that annulment is unlikely."

"The Wood Family is finished."

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The crowd sighed.

In their view, since the Wood Family's backup couldn't handle the Walton Family Head, there was even less hope of dealing with Walton's strongest Elder.

This attempt by the Wood Family to annul the marriage was doomed to end tragically.

Moreover, the Wood Family might have to face the wrath of the Walton Family, especially since they had caused such a loss of face for the Waltons this time.

"Brother Barnes..."

From a distance, Noah Wood's face fluctuated between pale and flushed, and with clenched fists, he tensely watched the purple figure in the distance with a wry smile.

Sighs around him threw Noah Wood into disarray.

He suddenly felt, perhaps he truly had made the wrong bet!

Whoosh!

Suddenly, a more piercing sword cry than before broke through Noah Wood's thoughts and captured his gaze.

Shortly after, to Noah Wood's shock, he saw.

The young man in purple in the distance once again wielded his sword, and three condensed Divine Dragons roared forth, this time with their eyes shooting out extreme inch flashes.

A total of six extreme inch flashes tore through the air, their speed so fast that he could hardly capture them.

Thunderous Nine Strikes!

Facing Wyatt Barnes's execution of the Nine Dragons Inch Flash again, Adan Walton thrust out his spear in an instant, pointing out five continuous spear strikes, shattering five extreme inch flashes.

However, he did not rejoice because of this, looking at the sixth extreme inch flash that approached in an instant with a bitter smile on his lips.

"Is it finally time for my defeat?"

As he sighed inwardly, Adan Walton only felt his seven-foot spear tremble in his hand, cracking the base of his thumb that gripped the spear, making him involuntarily let go of the spear in his hand.

"You've won."

Adan Walton grabbed his spear with his other hand, and with a complex look in his eyes, turned to Wyatt Barnes and asked, "I truly did not expect that you would elevate your martial technique to a new realm in the middle of the battle."

It was precisely because Wyatt Barnes had elevated his martial technique to a new realm, unleashing six extreme inch flashes, that Adan Walton was utterly defeated.

He was very clear about this in his heart.

But he was thoroughly convinced and verbally acknowledged it!

"You flatter me."

Wyatt Barnes smiled slightly, casually storing away his near Emperor Grade spirit sword, and the 151 ancient Horned Dragon phantasms above the void above his head instantly dissipated.

"Family Head Walton is defeated?"

"This young man actually defeated Family Head Walton?"

"It seems his martial technique had a breakthrough on the spot, and that's how he defeated Family Head Walton all at once."

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No matter how one looked at it, Wyatt Barnes had won, shocking the onlookers, including the group of Walton Family elders and junior members.

"Impossible! How can my father possibly be defeated by him!"

Esteban Walton kept shaking his head, his mind somewhat dazed, unwilling to believe that everything before his eyes was real.

Soon, as if he remembered something, Esteban Walton snapped back to his senses, snorted coldly, "Even if he defeated my father, what of it? My father's strength is no match for that of the Supreme Elder... Supreme Elder, this guy is challenging our Walton Family on behalf of the Wood Family; you must teach him a good lesson!"

Toward the end, Esteban Walton looked toward the white-haired, white-browed elder not far away, that is, the Walton Family Supreme Elder, and spoke with a flattery tone.

"Hmph!"

The Walton Family Supreme Elder snorted coldly, whether it was to express displeasure at Esteban Walton or at Wyatt Barnes standing in the distance.

"With Family Head Walton defeated, according to the agreement he made with that Wyatt Barnes just now, the Walton Family Supreme Elder must make a move!"

"Family Head Walton should now be going to ask the Supreme Elder of the Walton Family."

"Although that Wyatt Barnes defeated Family Head Walton, it was extremely difficult... The Supreme Elder of the Walton Family is a fifth-tier existence in the Cave Void Realm, far surpassing Family Head Walton in strength! That Wyatt Barnes can't possibly be his match."

"The Wood Family is ultimately unable to escape this calamity."

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The observing crowd buzzed with discussion.

"Elder Brother Ling Tian, as long as you can defeat our Walton Family Supreme Elder, I will honor my promise... However, I must remind you of something, our Walton Family Supreme Elder's strength far exceeds mine! If he goes all out, he can defeat me in a single encounter,"

Adan Walton said to Wyatt Barnes with a serious demeanor.

"Family Head Walton, since I've decided to help the Wood Family, I naturally intend to see it through... Please have your Walton Family's Supreme Elder come out,"

Wyatt Barnes declared, standing there proudly, fearless.

"Truly a newborn calf not afraid of a tiger!"

Adan Walton shook his head and sighed, but said nothing more, turning to look at the white-haired, white-browed elder standing at the forefront of the Walton family members, respectfully saying, "Supreme Elder, regarding today's matters, I..."

"As for today's matters, I probably already know the ins and outs! Since someone has come to slap our Walton Family's face, we of the Walton Family naturally will not play the turtle,"

The elder interrupted Adan Walton, vanished from his spot in a flash, and when he reappeared, he was already in front of Wyatt Barnes.

"Senior, are you the Supreme Elder of the Walton Family?"

Wyatt Barnes's pupils contracted slightly, seemingly scared by the elder's speed.

"Correct!"

The elder nodded.

Suddenly, the surrounding crowd burst into surprise, "He is the Supreme Elder of the Walton Family? I had seen him on the side of the Walton Family people, but I never thought he was the Supreme Elder."

"Judging by the speed Senior displayed just now... If I'm not mistaken, Senior has already broken through to the 'sixth layer of the Cave Void Realm,' correct?"

Wyatt Barnes looked deeply at the elder and straightforwardly asked.

The sixth layer of the Cave Void Realm!

As Wyatt Barnes spoke, the surrounding crowd fell into deathly silence, all eyes turned toward the white-haired, white-browed elder.

"Not bad, youngster, you've got a good eye,"

The elder looked at Wyatt Barnes somewhat surprised, and in his words, he clearly indirectly confirmed Wyatt Barnes's statement.

For a moment, a tumult arose around them.

"The Supreme Elder of the Walton Family has broken through to the 'sixth layer of the Cave Void Realm'?"

"The strongest in Drifting Cloud Town, truly worthy of the reputation!"

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The observing crowd discussed among themselves, not skimping on words of admiration.

Chapter 847: The Supreme Elder Is Crazy!

"Cave Void Realm sixfold?"

Noah Wood stood to one side, yet at this moment, he seemed somewhat out of place with the surrounding atmosphere.

At the same time, his complexion turned completely gloomy.

The Wood Family was finished!

Despair was evident in Noah Wood's eyes as he muttered to himself, "I, Noah Wood, have let down the ancestors of the Wood Family..."

"Elder, may we begin now?"

Wyatt Barnes calmly looked at the old man and asked.

"Hmph! Knowing that our supreme elder is a 'Cave Void Realm sixfold powerhouse', you still dare to make a move. You really have the audacity of an overconfident leopard!"

Esteban Walton looked at Wyatt Barnes from a distance and said sarcastically.

Wyatt Barnes gave Esteban Walton an indifferent glance, then turned his attention back to the old man without further ado.

"Young man, at such a young age, your cultivation has already broken through to the 'Cave Void Realm fourfold'. Your talent is truly rare... As long as you promise not to interfere in the affairs of the Wood Family, the Walton Family will not hold your past actions against you and might even honor you as the Guest of Honor. How about it?"

The old man asked with a calm tone, his words conveying a sense of valuing talent.

Those words startled the onlookers into another round of uproar.

They had never anticipated the Walton Family's supreme elder would value Wyatt Barnes so highly.

But then again, upon reflection, they understood. Wyatt Barnes's talent truly warranted such consideration from anyone.

"Elder, in conducting my affairs, I am accustomed to 'seeing things through to the end'."

Wyatt Barnes politely declined the old man's kind offer.

"If that is the case, then accompany this old man in loosening these old bones... it has been many years since I have taken action."

The old man twisted his neck, as Origin Force surged from his body, causing the forces of heaven and earth to tremble, quickly giving rise to an extraordinary celestial phenomenon.

Above the void, eighty ancient Horned Dragon phantoms converged, lifelike in their formation.

Whoosh!

Swiftly, the milky-white Origin Force surrounding the old man transformed into a fiery red ocean, enveloping him and soaring flames reached for the sky.

Above the void, the celestial phenomenon changed, and sixty more ancient Horned Dragon phantoms appeared.

Mid-grade fivefold Fire Realm!

Unbeknownst to when, a giant hammer appeared in the old man's right hand. The hammer was immediately submerged into the sea of fire and burst into intense flames.

Whoosh!

Another fifty-five ancient Horned Dragon phantoms appeared, the amplification power of the hammer as a 'third-grade spiritual weapon' ready to unleash.

The old man struck with full force, his strength was comparable to that of a hundred ninety-five ancient Horned Dragons!

This was forty-four ancient Horned Dragons more than Wyatt Barnes had previously demonstrated, not even on the same level.

Unless something unexpected occurred, Wyatt Barnes's defeat was indisputable.

This was also the thought in the minds of the onlookers.

"It's over, it's all over..."

Watching the scene unfold, Noah Wood felt utterly deflated. If not for the many pairs of eyes watching him, he would have snuck away already.

In his view, facing the Walton Family's supreme elder, Wyatt Barnes would likely be defeated in a single encounter.

When Wyatt Barnes was defeated, it would be the Wood Family's turn to face misfortune.

"Elder, please proceed."

Under the watchful eyes of the crowd, Wyatt Barnes stood with his hands behind his back, not only forgoing the activation of 'Origin Force' and 'realm' to gather strength, but he also did not even draw his spiritual weapon.

"The young man seems to have no regard for this old man. Today, let this old man teach you the manners one should have!"

Seeing Wyatt Barnes's casual attitude, the old man naturally deduced that Wyatt Barnes was belittling him, and with a low shout, he made his move, disappearing into the air.

Of course, it was not literal disappearance but rather that his speed was so fast that the majority of those present couldn't catch a glimpse of the old man's figure.

Just because the majority couldn't track the old man's movements didn't mean Wyatt Barnes couldn't.

Aside from the old man, only Wyatt Barnes and Headmaster Wood, Adan Walton, had the highest cultivation levels present. Despite the old man's speed, they could still clearly keep track of him.

Phantasm!

Without a moment's hesitation, a mysterious light flashed in the depths of Wyatt Barnes's eyes. His vast psychic energy penetrated deep into the soul, tapping into the 'Soul Imprint' to unleash his exclusive Soul Technique.

His psychic energy, through the Soul Imprint, swept out, creating a 'phantasmal space' centered on Wyatt Barnes, enveloping the area.

This, of course, was invisible to the others.

The onlookers only saw the Walton Family's supreme elder appear in front of Wyatt Barnes in a blink, holding a giant hammer wrapped in intense flames high above his head.

"It seems Wyatt Barnes has given up resisting!"

"He's seeking his own death!"

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The observers all shook their heads as they saw that Wyatt Barnes had yet to employ Origin Force or realm, thinking that he was courting death.

However, in the next moment, their pupils involuntarily contracted.

To their shock, after holding the flame-entwined hammer above his head, the Walton Family's supreme elder did not bring it down on Wyatt Barnes.

Swish!

The supreme elder's hammer did descend, but it struck the void not far from Wyatt Barnes, the force of the hundred ninety-five ancient Horned Dragons causing the air currents to rapidly compress together.

Boom!

Finally, the air burst apart, erupting into a deafening blast.

Some spectators with lower cultivation were so shaken by the blast that they bled from all seven orifices and couldn't help but scream in agony.

As the blast resounded, a terrible wave of air swept out in all directions, stirring up a scorching hot wave. The clothes of those closer to the epicenter burst into flames.

"My clothes are on fire!"

"Who has mastered the 'water realm'? Hurry and put out the fire for me! I can't feel my legs anymore, and it's moving up to my vitals, Ahhh!!"

"Save me! Save me!!"

...

In an instant, those whose clothes had caught fire screamed in horror.

Whoosh!

Before anyone could react, the Third Elder of the Walton Family swung his giant hammer down again, this time turning around and slamming it into the void on the other side.

"Run for it!"

"The Third Elder of the Walton Family has gone mad, run!"

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Suddenly, the spectators in that direction scattered, leaving behind a vast expanse of empty void.

Boom!

The hammer struck the void, once more unleashing a terrible blast that caused many to bleed from their orifices and sent ferocious waves of air sweeping in all directions.

The wave carried a searing flame within it, causing all the onlookers to feel unbearably hot, with many sweating profusely.

Wyatt stood in the void, watching the elder of the Walton Family 'go mad' as if it were none of his concern; the explosions and heat waves didn't affect him at all.

Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom!

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With each hammer fall by the Third Elder, the spectators retreated further, not daring to get close.

Only a group of warriors above the Cave Void Realm remained nearby.

The head of the Walton Family, 'Adan Walton' was among them.

Adan Walton had been scared stiff, and it was only now that he barely came to his senses.

Seeing the Third Elder still 'going crazy' and continuously smashing his hammer into the void, he hastily cried out to remind him, "Third Elder, come to your senses!"

Unfortunately, no matter how he tried, he couldn't bring the Third Elder of the Walton Family back to reality.

"What's wrong with the Third Elder?"

The members of the Walton Family were stunned, clueless about what had happened.

"Damn it! When did the Third Elder contract 'mental confusion'? That Wyatt Barnes is really lucky, just happening to catch the Third Elder in his illness, otherwise he would have definitely been doomed this time!"

Esteban Walton said with a grim face.

"Impossible! The Third Elder surely isn't afflicted with 'mental confusion'... I believe, the reason he is like this now, is all because of that Wyatt Barnes!"

Rhys Walton's eyes blazed as he stared at Wyatt, voicing his own judgment.

"How is that possible?"

Esteban Walton didn't believe it and scoffed, "Third Elder, I acknowledge you're strong, but brute force alone is useless... That Wyatt, a mere four-layer Cave Void Realm cultivator, how could he cause a six-layer Cave Void Realm elder like ours to act like this?"

"Although I don't know how he did it, don't you find it strange?"

Rhys Walton said solemnly, "Just now, even after realizing the Third Elder was a 'Cave Void Realm Six-Layer expert', Wyatt showed no fear or wariness. Instead, he appeared very confident and composed!"

"Moreover, even when the Third Elder displayed his full strength and summoned 195 ancient Horned Dragon phantoms through the power of heaven and earth... Wyatt showed no preparation! He not only failed to produce a spiritual weapon, he didn't even utilize Origin Force or realm!"

"At that time, my thoughts, your thoughts, and everyone else's thoughts were the same... we just thought Wyatt was seeking death! But now it seems, he's definitely not seeking death but has a way to deal with the Third Elder!"

"Just look now, he simply stands there, not far from the Third Elder, and yet the Third Elder seems as if he cannot see him at all, instead attacking the air! What does this indicate? It indicates that he's behind everything!"

Rhys Walton's words silenced Esteban Walton.

The members of the Walton Family nodded their heads, feeling Rhys's reasoning was sound.

Meanwhile, they were filled with surprise.

They never imagined that their Walton Family's famously rough and hot-tempered Third Elder also had such a meticulous mind.

Rhys Walton's analysis soon spread to the ears of others, causing many to nod in agreement.

"It seems the Wood Family really came prepared this time!"

"Who would have thought the young man the Wood Family brought in would be so terrifying... Not only did he win a head-on confrontation with the Walton Family head but he also used unfathomable methods to make the Walton Family Third Elder appear as if he had 'mental confusion'."

"The Wood Family is going to make a big splash this time!"

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The crowd of spectators buzzed with discussion.

Many familiar with Noah Wood rushed towards the still stunned Noah Wood, cordially greeting him, "Haha... Headmaster Wood, long time no see!"

"Headmaster Wood, you remember me, don't you? I'm Old King; we had dinner together half a month ago."

"Headmaster Wood..."

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Noah Wood heard the enthusiastic voices around him, but he felt a complex mix of emotions within.

Chapter 848: The Walton Family Backs Down

He naturally recognized these people.

Not long after he and Wyatt Barnes had arrived over the Walton Family estate and he had shouted those provocative words at the Walton Family, he noticed these individuals among the crowd of onlookers.

At that moment, the looks they gave him were crystal clear: they wished to sever all ties with him, fearing they would be drawn into trouble.

Even until this moment, not a single one of these people, who would call him brother on any other day, had bothered to greet him.

Not even with a simple "Origin Force-incorporated shout"!

But now, with Wyatt Barnes toying with the strongest of the Walton Family, the Grand Elder, right in his palm and the Wood Family appearing triumphant, these people couldn't wait to cozy up to him.

In an instant, Noah Wood felt a chill in his heart.

Of course, Noah Wood did not ignore these people entirely because they had more or less some connections with his Wood Family, and there were many things for which his family still relied on them.

"Headmaster Wood, who is that?"

A crowd surrounded Noah Wood, eyeing the purple-garbed youth from afar with a mix of dread and respect in their eyes, curiously inquiring of Noah Wood.

After all, this purple-garbed youth had come alongside Noah Wood, standing up for the Wood Family.

"He's a friend of my daughter,"

said Noah Wood, smiling, even though his eyes were filled with complicated emotions when he looked at Wyatt Barnes.

A moment ago, seeing Wyatt's incapacity to overcome the Grand Elder of the Walton Family, his heart had sunk, completely devoid of the high spirits he had when he first arrived.

But just when his hope was all but extinguished, thinking that the Wood Family would meet its doom, Wyatt Barnes turned the tides.

In an instant, his heart that had plunged from heaven into hell soared back up to heaven again.

He knew, his daughter was saved! The Wood Family was saved!

"A friend of your esteemed daughter?"

Instantly, glimmers of excitement appeared in the eyes of the group around Noah Wood, with some even asking suggestively, "Headmaster Wood, could there be a possibility between them? If the Wood Family could secure such an excellent son-in-law, you could completely surpass the Walton Family and become the number one family in Drifting Cloud Town!"

Hearing this, Noah Wood looked toward the arrogantly standing youth in the distance, his face a bitter smile.

He could tell that his daughter was quite fond of this handsome, outstanding young man; from his daughter's perspective, a relationship was entirely possible.

But the problem was, the young man had no such intentions!

As someone who had been through it all, he could see that the young man's affection for his daughter was that of a brother towards a younger sister, devoid of any other feelings.

"I'm afraid he might not fancy my daughter."

Noah Wood sighed, knowing that for a prodigy like Wyatt Barnes, his daughter was destined to be just a passer-by in his life.

Upon hearing Noah Wood's words, the crowd around did not seem surprised.

"Even if he cannot become something more with your esteemed daughter, as long as he remembers to visit Drifting Cloud Town occasionally and to stop by the Wood Family, that alone would ensure your family's peace for generations,"

someone else said.

"Indeed, Headmaster Wood, your daughter has certainly met a noble this time,"

the people around said enviously, looking at Noah Wood.

At these words, Noah Wood felt his spirits uplifted for a moment.

Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom!

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The Grand Elder of the Walton Family was still there, continuously swinging his giant hammer, each strike falling on the air, causing terrifying blasts and stirring up roiling heat waves.

To the onlooking crowd, the Grand Elder of the Walton Family seemed like a madman.

"Elder Brother Ling Tian, what did you do to the Grand Elder?"

Finally, Family Head Walton, Adan Walton gave up on the idea of rousing the elder. Not only had he tried words and the shaping of Origin Force to awaken the elder, but he had also contemplated physically restraining him.

However, every time he tried to approach, the elder swung his hammer toward him, scaring him witless and deterring him from getting any closer.

In the end, even though he was reluctant, he had no choice but to bow to Wyatt Barnes and compromise.

"What's the matter, Family Head Walton, are you saying the Walton Family is conceding defeat? If that's the case, do you remember our agreement?"

Wyatt Barnes asked with a faint smile.

Adan Walton gave a wry smile and nodded, "Yes, we have lost. The marriage arrangement between the Wood Family and the Walton Family is to be annulled as of today!"

"Father!"

From afar, Esteban Walton, standing among the Walton crowd, changed color dramatically, stepped forward harshly, and roared angrily, "I don't agree! Daisy Wood is my fiancée, I refuse to call off the engagement!"

"Hmm?"

Wyatt Barnes furrowed his brows and glanced toward Esteban Walton, realizing that this man was the Walton Family scion engaged to Daisy Wood.

No wonder he had felt the man's hostile gaze; he was the one intimately involved.

In response to Esteban Walton's outburst, Wyatt Barnes did not react and instead serenely looked toward Adan Walton, trusting that the latter would handle the situation.

"Shut up!"

Adan Walton glared at Esteban Walton and scolded him coldly, "Second son, put away those ridiculous thoughts! From this moment on, if you dare say another word, I will have you thrown out of the Walton Family immediately!"

Chastised harshly by Adan Walton, Esteban Walton was stunned and indeed dared not speak another word.

What a joke!

Get out of the Walton Family?

He wouldn't dare even if it meant death!

Without the Walton Family, he was nothing.

Of that, he was well aware.

Esteban Walton stared at Wyatt Barnes with hatred, grinding his teeth, filled with extreme loathing, "It's all because of this Wyatt Barnes... all because he meddles in other people's business!"

At that moment, Esteban Walton wished he could hack Wyatt Barnes into a thousand pieces, but the thought of Barnes playing the Walton Family's Grand Elder in the palm of his hand made a shiver run up his spine.

"Wyatt Barnes, I will never let this go! Never!"

Esteban Walton's eyes were filled with a sinister gleam as he roared with fury in his heart.

"Elder Brother Ling Tian, the marriage contract between the Wood Family and Walton Family, as of today, no longer exists... Furthermore, my Walton Family will not trouble the Wood Family over this matter,"

Adan Walton said sincerely to Wyatt Barnes, then turned to the 'deranged' elder with a bitter smile, "Now, can you restore the Grand Elder to normal?"

"He is more normal than anyone."

Wyatt Barnes spoke indifferently, and at the same time, with a thought, he retracted the Soul Technique 'Thousand Illusions', and the illusory space enveloping the Walton Family's Grand Elder dissipated.

Naturally, the Grand Elder of the Walton Family wasn't insane; he had merely been attacking an illusory 'himself' in that illusory space.

With the illusionary space gone, the Grand Elder immediately spotted Wyatt Barnes and swung up his giant hammer to strike again.

"Elder Brother Ling Tian, what are you doing? I've done as you asked, why haven't you released the Grand Elder?"

A familiar and low voice entered the ears of the Walton Family's Grand Elder, leaving him thunderstruck.

"Family Head, what did you say? You want him to release me?"

The Grand Elder frowned at Adan Walton and then scolded angrily, "Foolish! Can't you see that in the face of my attacks, he could only dodge clumsily? Just give me time, and I will surely crush him into a meat patty!"

The Grand Elder berated Adan Walton, causing him to be momentarily stunned, and then his expression brightened, "Grand Elder, you're lucid now?"

"I've always been lucid!"

The Grand Elder frowned impatiently, "Enough, off you go! Once I've smashed this damned brat into a meat patty, we'll talk."

Saying that, he turned around, ready to strike at Wyatt Barnes again.

"Family Head Walton, if this senior makes a move again, I don't mind letting him indulge in madness once more!"

Wyatt Barnes said directly to Adan Walton with a cold smile on his lips.

"No! No!"

Adan Walton panicked, hurriedly flashing in front of Wyatt Barnes to shield him, and with a bitter smile looked at the elder, "Grand Elder, you've been defeated... There's no need to continue this battle!"

"What do you mean I've been defeated? Family Head, you're not that old, have you become senile too?!"

The elder hummed discontentedly.

"Grand Elder, if you don't believe me, feel free to ask the Second Elder, Third Elder... just now, Wyatt Barnes stood there, and from beginning to end, you never touched him; you were just attacking the air by yourself,"

Adan Walton was indeed afraid that the elder would strike at Wyatt Barnes, who would surely counter with that unfathomably mystic technique again.

Who knew if Walton's techniques used on someone would leave any sequelae?

The Grand Elder was their Walton Family's main pillar and could not be lost!

"What?!"

Hearing Adan Walton's serious words, the elder was stunned, "How is that possible?! I was clearly chasing down that boy and pounding away; it's just that he was too quick, and I didn't hit him! When did I attack the air?"

"Grand Elder, what the Family Head said is true."

At that moment, Rhys Walton said with a bitter smile as he looked at the elder.

"Yes, Grand Elder, we all saw it with our own eyes."

The other Walton Family members nodded their heads, corroborating what Adan Walton and Rhys Walton had said.

For a time, the elder fell silent.

As he noticed the many gazes sweeping over him, he began to realize that he might have indeed done those absurd things a moment ago.

Suddenly, a flash of insight crossed the elder's mind, and he looked at Wyatt Barnes with a complicated expression, "Did I really fall into an 'illusionary realm' you created?"

"Yes."

Wyatt Barnes nodded, not denying it.

"But I didn't detect any presence or fluctuation of 'Inscription' or 'Inscription formations'."

The elder frowned, although he wasn't an inscriptionist, he was confident he could easily sense the presence and fluctuations of inscriptions and inscription formations.

"I didn't use inscriptions or inscription formations."

Wyatt Barnes shook his head, "This is a technique I have mastered on my own, as for what exactly it is, I'm afraid I can't disclose that to you, senior."

Hearing this, the elder sighed, then turned to leave with a somewhat disheartened demeanor, vanishing into the Walton Family estate in an instant.

"Elder Brother Ling Tian, would you care to visit my Walton Family estate?"

At that moment, Adan Walton looked at Wyatt Barnes and extended the invitation, clearly not forgetting what he had previously said to Barnes.

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"Alright."

Wyatt Barnes quite appreciated Adan Walton's straightforwardness and generosity, and directly accepted the offer.

"Headmaster Wood, please relay this matter to Daisy for me... Additionally, I might need to impose on the Wood Family for a little while longer when I return."

Wyatt Barnes looked at Noah Wood with a smile and said, "This time, Headmaster Wood... surely you won't be asking me to leave the Wood Family again, right?"

Upon hearing Wyatt Barnes's words, the crowd around them were all petrified.

The Headmaster of the Wood Family, Noah Wood, had once told Wyatt Barnes to leave the Wood Family?

"Has this Noah Wood gone mad?"

"Exactly! Such a guest is hard to come by, and yet he told him to leave the Wood Family?"

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Instantly, many cast strange glances at Noah Wood.

They had never imagined that the Headmaster of the Wood Family, Noah Wood, had treated Wyatt Barnes in such a manner before, and thankfully Wyatt Barnes bore no grudges. Otherwise, would the Wood Family still exist?

"Not at all! Of course not!"

Noah Wood hurriedly forced a smile and shook his head. If he had known Wyatt Barnes had such formidable strength, even if he had a hundred times the courage, he would not have dared to treat Wyatt Barnes in that way.

Reflecting on it now still gave him chills.

Were it not for his daughter being so close to Wyatt Barnes, he feared he would have been doomed.

"Brother Ling Tian, if you don't mind, from now on you can live with our Walton Family for as long as you wish. How about that?"

When he heard that Wyatt Barnes would be staying in 'Drifting Cloud Town' for a while longer, Adan Walton's eyes lit up and he took the initiative to invite him.

Hearing Adan Walton's invitation, Noah Wood's expression darkened, but he did not dare to say anything.

The decision of where Wyatt Barnes would go was not his to make.

If Wyatt Barnes truly wished to stay at the Walton Family, he had no way to stop it.

Now, he just hoped that Wyatt Barnes would consider his daughter's friendship and return to stay with the Wood Family for a while longer. If that happened, the status of the Wood Family in 'Drifting Cloud Town' would surely soar.

As the head of a family, he had many things to consider.

"Thank you for your kind offer, Family Head Walton. However, the Wood Family's daughter is a good friend of mine, and I have already promised her that as long as I am in 'Drifting Cloud Town', I will stay with the Wood Family."

Wyatt Barnes said to Adan Walton.

"That's really too bad..."

Adan Walton sighed, then called out, "Brother Ling Tian, please."

Watching Wyatt Barnes dive down with Adan Walton to enter the Walton Family estate, Esteban Walton, walking among the Walton Family members, had an even gloomier look on his face.

"Wyatt Barnes... Wyatt Barnes... If you dare, just keep staying in 'Drifting Cloud Town'! When my older brother comes back, I will see to it that his master teaches you a lesson!"

Esteban Walton's face was cold, his eyes flashing with a fierce light, and his lips curled into a chilling smile.

Noah Wood heaved a sigh of relief, his face breaking into a joyous smile.

"Headmaster Wood, congratulations! From now on, your Wood Family will be nothing like it was before."

Many people offered their congratulations.

"Headmaster Wood, sorry about last time, we really needed that batch of goods urgently... How about this, we will prepare another batch of goods in a while and give them to the Wood Family at half price?"

Another person spoke to Noah Wood with a sycophantic smile.

"Elder Cruz, if you give it to us at half price, won't your company suffer a huge loss? The cost of that batch of goods exceeds half price, doesn't it?"

Noah Wood exclaimed, looking at the speaker in surprise.

"Heh heh... Headmaster Wood, let's not beat around the bush, even if I give you that batch of goods for free, it doesn't matter! However, you need to introduce me to that little brother."

The latter said with a heh-heh laugh.

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Inside the grand hall of the Walton Family estate,

Wyatt Barnes sat at the head of the table, with the Family Head of the Walton Family, 'Adan Walton', and the Third Elder 'Rhys Walton' seated below.

"Brother Ling Tian, may I ask where you come from?" Adan Walton asked curiously.

"Family Head Walton, didn't I tell you that even if I told you about my origins you wouldn't know of it?" Wyatt Barnes shook his head and then added, "But since you really want to know, I'll tell you... I come from the Great Turdo Dynasty."

The Great Turdo Dynasty?

Adan Walton and Rhys Walton exchanged glances, seeing confusion in each other's eyes, as it was clear that neither had heard of such a place.

Adan Walton smiled awkwardly, then asked again, "Then could you tell me, Brother Ling Tian, what is your relationship with the Wood Family?"

Adan Walton still felt somewhat uncomfortable about Wyatt Barnes coming to make trouble on behalf of the Wood Family that day. Where did this little monster come from, and why did he choose to help the Wood Family?

"I owe the Wood Family's daughter a favor," Wyatt Barnes answered succinctly, and then added, "A favor that cannot be repaid in a lifetime!"

At first, when Wyatt Barnes mentioned owing 'a favor' to the Wood Family's daughter, Adan Walton breathed a sigh of relief, feeling that Wyatt Barnes had already repaid his debt to the Wood Family with his actions.

However, Wyatt Barnes's subsequent remark made Adan Walton smile wryly, "That Miss Wood is truly fortunate to have someone like Brother Ling Tian owe her such a big favor."

"Fortunate may not be the word."

Wyatt Barnes shook his head and smiled gently, "She's very kind... If it weren't for her, I might very well be dead by now."

Wyatt Barnes's words shocked both Adan Walton and Rhys Walton.

Listening to what Wyatt Barnes said, did that Miss Wood actually save his life?

No wonder he says he can't repay her in this lifetime!

It turns out to be a lifesaving grace!

"Brother Ling Tian, may I ask how did Miss Wood save you?"

Rhys Walton asked curiously.

Adan Walton looked towards Wyatt Barnes as well; he was obviously curious. He knew of that Miss Wood, a girl who hadn't even entered the 'Peep Naught Realm'.

Logically, with such strength, she couldn't possibly be of any help to Wyatt Barnes, let alone save him.

"Some time ago, while I was cultivating, I mistakenly channeled the Origin Force and fell into devilment... Later, I was found unconscious outside Drifting Cloud Town, and it was she who took me back to the Wood Family."

"After sleeping for a full eighteen days, I only woke up today. If it hadn't been for her, I might have been eaten by those wild animals, Fierce Beasts, or even Demon Beasts."

When Wyatt Barnes mentioned Daisy Wood, a warm smile appeared on his face. That kind-hearted young girl, he now truly regarded her as his own sister.

In fact, after waking up today, he still felt a lingering fear.

Fortunately, he met such a kind-hearted girl. If it had been someone else with ill intentions, just for the 'Storage Ring' on his hand, they might have killed him.

The Storage Ring on his hand had been bound by his blood. Unless he actively unbound it or he died,

no one else could rebind that Storage Ring.

Exactly for this reason, he felt profound gratitude towards that kind-hearted girl, Daisy Wood.

Adan Walton and Rhys Walton exchanged wry smiles.

They had never imagined the full story to be like this.

They asked themselves if they had encountered an unconscious Wyatt Barnes and didn't recognize him, they would probably have taken his 'Storage Ring' and killed him.

After all, it was easy fortune coming their way.

"Miss Wood is really kind-hearted... that little brute of mine truly does not deserve her," Adan Walton sighed.

Hearing Adan Walton mention his mischievous son, Wyatt Barnes seemed to recall something, his expression slightly darkened, "Family Head Walton, I respect you as a person; but as for how you teach your son, I beg to differ... I've heard that your son almost does nothing but evil in Drifting Cloud Town. There have been numerous respectable young ladies who, because of him, have committed suicide or mutilated themselves?"

As he spoke, a strong killing intent emanated from Wyatt Barnes.

He didn't consider himself a Sage and had no intention of universally saving all beings, but the actions of that profligate son of the Walton Family still crossed his line.

"Brother Ling Tian, you are right, it's my failure in parenting," Adan Walton gave a bitter smile. He was well aware of his son's deeds, having tried to educate him countless times and breaking who knows how many canes in the process.

But his son never repented, and gradually, he too had grown tired of trying to discipline him.

What else could he do?

Personally kill his own son?

"Family Head Walton, I shall let bygones be bygones out of respect for you ... but from now on, if I hear that your son commits any more acts that provoke both heaven and man, then you can't blame me for being ruthless!"

Having said this, Wyatt Barnes abruptly stood up. At this moment, he had no intention of staying at the Walton Family's place any longer.

"Family Head Walton, Third Elder, I'll take my leave!"

Wyatt Barnes greeted Adan Walton and Rhys Walton before promptly leaving.

By the time Adan Walton and Rhys Walton reacted, Wyatt Barnes had already left the Walton Family's great hall and disappeared from their sight.

"Hahaha..."

Surprisingly, after Wyatt Barnes left, Adan Walton burst into laughter.

"Family Head, what is..."

Rhys Walton was dumbfounded. The man's own son had been threatened with death, and he was still able to laugh?

"From now on, I'd like to see that little brute dare to run amok!"

Adan Walton muttered to himself before he left the great hall, heading directly to find his younger son.

His son had been so brazen all these years, merely relying on the Walton Family's influence. In Drifting Cloud Town, the Walton Family was the leading clan; no one dared to provoke the Walton Family.

Now, there was someone unafraid of the Walton Family, threatening his son, giving him a glimmer of hope.

He couldn't manage his son, but now, finally, someone could.

Storming into the courtyard where Esteban Walton lived, he railed at the freshly returned Esteban, who hadn't even warmed his seat, and conveyed to him Wyatt Barnes's words.

Before Esteban Walton could recover, Adan Walton briskly left, feeling refreshed.

"Wyatt Barnes!"

Esteban Walton's face was extremely ugly as he raised his hand to smash the only stone table in the courtyard to pieces, gritting his teeth, "Not only did you ruin my chance with Daisy, but you dare to meddle in my affairs?!"

"I will make you die! Definitely!!"

Esteban Walton's eyes were filled with a cold and chilling light, his teeth gritted with hatred.

At the Wood Family estate.

"Young Master Barnes, the Family Head and Elders have been waiting for a long time ... please, come inside."

As soon as Wyatt Barnes arrived at the gate, a Wood Family disciple greeted him with utmost respect and led him in.

"Thank you, Young Master Barnes."

Just as he entered, Wyatt Barnes heard a series of thunderously loud voices. Looking up, he saw Noah Wood leading a group of people bowing to him in unison to express their thanks.

Daisy Wood was among them, and at this moment, Daisy, with her previously furrowed brows now fully relaxed, had regained her lively nature.

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"Headmaster Wood, what is this?"

Wyatt Barnes was startled by the scene before him.

Most of the group around Noah Wood were elderly, old enough to be his grandfathers.

Yet now, these old men were bowing to him, making him feel somewhat uneasy.

"Brother Barnes, thank you for what you have done for our Wood Family. From today onwards, you are our most honored guest! Whatever you need, our Wood Family will do our utmost to assist!"

Noah Wood said earnestly.

"Headmaster Wood, there's no need for such formalities."

Wyatt Barnes shook his head and then frowned, "Besides, I don't like this...please let them all leave. Daisy, let's go back."

As Wyatt spoke, he called out to Daisy Wood and promptly left.

For a moment, only Noah Wood and others remained, their faces showing a bitter smile.

A group of Wood Family elders watched Wyatt's retreating figure, their faces filled with respect.

Everything that happened at the Walton Family residence, they had heard from their headmaster, and they considered it a great fortune for the purple-clad young man to choose to stay with their Wood Family!

Though, this might only be temporary.

"Brother Barnes, I heard everything from my dad...you're truly amazing."

On the way, Daisy looked at Wyatt with admiration and then sighed, "If only I could be as strong as you... then I could help my dad protect the Wood Family."

"Silly girl, you're just a child."

Wyatt Barnes affectionately ruffled Daisy's hair and smiled, "If you really want to practice, Brother Barnes can teach you a set of techniques!"

"Really?!"

Upon hearing this, Daisy's eyes brightened. In her view, considering Brother Barnes's strength, the techniques he could offer would surely surpass any skills of the Wood Family.

"Of course."

Wyatt Barnes nodded with a smile, as if humoring a child.

Of course, Daisy was just a sixteen or seventeen-year-old girl, and in his eyes, she was indeed no different from a child.

Techniques were not something Wyatt Barnes lacked in his memory.

Randomly selecting a set from those left by the Martial Emperor, none could compare from the Wood Family, besides he could also teach Daisy some martial skills suitable for her.

As for Pill Medicine and spiritual tools, he had no shortage and could craft them easily.

Daisy had, to some extent, saved his life and was his lifesaver, so, he would do everything he could to repay this great kindness.

Of course, he also liked Daisy very much and treated her as if she were his own younger sister.

"If only my parents could have another brother or sister for me, how nice that would be."

Wyatt Barnes sighed.

In his previous life, he was an orphan, without parents or siblings.

All he had were a group of comrades who had shared life and death experiences with him, and later, they one by one remained on the battlefield forever, which was a significant reason he chose to retire initially.

In his previous life, how much he wished for a warm family, but it was destined to be a fantasy.

Coming to this world was undoubtedly a gift from heaven to him; in this world, he had parents, loved ones.

If his father and mother could give him another brother and sister, it would undoubtedly be more perfect.

Wyatt Barnes decided to stay at the Wood Family for the time being, because he was not familiar with the situation outside 'Drifting Cloud Town.

Who knew if he would meet a powerful opponent that he couldn't deal with as soon as he went out and get killed immediately... He was not alone now and didn't dare to take the risk.

In the following days, from Daisy's descriptions, Wyatt gained some understanding of the Northern Desert and the areas east of it.

Firstly, there are three major powers in the Northern Desert East area.

Of course, these three powers, looking at the whole outside territory, could only be considered "Third-Rate Powers" because they are similar to the powers like Grimm Wolf Fortress, Blade and Sword Sect, Cloud Sky Temple, and Heartbreak Sect situated south of the Northern Desert.

The three powers are 'Five Elements Sect,' 'Crimson Moon Sect,' and 'Flying Sand Sect.'

"I heard that Walton Family's eldest son 'Noel Walton' entered the Five Elements Sect years ago,"

Daisy said, "In our 'Drifting Cloud Town,' everyone praises Noel Walton with a thumbs-up... but when it comes to his brother 'Esteban Walton,' everyone scoffs at the mention of his name!"

As she spoke, Daisy wrinkled her cute little nose, remembering Esteban, the debauched young master she was almost forced to marry.

"Noel Walton? Five Elements Sect?"

Wyatt Barnes raised an eyebrow, surprised to learn that Adan Walton, head of the Walton Family, had such an accomplished son, a stark contrast to Esteban.

The Five Elements Sect, being one of the three major powers in the Northeastern region of the Northern Desert, likely had strict criteria for accepting disciples.

Without exceptional talent or comprehension, one couldn't possibly join.

"It seems the saying 'the dragon has nine children, each different' is quite true."

Wyatt Barnes thought to himself.

"By the way, Brother Barnes, I heard something when I went out yesterday..."

Daisy looked at Wyatt, her pretty face showing a trace of worry.

"What is it?"

Seeing Daisy Wood's expression, Wyatt Barnes couldn't help but feel a bit curious.

"I heard that in a few days, people from the Five Elements Sect will pass through 'Drifting Cloud Town', apparently to recruit 'Cave Void Realm martial artists' under the age of forty."

At this point, Daisy frowned, "In a small place like Drifting Cloud Town, there are no martial artists in the Cave Void Realm under forty, other than Noel Walton, who has already joined the Five Elements Sect."

"So, I guess one of their people must be Noel Walton. He probably is using this opportunity to visit his family! Brother Barnes, why don't you go into hiding for a few days? I'm worried Noel Walton will cause trouble for you."

By the end, Daisy looked genuinely concerned.

"Five Elements Sect? Recruiting martial artists in the Cave Void Realm under forty?"

Hearing Daisy's words, Wyatt Barnes was startled momentarily, and a flash of insight sparked in his mind, making him a bit excited, "Could it be that the Five Elements Sect also knows about the 'hidden treasure' left by the Martial Emperor?"

"Otherwise, how could it be such a coincidence?"

Wyatt's eyes shone brighter as he became more convinced.

If not for this behavior, why would the Five Elements Sect send people outside to recruit disciples?

And with specific requirements:

Under forty?

Cave Void Realm martial artists?

This was no different from the requirements that the Grimm Wolf Fortress, Blade and Sword Sect, Cloud Sky Temple, and Heartbreak Sect had for recruiting disciples after the 'Decade Martial Meet' ended.

"It seems like an opportunity."

Wyatt's eyes sparkled as he thought to himself.

During the days he stayed at Wood Family in Drifting Cloud Town, he had been pondering how to leave safely to meet Winnie Romero and the others at the Blade and Sword Sect.

He believed that his sudden disappearance had surely worried his friends.

Now, finally, an opportunity had presented itself.

The Five Elements Sect, that was his opportunity.

"The Five Elements Sect is obviously preparing for the 'hidden treasure' left by the Martial Emperor... as long as I join the Five Elements Sect temporarily, I'm bound to go to that hidden treasure. Then I'll meet those from the Blade and Sword Sect, meet Winnie, Walter Simmons, and Brother Graham."

Wyatt planned in his mind, "Surely, the Five Elements Sect would not refuse my joining."

On this point, Wyatt was quite confident.

Moreover, with the Five Elements Sect desperately seeking talents, they couldn't possibly refuse his joining.

"Brother Barnes, did you hear what I said?"

Noticing Wyatt daydreaming, Daisy couldn't help but give a wry smile. She reached out to shake Wyatt's arm, bringing him back to his senses.

"Daisy, what's wrong?"

Wyatt came back to his senses and asked.

"Brother Barnes, maybe you should go into hiding for the next few days. Noel Walton is very close to his reckless brother. If he really comes back, he'll definitely come looking for you."

Daisy repeated anxiously, her pretty face full of worry.

"Noel Walton? Is he that strong?"

Wyatt responded with a confident smile, "Daisy, don't forget... even the Supreme Elder of the Walton Family fell to my hands. How could Noel Walton be stronger than the Walton Family's Supreme Elder?"

"Brother Barnes, maybe Noel Walton isn't your match... but since the Five Elements Sect is here to recruit disciples, the sect elders accompanying Noel Walton must also be present. I've heard that the weakest elder in the Five Elements Sect is above the Transforming Void Realm."

Daisy said worriedly, "They might not be from the Walton Family, but Noel Walton is a member of the Five Elements Sect. If he asks them for help, they are unlikely to refuse."

This was her biggest concern.

Noel Walton's strength was indeed not bad, but he was still no match for the Supreme Elder of the Walton Family, let alone a match for her Brother Barnes.

But what about the sect elders accompanying him?

Although she was just the precious daughter of the Wood Family in little Drifting Cloud Town, to her, the name of the Five Elements Sect was enormously respected, a power that needed to be looked up to from afar by her family.

"Don't worry, Brother Barnes knows what he's doing."

Wyatt could clearly hear the genuine concern in Daisy's words, which made his heart warm. He then smiled and said, "Daisy, I didn't expect you to be so thoughtful at such a young age... Do you have any plans for the future?"

"I plan to stay by my father's side for my whole life and help him manage the Wood Family,"

Daisy earnestly said.

"Have you never thought about other possibilities? For example, leaving Drifting Cloud Town, joining those three major powers, to truly see the world outside."

Wyatt asked.

"Brother Barnes, do you think it's so easy to join those three major powers?"

Daisy let out a bitter laugh, "Two years ago, when the Crimson Moon Sect was widely accepting disciples, they passed through our Drifting Cloud Town and held a test... But I was eliminated in the first round."

"Daisy, trust Brother Barnes... now, you are not the same as you were before."

Wyatt smiled.

During the days at the Wood Family, besides teaching Daisy some martial arts techniques, Wyatt repeatedly used gentle Origin Force combined with spiritual power to enter her body, performing 'Washing Marrow' on her.

This was a proprietary method recorded in the memory of the martial emperor from a previous reincarnation. Although not as effective as 'thousand-year stalactite milk', it was still remarkable.

Now, Daisy's potential had completely transformed.