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Chapter 241: Completing the Pill Formula!

Ye Yuan nodded and said, "By reducing the amount of Clear Spirit Jade Fluid to 80% and adding in the Western Flower plus another kind of supplementary ingredient called Bramble Mustard Tuber, it will produce an extremely terrifyingly huge explosion! This is actually roughly the same logic as creating gunpowder in the secular world."

Skymaple's complexion involuntarily changed when he heard that.

He really had not heard before that these three kinds of materials would cause such an effect when mixed together!

Even he had not heard this before, how did this boy know?

Thinking up to here, Skymaple could not help feeling fear. If Ye Yuan really bore a grudge and took revenge, then wouldn't this place of his be leveled to the ground?

Although what Ye Yuan said was nonsense, this could not be bullshitted through just by saying nonsense. If one were not highly proficient in medicinal knowledge, talking nonsense would not be able to hold water.

Regardless of how this boy knew all these, he could not be underestimated!

Thinking up to here, Skymaple promptly put away his contempt and asked seriously, "What's your name?"

"This disciple is Ye Yuan."

"Ye Yuan, this seat apologizes to you solemnly for the matter just now! Seeing as this seat is already an old man, how about you don't be too particular?"

Skymaple already said things to such an extent. Ye Yuan naturally would not nitpick at it again.

However, he had a pretty good impression of this Skymaple. He could advance and retreat.

Not everyone would apologize so solemnly to disciples from the junior generation. It was truly not easy for Skymaple to be able to do this.

Ye Yuan gave a bow to Skymaple and said, "This Disciple dare not. I hope that Grand Elder won't take to heart any offenses just now."

Skymaple chuckled and waved his hands, saying, "Take to heart what? As long as you can complete the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill, you can even take a piss on top of this seat's head! Come, please enter. Let's talk inside!"

The pair were just about to take a step when the gatekeeping disciple asked weakly, "G-Grand Elder, I . . ."

Skymaple's present mood was excellent. He flicked his sleeves and said, "You've rendered meritorious service and have no blame. Continue staying then! Guard the court gate well and don't let anybody in!"

The gatekeeping disciple was overjoyed. "Thank you, Grand Elder! Disciple will definitely guard the gate well!"

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In the side hall, Skymaple and Ye Yuan sat down as host and guest.

This was already exceptionally courteous reception to Ye Yuan. In front of Skymaple, disciples only had the right to stand, not sit. Only hall head level had the qualifications to sit down and talk when they came. Even the elders could not!

Behind Skymaple, Wang Jie kept sizing up Ye Yuan, his gaze filled with curiosity.

He had followed Skymaple for a number of years already and was deeply aware of the difficulty of completing the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill.

Wang Jie knew that there had already been no fewer than several hundred seniors and elders who took on this mission. These hundreds of people were all elites of the Tranquil Cloud Sect, but no one could complete the mission.

But this Young Master not over the age of 16 could fill in the pill formula.

It was truly miraculous!

Ye Yuan sensed Wang Jie's gaze and flashed a smile at him. Wang Jie also flashed one back.

"Ye Yuan, what did the 'but' you said earlier mean? Could it be that using the Extreme Light Profound Gold Fruit to complete the pill formula doesn't work either?" Skymaple asked again.

He was very confident in the Extreme Light Profound Gold Fruit. It should be said that this was the closest to success he had come to in these over dozen years. But Ye Yuan's words unwittingly make his heart palpitate.

Ye Yuan said, "Although the Extreme Light Profound Gold Fruit has the effects of nourishing the divine soul, it's unsuitable to be mixed together and refined with the Nine-leaf Heavenly Fragrance Grass. The Extreme Light Profound Gold Fruit's attribute is metal, while the Nine-leaf Heavenly Fragrance Grass's attribute is wood. Metal and wood inhibit each other. Not only would the effects of the ingredients themselves fail to be unleashed, but it would also weaken instead. Furthermore, it will be tremendously difficult to control the stability of the three kinds of core materials during the refining process. If my estimations are right, Grand Elder has probably blown up cauldrons quite a number of times already, right?"

Skymaple's old face turned red. Ye Yuan really guessed it correctly.

However, he still asked in surprise, "Isn't the Extreme Light Profound Gold Fruit's attribute is wood? Why is it metal?"

The attributes of all things in the world were incomparably complex and were not written on the surface. Unless one were extremely proficient towards medical knowledge, one would tend to find it hard to determine a certain medicinal material's attribute.

The higher level the medicinal material, the harder it was to determine the attribute. Because the process of their derivation was extremely complicated.

Tier 4 materials were not high nor low level. But to the Tranquil Cloud Sect's alchemists, it was absolutely high level medicinal materials. With their level of understanding, it was very tough to determine Tier 4 materials' attribute.

Hence, when Skymaple was choosing materials, he basically could not take into consideration the materials' attributes. He only relied on his instincts to decide. Hence, the error rate was naturally very high.

Ye Yuan smiled and said, "Not all the things that grow on trees belong to the wood attribute. The reason why the Extreme Light Profound Gold Fruit is of the metal attribute is that it generally grows on top of ore veins, drawing the metal spiritual qi within to form the fruit. Even though the Extreme Light Profound Gold Fruit also has some wood attribute characteristics, its primary attribute is metal."

Hearing Ye Yuan's analysis, Skymaple actually had a feeling like he was enlightened all at once! His gaze when looking at Ye Yuan again was drastically different from before.

Skymaple was naturally well aware of the Extreme Light Profound Gold Fruit's origin. It was precisely obtained by sect disciples from an ore vein, not the slightest bit off from Ye Yuan's analysis!

Such knowledge, even he, a grand elder, felt that he was so far behind to even see the dust ahead.

"Then how should this pill formula be completed?" Skymaple's words already entailed consulting advice. Even he himself was not conscious of it.

Ye Yuan obviously would not cherish something of little value just because it was his own knowledge. He opened his mouth and said, "Clear Spirit Jade Fluid is balanced in the five elements, so it is a neutral item. The Nine-leaf Heavenly Fragrance Grass's attribute is wood, so you naturally have to select a water attribute material to complete the pill formula. Among Tier 4 medicinal materials, the Iceheart Dew is most suitable."

"Ah? Why use the Iceheart Dew? Iceheart Dew shouldn't have divine soul nourishing effects, right?" Skymaple had a doubtful face.

This past dozen of years, he thought of every material and used them too. The only exception was that he did not think of using the Iceheart Dew to complete the pill formula!

Ye Yuan smiled and said, "Clear Spirit Jade Fluid and Nine-leaf Heavenly Fragrance Grass are both medicinal herbs that have superb effects when used to nourish the divine soul. Just take the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill for instance; the divine soul nourishing effects are already ample. But the Iceheart Dew has the effect of calming the spirit and focusing the mind, and also the effect of stabilizing the divine soul. Moreover, during the refining process, the water attribute Iceheart Dew even has the usage of improving the wood attribute Nine-leaf Heavenly Fragrance Grass. There is nothing more suitable than it for refining the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill!"

Once alchemy skills reached a certain level, one's understanding of medicinal pills would also grow increasingly profound.

At times, while blindly chasing the medicinal effect of a medicinal pill, it would instead cause an opposite effect.

Ye Yuan's understanding of medicinal pills was far from what Skymaple could compare to.

The way Ye Yuan saw it, a medicinal pill was a world. Refining a medicinal pill was creating a world!

For a mature world, the most important thing was stability. Then, other things would follow.

Many alchemists chased after the effects of medicinal pills blindly. The result of doing this were flaws in the medicinal pills. There would obviously be side-effects here and there.

A mature type of medicinal pill would definitely not have any side-effect!

In reality, with Ye Yuan's alchemy skills, he could guide Skymaple to use the Extreme Light Profound Gold Fruit to refine out the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill, but that kind of medicinal pill would clearly have side-effects.

Hearing Ye Yuan say finish, Skymaple and Wang Jie behind him sunk into their thoughts . . .

Chapter 242: An Alchemy Emperor's Guidance

Skymaple's eyes grew brighter and brighter.

Unlike the other elders, he was a genuine Alchemy King! A Soul Sea Realm powerhouse!

His experience was naturally extraordinary!

Skymaple actually felt that the materials he used in the past to complete the pill formula were all trash.

Although he had not started refining, Skymaple already felt that using Iceheart Dew would certainly work!

Because he simply could not find any flaws in this pill formula!

Those materials that he found in the past, while he was full of confidence each time, he himself actually knew that there was always that slight area of imperfection.

But this time, he felt that this pill formula was absolutely perfect!

Skymaple currently had an impulse to burst into a song and dance. Over a dozen years of racking his brain bitterly, over a dozen years of repeated defeats, over a dozen years of wallowing in despair, he obtained a release at this very instant.

If not for wanting to preserve some parts of a grand elder's prestige and because he did not wish to lose himself too much in front of Ye Yuan, he would have started dancing around right away.

This was not enough to express his emotions.

"Wang Jie, you quickly go and ask Ouyang Yu if there is still Iceheart Dew in the sect! If there isn't, make them gather it at top speed! Remember, it must be at the fastest speed! I must see the Iceheart Dew within a month!" Skymaple hurriedly instructed.

Wang Jie also had an eye-opener today. Ye Yuan's words gave him a feeling of being enlightened.

In reality, while Wang Jie had a gentle character, he also had pride that others did not possess.

In the Tranquil Cloud Sect, he was among those true Alchemy Path geniuses. Otherwise, he would not have been fancied by Skymaple and become his disciple.

Wang Jie had always thought highly of himself. He felt that his accomplishments on the alchemy path were already absolutely outstanding among people of the same age.

But Ye Yuan's words today opened another window for him.

Wang Jie only knew today just how unstable his foundation skills were and how shallow his previous understanding of medicinal knowledge was!

Hearing Skymaple's orders, Wang Jie said respectfully, "Yes, Master."

Logically speaking, running errands should be done by Ye Yuan. Ignoring that Wang Jie's seniority was exceedingly high, even with his Alchemy Grandmaster status, it should not be his turn to run errands.

But at this current moment, Wang Jie gladly enjoyed the hardship and felt that it was only natural and right.

To the Skymaple Court, Ye Yuan was a distinguished guest. How could they let a distinguished guest run errands?

After Wang Jie left, Skymaple started to consult Ye Yuan like a student on how to refine the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill.

Refining pills were not just the simple act of putting together medicinal herbs. Each type of medicinal herbs, its quantity, flame intensity when refining, and so on, were all extremely particular things.

A discrepancy of a hair's breadth could lead to an error of a thousand miles!

Messing up a step could possibly result in the refinement to fail.

Alchemists was an exceptionally meticulous occupation. The path they walk was completely different from martial artists.

Yet, the more he chatted with Ye Yuan, the more Skymaple felt his blood run cold. His gaze when looking at Ye Yuan also changed once more.

If one were to say that the first time he saw Ye Yuan, he was looking at him with a disdainful angle, then after Ye Yuan talked about the Western Flower recipe, it became viewing him as equals.

But now, Skymaple was looking up to Ye Yuan!

Although they were only chatting about one type of medicinal pill, Ye Yuan's views tended to give Skymaple a feeling that he could grasp the entire concept by grasping a typical example.

Not knowing the reason, just one chat and Skymaple felt that his alchemy skills improved quite a bit!

Many things that Ye Yuan talked about, Skymaple did not even think about them in the past.

Especially when Ye Yuan was talking about the refinement method. Skymaple frequently had the feeling that medicinal pills could even be refined in such a way.

The incomplete pill formula of this Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill was accidentally acquired by Forefather Ouyang Tuotian. Even he could not complete it. The missing parts in the pill formula were not just one core material. The refinement method was missing too.

Many of Skymaple's past refinement methods were fumbled out by himself. Cauldron explosions were naturally something to be expected.

"Ye Yuan, did you research and come up with this pill formula yourself?" After a long while, Skymaple finally asked the suspicion in his heart.

This Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill formula was something that even their forefather could not complete. If Ye Yuan could come up with it himself, then this alchemic talent was overly heaven-defying.

Ye Yuan obviously would not say that he already knew this pill formula from the start. Of course, even if he did not know, completing it was not something hard.

"Of course not. Actually, before entering the sect, I already had a master. This pill formula was imparted to me by him. When I was searching for missions in the Support Star Pavilion, I just happened to see the level nine No. 3 mission, so I accepted it," Ye Yuan said with a grin.

Skymaple breathed a sigh of relief when he heard that. It seemed like Ye Yuan's monstrosity was still within the boundaries of understanding. Even so, from Ye Yuan's conversation, it could be seen that his alchemy skill foundation was extremely solid!

However, Skymaple developed an intense curiosity towards such master who could train such an incredible disciple.

The way Skymaple saw it, that person was definitely an existence more amazing than him. He might even be an Alchemy Sovereign!

Ye Yuan recounted the fabricated story again before Skymaple dismissed that idea of requesting an audience.

Skymaple obviously did not know that while he was unaware, he had already spoken to a former Alchemy Emperor.

Even if Ye Yuan could not refine out high-tier medicinal pills now, his experience and knowledge were simply not on the same level as Skymaple's.

Ye Yuan looked as if he was conversing with Skymaple, but in reality, it could be counted giving pointers to him.

Being able to obtain some pointers from an Alchemy Emperor was enough for Skymaple to profit from his entire life. Because it was impossible for Skymaple to even see Ye Yuan's shadow in this lifetime.

In his previous life, there had been countless Alchemy Ancestors, Alchemy Saints, even Alchemy Venerables who sought for Ye Yuan's guidance but did not even have the chance. An Alchemy King like Skymaple did not even have the qualifications to present himself in front of him.

Not that Ye Yuan valued his old broomstick, but because he really did not wish to waste time in this area. 1

The reason why Ye Yuan was so generous was actually still because of his promise to Lu Yan last time.

Ye Yuan reckoned that Skymaple should be the Tranquil Cloud Sect's greatest expert in the Alchemy Dao. For him to have any breakthrough naturally brought enormous benefits to the entire sect.

The use of the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill was to aid the divine soul in breaking through.

At Skymaple's age, he basically already exhausted all of his potentials. Under the circumstances without the use of external force, he would essentially just stop at his present realm in this lifetime.

Skymaple himself was already clear on this point. That was why he placed all of his energy on the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill.

Whether the power of the sect was strong or not, it had never been about the number of disciples, history, or accumulation. The deciding factor was the sect's most powerful member!

A sect that possessed a middle-stage Soul Sea Realm martial artist would be stronger than a sect like the Tranquil Cloud Sect. Furthermore, it would be overwhelmingly stronger!

If they did not have the protection of the sect protecting grand array, a middle-stage Soul Sea Realm could take on the entire Tranquil Cloud Sect by himself!

Once martial artists cultivated to a certain realm, human piling tactics would no longer be able to compensate for the gap.

The more Skymaple conversed, the more he opportunistic he became. The more he conversed, the greater his thirst for knowledge was. But Ye Yuan controlled the limits very well, conversing with the other party with the attitude of being equals, not letting Skymaple feel like he was giving pointers.

With his master as the backing entity, Ye Yuan's conversation did not appear too unexpected.

Before long, Wang Jie barged in very excitedly . . .

Chapter 243: Selling Pill Formula

Seeing Wang Jie barge inside directly, Skymaple frowned and said unhappily, "Already so mature, yet why are you still so brash? Don't you see that Ye Yuan and I are currently conversing?"

Unknowingly, Skymaple already placed Ye Yuan on the same level as him.

"Ah! Sorry Master. Disciple was rash," Wang Jie hurriedly apologized with a salute.

Skymaple waved his hands irritably and asked, "What is it? Why are you making such a fuss?"

Wang Jie had an eager face as he said, "Replying master, just now, I went to find Lord Sect Master. He said that a few days back, some disciples just happened to obtain some Iceheart Dew. So I brought it back."

When Skymaple heard it, his anger involuntarily turned into joy as he said, "Really? Great! Since all the ingredients are prepared, then let's start refining!"

He had just learned many things from Ye Yuan and was currently itching to practice his skills. In addition, he obtained the pill formula, so he would naturally be itching to have a go.

"Don't be anxious, Master. I haven't finished talking yet. There isn't much Iceheart Dew. According to what Ye Yuan said, it should only be enough for one refinement," Wang Jie said.

Skymaple frowned and said, "So little? How is it possible to succeed in one go?"

Wang Jie said, "Iceheart Dew is originally extremely scarce. It was only coincidentally obtained this time by an elite disciple out doing missions. He exchanged 10 thousand points by handing it to the sect! Even if the sect seeks it out in full force, it would probably be very hard to find within three months."

As the grand elder, how could Skymaple not know the scarcity of Tier 4 medicinal herbs?

However, he yearned for the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill too deeply. Even if the material was harder to get, he had to obtain it!

This was not just to fulfill him alone, but also to fulfill the entire sect!

The materials that Skymaple exhausted these few years were worth upwards of 10 million points when added up. But Luo Qingfeng did not grumble at all. Why?

Simply because back then, Ouyang Tuotian founded the present Tranquil Cloud Sect with his own strength!

The sect's upper echelons all understood the difference between low-rank Alchemy King and middle-rank Alchemy King!

Hearing Wang Jie's words, Skymaple's good mood instantly vanished, and his heart inexplicably became frustrated.

Although the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill was a low Tier 4 medicinal pill, it was really somewhat forceful for Skymaple. The possibility of succeeding in one go was too low!

Once he failed, he would have to wait up to three months, maybe even half a year's time!

The Clear Spirit Jade Fluid and Nine-leaf Heavenly Fragrance Grass collected the previous time were already pretty much expended. At most, he could refine once or twice.

If the refinement this time failed, he would have to gather these two kinds of medicinal herbs again.

The Clear Spirit Jade Fluid and Nine-leaf Heavenly Fragrance Grass were also Tier 3 medicinal herbs; similarly, they were very rare.

Who knew how long he would have to wait to refine again.

Thinking up to here, Skymaple's brows knitted together even tighter. Pressure engulfed him like it blotted out the skies and land.

For over a dozen years, Skymaple virtually did not inquire about sect affairs and put his heart and soul on the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill. But he kept being unable to obtain a breakthrough.

Although Luo Qingfeng and the other sect upper echelons did not say anything, the pressure on Skymaple was also enormous. Otherwise, he would not be so hot-tempered either.

Skymaple only felt that the bottle containing the Iceheart Dew weighed 30 thousand catties when he took it over from Wang Jie's hands.

He returned to his seat and started to waver.

Ye Yuan saw through Skymaple's state of mind and said, "Grand Elder, I have a suggestion. While this can't guarantee that you'll definitely refine the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill, it should raise the success rate considerably."

Skymaple was currently dejected. When he heard Ye Yuan's words, he nearly jumped up. He stared at Ye Yuan intently and asked, "What method? As long as I can refine out the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill, I'll add in 200 thousand more points!"

These words were simply heavenly melody to Skymaple.

Ye Yuan knew the advantages of points, so he obviously would not reject.

In truth, him completing the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill formula was already considered completing the mission. With just a message from Skymaple, he could get the reward already.

However, he already did it to this extent already. Might as well help him to the end.

"When Master imparted me the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill formula, he even told me about another Quasi-Tier 4 pill formula. This kind of medicinal pill is called Soul Driving Pill. Master said that the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill was the upgraded version of the Soul Driving Pill. The two originated from the same source. The refinement method is also extremely similar. The refinement of the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill is much more complex than the Soul Driving Pill, but the essence is pretty much the same. If Grand Elder can use the Soul Driving Pill to practice and familiarize yourself with the refinement method, refining the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill after should be much easier," Ye Yuan said.

Skymaple trembled agitatedly when he heard this. "Excellent! Truly excellent! There's really such a medicinal pill?"

Martial Path medicinal pills were easy to find, but Alchemy Path medicinal pills were hard to obtain!

There were actually very, very few medicinal pills that affected the divine soul. It was like a single hair from nine oxen when compared to martial path medicinal pills.

Back then, Ouyang Tuotian also coincidentally obtained the incomplete Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill formula. Skymaple naturally had not heard about the Soul Driving Pill before.

Ye Yuan nodded and said, "How would I dare to deceive Grand Elder? Although the herbs to refine the Soul Driving Pill are also rare, with the sect's strength, I think there should be some in stock. It should be enough for Grand Elder to use for practice."

"Quickly tell me the pill formula! I'll let Wang Jie go retrieve the herbs!" Skymaple said impatiently.

After he said that, Skymaple suddenly felt that it was inappropriate. He involuntarily smacked his head and said awkwardly, "Haha, take a look at this old muddle-head! Even if it's a Quasi-Tier 4 medicinal pill, this pill formula is also a priceless treasure! Ye Yuan, what requests do you have? Just state them. I'll do all I can to recompense you! En . . . Is one million points enough? Just take it as the sect is buying your pill formula! Uh . . . Will your master mind?"

Skymaple started to worry about personal gains and losses. Pill formulas were always undisclosed secrets to any influence.

Especially medicinal pills that raised soul force. They were even more so priceless treasures!

While the grade of the Soul Driving Pill was not as high as the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill, its value was even greater to the Tranquil Cloud Sect instead!

Even if Ye Yuan completed the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill formula, how many people in the Tranquil Cloud Sect could afford to enjoy it?

There was only Skymaple, that one Alchemy King alone!

But the Soul Driving Pill was different!

Quasi-Tier 4 medicinal pills had effects on Sea Transformation Realm Quasi-Alchemy Kings. The Tranquil Cloud Sect acquiring this pill formula was equivalent to alchemists realms collectively rising a rank!

Such trade was too worthwhile to the Tranquil Cloud Sect!

If not for being fearful of the 'master' behind Ye Yuan, once Ye Yuan rejected, he might even give birth to the idea of forcefully snatching.

One million points to buy the Soul Driving Pill formula was really not considered much.

A Quasi-Tier 4 pill formula was no big deal to Ye Yuan. Since he opened his mouth, he was obviously prepared to give it to Skymaple.

"Master let me enter the secular world to test myself. He said that everything is up to me. He naturally would not mind. But the Soul Driving Pill formula is indeed precious, so I'll accept Grand Elder's one million points. In the future, when Master asks about it, I can also explain."

Ye Yuan obtained many benefits from the sect too. His Azure Dipper Floating Zero Sword Art emerged from the Azure Dipper Purple Yang Sword Art. There was no harm in treating this pill formula as giving a plum in return for a peach. It was just to not make Skymaple feel that he was indifferent that he accepted the one million points.

Chapter 244: Competing Essence Fires

Inside Skymaple's refining room was a mess.

From yesterday until now, Skymaple had already refined over a dozen cauldrons of Soul Driving Pills.

In the end, he was an Alchemy King. It was still very quick for him to get started on refining Quasi-Tier 4 medicinal pills. After wasting four sets of materials, Skymaple finally refined the Soul Driving Pill.

Of course, Ye Yuan's pointers could not be understated at all.

Refining soul force medicinal pills was different from conventional medicinal pills. If he did not have Ye Yuan's guidance, Skymaple might not even be able to refine a complete Soul Driving Pill after wasting ten portions of materials.

After four furnaces of medicinal pills, Skymaple failed once or twice again. After 10 furnaces, he basically no longer failed.

"Grand Elder is indeed worthy of being an Alchemy King. To actually familiarize yourself with the Soul Driving Pill by using only a dozen over sets of materials. With Grand Elder's present state, the success rate of refining the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill should be above 60%."

Ye Yuan stealthily slipped in a flatter, but Skymaple's face went red. "I am a disappointment as an Alchemy King. If not for your master's refinement method and him passing on all his experience to you, it's probably unlikely for me to learn it so quickly."

Ye Yuan giving pointers by the side was naturally borrowing the name of his fictional master.

Ye Yuan smiled and did not give any explanation. Instead, he said, "Strike while the iron is hot. Grand Elder, consume medicinal pills to recover your strength first. Let's succeed in refining the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill in one go while the sensation is still there!"

Initially, Skymaple was still full of confidence. But when he heard about refining the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill, he could not help faltering again.

"Refine it now? But there's only one set of materials. Why not familiarize more with the Soul Driving Pill?"

Where was there still any majesty of a grand elder for Skymaple now? Rather, he was like a little kid worried about whether or not he could get to eat candy.

Whether he could refine or not, Ye Yuan naturally had the best say in this matter.

"Grand Elder is already very well-versed in the Soul Driving Pill, and you've also passed the period where you experience the greatest increase. Continuing to refine will not bring any notable effect. Rather, you've just finished refining over a dozen cauldrons of Soul Driving Pill and are currently in a state where your hands are hot and ready to go. Once you rest, I'm afraid that it will be very hard to find this sort of feeling again. Therefore, I feel that it's still better to refine now," Ye Yuan advised.

Skymaple felt at a loss for a while when he heard that. He became determined in spite of himself and said, "It's a blade whether I poke my head out or shrink back! Do it!"

Immediately, Skymaple swallowed several medicinal pills and began to meditate to adjust himself.

If this were before, Skymaple absolutely would not listen and follow the words of a junior like so. But these two days, Ye Yuan already subdued him with his broad and profound knowledge.

Even with Ye Yuan pretending to borrow his master's words to say most of the things, that gleam of brilliance revealed within the words could be sensed intensely by Skymaple!

The master was very powerful. The disciple was similarly very formidable!

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After four hours, Skymaple adjusted his condition to its peak.

To have become the Tranquil Cloud Sect's sole Alchemy King, there was no questioning of Skymaple's mind and determination.

Since he was already resolved to refine the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill, Skymaple would not be timid anymore.

Wang Jie already prepared the materials. Ye Yuan took the initiative to take on the role of assistant. Wang Jie became idle instead.

Preparation work was similarly very important to refining pills. Not that Ye Yuan looked down on Wang Jie, it was just that with him doing the preparatory work, the success rate would clearly be higher.

The preparation work was not limited by realm. Ye Yuan performed it with high proficiency.

Ye Yuan's hand grabbing refinement method astounded these two people too. Seeing that virtually perfect medicinal embryo, Skymaple's eyes went wide.

Indeed, an outstanding disciple comes from an accomplished master! Skymaple thought to himself.

Placing the medicinal embryo into the medicinal cauldron, a mass of fire floated from Skymaple's palm and lit the medicinal cauldron.

"Ganwu True Fire!" Ye Yuan said the name of the flame.

"Haha, I didn't think that you would even know the Ganwu True Fire. That's right. Under my nurturing, the Ganwu True Fire is already about to advance to a Tier 4 essence fire!" Skymaple said rather pleased with himself.

"Uh . . . Grand Elder better use my essence fire. This way, your chances will be greater." Ye Yuan said rather oddly.

"Oh? You actually have an essence fire too? Looks like your fortune really isn't shallow! However, it's still better to use essence fires that you nurtured yourself when refining pills. You should know this point, right?"

This was already Skymaple taking into consideration Ye Yuan's face. He was somewhat perplexed. It was impossible for Ye Yuan to not even know this bit of general knowledge. Why did he still raise such a request?

Could it be that Ye Yuan's essence fire was even better than his? How was this possible? He was only at the Spirit Condensation Realm. To have a Tier 2 essence fire was already considered immensely fortuitous.

Ye Yuan did not let him wonder for long. He nodded and said, "Of course I know that. But the chances should be better by using my essence fire to refine."

Ye Yuan repeated again as a bundle of flames appeared in his palm too.

When Skymaple saw that bundle of faint-yellow flames, he sucked in a cold breath. Wang Jie by the side clearly recognized Ye Yuan's essence fire too, his eyes full of envy!

"Hiss . . . Cleansing Sandal Sacred Flame! This . . . This . . . How's this possible?" Skymaple stuttered.

"Hur hur, when this disciple took part in the Endless Trials at the Dan Wu Academy, I happened to chance upon some lucky chances," Ye Yuan explained it lightly.

Not that Ye Yuan wanted to show off, but because if Skymaple used a Tier 4 essence fire to refine, the success rate would clearly be greater.

Ye Yuan knew that Skymaple had an essence fire. He thought that if it were a Tier 4 essence fire, then he would not mention this. The result was that Skymaple's essence fire was indeed not Tier 4.

If Skymaple had a Tier 4 essence fire, using Ye Yuan's essence fire would really be inferior to the one he nurtured himself. But as for Tier 3 . . . the grade was really kind of lousy, let alone comparing to the Cleansing Sandal Sacred Flame which was suited for alchemy.

Skymaple looked at the Cleansing Sandal Sacred Flame within Ye Yuan's palm dimly for a long time before letting out a sigh and saying, "Comparing people to people is indeed odious! Back then, I risked my old life before I gained the Ganwu True Fire at the Sea Transformation Realm. You're only at the Spirit Condensation Realm and actually already have the Cleansing Sandal Sacred Flame. This is the paramount dream essence fire for alchemists!"

Finishing Skymaple quietly kept away the Ganwu True Fire in his palm. It was evident that he did not plan on taking it out to show his inadequacy.

Ye Yuan kept staring at Skymaple's eyes. If his heart gave birth to greed, then Ye Yuan and the Tranquil Cloud Sect's fate would end here.

Fortunately, Skymaple did not disappoint him.

The matter of Ye Yuan possessing the Cleansing Sandal Sacred Flame was actually already known by Yao Qian long ago. It was only a matter of time before it reached Skymaple's ears. Hence, Ye Yuan had no reservations about taking it out.

Tranquil Cloud Sect's rules stated that all the natural treasures obtained by disciples outside belonged to them. Others may not insist on it. If they had no use for it, they could hand it over to the sect to exchange for points.

If a sect wantonly seized disciples' lucky chances, it was no different from killing the chicken to retrieve the egg. Then, the sect would not be far from destruction anymore.

"Haha, this disciple also faced near-certain death to acquire the essence fire. It was just a lucky coincidence. Grand Elder, let's begin?" Ye Yuan brushed over it.

Skymaple nodded and calmed his mind.

Ye Yuan called out the Cleansing Sandal Flame Lotus's main body and used the main body to light the medicinal cauldron. Skymaple began to refine the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill.

Chapter 245: Pill Hall Vice Hall Head!

The refinement of the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill was relatively smooth!

Ye Yuan already prepared everything to help Skymaple refine this medicinal pills. He even threw in the Cleansing Sandal Sacred Flame.

If Skymaple still could not refine it like this, then this Alchemy King should just find a piece of tofu to commit suicide with.

When Skymaple held the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill in his hands, he trembled agitatedly and almost slipped and dropped the pill on the floor.

"Hahaha . . . I finally refined the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill! Truly the heaven is protecting me, Skymaple. The heaven is protecting my Tranquil Cloud Sect!"

While Skymaple was talking, the flesh on his face was quivering.

For the past years, all of Skymaple's energy was placed on this medicinal pill, but it was all to no avail.

Skymaple naturally understood at present that if Ye Yuan had not appeared, the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill definitely could not be refined, and he would also fail to take a single inch forward in this lifetime!

Now that the medicinal pill was refined, how could Skymaple not be agitated?

"Congratulations, Master! Your long-cherished wish of 13 years is finally fulfilled!" Wang Jie's words also carried trembling, and he even seemed to choke up a little. He was clearly also greatly moved.

Wang Jie had followed Skymaple for five to six years already. These five to six years, most of his time was spent on the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill!

Only he himself was well aware just how much hardship and scoldings he suffered during this period.

Of course, Wang Jie was an understanding person. He knew the misery and pressure in Skymaple's heart. That was why he bore the hardships without any complaints.

Now that the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill had finally been refined, a feeling like the bitterness being followed by the sweet welled up in Wang Jie's heart.

He could not resist taking a look at Ye Yuan; his heart filled with awe and veneration.

Yes, it was awe and veneration!

This sort of feeling, he only had them towards Skymaple before!

For Ye Yuan to have such knowledge and means at such an age, it was truly overwhelmingly heaven-defying!

Originally, Wang Jie was still somewhat pleased with himself within the sect. But now, that pride in his heart was grounded until it was badly mauled.

This was a genuine genius!

Ye Yuan also went forward to congratulate. "Congratulations, Grand Elder, to have realized your long-cherished dream!"

Only now did Skymaple return to reality from his agitation. Looking at Ye Yuan, he sighed emotionally and said, "Ye Yuan, it's entirely due to your credit that this seat could refine the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill!"

Ye Yuan beamed and said, "The medicinal herbs were prepared by the sect, and the medicinal pill was refined personally by Grand Elder. How can Ye Yuan dare to claim credit? If one really had to talk about credit, it would just be the credit for loaning out the essence fire. Haha."

Skymaple did not show anything on the surface, but he secretly approved in his heart.

Ye Yuan completely lacked the impulsiveness that a youth should have. When claiming credit, he did not become arrogant. Looking at Ye Yuan's expression, it was as if he did some minor thing that was not even worth mentioning. This was not the breadth of mind that the average youth could have!

Skymaple obviously did not know that this was really just something insignificant to Ye Yuan.

"Haha, you don't need to be modest, Ye Yuan! Whether you have contributions or not, this seat is very clear about it in my heart! This matter, you bestowed grace upon this elderly self and similarly did a favor to my Tranquil Cloud Sect. This old man will remember it in my heart! Wang Jie, gather all the hall elders and above to the Assembly Hall! I have a matter to announce!" Skymaple suddenly said to Wang Jie.

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The Assembly Hall was the place where Ye Yuan underwent the Tri-Hall Joint Hearing.

Presently, there was commotion all about inside the hall. It looked rather like a teahouse.

"Elder Sun, do you know what matter Grand Elder suddenly summoned us for?"

Elder Sun was also at a loss as he shook his head and said, "How do I know? Grand Elder has already not inquired about sect matters for many years and studied the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill wholeheartedly. Sigh, I say, did he gather us because the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill is refined?"

"Ha! How is that possible? That Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill, both you and I have studied it. We can't refine it either after testing out so many medicinal herbs! Furthermore, this pill formula was accidentally obtained by Forefather Ouyang back them. Forefather was a high-rank Alchemy Sovereign. Even he could not complete it, so how could Grand Elder complete it?"

"That's true. But I heard that Grand Elder seemed to have studied another kind of medicinal herb to complete the pill formula recently. He seemed to be very confident. Maybe he really successfully refined it?"

Another elder could not help laughing as he said, "Haha, Old Sun, you really don't care what's going on outside your window! I've also heard about the matter you said. But there has already been several cauldron explosions from Grand Elder's place already. Do you think he can refine it?"

Finishing, Elder Sun also looked stunned before immediately smiling bitterly and shaking his head.

In truth, these elders were also displeased towards Skymaple for being obsessed with the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill. It was just that Skymaple's status in the sect was too high. Plus, the Sect Master supported him fully. Hence, nobody dared to say anything.

One had to know that what Skymaple expended to refine the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill were all Tier 4 materials!

Tier 4 materials were extremely valuable to the Tranquil Cloud Sect too. These few years, Skymaple exhausted countless manpower and material resources in order to refine this medicinal pill, but he never succeeded.

To say that these elders did not have any complaints at all, that was unrealistic.

And it was precisely so that Skymaple wavered previously and did not dare to start the refinement.

Just as everyone was confused, Skymaple and Luo Qingfeng walked into the hall while chatting happily. There were even two young men following behind them.

One was Wang Jie, and the other was Ye Yuan.

When the group of elders saw Ye Yuan, they were stunned.

How did Ye Yuan get together with Grand Elder after just a few days of not seeing him?

Especially Yao Qian. He was originally planning on finding trouble with Ye Yuan but did not imagine that Ye Yuan actually walked close with Grand Elder.

If it was an ordinary relationship, then that was still fine. But if Grand Elder took a fancy to him and took him in as a disciple, then it would be even harder for him to take action in the future!

Thinking up to here, Yao Qian could not help feeling frustrated in his heart.

His incident had already become a joke among the elders, but he could not even vent his anger. Truly aggrieving!

He could only pray now that Ye Yuan and Grand Elder did not have too close a relation.

The four people came to the center of the hall. Skymaple sat in the main seat, Luo Qingfeng sat beside him, while Ye Yuan and Wang Jie stood behind.

"Today, I called everyone here because I have two important matters to announce! The first matter is that from tomorrow onwards, I'll be entering terminal seclusion!"

When Skymaple's voice fell, whispered started again.

However, Ouyang Yu react extremely quickly. He bowed and said, "Martial Uncle, can it be . . ."

"Hahaha . . . Oh Ouyang you little monkey, your reaction is fast!"

Skymaple started laughing heartily. Except, his address of Ouyang Yu made the elders simmer with laughter. Ouyang Yu had an embarrassed face.

Ouyang Yu's position in the sect was extremely high. Only Skymaple dared to call him a little monkey.

"That's right! I believe everyone knows that this seat has been researching the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill wholeheartedly over these years. Heaven rewards the faithful! This Seat finally got what he wanted today and refined out the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill!" Skymaple was clearly in an excellent mood. When speaking, he was full of energy.

Once these words came out, there was congratulations and delighted surprise below.

Skymaple beamed happily and accepted everyone's felicitations.

After everyone calmed down, he then said, "The second matter this seat is announcing is to appoint Ye Yuan as the Pill Hall's Vice Hall Head!"

Chapter 246: Unexpected!

The entire hall was silent . . .

This appointment from Skymaple came too suddenly. Nobody was mentally prepared, including the sect master, Luo Qingfeng, who was beside him.

As the sect's grand elder, Skymaple even had the authority to appoint or dismiss the sect master; let alone a vice hall head.

Ye Yuan did not have any mental preparation either and was stunned by this nomination for a long while.

The silence lasted for roughly 10 breaths of time when finally, somebody voiced out to object.

The first person to oppose it was Ling Potian. "Martial Uncle, Ye Yuan is just a newcomer disciple. Although he has some talent in the path of alchemy, isn't it rather rash to make him the vice hall head?"

"En? Your meaning is that I'm old and worthless and can't discern people clearly?" Skymaple said with a frown.

These words were rather serious. He was trying to suppress these opposing voices directly.

Although Ling Potian had a deadpan face, his expression right now was still rather ugly.

"Potian dare not! Potian was just dealing with the matter as it stands!" Ling Potian clearly had a stubborn temper.

At this time, Ouyang Yu also came forward. "Martial Uncle, Ye Yuan is only at the Second Level Spirit Condensation Realm and low-rank Alchemy Master. What capability does he have to be the vice hall head?"

Now that two hall heads stood up to refute this, everyone's guts also swelled. One by one, they all stood up to object.

Especially Ouyang Ming and Yao Qian, the two of them were yelling the happiest.

Among these elders, there were actually quite a few who were displeased with Ye Yuan's prior attitude.

In their opinion, although Ye Yuan this young man was talented, he was too oblivious to the immensity of heaven and earth and extremely arrogant! What qualifications did he have to be the vice hall head?

Of course, the most important thing was that Ye Yuan was still too young! His credentials were too shallow. He was simply unworthy of being the vice hall head!

What should they do in the future if a teenage youth rode above these elders' heads?

Did these old fellows who were hundreds of years old have to respectfully call out 'Vice Hall Head' when they saw Ye Yuan?

How was this possible?

Skymaple's good mood was completely ruined by this.

He obviously knew that nominating Ye Yuan to be the vice hall head was somewhat abrupt, but he knew that Ye Yuan's level was sufficient to take on this position!

These few days, he had a lot of exchanges with Ye Yuan. Although Ye Yuan had always maintained a disciple's manners and his words were very restrained, he still inadvertently revealed his erudite knowledge about Alchemy Dao!

The things that Ye Yuan talked about far surpassed the boundary of Alchemy Master. It even surpassed the boundary of Quasi-Alchemy King!

He absolutely had the ability to be this vice hall head!

Skymaple even had a feeling that Ye Yuan was only unable to refine Tier 3 and Quasi-Tier 4 medicinal pills because his cultivation realm was not there yet! If Ye Yuan's realm were sufficient, refining Tier 3 and Quasi-Tier 4 medicinal pills would be as easy as flipping his hands!

Moreover, Skymaple had another consideration. Placing a heavy emphasis on Ye Yuan also showed the sect's emphasis on him. This definitely had enormous advantages in building a good relationship with that enigmatic master behind Ye Yuan!

Ye Yuan's master was bound to be an Alchemy Sovereign existence. He might even be a high-rank Alchemy Sovereign like Ouyang Tuotian!

Such an existence, even if he just took care of the Tranquil Cloud Sect slightly, it could let the sect enjoy tremendous benefits!

These fools did not understand anything, all objecting fervently. Skymaple was furious.

Bang!

Skymaple slammed a palm on the tea table beside the old-fashioned wooden armchair. The abnormally tenacious and tough Profound Dipper Wood tea table instantly turned into dust.

Seeing this scene, everyone was secretly alarmed. Grand Elder apparently really became angry!

Skymaple's eyes swept across each person's face. These elders all did not dare to meet his gaze.

"Good! Very good! All these years, I've been in a half-seclusion state. Looks like after not coming out for too long, nobody is taking this old man seriously anymore! Today, I'm going to make Ye Yuan the Pill Hall Vice Hall Head! Anyone else who dares to object will be expelled from the sect!" Skymaple directly used his trump card.

Once Skymaple's words came out, everybody was immediately as quiet as cicadas in winter.

As a matter of fact, it was really as Skymaple said. He had not appeared for too long already. Hence, everyone more or less took him lightly in their minds!

The blood surged to all of their heads just now. They instinctively felt that letting a Spirit Condensation Realm brat be the Pill Hall's Vice Hall Head was truly a mockery.

Except, they did not imagine that Grand Elder was actually going to kick them elders outside the walls because of Ye Yuan!

At this time, Luo Qingfeng who remained quiet the whole time finally stood up.

Skymaple already said his words to such an extent. He could not remain silent any longer.

"I wonder why Martial Uncle wants to appoint Ye Yuan?" Luo Qingfeng asked respectfully.

Seeing that it was Luo Qingfeng enquiring, Skymaple's expression eased up slightly as he said solemnly, "All of you are aware of the level nine mission that this seat hung in the Support Star Pavilion, right?"

"Of course, we know. The mission Martial Uncle issued was to complete the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill," Luo Qingfeng said.

Skymaple nodded and said, "In truth, it was all thanks to Ye Yuan completing the pill formula that this seat could refine out the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill this time! Furthermore, during the refinement process, Ye Yuan even provided huge assistance! Of course, this is not the main point! The most important thing was that I acquired the Quasi-Tier 4 medicinal pill, the Soul Driving Pill's formula from Ye Yuan on behalf of the sect. That's to say, you people are all the future beneficiaries of this pill formula! So, you people tell me, does Ye Yuan deserve to be the vice hall head?"

Luo Qingfeng's face changed when he heard this. "There's actually such a thing?!"

"Ye Yuan completed the pill formula? How is this possible? He's only a low-rank Alchemy Master!"

"Yeah! The thing he took out before was only the True Rising Spirit Pill formula, just a Tier 1 medicinal pills, that's all. The Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill is a Tier 4 medicinal pill!"

"Could it be that Ye Yuan really has a formidable master? Also . . . a Quasi-Tier 4 Soul Driving Pill. This name sounds a lot like the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill. Can it be . . ."

"Can it be that we all have a chance to break through?"

All the elders were incredibly shocked. A low-rank Alchemy Master completed a Tier 4 medicinal pill! This was simply inconceivable!

At this point, there was no longer anybody who doubted that there really was a powerful master behind Ye Yuan.

However, what they minded was not this. What they took notice of was the Soul Driving Pill!

There was nobody who could resist the temptation of breakthrough!

"This . . . Since this is the case, I have no objections!" Luo Qingfeng pondered for a long time before saying.

"I agree as well!" Xiao Jian was the first to show his stand.

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The objections became waves of approval.

Yao Qian's face was as ugly as it could get. With a sway of his body, Ye Yuan actually rode above his head!

Thinking of how Ye Yuan would boss him around to make him do things in the future, Yao Qian felt just as disgusted as he had just eaten a fly!

Yao Qian really wished to yell out 'I disagree,' but the weight of his words in this situation was too feeble. Furthermore, Skymaple said that if anyone dared to object again, they would be directly expelled!

Yao Qian could only swallow these two words back into his stomach and let it fester.

The game was set. Skymaple's expression looked much better.

"Since that's the case, then from today onwards, Ye Yuan will be . . ."

"Hang on!" Skymaple was talking when Ye Yuan interrupted halfway.

"En? What do you want to say, Ye Yuan?" Skymaple asked in puzzlement.

Ye Yuan stood up and gave a bow to Skymaple and Luo Qingfeng. He slowly said, "Grand Elder, Sect Master, I can't take this vice hall head position!"

Chapter 247: Exchange

This matter underwent another unexpected change!

As the party involved, Ye Yuan actually rejected Grand Elder's appointment!

This matter hit one snag after another, leaving the elders at somewhat of a loss on what to do.

"Ye Yuan, are you worried that you can't control these punks? Don't worry, with me around, none of them will dare to disobey your orders!"

Skymaple did not imagine that Ye Yuan could actually voice out his rejection either. But he soon realized what it was that Ye Yuan was worried about.

Ye Yuan said, "Not this reason. This disciple thank Grand Elder very much for your great kindness. It's just that this vice hall head position, disciple really cannot accept it!"

Skymaple asked in surprise, "Why is that?"

"This disciple entered the sect to hone the Martial Path. That's why I entered the Martial Hall. This disciple's strength is paltry. I originally wanted to compete with the seniors in the Martial Hall. Once I take on this vice hall head position, it wouldn't be appropriate to spar with other seniors about the Martial Path," Ye Yuan stated a reason that surprised everyone.

"This . . . Your alchemic talent is so peerless. Walking the Martial Path is truly a waste!" Skymaple sighed emotionally.

Alchemists just needed to bother with cultivating essence energy and simply did not need to worry about combat power. But to martial artists, essence energy was only the foundation to unleash combat power. What they had to do was to maximize combat power to the greatest!

Skymaple himself was an alchemist. Seeing that Ye Yuan was so amazing in the Alchemy Path, he naturally hoped for him to walk the Alchemy Path.

Little did he realize that Ye Yuan's Alchemy Dao had already reached the acme of perfection!

"Thank you, Grand Elder, for your adulation. But at present, to me, the Martial Path is still more important! I hope that Grand Elder can permit it!" Ye Yuan said earnestly.

Seeing that Ye Yuan's was bent on this, a trace of helplessness flashed across Skymaple's face. He could only say, "Since that's the case, then this matter is over. However, I still want to give you the position of nominal elder. In the Pill Hall, your status is not beneath theirs."

Hearing these words, Yao Qian's mood which just had a turn for the better returned to its original state.

The so-called nominal elder was that they could ignore Pill Hall work, but enjoy the treatment of an elder. Kind of like only drawing a salary but not doing work.

That was also to say that as long as Ye Yuan took on this appointment, he would be on an equal footing with him, Yao Qian.

Recalling half a month ago where he was still an envoy planning on fetching Ye Yuan into the sect. At that time, he even said that Ye Yuan might not even be able to maintain the position of core disciple.

But after half a month, with a shake of his body, Ye Yuan actually became equal footing as him. There really was the feeling like he was being slapped in the face in public.

Quickly reject! Quickly reject! Yao Qian kept on praying in his heart that Ye Yuan would also reject this elder position.

"Since Grand Elder insists, then alright. I'll accept this nominal elder. However, I hope that the sect will not publicize my status and not give me any special treatment. Let me cultivate with an ordinary disciple identity."

The reality was very cruel. Ye Yuan accepted this appointment in the end.

Ye Yuan knew that there were many benefits to being an elder. It was only a nominal status anyway, why would he say no?

Within the Tranquil Cloud Sect, the elders had many responsibilities and also had many privileges.

Ye Yuan, as a nominal elder, did not need to carry out responsibilities. He, a Spirit Condensation Realm, could not carry them out even if he wanted to. However, he could enjoy the privileges.

Only a fool would not do it!

Ye Yuan also guessed some parts of Skymaple's thoughts. That was why he was insistent on not accepting the vice hall head position. Ye Yuan's time was very valuable. He did not wish to waste it on sect affairs.

But as for this nominal elder, he had no emotional burdens.

"Haha, it's good that you agreed. Otherwise, I really would not know how I should thank you. Qingfeng, later, you help Ye Yuan make an elder token. As to the disciples, don't publicize it." Skymaple also let out a sigh in relief seeing that Ye Yuan accepted.

Luo Qingfeng replied with a yes; his eyes seemed complicated as he shot Ye Yuan a glance.

To promote to become a sect elder at the Spirit Condensation Realm, Ye Yuan was the first person to do so since the establishment of the Tranquil Cloud Sect!

Luo Qingfeng was also a smart man. He also guessed some parts of Skymaple's intentions, so he did not have any complaints towards this.

To a declined sect, they madly yearned to be strong.

Skymaple swept a glance over everyone. Seeing that many people's face had unconvinced looks, he sneered coldly in his heart.

"After this seat enters closed-seclusion, Qingfeng will take the stage. You all do well to assist him! If there are any problems related to alchemy, you can communicate and exchange with Elder Ye Yuan. I believe that he won't let you down!" Skymaple said calmly.

Ye Yuan sweated heavily when he heard that. But he could not explain things at such a time.

This old fellow isn't drawing aggro to me, right?

It was still fine for the Martial Hall elders, but the thick hostility from those Pill Hall elders was too distinct!

Indeed, once Skymaple's words fell, Ye Yuan immediately felt a deep fighting intent.

Every one of the elders was filled with righteous indignation. They dared to be angry but dared not voice out. If looks could kill, Ye Yuan would have been killed multiple times over by now.

Just a low-rank Alchemy Master, and the Grand Elder actually used him to compare to the elders. This was such a joke!

Furthermore, although Grand Elder said 'exchange,' in truth, everybody heard that it was 'seek advice'!

Even if Ye Yuan really completed the Seven Profound Soul Driving Pill formula, it was definitely a blind cat catching a dead rat, he just coincidentally knew this pill formula; that was all.

If one were to say that Ye Yuan's level was high, they would not believe it even if they were beaten to death!

Ye Yuan had an incredible master behind him, so it was also normal to know how to recite several higher level pill formulas. But he was only a teenager. How deep could his understanding towards alchemy be?

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In the Pill Hall's assembly hall, a bunch of elders surrounded Ouyang Yu. Some of their throats were already red from arguing.

"Hall Head, I really can't take this lying down! Old me has immersed myself in the Alchemy Path for about 150 years. I dare not say that I'm well-versed in alchemy, but I can't be beaten by a teenage child, right?"

"Exactly! I have no objections about Grand Elder insisting on letting Ye Yuan be a nominal elder. But to let us go and seek advice from him, isn't it too overboard?"

"Grand Elder is clearly looking down on our Pill Hall! How can he do this?! He himself also walked out from the Pill Hall. How can he belittle our Pill Hall like this? Can it be that so many of us Quasi-Alchemy Kings here can't even fight him, a low-rank Alchemy Master?"

"I want to challenge him!"

"Right, I also want to challenge him! I want to see just whether or not Ye Yuan really has three heads and six arms!"

"I'll go too!"

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Everyone was clamoring, giving Ouyang Yu a headache.

However, these elders' words really hit the spot for him.

Although Skymaple did not name him, he clearly included him inside too.

Ouyang Yu was the Pill Hall's Hall Head and also the strongest alchemist in the Pill Hall; an existence that was only a step away from advancing into Alchemy King Realm.

Of course, this step was a heavenly chasm to him.

Such an existence still needed to accept guidance from Ye Yuan, a low-rank Alchemy Master?

What a joke!

Ouyang Yu swept a glance over these elders and said with a slight smile, "I didn't hear anything."

Finishing, he turned around and left.

The group of elders was stunned. Immediately after, they revealed an understanding smile.

Chapter 248: Denied Entry

Shao Yun was the fifth seat among the Pill Hall elders. The previous year, he had just broken through to high-rank Quasi-Alchemy King Realm.

As the Pill Hall's up and rising force in the prime of his life, his position in the Pill Hall was very high, and he was deemed to be one of the contenders to become the next Pill Hall's hall head.

In comparison, although Yao Qian and his like were Pill Hall elders, they were the least important group of people, barely enough to do the role of running errands.

Otherwise, he would not have been sent to the State of Qin to be an envoy.

His age was old, his cultivation realm was low, and he already exhausted all of his potential and hard to have any breakthrough in this life.

As the representative of the newly emerging force, Shao Yun was one of the most reluctant to accept Ye Yuan taking on the position of nominal elder.

In front of Ouyang Yu, Shao Yun was one of those who argued the fiercest.

Ouyang Yu left without saying anything. It was clear that he tacitly approved of them finding Ye Yuan to 'communicate and exchange.'

The few elders who made the most noise put their heads together. Finally, Shao Yun offered to come forward and 'challenge' Ye Yuan!

Shao Yun was one of the celebrity figures among the various Pill Hall elders. Once his profile appeared in the Earth Barracks, immediately there were disciples who recognized him.

"Disciple Li Ming has seen Elder Shao Yun," an Eighth Level Spirit Condensation Realm disciples said respectfully.

Shao Yun felt a little pleased with himself secretly, but he said authoritatively, "En, you came just in time. Ye Yuan is staying here, right?"

Li Ming was confused. "Ye Yuan? This name is really unfamiliar. Is he a newcomer? En . . . There seemed to be a novice disciple a few days ago. He beat up Senior Apprentice Brother Ceng's younger brother right after coming."

This time, it was Shao Yun's turn to be stupefied. "Fighting with others the moment he came? Indeed a troublemaker."

Li Ming saw Shao Yun frown and instinctively thought that he came to find trouble with Ye Yuan. He hurriedly said, "Ye Yuan is staying at the No. 72 courtyard over there. I'll go call him over to pay respects to Elder Shao right away."

The elder already came to find Ye Yuan personally. As a disciple, he naturally had to come out to receive him. Finishing, without even waiting for Shao Yun's approval, he jogged over to the No. 72 courtyard.

Shao Yun originally wanted to stop Li Ming, but after thinking about it, he decided against it.

Although Ye Yuan's nominal elder status was already established, it was still tough for the elders' viewpoint to switch over in a short period.

In Shao Yun's subconscious, he still felt that Ye Yuan should come out to meet him.

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Shao Yun called for Ye Yuan's courtyard gate to be opened. The one who opened it was Lu-er.

"Miss, I'm finding Ye Yuan." Seeing that it was a beauty who opened the door, Li Ming was very courteous.

Lu-er saw that this person was unfamiliar and instinctively wanted to turn him away. "Young Master is currently resting. I wonder what matter this senior apprentice brother have?"

Li Ming obviously could tell that she was evading and could not help furrowing his brows as he said, "Resting huh? Then quickly go and wake Ye Yuan up. Just say that the Pill Hall's Fifth Seat Elder, Shao Yun, has arrived. Ask him to hurry and welcome him!"

Li Ming feared that Lu-er did not know Shao Yun's weight and added a sentence. "Elder Shao Yun is a candidate for the next Pill Hall's Hall Head. His status is extraordinary. You can't slight him!"

Indeed, Lu-er's expression changed when she heard that.

It had also been some time since she came to the Tranquil Cloud Sect. She had a rough understanding of the Tranquil Cloud Sect's situation. This title of Pill Hall's Hall Head was absolutely a big shot in the Tranquil Cloud Sect, even if he was the future Pill Hall's Hall Head.

Lu-er did not dare to delay. She immediately went in to report.

When Ye Yuan heard that it was some future Pill Hall's Hall Head, his brows could not help knitting together. Did trouble come to find him so soon?

However, wasn't this scale a little large?

Everyone was at the elder level. Want him to go to the gate to receive him?

This name of future Hall Head might be useful to others, but it was useless to Ye Yuan. In Ye Yuan's eyes, those Pill Hall elders were all trash; let alone the fact that his identity was already not beneath his.

One had to know that Skymaple asked him to be the vice hall head at the start. The other party actually had no concept of importance.

"Lu-er, go tell him that this Young Master is currently busy cultivating. Time doesn't wait for me. I don't have time to go out and receive him," Ye Yuan said calmly after hearing that.

Lu-er was shocked as she said, "But, that Senior Apprentice Brother said that this elder's position is very high. Wouldn't this offend people?"

Ye Yuan rolled his eyes and said, "He originally came to find trouble. Even if I go out and welcome him, he will still find trouble. So what's the difference between whether I offend him or not?"

Lu-er asked curiously, "How does young master know that he came to find trouble?"

Ye Yuan chuckled and said, "Your young master knows everything. Hur hur, go on, just repeat it word for word."

Ye Yuan did not tell Lu-er about the matter of him becoming a nominal elder. To Ye Yuan, it was simply not noteworthy.

Lu-er would never defy Ye Yuan's words. Since Ye Yuan said so, he definitely had his reasons. Hence, she returned to the entrance and reported Ye Yuan's words to Li Ming.

When Li Ming heard the words, he nearly cried out. Even if he was giving excuses, there was no need to be so obvious, right?

Li Ming's eyes went wide as he stared at Lu-er and confirmed, "You really told your young master that it's Elder Shao Yun who came to find him?"

Lu-er felt a little guilty, but she still nodded and said, "Yes. I already told him. But my young master is really busy with cultivation."

Finishing, Lu-er slammed the door shut with a bang.

Li Ming stood there in a daze and did not recover for a long time. Isn't this Ye Yuan too conceited? To actually not even give face to a Pill Hall elder?

"Elder Shao Yun looked like he was finding trouble to begin with, but Ye Yuan is still showing this attitude. He's dead now. No one who opposed the Pill Hall elders had a good ending!" Li Ming thought to himself.

Carrying some discontentment, Li Ming returned back to Shao Yun and reported the encounter earlier. Of course, he even mixed some personal stuff inside.

Indeed, Shao Yun flew into a great rage when he heard that. He rushed over to the No. 72 courtyard furiously.

Bang, bang, bang!

"Ye Yuan! Come out for this Elder! I know that you are not cultivating!" Shao Yun shouted.

Nobody answered . . .

Shao Yun was so enraged that he was about to explode. His position in the sect was extremely high. Yet, he was actually declined entry when coming to find a Martial Hall core disciple!

Due to him shouting extremely loudly just now, it already attracted quite a number of disciples to crowd around.

If he could not even get the other party's door to open today, then it would be a tremendous disgrace!

Shao Yun's face was already as black as the bottom of a wok. He said solemnly, "I'll count to three. If you don't open the door, this elder will tear down your courtyard!"

"One . . ."

Shao Yun waited for several breaths of time. No response.

"Two . . ."

Still no response.

"This Ye Yuan is too ballsy! That's Elder Shao Yun! Others can't even wait to suck up to him, yet Ye Yuan actually dared to refuse him entry!"

"Heh heh, this is the prelude of being chased out! Elder Shao Yun is a powerful candidate for the next generation Pill Hall's Hall Head! Is there anyone who can stay in the sect after offending him?"

"Last time, I still thought that this boy was a genius when I saw Ye Yuan beat Ceng Yu. But looking at it now, this fellow is a hothead! He could have offended anyone, but why did he have to offend Elder Shao Yun?"

"About to reach the count of three. Do you guys think that Elder Shao Yun will drag Ye Yuan out and give him a beating?"

The surrounding disciples were discussing fervently. Such a rare show truly should not be missed!

Shao Yun had a dark face as he gnashed his teeth and yelled, "Three . . ."

Still no reaction!

Chapter 249: A Jade Slip!

"Good! Very good! Really treating this elder as air? I want to see just how you be a turtle after I tear down your house!" Shao Yun gnashed his teeth in hatred and said.

Finishing, Shao Yun gathered up a colossal amount of essence energy, forcing the surrounding disciples back as if he was really going to wreck Ye Yuan's house.

Watching Shao Yun gather up such immense essence energy, the crowd could not help being dumbstruck. If this really smashed down, forget about the house, even Ye Yuan would become residue, right?

But right then, the door squeaked open.

The sound of the door opening was ear-piercing. Everyone could not help looking over in that direction.

They initially thought that they could see Ye Yuan's form scrambling over here, but they saw a little green pixie. It was precisely Lu-er.

Shao Yun only put away his skill after he saw the gate finally open. He sneered coldly in his heart.

"Humph! As expected, he belongs to the family of donkeys! He won't move unless he's hit!" Shao Yun snorted frostily.

Lu-er did not say anything. She just beckoned towards Shao Yun, signaling him to come over and talk. She looked very mysterious.

Shao Yun thought that Lu-er was asking him into the house to talk. Hence, he went forward a few steps and was about to enter the door.

He came to let Ye Yuan know what was called heaven beyond heaven, and human beyond human, not let a bunch of disciples watch a show.

If he let these disciples know that he came to find Ye Yuan to compete in alchemy, it would only lower his social status. Even if he won, it would not be honorable.

The Pill Hall's Fifth Seat winning a Martial Hall core disciple. Wasn't this him hitting his own face?

Grand Elder had already instructed not to reveal Ye Yuan's Pill Hall elder identity. Shao Yun naturally did not dare to poke the bull.

Except, when he entered the gate and was just about to walk inside, Lu-er extended her hand to stop him.

Shao Yun's face fell as he asked, "What's the meaning of this?"

Lu-er said in a soft voice, "Young Master says that he's busy with cultivation currently and doesn't have the time to spar in alchemy skills with others. Elder, please go back."

"I already came in. Making me go back? Ye Yuan, he . . ."

Lu-er interrupted his words and passed him a jade slip, saying, "Young Master said to pass this to you, and you'll leave on your own."

Shao Yun reached over to take the jade slip and snickered icily as he said, "Trying to dismiss me with one jade slip? Who does Ye Yuan think he is? A puny little Fourth Level Spirit Condensation Realm actually dare to be so arrogant and look down on others to such an extent!"

Lu-er said, "Why don't elder take a look at the jade slip first? Since Young Master said so, he naturally has some confidence."

"Haha, what a joke! Fine, I want to see just how Ye Yuan will use a jade slip to send me away!"

Shao Yun was a competitive soul. Lu-er slyly slipped in some goading, and this fellow fell for it. In reality, Lu-er did not know what was inside the jade slip either. It was just that Young Master said so. He obviously would not fight a battle he had no confidence in.

Of course, the more important thing was that Shao Yun simply did not believe that Ye Yuan could send him along his way using a jade slip.

Shao Yun guessed that there should be a pill formula inside the jade slip. Ye Yuan should be thinking of using a pill formula to bribe him.

He took this too lightly!

Think it's impressive that you can memorize a few pill formulas? Knowing how to recite pill formulas doesn't equate knowing alchemy skills!

Even if Ye Yuan had an incredible master who taught him countless types of pill formulas, he was only a low-rank Alchemy Master!

Today, Shao Yun came to let Ye Yuan know that he was merely an Alchemy Master!

Shao Yun sunk his divine sense into the jade slip. The expression on his face involuntarily froze. He immediately frowned, then became dazed. Following that, his eyes lit up, and finally, it was a mesmerized face.

Lu-er kept staring at Shao Yun. Observing how the look on his face changed so richly, on top of curiosity, she felt that Young Master was really too amazing!

At first, when she heard Young Master say that this elder wanted to find him to spar in alchemy skills, Lu-er was shocked for a long time.

In Lu-er's understanding, a Quasi-Alchemy King was an extremely powerful existence, even more amazing than Old Master! Such a figure actually came to compete with Young Master in alchemy skills!

However, shock was shock. She still chose to believe in Young Master.

This sort of baseless trust, even she herself did not know why. Anyway, she just believed that Young Master was the strongest. Even a Quasi-Alchemy King could not beat him.

Of course, her understanding was one thing. Whether or not this jade slip could let a Quasi-Alchemy King scam was another matter.

When she passed the jade slip to Shao Yun, Lu-er was still having doubts in her heart. But looking at that expression changing like a conjuring show on Shao Yun's face, Lu-er knew that this elder would not want to enter.

Indeed, Young Master was the strongest!

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Under everyone's astonished eyes, Shao Yun left.

When he arrived, his aura was tumultuous, and he nearly tore the house down.

But not five minutes passed after he entered the house when Elder Shao Yun walked out of the courtyard with a besotted look like he had acquired some treasure.

"What's with Elder Shao Yun? His stance earlier, no matter how you looked at it, it looked like he went to find trouble, right? Why is it like this now?"

"Who do I ask if you ask me? It hasn't been five minutes since he entered the courtyard. Even having a conversation wouldn't be so quick, right?"

"Eh, do you feel that this newcomer Ye Yuan is full of mystery like he is unfathomable?"

"Speaking of which, it really seems to be a slightly so! Did you notice that Senior Apprentice Brother Ceng Cheng has already returned for a very long time, but still has not come to find trouble with Ye Yuan?"

"Hehe, I heard about that. The two of them really met before. But after Senior Apprentice Brother Ceng Cheng took a look at Ye Yuan's identity token, he immediately stood there mindlessly and did not even know that Ye Yuan left! Furthermore, did you know that the last time Ye Yuan went to the support star pavilion, he accepted a level nine mission?!"

"No way? So exaggerated? Then did he complete it?"

"Don't know. Shouldn't be complete I think? No matter how heaven-defying he, a Fourth Level Spirit Condensation Realm, is, it's also impossible to finish a level nine mission, right?"

"Uh, that's true."

After Ye Yuan entered the sect, he stayed in his dwelling and had little outside contact. He only did a few things. But these few things made him appear mysterious in the disciples' eyes.

And after Shao Yun got that jade slip, he directly returned to his own refinement room without even informing other people.

The group of elders was still waiting for his news, but it was like he evaporated into thin air.

The elders only sent someone to inquire in the Earth Barracks after not getting Shao Yun's news for a long time.

They only knew that Shao Yun already went there with this inquiry. But he arrived hastily and left swiftly too.

They only knew that Shao Yun returned to his own residence after they continued investigating.

But the elders only knew that Shao Yun directly entered a retreat and was not meeting anyone after the elders went to his place to ask!

After going one big circle only to get such news, it really angered everyone until they were tender on the inside with a burnt exterior.

This old punk is too irresponsible! Notify us if you're entering seclusion!

You made everyone wait for your news!

However, while they were dissatisfied, everyone was even more doubtful now. Even if Ye Yuan's level was really extremely high, he could not have made Shao Yun return in defeat after five minutes, right?

Just what did Shao Yun experience at Ye Yuan's residence?

Chapter 250: One After Another!

At the Pill Hall.

Many elders were gathered together, discussing Shao Yun's sudden seclusion.

"You guys tell me; what did Shao Yun encounter at Ye Yuan's place? Why do I feel that this is more and more abnormal?"

"Logically speaking, the greatest possibility for Shao Yun's closed-seclusion is that he was defeated and felt that he lost face, so he was embarrassed to come and see us. That's why he chose to enter seclusion. But the problem is Shao Yun did not even spend five minutes at Ye Yuan's residence. It's not even enough for them to have a conversation!"

"Yeah. Five minutes isn't even enough to explain a pill formula clearly. What can they do? This isn't competing in martial arts either. Can Ye Yuan even one-shot defeat him?"

"Elder Xin, you're our big brother. You've got to step up for this matter! Can it be that we, such a large bunch of elders, really have to be defeated by Ye Yuan?"

Once these words were said, the group of elders looked towards the elderly person sitting at the main seat with his eyes shut to rest his mind. He was the Pill Hall's Third Seat, the number one person beneath Ouyang Yu and the vice hall head, Xin Yuanshu!

Xin Yuanshu was the elder with the highest seniority and the highest realm. He naturally became everyone's pillar at this time.

Likewise a high-rank Quasi-Alchemy King, but Xin Yuanshu's strength was much more powerful than Shao Yun's. He had already advanced to high-rank Quasi-Alchemy King for decades. Although he was still not quite at Ouyang Yu's level, he was not far off.

About Ye Yuan, an Alchemy Master becoming a Pill Hall nominal elder, Xin Yuanshu obviously had quite a few veiled criticisms. Or else he would not have appeared here today.

It was just that he had always been respectful towards Grand Elder, so he did not voice out the entire time.

Xin Yuanshu naturally looked forward to Shao Yun challenging Ye Yuan. But did not imagine that he would actually lose.

This way, he was naturally pushed out by everyone.

Looking at the elders crowding over, Xin Yuanshu's eyes snapped open. Sweeping a glance across everyone, he sighed and said, "Fine then. This old man will take a trip down and have a crack at this Ye Yuan."

Xin Yuanshu was already old. Even if he was displeased in his heart, he was unwilling to do this sort of seeking to prevail over others.

While Shao Yun's strength was not on par with him, this fifth seat was absolutely not an undeserved reputation. Originally, he thought that he could capture the enemy easily, but did not think that such a thing would happen.

Such a strange situation, it was naturally the safest to invite the hall head to come forward. But this way, there would be no room left to maneuver.

Xin Yuanshu has lived in the Pill Hall all his life and had very deep emotions towards the Pill Hall. Now that this matter involved the Pill Hall's honor, he had no other option but to throw his old face away.

A 200 plus-year-old man facing a 15-year-old youth. Even if he won, it would be winning unscrupulously.

If he lost, then his reputation would truly be lost.

If this were before, Xin Yuanshu would never really think of the word 'lost.' But with Shao Yun's incident as the herald, he did not have too much assurance currently.

Just as everyone said, this Ye Yuan was very peculiar.

The elders were initially worried that Elder Xin would be unwilling to stand up. Now that they saw him agree, they were naturally beside themselves with joy.

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Xin Yuanshu was not as arrogant as Shao Yun. When he arrived at the Earth Barracks, he directly knocked on the No. 72 door.

After Shao Yun's service, Ye Yuan's residence was already familiarized by the Pill Hall elders.

Before this, these elders truly would not be able to remember what number residence a core disciple was staying in.

The one who opened the door was still Lu-er. She only peeked her small head out and did not have any intention of letting Xin Yuanshu enter.

Xin Yuanshu was just about to speak when Lu-er took the initiative. "May I ask for this elder's name?"

Xin Yuanshu was dumbfounded, but he still reported his name. "This old man is Xin Yuanshu, the Pill Hall's Third Seat. I'm . . ."

Bang!

Lu-er shut the door before Xin Yuanshu even finished talking.

Xin Yuanshu was stunned at first before boundless humiliation and anger from embarrassment followed tightly!

Indeed, like master, like servant!

The master is so insensible, and the maidservant is the same!

Who treats guests this way?

Even if you, Ye Yuan, are really a Pill Hall elder, I, Xin Yuanshu, am also your senior, right?

Xin Yuanshu was just about to blow his top when the door squeaked open again.

This time, Lu-er poked out a small head plus an arm.

"Elder Xin is it? This jade slip is for you. Young Master says that you'll leave on your own after reading it." Lu-er was afraid that Xin Yuanshu would not read it, so she added on, "Uh . . . that Elder Shao Yun previously also left after reading the jade slip."

Finishing, the door shut with a bang again, and not a sound could be heard after.

Xin Yuanshu held the jade slip in his hand with a stupefied face.

He had already overlooked the way Ye Yuan and Lu-er treated guests and focused his attention on the latter half of Lu-er's sentence.

Shao Yun actually went into seclusion because of this jade slip?

With Ye Yuan's realm, what could the jade slip he carved be?

If one were to talk about something Ye Yuan had that Shao Yun would take a fancy upon, that could only be pill formulas!

Ye Yuan knew many pill formulas that the sect did not. This was already common knowledge among the elders. But would Shao Yun give up the challenge because of a pill formula?

Wasn't this taking things too lightly?

After thinking for a long while, Xin Yuanshu could not figure it out either. He decided to take a look at the jade slip first!

When Xin Yuanshu sunk his divine sense into the jade slip, he immediately understood why Shao Yun entered closed-seclusion!

Following that, his expression became as interesting as Shao Yun's . . .

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"Elder Xin has already gone for such a long time. Why isn't he back yet?"

"No idea. Could it be that the two of them are locked in a pitched battle?"

"How is that possible? Elder Xin's level is practically reaching Hall Head's. Isn't trashing Ye Yuan a piece of cake?"

"Then how do you explain why he hasn't returned yet?"

In the Pill Hall, two elders fell silent at the same time. Suddenly, they exchanged glances. Their eyes were filled with disbelief, but they chorused together, "Can it be a closed-seclusion too?"

Hence, they sent somebody to inquire again. The result they obtained was indeed a closed-seclusion!

The group of elders exchanged glances but did not know what to say.

This sort of situation was seriously too abnormal . . .

The Pill Hall's Third Seat and Fifth Seat went to find Ye Yuan to challenge him, but the result was that they entered seclusion bafflingly without even notifying them. What kind of situation was this?

"Just what kind of hex did Ye Yuan cast to actually let Elder Xin and Elder Shao enter a retreat with even giving us a heads up? They . . . didn't fall under some kind of hex, right?"

When encountering an inexplicable situation, people would naturally lean towards black magic.

The group of elders had nothing to say in response.

After a long while, an elder suddenly stood up and said gravely, "I'll go and meet Ye Yuan too. I don't believe that he can make me enter closed-seclusion too!"

Finishing, without waiting for the group to stop him, he directly hastened out of the door.

He left threateningly, but the result was that he . . . did not come back either.

That elder also directly entered a closed-seclusion!

The development of this situation was more and more peculiar. The elders felt that this was absolutely preposterous.

If it was only one or two, then fine. But wasn't three people somewhat unexplainable?

But this matter had yet to be concluded. In the following two days, there were several more elders who viewed themselves highly and were unwilling to submit that went to challenge Ye Yuan.

But . . . their outcomes were all . . . closed-seclusions!