

## Chapter 111: Moonlight Flare

The Moon Empress looked at Cheng Wu, who was kneeling on the ground, and waved her hand without any expression on her face. The Fantasy V Gold Ring Spine Gu was then wrapped around by the muslin-like moonlight, causing it to let out a miserable scream.

Even if the Gold Ring Spine Gu was a Diamond/Fantasy V fey, it still wasn't able to resist the moonlight at all. In fact, when it was trying to scream, the moonlight trapped its voice and couldn't get emitted at all.

The serene and beautiful moonlight actually concealed a murderous intent, merciless and sharp. The Moon Empress was even going to give Cheng Wu the chance to explain.

Just as Cheng Wu felt the Gold Ring Spine Gu deteriorating, he became mournful and pounded his head on the ground as he kowtowed and said, "I beg the Moon Empress to spare my life. I, Cheng Wu, am willing to use the rest of my life to serve under the Moon Empress!"

The Moon Empress had a bone-chilling expression, but her voice was still mild and gentle. However, the mild and gentle voice carried an unreserved killing intent.

"Since you wished to kill This Empress' disciple, you should have known that a killer must be prepared to get killed too." The Moon Empress paused for a moment and continued. "You are not worthy to serve under This Empress. Repent under the moonlight."

After hearing the Moon Empress' words, Cheng Wu's eyes turned lifeless, and he even forgot to circulate his spirit qi for a moment. Thus, the moonlight instantly disintegrated one of his arms.

The Moon Empress didn't conceal the killing intent in her words as she wanted Cheng Wu to know that he wasn't going to escape this calamity. Cheng Wu had never expected that this kid he treated as an insect was actually the Moon Empress' disciple. If it was some other form of relationship, he might be lucky enough to keep his life.

Earlier on, he had made a move on the Moon Empress' disciple—a move to kill. Had it not been for the Moon Empress' obstruction, his Gold Ring Spine Gu might have emptied Lin Yuan's spinal cord now. At that thought, Cheng Wu's heart turned into dead ashes.

Just as Cheng Wu felt he was going to vanish under the moonlight, a jade-green bamboo leaf suddenly appeared and hovered over Cheng Wu's head. The jade-green bamboo leaf was emitting bright green radiance, blocking the concentrated moonlight for Cheng Wu. However, in just a few seconds, the bamboo leaf gradually vanished and was also completely disintegrated by the moonlight.

A white-clothed middle-aged man holding a jade bamboo appeared beside Cheng Wu. The middle-aged man kicked Cheng Wu, sending him flying a dozen meters away and allowing Cheng Wu to leave the most concentrated spot within the moonlight.

Immediately after, a red-armored man appeared beside Cheng Wu, and he emitted spiritual power with a wave of his hand to block off the moonlight that wasn't considered concentrated.

The red-armored man quickly said, "If the Moon Empress' Cold Moon Lone Disk continues to emit the moonlight, Cheng Wu will really disintegrate. Will the Moon Empress please reconsider..."

While speaking, the red-armored man released a strand of spirit qi and covered Cheng Wu. The spirit qi strand revolved around Cheng Wu's body, but it was unable to recover his injuries. As such, the red-armored man was appalled.

He had already heard of the incredible exclusive skill of the Moon Empress' Cold Moon Lone Disk. The Cold Moon Lone Disk's exclusive skill, Sublimation, was able to transform any substance into a fourth state apart from gaseous, liquid, or solid states. It would turn the substance into nothingness. After seeing it personally today, it was truly worthy of its reputation.

Cheng Wu might be a pinnacle Class 4 Creation Master, but he had only formed a contract with the source-type lifeform. The Gold Ring Spine Gu was able to enhance the Creation Master's capability, but it wasn't really adept in combat. Nonetheless, it was still a Diamond/Fantasy V source-type lifeform, yet it couldn't even resist the moonlight.

While thinking like that, the red-armored man felt a chill in his heart. His combat strength might be superior to Cheng Wu, but as he sensed the moonlight and looked at the cold moon in the sky, he couldn't help but wonder how long he could have endured within the moonlight.

When the Moon Empress saw that someone was actually trying to protect Cheng Wu, she frowned. At the moment she frowned, the moonlight emitted a flaring prowess.

The man with the jade bamboo coughed lightly and said, "Moon Empress, Cheng Wu is still a pinnacle Class 4 Creation Master. Even if he really offended you, you have already punished him. He has already lost an arm. Are you able to give This Monarch face and spare Cheng Wu's life?"

As soon as the Bamboo Monarch finished speaking and saw the Moon Empress' expression, he could tell the situation wasn't good. The Moon Empress waved her hand in the sky, while the moonlight revolved around her hand with the cold moon's color.

The Moon Empress sneered and said, "Give you, the Bamboo Monarch, face? When have I, the Moon Empress, given anyone a face? Could it be that you wish to have your Purple Bamboo Forest have both the sun and moon together for an entire month?"

The three questions the Moon Empress posed made the Bamboo Monarch put on a helpless expression. He was well aware of the Moon Empress' temper and knew that it was impossible for her to spare Cheng Wu on his account.

Despite that, the Bamboo Monarch glanced at Cheng Wu first before he frowned lightly and said in a serious tone, "Each pinnacle Class 4 Creation Master is the Radiance Federation's capital. Hence, This Monarch requests for the Moon Empress to be merciful again."

The Moon Empress said with a cold voice, "The Radiance Federation's capital? Since when can the Radiance Federation's capital make a move on a young Class 2 Creation Master? Such capital is already corrupted!"

The Bamboo Monarch finally looked at Lin Yuan, who stood beside the Moon Empress. He looked at the bloodstains on the ground and on Lin Yuan's body. It was still bright red and had yet to dry up. The blood was so bright red because Lin Yuan's inner organs had been ruptured, and he had vomited out.

The Bamboo Monarch used his peripheral vision to shoot an arrow-like glance, filled with disgust, at Cheng Wu. He then said to Lin Yuan with a gentle voice, "Young friend, the Moon Empress has already stopped Cheng Wu from making a move against you. Why don't I ask Cheng Wu to compensate you with some precious spiritual ingredients? I will make sure that he resolves this hatred and will not seek trouble with you ever again."

Lin Yuan was initially shocked that he could see the Class 5 Creation Master, Bamboo Monarch. Two of the three Class 5 Creation Masters of the Radiance Federation were present.

The Bamboo Monarch's voice might sound gentle and pleasing, while the way he addressed Lin Yuan as a young friend might seem friendly, but was Lin Yuan really able to refuse this proposal?

Before Lin Yuan could speak, the Moon Empress' hand revolved with radiance before she grasped it. The Fantasy V Gold Ring Spine Gu was then enveloped in moonlight and started struggling violently under the sudden moonlight flare.

The flaring moonlight instantly sublimated the Diamond/Fantasy V lifeform into the air and turned it into undetectable particles of dust.

"Should I take this as the Bamboo Monarch trying to make things difficult for my disciple? Worms appear from rotting flesh, holes appear in dried up fish. Anything corrupted and rotting should be eliminated. Is the Bamboo Monarch thinking that flowers can be grown from rotting wood and bloom with radiance?"

## **Chapter 112: Greatest Leniency**

When Lin Yuan heard the Moon Empress' words, he felt warmth in his heart. The Bamboo Monarch's tone might have sounded gentle, but it was unquestionable. Subsequently, the Moon Empress' statement was to protect him.

When the Bamboo Monarch found out that the youth beside the Moon Empress was her disciple, he revealed a surprised look on his face before he smiled and said, "I congratulate the Moon Empress for obtaining a great disciple."

Presently, the Bamboo Monarch knew that nothing he said was going to be useful. Cheng Wu's attack on the Moon Empress' disciple was no different than courting death. He watched as the Moon Empress sublimated Cheng Wu's Gold Ring Spine Gu with the moonlight and didn't show any signs of obstruction.

After the Gold Ring Spine Gu was disintegrated, Cheng Wu's originally bloodless face was now even paler, and he was perspiring with cold sweat. The Gold Ring Spine Gu's death left an immense mental trauma on Cheng Wu's spiritual energy.

Cheng Wu's physical injuries didn't make him suffer as much as the mental trauma. It was unbearable!

All of a sudden, a rather charming voice echoed from the horizon. A masked and black-robed woman arrived while she stepped on air. "The Moon Empress is truly incredible and has directly sublimated this

Gold Ring Spine Gu. Cheng Wu had only formed a contract with this source-type lifeform. So, since it is already dead, I wonder if the Moon Empress' anger is appeased."

Although the black-robed woman's mask made it impossible to fully see her face, her eyes were still exposed. She was looking at the Moon Empress with a complex expression.

The Moon Empress lifted her head and looked at the black-robed woman with complex eyes too. However, her expression didn't change. "It is none of your matters if This Empress' anger is appeased. As a Chief Guard, why are you not overseeing the Spirit Guards? Are you really that free?"

Lin Yuan looked up at the sky after hearing the words. This black-robed woman is actually the Chief Guard of the Spirit Guards? She is the current era's top-class expert!

The black-robed woman was now standing beside the Bamboo Monarch as she said, "Xiyue[1], the punishment is enough. You are not young and are already a Class 5 Creation Master. You are the Radiance Federation's pillar and should know when to punish and reward."

As soon as the black-robed woman finished speaking, an intense spirit qi wave surged, and a golden-armored middle-aged man appeared next to the red-armored man. He walked past the red-armored man, grabbed Cheng Wu up from the ground, and said in a loud voice, "Chief Guard Ye is right. Cheng Wu is a pinnacle Class 4 Creation Master recognized by the Creation Master Association. Even if he is at fault, he should only be judged first before being punished. Now that the Moon Empress has punished him, leave the rest to me."

The red-armored man flashed and arrived in front of the Bamboo Monarch. He had to quickly stand away from the gold-armored man. He then silently complained. Why is Iron Prison here too? It is fine if he is here, but he actually dares to speak to the Moon Empress like this? Isn't he trying to seek trouble?

Given the style that Iron Prison handled matters, he would probably suffer in the Moon Empress' hands. The red-armored man looked at the Bamboo Monarch and realized that the latter was looking at Iron Prison with a displeased expression. He didn't know that the Bamboo Monarch was also saying, 'Not good!', in his heart.

Iron Prison handles matters in a straightforward manner. Putting it in a nice way is to say that it is his dominance, but is his dominance useful against the Moon Empress? If this isn't a foolish act, then what is?

Cheng Wu nearly killed the Moon Empress' disciple. Now that Iron Prison arrived, he actually went against the Moon Empress and ordered her... I don't even dare to do it!

Cheng Wu had also come back to his senses now and recalled that he was still a respected pinnacle Class 4 Creation Master and very useful to the Radiance Federation. At that thought, Cheng Wu's mind lit up, so he looked at the gold-armored man who had grabbed him and said, "Lord Iron Prison, I beg you to save me!"

Cheng Wu then turned to look at the Moon Empress. "Lordess Moon Empress, I, Cheng Wu, know I am wrong! I am willing to give up all my wealth to your great disciple! I just hope for you to spare my life!"

When Iron Prison heard Cheng Wu calling him for help, his face turned unpleasant. He might be a straightforward person, but he understood that this would make it seem like he was directly opposing the Moon Empress.

However, Iron Prison didn't throw Cheng Wu away from his hand and continued to say with a cold face, "Lordess Moon Empress has already given the punishment. You have to set your punishments and rewards apart."

The Moon Empress sneered and stood in the air. The concentrated moonlight felt as though it had turned solid before it swept at Iron Prison.

"This Empress is the Moon Empress, therefore, my punishment to Cheng Wu is a reward too. So how am I not setting the punishment and reward apart? Since you wish to take Cheng Wu away, then I shall see if you, Iron Prison, have the capability to do so!"

Wherever the Moon Empress' moonlight swept across, there would be moon-colored ripples. It was utterly beautiful, but everyone who saw it felt a shiver in their spines.

Iron Prison suddenly activated his spiritual energy and summoned a prehistoric dragon beast that was roughly forty meters in size. The dragon beast spat out energy in preparation to defend against the moonlight.

When the Moon Empress saw Iron Prison summoning his fey, her eyes sparkled with cold light. At the same time, the bright moon in the sky suddenly burst out with radiance. The moonlight was like water with ripples, and within those ripples, a bare-footed young girl in a dress made out of the cold moon walked down from the moon.

The young girl's long hair was the extremely concentrated moonlight, and her gorgeous face had a 70% resemblance to the Moon Empress!

The moment the young girl walked down the moonlight, it felt as though sparkling stars accompanied the moonlight. The prehistoric dragon beast immediately let out a pitiful roar and was sent flying.

Subsequently, the Bamboo Monarch and the black-robed woman each shot out an energy beam to help block the moonlight's attack.

The Bamboo Monarch looked at the Moon Empress with shock but also pleasant surprise. "Moon Empress, your Cold Moon Lone Disk has reached Myth II!"

The red-armored man beside the Bamboo Monarch looked at the girl that walked out of the moonlight with shiny eyes.

Myth II, feys could transform and take a human form!

The Moon Empress stood in the sky and sneered. "Bamboo Monarch, you old thing. Your Ink Point Emperor Bamboo was already a Myth Breed a few dozen years ago. This Empress doesn't believe that your Ink Point Emperor Bamboo hasn't reached Myth II yet."

The Moon Empress took a glance at the Bamboo Monarch and another glance at the black-robed masked woman before saying, "Since you wish to fight, This Empress shall not hold back! This Empress has been secluded for ten years, and it seems that none of you put This Empress in your eyes!"

After speaking, the Moon Empress lifted her shoulder, and the small white rabbit that was gnawing on the radish suddenly turned extremely purple. Just as its fur was reaching its peak of purple, a voice suddenly echoed from the skies, and it sounded rather urgent.

A man, who originally had a smiling face, was yelling out to the Moon Empress with an urgent expression, "Moon Empress, have you forgotten about the incident ten years ago? You have been in seclusion for ten years. Isn't it because you weren't able to forget that incident from ten years ago?"

The voice was extremely urgent, and when the Moon Empress heard this statement, she paused and went silent for a moment.

She waved her hand, and the lone moon in the sky instantly vanished. The afternoon sun became glaring like normal again. The Moon Empress turned around and pulled Lin Yuan before soaring into the sky.

She didn't turn back to look at anyone, but her cold voice echoed. "Cheng Wu tried to murder This Empress' disciple, Radiance Federation's Class 2 Creation Master, Lin Yuan. His punishment should be death. Since all of you used the incident ten years ago to stab at This Empress' sore spot, Cheng Wu shall be imprisoned to cleanse his sins."

The Moon Empress paused for three seconds before she continued saying, "He shall not be released unless he dies. This is already This Empress' greatest leniency."

### **Chapter 113: Transformation of Attitude**

The Moon Empress brought Lin Yuan back to the Radiant Moon Palace. After checking on his injuries carefully, she said with concern, "It is my fault. When you left, I didn't even think to let someone follow you. You have been shocked, but it is also good. This incident taught you something that I don't know how I should have taught you."

While speaking, the Moon Empress paused for a moment and looked at Lin Yuan's in a very serious manner. "Everything you possess in this world is nothing as compared to your strength."

Lin Yuan nodded after hearing the Moon Empress' words. At that moment, Lin Yuan was looking at the Moon Empress with eyes that were entirely different from before. Previously, Lin Yuan might have known that the Moon Empress was his Master, but he was still in the process of adaptation. After all, no relationships were built overnight.

However, when Cheng Wu had tried to kill him, and he had been helpless to resist, it was the Moon Empress' moonlight that had saved him. It was the current era's absolute expert that had protected him.

Had it not been for Lin Yuan, would the Moon Empress have to make things difficult for Cheng Wu? Would all those experts have gathered?

Lin Yuan was indescribably touched. After having to face the harsh world and reality with determination since the age of eight, now that he had been protected from this crisis, a sore feeling arose spontaneously.

It was a kind of feeling that Lin Yuan couldn't divulge and could only suppress it in his heart. The unfamiliar term 'Master' was suddenly engraved within his heart at the age of 18.

When the Moon Empress saw Lin Yuan looking at her, she frowned and looked at Lin Yuan with concern. "It is definitely a shock to experience such an incident for the first time. But it will not happen in the future, Master is here."

Lin Yuan's eyes had this sore feeling, but it was very dry, and no tears would flow out. Although his eyes were dry, his heart was filled with plenty of warmth.

Lin Yuan pursed his lips for a long time and opened his mouth but couldn't say a thing. He was only able to speak after a moment. "I am no longer afraid now. I know that in this world, one's strength will always be the foundation to protect oneself."

Seeing how Lin Yuan recovered so quickly, the Moon Empress nodded with satisfaction.

Lin Yuan recalled when all those experts mentioned the incident that happened ten years ago. However, if the incident involved all those pinnacle experts, it wasn't possible to read about it on the Star Web.

At that moment, Lin Yuan noticed the Moon Empress handing over a box. Three crests were inside the box, and they were the same crests as the ones Lin Yuan had received after passing the Class 2 Creation Master exam.

However, each crest had an additional and abnormally exquisite carving—the symbol of a crescent moon!

When Lin Yuan received the Moon Empress' box, he immediately bowed and called the Moon Empress as Master.

A smile appeared on the Moon Empress' cold face. She then handed a token, which was warm to the touch and pure like jade, to Lin Yuan. The jade token was engraved with two crescent moons, and they were connected on the top and bottom tips, giving off an ancient feeling.

"This is the Radiant Moon Token. Previously, you refused all of my gifts. Now that you have already gone through the ceremonial rites to have me as your Master, I don't know what to give you either. Take this Radiant Moon Token, and if you need any spiritual ingredients, you can just bring this Radiant Moon Token to the Radiant Moon Palace's spiritual ingredient vault."

Lin Yuan solemnly received the Radiant Moon Token. After experiencing this incident, his attitude was already different.

Before the life-or-death experience, Lin Yuan had been thinking to rely on himself and take each diligent step on his own. He might still be thinking like this, but his mind was now a little open.

His persistence to rely on his own capability to collect spiritual ingredients was indeed correct.

He had already gone through the ceremony rites, and the Moon Empress was now officially his Master. Lin Yuan knew that his greatest challenge right now was to collect spiritual ingredients. This was also why his feys' quality had yet to reach the Legend quality. It also resulted in Lin Yuan having three Willpower Runes for nothing.

His Jasmine Lily was already Bronze X/Epic. He only lacked a few spiritual ingredients to upgrade it to the Legend quality. By fusing the Willpower Rune he had comprehended in the mountains, the Jasmine Lily could evolve into a Fantasy Breed.

If that was the case, Lin Yuan would be able to possess a Bronze Fantasy Breed. Ling Xiao had previously mentioned that the earlier the fey progressed to a Fantasy Breed, the greater the potential.

Therefore, Lin Yuan was very ambitious and wanted Red Thorn to also reach the Legend quality at Bronze. Once Red Thorn reached the Legend quality, he would be able to fuse it with the Willpower Rune he had comprehended during the massacre, allowing Red Thorn to become a Fantasy Breed too.

Lin Yun had comprehended the third Willpower Rune when he had been observing the change of day and night. This Willpower Rune might be a little compatible with Chimey, but it still lacked a little. Chimey's exclusive skill was Clear Sky, and it carried the power of the sun. However, this Willpower Rune involved the change between day and night, so Lin Yuan had another plan for this rune.

Lin Yuan was still able to contract one more fey or a source-type lifeform with an extremely low spiritual energy requirement. As of now, Lin Yuan had never even been in a rush to form a new contract. If there was a suitable fey that was compatible with the willpower rune he comprehended during the change of day and night, Lin Yuan wouldn't mind having an additional fey.

After getting attacked by Cheng Wu, Lin Yuan had already prioritized the increase of his strength as the most important matter now. It wasn't difficult for Lin Yuan to increase his strength, and all he needed was time.

Thus, Lin Yuan made a slight adjustment to the plan he had in his mind. For the next year, he set his goal on increasing his strength. Given the Radiant Moon Palace's spiritual ingredient resources, Lin Yuan believed that he would undergo a transformation during this one year.

Seeing that Lin Yuan accepted the Radiant Moon Token, the Moon Empress was extremely happy. "Go and rest well for the next two days. Your physical injuries might have recovered, but if you feel anything wrong with your spirit, tell me."

As a Master, the Moon Empress knew that there were things that she wasn't able to provide guidance, such as the first kill or the first escape from death.

These transformations to the attitude were things that a spirit qi professional had to overcome themselves, and a Master could only give guidance.

Lin Yuan left the Moon Empress' inner palace and returned to his pavilion. He sat on the chair as his mind was still flashing back with the scene of the Gold Ring Spine Gu flying toward his neck area. However, Lin Yuan wasn't afraid and was filled with courage instead.

After experiencing this formless setback, Lin Yuan knew that he had to work hard to become stronger.

He entered the Spirit Lock spatial zone and checked on Red Thorn, Genius, and Chimey. After seeing that they were doing fine, Lin Yuan was finally relieved.

Red Thorn's vines that were sliced by the Spine Gu had also grown back out. Unexpectedly, the Red Thorn's quality had upgraded from Flawless to Epic after this battle. It was also at Elite IX.

Lin Yuan was delighted. Red Thorn's quality upgrade might have been related to the battle, but it was mainly due to the nutritious flesh within the diamond-grade fey storage box. After all, Red Thorn's evolution relied on consumption.

If it consumed large quantities of flesh, Lin Yuan believed that Red Thorn would evolve into the Bronze in the next day or two. It would allow Red Thorn to welcome its first exclusive skill. By then, it would be Red Thorn's first and true metamorphosis as a source-type lifeform.

#### **Chapter 114: The Legendary Blue Flash Purple Butterfly**

Lin Yuan didn't withdraw Genius and Chimey into his spiritual spatial zone, nor did he let them reside in the pavilion. Instead, he kept them within the Spirit Lock spatial zone.

The Platinum Cane Luffa and the Celery Vine were placed on the table inside the Spirit Lock spatial zone by Lin Yuan. An ordinary wooden table was gradually turned into jade due to the spirit qi concentration that was ten times more concentrated than the outside world. It was now extremely exquisite.

Lin Yuan now had an idea to place more wooden materials within the Spirit Lock spatial zone and allow them to turn into jade after a period of time. Turning wooden to a jade-like texture might not be useful, but it was very rare. The great appearance also allowed the price to be marked up, especially jade-textured furniture were considered luxury items.

When Genius and Chimey were hungry, they could just consume the Platinum Celery Vine and Cane Luffa from the table. After experiencing that battle earlier and seeing Lin Yuan vomiting blood, Genius and Chimey were obediently sticking onto Lin Yuan.

After every minute or two, Chimey would be chirping noisily beside Lin Yuan's ears, and it would only relax after Lin Yuan guaranteed that he was fine.

Genius was also crouching on Lin Yuan's shoulder and saying, "Yuan, I was scared to death. I am useless and couldn't be of any use in combat."

Lin Yuan quickly rubbed Genius' head until it let out a comfortable purr. Lin Yuan then said, "Had it not been for your glasses form, allowing me to dodge the qi force at the crucial moment, I might not have been able to crawl up after the first wave of attack. Therefore, Genius is great!"

Genius meowed a few times after hearing Lin Yuan's response and climbed up the table to seek a comfortable position before sleeping soundly.

After seeing Lin Yuan praising Genius, Chimey chirped loudly and flew beside Lin Yuan's ear again. Lin Yuan then chuckled and plucked off a leaf of the Celery Vine before feeding it to Chimey. "Chimey's

Sound Thrust is great too. Had it not been for Chimey's Sound Thrust, it would have been impossible to nearly injure Cheng Rui."

After Lin Yuan's praise, Chimey ate the small teared up shards of Celery Vine leaves happily. Once it ate and drank to its fill, it flew toward Genius' head with satisfaction before sleeping within Genius' fur.

The battle earlier had exhausted plenty of Genius and Chimey's spirit. The easiest way to replenish the spirit exhaustion was to have a great sleep.

As for the Gold Wind Speed Rapid Antelope, Lin Yuan had already placed it for sale on his Star Web store. Plenty of people offered to buy it—their offers great at that—but Lin Yuan hesitated to sell it.

Lin Yuan walked to the water tanks beside the spirit pool and noticed that many of the Five Fortune Ranchu eggs had already hatched. Numerous small fish were swimming within the water tanks, and they were less than half a centimeter long.

The Spirit-Siphon Goldfish's baby fish didn't require any food when in an environment with rich spirit qi. However, Lin Yuan still scooped the first batch of baby fish into another water tank. The baby fish had poor vision, and due to the rapid growth in this rich spirit qi environment, they might just eat up those eggs that had yet to hatch.

The spirit pool also had plenty of Normal Spirit-Siphon Goldfish that had evolved into elite-grade. However, these Elite Spirit-Siphon Goldfish only dared to swim at the border of the spirit pool. Only Lin Yuan's contracted Spirit-Gather Goldfish, Blackie, would be able to enjoy the central and spacious part of the spirit pool.

From time to time, it would sink to the bottom of the pool to consume one Butterfly Shell, giving off a truly relaxed feeling.

All of a sudden, Lin Yuan noticed a very interesting scene. The Spirit-Gather Goldfish, Blackie grabbed a Butterfly Shell and swam toward the edge of the pool. It then brandished its tail to push aside two Elite Spirit-Siphon Goldfish, leaving behind a female Five Fortune Ranchu.

Blackie spat out the Butterfly Shell toward the female Five Fortune Ranchu, and after seeing the female Five Fortune Ranchu carefully eating the Butterfly Shell, Blackie then turned back with pride and swam back to the center of the pool.

After the female Five Fortune Ranchu ate the Butterfly Shell, it swam toward the center of the pool carefully.

Blackie didn't bother about the female Five Fortune Ranchu that swam over, but when other Elite Spirit-Siphon Goldfish swam over, Blackie would ruthlessly swing its big tail to chase them away.

Lin Yuan was flabbergasted and involuntarily recalled about the fiendish couple when he had picked up the bottle cap. He suddenly felt as though he was fed with dog food by his own fey and said silently in his mind, "Animals have emotions and feelings too."

At that moment, Lin Yuan suddenly heard an extremely delicate sound. He turned around and noticed that the butterfly cocoon he had placed on the table had cracked open lightly. A newborn Blue Flash Butterfly was trying its best to emerge.

The newborn Blue Flash Butterfly's wings were still very tender as they were all crumpled together and couldn't extend fully.

Lin Yuan only walked over and watched without doing anything else. A butterfly's first obstacle was to extend its wings, and it was the hardest obstacle that plenty of butterflies weren't able to overcome. However, once it overcame this obstacle, the butterfly wouldn't have any more obstructions and would be able to soar freely in the blue skies.

But once the Blue Flash Butterfly extended its wing fully, Lin Yuan was stunned—the wings weren't blue but purple!

Lin Yuan was dumbfounded and didn't hesitate to use Morbius' exclusive skill, Spirit Lock, to set this purple-winged Blue Flash Butterfly as a spirit-locked fey.

Lin Yuan was unable to come back to his senses even after forming the contract with the Blue Flash Butterfly.

Am I really that lucky to form a contract with a Blue Flash Purple Butterfly that almost never appears within the Blue Flash Butterfly species?

The Blue Flash Purple Butterfly was considered the purest existence among the Blue Flash Butterflies. As soon as it hatched from the butterfly cocoon, it would go through an evolution toward the ancestry line, awakening the flawless model among the Order Lepidoptera.

Blue Flash Purple Butterflies were truly too rare, so rare that they only existed in ancient texts before the Spirit Qi Awakening. Most of the people treated the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly as a species that didn't exist, and they were feys that existed only in concepts.

Even fey pageants treated the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly as Fantasy Breeds that weren't Fantasy Breeds.

Because of Blue Flash Purple Butterflies' legend, the Blue Light Goddess Butterfly, which evolved from the Blue Flash Butterfly, was actually put at the first place during fey pageants. However, the officials weren't able to determine if Blue Flash Purple Butterflies actually existed. After all, it wasn't possible to prove the Blue Flash Purple Butterflies' existence just by taking reference to the ancient texts.

Therefore, the Purple Light Goddess Butterfly's absolute beauty wasn't taken into consideration for the Blue Light Goddess Butterfly's ranking. Otherwise, the Blue Light Goddess Butterfly wouldn't have fallen out of the top three due to its inferior abilities.

When Lin Yuan looked at the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly and checked True Data's information, he couldn't help but slap his forehead. The Blue Flash Purple Butterfly was indeed a fey that evolved toward the flawless model when hatching from the butterfly cocoon.

The basic ability of a Normal Blue Flash Purple Butterfly, Silence Scale Powder, was entirely different from the Silence Scale Powder from a Blue Flash Butterfly.

The Blue Flash Butterfly's scale powder could be scattered by great winds and other natural environmental effects, especially when the scale powder was washed off by rainwater, so its Silence ability would lose its effect.

However, the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly's Silence Scale Powder had the strongest trait as it had the ability to attach. After contacting the target, the tiny scale powder would sink into the target's skin.

Unless it was an incineration ability, such as Blazing Flame that could burn off the scale powder's powerful effects, great winds would have a tough time removing the scale powder from inflicted targets. At the same time, rainwater would only enhance the effects of the scale powder on the skin.

The Blue Flash Purple Butterfly is truly powerful!

Lin Yuan let out an involuntary sigh. From now on, the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly was no longer a legend, as there was one in Lin Yuan's hands!

### **Chapter 115: Scale Powder Halo**

As a flawless model of the Blue Flash Butterfly, the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly naturally could not escape the curse of its abilities. Its Normal ability was still formidable, but its future abilities were all rather useless. However, it was not an immense influence on Lin Yuan, as he only needed the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly's basic ability.

The Blue Flash Purple Butterfly's Normal ability, Silence Scale Powder, had the exceptional trait to attach, and it was definitely a divine ability among the control abilities. If he used it appropriately, it could certainly affect the situation of a battle and catch the opponent off guard.

After forming a contract with the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly, Lin Yuan started to channel spirit qi toward the Normal Blue Flash Purple Butterfly that was only the size of half a palm.

In just less than one hour, the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly's body was shaking rapidly and scattering layers of glistening scale powder. Soon, Lin Yuan evolved this Blue Flash Purple Butterfly from Normal I/Normal to Elite X/Epic. Then, he continued evolving the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly into Bronze.

The Blue Flash Purple Butterfly's shaking body suddenly released a light purple halo. It had an indescribable beauty, and it could only be described as a calming purple.

The layers of scale powder surrounding the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly suddenly burst out and formed an illusory halo zone that was around half a meter. The spirit qi that Lin Yuan was channeling had already broken through the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly's bottleneck, and it was now officially a Bronze fey.

After evolving into a Bronze fey, when the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly flapped its wings, it would produce a blue-purple light and spread out the scale powder that surrounded the body. It felt as though the illusory halo was shattered.

A Blue Flash Purple Butterfly that was more than twice as big as before and bigger than a fist flew out of the halo and landed on Lin Yuan's shoulder.

The butterfly with a purple halo on his shoulder made it seem like an immortal ascension.

As a straight guy, when Lin Yuan looked at the Bronze Blue Flash Purple Butterfly, he suddenly could understand why beautiful feys were so expensive and made people scramble for them.

Every glance at it was a wonderful experience.

The Blue Flash Purple Butterfly fluttered its wings and danced around Lin Yuan intimately.

Since the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly had reached Epic at elite-grade, three exclusive skills naturally appeared when it evolved into a Bronze fey.

Lin Yuan looked at the exclusive skills.

[Hard Scale Powder]: The scale powder is like fine metallic powder. Rubbing onto the scale powder might cause cuts by the sharpness of the fine surface.

In Lin Yuan's opinion, this exclusive skill was relatively useless.

The Blue Flash Purple Butterfly's Silence Scale Powder needed to be light so that it could spread quickly when released.

However, the Hard Scale Powder would not enhance the control effect of the Silence Scale Powder. Instead, it would affect the release of the Silence Scale Powder and its attachment.

Such an exclusive skill was the most pathetic.

If the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly was not evolved from an Epic at Elite, this exclusive skill would ruin a rare fey like it.

This was why so many spirit qi professionals were eager to have their feys reach Epic before they advanced to Bronze at Elite.

Lin Yuan skipped this exclusive skill and looked at the second one.

[Flashing Wings]: Quickly increases flying speed. With the scale powder on the wings, it allows flying to be as fast as a flash.

This exclusive skill increased the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly's survivability. It was reasonably a wonderful ability for support-type feys with control abilities, especially feys with almost no defense like the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly.

It could greatly increase the mistake tolerance in a battle, but it was of little use for Lin Yuan. The Blue Flash Purple Butterfly was Morbius' spirit-locked fey, and Lin Yuan was wearing the Morbius bracelet. Therefore, he could release the ability of the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly by raising his hand.

Although summoning the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly to release the Silence Scale Powder would increase the Silence Scale Powder's effect, the Flashing Wings skill was not very useful to the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly. It did not need to appear every time it released the ability.

Lin Yuan wanted to have a look at the third exclusive skill. If it was still incompatible, he could only choose the versatile Flashing Wings as its exclusive skill.

However, when he saw the third exclusive skill, he could not help but wear a smile.

[Scale Powder Halo]: Its scale powder contains a powerful reflective effect. The multi-faceted reflection will cause the target being enveloped by the scale powder to suffer from light pollution and lead to dizziness or brief blindness.

This might be a useless exclusive skill for other Order Lepidoptera or butterfly feys. But for Lin Yuan, who could only use the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly's basic abilities, the Scale Powder Halo was a divine skill. This was because the Scale Powder Halo directly enhanced the control effect of its basic skill, Silence Scale Powder.

When the Silence Scale Powder was scattered, the Scale Powder Halo would produce a powerful illusory light through the light pollution, causing dizziness or brief blindness to the target.

This exclusive skill allowed the Silence Scale Powder to achieve dual control.

At the same time, the Scale Powder Halo ensured the Silence effect of the Silence Scale Powder.

The Scale Powder Halo would provide a head start. When a controlled target came back to its senses, they would have missed the best time to avoid the Silence Scale Powder. At that time, while they would be removing the Silence Scale Powder, Lin Yuan's other feys would attack.

Each fey had thousands of exclusive skills, and it was not easy to select a suitable exclusive skill among them. Some people would even get the exclusive skill needed for Bronze before forming a contract. But it was easier said than done to get a specific exclusive skill.

Lin Yuan could not help but think of the girl with the braided egg head. She had reserved almost her 15th Web-Spraying Spider from him. She still could get the exclusive skill she wanted, the Transparent Spider Web, from the previous dozen of Web-Spraying Spiders.

Lin Yuan felt he had experienced two miracles from the moment he had his breakthrough today.

The first miracle was that a Blue Flash Purple Butterfly with a probability of 1 in 10,000,000 had flown out of the cocoon of the Blue Flash Butterfly. The other one was that the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly actually obtained a suitable exclusive skill.

The Blue Flash Purple Butterfly had only reached Bronze, so the Silence Scale Powder's effect was not yet strong.

However, if the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly matured and had the Silence Scale Powder with Scale Powder Halo, it would certainly be a very powerful control ability on the battlefield.

## **Chapter 116: Path Protector**

Lin Yuan had sent a message to Liu Jie when he had returned to the Radiant Moon Palace earlier. After experiencing a life-and-death ordeal, Lin Yuan was really not in the mood to look at houses anymore.

He had evolved the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly from Bronze I/Normal to Bronze X/Epic. However, he currently had no plans to evolve it into Silver, as the Blue Flash Purple Butterfly's future potential was related to when it would evolve into a Fantasy Breed.

Lin Yuan was not an absolute perfectionist, but this concerned his future, so he suppressed the grades of all his feys at Bronze X. Another reason was that the grade and quality of Morbius were related to its spirit-locked feys.

A spirit-lock fey could not be changed, so each of them was of utmost importance. Any feys stuck at a certain grade would simply be a disaster for Lin Yuan, as the grade of Morbius would also be forced to be stuck at the lowest grade of the spirit-locked feys.

When the feys evolved into Fantasy Breed at Bronze, Lin Yuan could raise the grade of the feys without it being forced to be stuck at Bronze.

At first, he had been thinking about how to get two Mahogany Tree Cores for his Jasmine Lily to evolve from Epic to Legend. Yet, now, he only needed to take the Radiant Moon Token and find the spiritual ingredients he needed in the treasure trove at the Radiance Palace. Thus, the next thing he had to do was to evolve Jasmine Lily to Legend and fuse the Willpower Rune that he had gained an insight back at the mountains. That way, the Jasmine Lily would become his first Fantasy Breed fey.

Lin Yuan did not know how strong a Bronze Fantasy Breed would be, but he believed that it would definitely be stronger than a fey evolved into a Fantasy Breed at Silver. A fey's evolution into a Fantasy Breed was beyond its inherent genetic model. It was an evolution toward the feys in fantasies. It would break through the Fantasy Five Transformations and evolve into a Myth Breed fey.

Lin Yuan had shallow knowledge before and only knew about the Fantasy Breed, but not the Myth Breed. Nonetheless, he had now gotten to know and see it.

Lin Yuan finalized the path that Jasmine Lily and his other feys would take after becoming Fantasy Breeds.

Morbius had yet to wake up from its slumber. In fact, not much time had passed since Morbius fell asleep. However, it had never woken up, and Lin Yuan was worried.

At that moment, there was a change in Morbius' attributes.

Lin Yuan's vacant Bronze Spirit Lock position was also filled.

[Fey Name]: Morbius

[Fey Species]: ???

[Fey Grade]: Bronze (10/10)

[Fey Type]: Spatial/Mystery

[Fey Quality]: Epic

Abilities:

[True Data]: All complicated information that is invisible to the eye is turned into data. Information that is turned into data might contain truth that cannot be distinguished on the surface.

[Calm Mind]: Passive ability. Effects of Calm Mind can be improved according to the fey's grade. Calm Mind can stabilize the mind and has a certain probability of resisting negative conditions.

Exclusive Skill:

[Spirit Lock]: Morbius' spatial zone can be used to nurture feys. The initial grade of the fey that Morbius' spatial zone can nurture must not be higher than Morbius' grade. Morbius isn't able to increase its grade by itself, so its grade will be increased along with the fey's grade that it nurtures. At the same time, Morbius can obtain the initial ability of the fey that it nurtures. However, Morbius will not obtain abilities when its grade increases. Whenever Morbius increases a grade, it will be able to nurture one more fey. Morbius' method of growth will remain unchanged.

[Pure Land of Bliss]: The Spirit Lock spatial zone will produce soil that is great for recovering near-death fey's injuries. The fey's recovery time will be determined by the grade of Morbius and the dying fey.

[Normal Spirit Lock]:

Jasmine Lily: Bronze (10/10), Epic

Ability – [Heal]: Rapidly recovers external injuries and gradually recovers vitality.

Exclusive Skill – [Recovery Imprint]: Accumulate the healing energy that is released by the Jasmine Lily during normal times. The contractor can activate the imprint to release the accumulated healing energy.

[Elite Spirit Lock]:

Spirit-Gather Goldfish: Bronze (10/10), Epic

Ability: [Spirit Injection]: Restore a certain amount of spiritual power at once and gradually restore the lost spiritual power.

Exclusive Skill – [Spirit Qi Imprint]: The spirit qi that is constantly released to the environment will be stored within the Spirit Qi Imprint instead. It will be branded on the contractor's body, and the contractor can release spirit qi contained within the Spirit Qi Imprint.

[Bronze Spirit Lock]:

Blue Flash Purple Butterfly: Bronze (10/10), Epic

Ability: [Silence Scale Powder]: Releases special scale powder with a silence effect, causing the target in contact with it to cannot communicate with spiritual power or use abilities.

Exclusive Skill – [Scale Powder Halo]: Its scale powder has a powerful reflective effect. The multi-faceted reflection will cause the target being enveloped by the scale powder to suffer from light pollution and lead to dizziness and even brief blindness.

When looking at Morbius' information under the True Data, Lin Yuan felt that it was really hard to find a stronger healing-type or support-type feys like Morbius in this world.

Each of Morbius' abilities corresponded to a fey, and the abilities of each fey corresponded to the exclusive skills. This allowed Lin Yuan to enhance Morbius' abilities according to the path he wanted.

After devouring a vast amount of flesh from dimensional lifeforms, Red Thorn had evolved into Elite X/Epic. Unfortunately, Lin Yuan could not help Red Thorn reach from Elite X to Bronze. Red Thorn needed to devour a vast amount of flesh and break through the barrier by itself.

It was difficult for feys to break through this barrier, so it would take Red Thorn some time to evolve into Bronze.

The most important thing now was to evolve the Jasmine Lily into a Fantasy Breed. Therefore, Lin Yuan had to head to the Radiant Moon Palace to obtain the spiritual ingredients required for his Jasmine Lily to evolve into Legend.

He walked out of the pavilion and walked toward the Radiant Moon Palace.

From time to time, Lin Yuan could see some rare feys blooming or playing on the lawn in the flower garden next to the Radiant Moon Palace.

Before Lin Yuan reached the Radiant Moon Palace, he saw Cold Moon approaching him.

Upon seeing Lin Yuan, Cold Moon bowed slightly and said in a clear voice, “Young Highness, the Moon Empress has invited you to go to the inner palace.”

Lin Yuan, who was startled to see Cold Moon bowing to him, quickly responded, “Senior, I can’t afford your salutations.”

Lin Yuan respected experts. Not only did Cold Moon bow to him, but she also addressed him as Young Highness, which made Lin Yuan feel uncomfortable all over.

Cold Moon looked at Lin Yuan, her usual cold expression tinted with a little warmth.

“The Moon Empress is the master of the Radiant Moon Palace in Leaning Moon Mountain. Mystic Moon and I are her retainers, while you are her disciple and kin, so you deserve my salutation. After all, you’re also the young master of the Radiant Moon Palace in Leaning Moon Mountain.”

Cold Moon paused and then added, “Not only do you deserve the salutation from Mystic Moon and me but also many people from the Radiance Federation.”

Cold Moon frowned when she recalled Lin Yuan being attacked by Cheng Wu.

“The Moon Empress invited you over, probably to assign an expert that can protect you. There are errant people everywhere. Before you grow up, you will need a Path Protector.”

Lin Yuan frowned. His Master, the Moon Empress, actually wanted to arrange a Path Protector for him?

### **Chapter 117: When a Fox Has Seven Tails**

‘Path Protection’ was a very sacred term in the hearts of the Radiance Federation.

Path Protection referred to protecting a youth’s safety and growth, as well as the path of a very young unsurpassed talent.

A youth's Path Protector would protect them from all the dangers encountered on the journey of growing up. As a bystander, a Path Protector would watch the path they were protecting, which was also the growth of the youth.

Those who were qualified to become Path Protectors were required to have a Willpower Rune. The Path Protector would then swear an oath at the Willpower Rune and protect the youth's growth with all their might and even their life until they were satisfied with it.

The Path Protector would then activate their oath again and take on the duty of the youth's butler.

They would not just protect the growth of the youth as a bystander.

If a Path Protector was dissatisfied with the path they were protecting, the Path Protector would dissolve the rune oath with the youth once the youth grew up. From then on, the Path Protector would leave the youth and no longer protect them.

Generally, the youths with Path Protectors were all from prestigious and high-ranking families. This was due to the fact that an expert would not gain any real benefits after becoming a Path Protector. They were just gambling on the youth's future.

If the path they were protecting ceased to exist, the Path Protector would suffer a backlash from the Willpower Rune. The Path Protector would do their best to protect the youth's future until the youth matured. Thus, a Path Protector's protection was somewhat like the rite of a knight before the Spirit Qi Awakening.

Of course, a Path Protector did not just protect indiscriminately. Before the youth grew up, a Path Protector could only take action in the event of a life-and-death situation. It was a kind of life protection.

Usually, even if the youth suffered insults and endless torture, the Path Protector could only watch if it was not a life-and-death situation.

The resistance that a youth encountered might seem hard, but they were of utmost importance for the transformation of the youth's mentality or strength. This was because each step of the growth of the youths, especially the geniuses, was like stepping on thorns. Only when they stepped over the thorns could they reach the true heights and be at the top with a magnificent view from above.

Lin Yuan had common knowledge about the Path Protectors, but he did not expect himself to have one. Even if the Moon Empress was his Master, he did not expect to have an expert protecting him closely one day.

Lin Yuan did not feel that this was a bad thing. He might not be able to adapt to it at first, but he did not need to worry about being assassinated.

On the journey, when Cold Moon told Lin Yuan about Cheng Wu's sentence with a cold expression, her eyes would flash with cold light when she mentioned Cheng Wu.

"The Sin Cleansing Pool's five Sin Cleansing Weeping Willows had been taken away because the Spirit Guards wanted to suppress the feys. Currently, Mystic Moon has replanted these five Sin Cleansing Weeping Willows. The Sin Cleansing Spring in the Sin Cleansing Pool is rather blocked, and Mystic Moon

has also asked for it to be repaired and opened up. With the enhancement of the Moon Empress' moonlight, Cheng Wu could probably repent in the Sin Cleansing Pool during his numbered days."

Lin Yuan knew little about the Sin Cleansing Weeping Willows and the Sin Cleansing Spring in the Sin Cleansing Pool that Cold Moon had mentioned.

However, all the people ranging from 10-year-olds to 80-year-olds from the Radiance Federation would have heard of the Sin Cleansing Pool. This place that made people shudder had countless legends. Only the vilest people would be imprisoned in the Sin Cleansing Pool to cleanse their sins.

Cheng Wu would not have a good time in the Sin Cleansing Pool.

Lin Yuan did not express any opinions on Cheng Wu's sentence, as he did not want to make things difficult for the Moon Empress. He would never go easy on someone who wanted to kill him.

However, Lin Yuan also understood that he relied on the power of his Master, the Moon Empress, to do everything, and not because of his own strength.

But this was only temporary. He believed that he would have a place in this world eventually.

When he arrived in the Radiant Moon Palace's inner palace, he saw the Moon Empress combing the snow-white fur of a beautiful seven-tailed fey.

This fey was a white fox with seven tails. Its eyes were dark green, and its beautiful appearance exuded elegance. Its gaze could make anyone feel the unparalleled cruelty coming from it.

At that moment, an ordinary rabbit that was eating a carrot jumped onto the Moon Empress' shoulders while constantly eating the carrot.

When this rabbit jumped onto the Moon Empress' shoulder, the white seven-tailed fox suddenly lowered its head.

In Lin Yuan's opinion, it seemed to be afraid of this rabbit. It slowly prostrated with its tail slightly curled up. This was how fox feys expressed their submission. Even though these feys were known for their arrogance and rarely submitted even to death, this fey was actually submissive.

The fox feys had always been outstanding among the beast-type feys, as few were comparable to them. Furthermore, fox feys were very rare, so it was usually hard to see them, let alone a white seven-tailed fox.

Lin Yuan remembered something recorded in some books on supernatural fables in his previous life.

When a fox has seven tails, a series of calamities will ensue. When a fox has nine tails, the world will be in chaos.

Before Lin Yuan could examine this white seven-tailed fox in front of him, the Moon Empress had finished combing its tail. She then raised her hand and stored this seven-tailed fox in the spiritual spatial zone.

Cold Moon went forward and said, "Moon Empress, your Calamity Sun-Swallowing Fox has evolved from six tails to seven tails. It seems to have evolved into Myth I."

The Moon Empress nodded and saw Lin Yuan. Then she waved her hand and said as a smile spread across her face, "Now that you're here, I guess you should have escaped from being assassinated."

The Moon Empress examined Lin Yuan's expression and was also relieved. Previously, she had been thinking about how to enlighten him.

Lin Yuan chuckled and revealed his white teeth, looking very cheerful.

"I've made you worried, Master."

Actually, Lin Yuan was not frightened because of the previous assassination. His expression had looked ugly because Lin Yuan truly recognized how weak he really was after the assassination.

After living two lifetimes and died once, ordinary people could not imagine Lin Yuan's firmness.

When Lin Yuan addressed her as Master, the Moon Empress beamed with joy right away, which left Cold Moon dumbfounded.

Cold Moon could not remember how many years it had been since the Moon Empress had smiled so happily!

### **Chapter 118: Mother of Bloodbath**

Cold Moon also revealed a rare smile on her normally cold face. She wasn't just happy for the Moon Empress; she was actually influenced by the atmosphere.

After some casual talk, the Moon Empress' face suddenly turned serious and stern.

"I have been considering and feel that it is better to pick a Path Protector for you early. If you are in danger, at least, your safety is guaranteed."

Lin Yuan didn't refuse and nodded. "Master, I shall listen to your arrangement."

The Moon Empress' smile was maintained on her face as Lin Yuan didn't refuse. This disciple that she had accepted was rather strong-minded and wasn't very used to relying on her. Therefore, as his Master, the Moon Empress struggled to speak some of the words.

Now that Lin Yuan accepted in such a straightforward manner, the Moon Empress made a rare joke. "Your Path Protector is in this inner palace and within your vision. Let's see if you can find the individual."

Lin Yuan looked around the large hall, and his eyes finally landed on Cold Moon. He involuntarily thought, Master wouldn't have arranged for Cold Moon to be my Path Protector, right!?

Cold Moon smiled and looked at Lin Yuan; she didn't speak nor nod.

At that moment, Lin Yuan suddenly felt a weight on his shoulder, while a strange voice echoed from it. The voice sounded rather chilly, and it made his hair stand on end. However, this eerie female voice was also abnormally pleasant.

“Kid, where are you looking? Your Path Protector is here!”

When Lin Yuan felt a weight on his shoulder, he knew that something had landed on it. He turned around and noticed that a red and crystal sculpture-like spider had actually landed on his shoulder.

The spider legs had bright red crystal-like hair and were so red that they were dazzling as if dipped in blood. Its outer shell looked like it was sculpted from a red crystal, bright red at that, that gave off a cruel beauty. This spider lifeform looked just like a flawless product of heaven.

However, its eight slender legs and body were filled with spikes that exhibited its prowess.

At the same time, Lin Yuan felt as though he could smell a faint aura of blood from this spider. It was as if it emitted a layer of sticky blood energy.

As Lin Yuan was observing this red crystal-like spider, the latter was also observing Lin Yuan carefully.

Lin Yuan observed for a moment before he turned to look at the Moon Empress, who nodded. “That’s right. This is your Path Protector. Mother of Bloodbath. It is a Suzerain/Myth I fey.”

After hearing the Moon Empress’ words, he couldn’t help but exclaim in his mind, My Master actually got a fey as my Path Protector, and a Myth I at that? But what is Suzerain grade?

“Suzerain fey?”

Before the Moon Empress could speak, the Mother of Bloodbath was already replying, “Suzerain-grade is above diamond-grade, Suzerain—”

Before the Mother of Bloodbath could finish talking, it suddenly closed its mouth as it could see the Moon Empress looking at it with cold eyes.

The Moon Empress looked at the Mother of Bloodbath with anger. My fine disciple is finally asking a question. As his Master, I haven’t even given my guidance, so why are you trying to answer?

The Moon Empress ignored the Mother of Bloodbath’s initial explanation and started from the beginning again. “Diamond-grade isn’t actually the limit. Suzerain-grade comes after diamond-grade. Suzerain feys will be able to produce a domain that is in accordance with their exclusive skill. The sky of moonlight that you saw previously was Cold Moon Lone Disk’s domain power.”

Lin Yuan was carefully noting down the Moon Empress’ words and heard her saying again, “This world doesn’t just have human experts, but also fey experts. For a fey to evolve into a Fantasy Breed, the easiest method is to form a contract with humans. Once its quality reaches Legend, and the fey fuses with the contractor’s Willpower Rune, it can become a Fantasy Breed. However, this isn’t the only method for a fey to become a Fantasy Breed.”

The Moon Empress paused for a moment, and when she noticed that Lin Yuan was listening intently to her, she nodded with satisfaction and continued. "A fey without a contractor will generally reach its limit at Diamond. However, if it can upgrade its quality to Legend at the Diamond, then they might have a chance to comprehend a Willpower Rune. It would allow them to fuse with the newly comprehended Willpower Rune and become a Fantasy Breed."

Lin Yuan was flabbergasted. This was his first time hearing that a fey could evolve into a Fantasy Breed without a contractor. However, according to what the Moon Empress said, a fey would need to be at least diamond-grade before it could become a Fantasy Breed.

Lin Yuan couldn't help but recall the two Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassias planted at the Radiant Moon Palace entrance as they were already Diamond X/Legend. They were probably waiting to comprehend a Willpower Rune to upgrade into a Fantasy Breed.

Before Lin Yuan could continue thinking more, the Moon Empress continued speaking. "A wild fey might be able to become a Fantasy Breed at diamond-grade, but it would still be stuck at diamond-grade. It can only evolve to suzerain-grade after its quality reaches Fantasy V."

Lin Yuan gasped with admiration as the evolution of lifeforms in the river of life was one that never rested. After hearing the concept of suzerain-grade for the first time, Lin Yuan involuntarily asked, "Is suzerain-grade much stronger than diamond-grade?"

The Mother of Bloodbath couldn't keep its mouth shut anymore. "Diamond and Suzerain are two completely different levels. It isn't possible to even compare them. When a Fantasy V fey evolves to the suzerain-grade, it will experience a World Cleansing. Only those who evolve to suzerain-grade after the World Cleansing have the possibility to reach Myth Breed. The Moon Empress rescued me during the World Cleansing, and thus I am willing to be the Path Protector for a young runt like you."

The Mother of Bloodbath revealed a slight trace of fear when mentioning the World Cleansing. Hence, Lin Yuan understood that the World Cleansing was considered an opportunity and also a calamity for feys.

The beautiful thing about life was that it would transform and undergo rebirth after a calamity. If it couldn't surpass the calamity, then the evolution process would cease to exist in the river of life.

The Moon Empress looked at Lin Yuan solemnly and said, "This is considered a top secret of the Radiance Federation. Only king-class experts are qualified to know, so most of the people place their attention on the quality of feys and neglect their grade, which is the most fundamental attribute. In order to evolve to suzerain-grade, the fey will have to reach Fantasy V at diamond-grade. In the eyes of any Suzerain fey, all feys that aren't at the Suzerain are just ants that are slightly more powerful."

Lin Yuan didn't know much about the Myth Breed. He only knew that it was above the Fantasy Breed. But now, he learned that in order to reach the Myth Breed, a fey had to reach Fantasy V and evolve to suzerain-grade first.

Lin Yuan had always felt doubtful as to why all the Fantasy Breed feys were only at diamond-grade. He finally understood now. Only when a Diamond/Fantasy V fey reached suzerain-grade would the said fey be able to get access and ascend into a Myth Breed!

## Chapter 119: Law Rune

Blood-colored energy filled the entire inner palace. Even the dozens of sparkling Diamond lotus flowers in the lotus lake were over-enveloped. The few Platinum Spirit-Siphon Goldfish were all hiding under the lotus leaves and didn't dare to reveal themselves.

The blood-colored energy made Lin Yuan feel as though he was in a bottomless pool of blood that he couldn't escape from. The viscous blood seemed like it could devour everything.

A strange female voice with a special tone, cruel and with a hint of solemnity, echoed. A blood-colored rune was shot out of the Mother of Bloodbath's back, and it was emitting blood-colored waves of light.

"I, the Mother of Bloodbath, use the Law Rune to activate the oath, concluding the Path Protector's contract and becoming Lin Yuan's Path Protector."

After the statement concluded, Lin Yuan felt a trace of energy splitting off from the blood-colored rune and landing on his body. It made Lin Yuan have a subtle feeling that he was connected with the blood-colored rune.

Once the Path Protector contract was formed, the Mother of Bloodbath was now officially Lin Yuan's Path Protector. From this moment on, Lin Yuan would also have his own Path Protector.

After forming the Path Protector contract, the Mother of Bloodbath looked as though she had exhausted a lot of energy and said with an unwilling tone, "Kid, you are really lucky to form the Path Protector contract. With the influence of my Law Rune, you will have a much easier time to comprehend Willpower Runes."

When the Mother of Bloodbath was speaking, it was stretching around its hair-filled spider legs. It looked at Lin Yuan with its red eyes as though he was enjoying all the benefits.

Once the Mother of Bloodbath finished speaking, it turned to speak with the Moon Empress seriously. "I am indebted to the Moon Empress for giving me a new life. This time, I shall treat this as repaying the favor to the Moon Empress."

The Moon Empress looked at the Mother of Bloodbath and spoke in a cold tone. "Protecting and becoming the Path Protector of This Empress' disciple. This Empress shall accept the conditions."

The Mother of Bloodbath didn't say anything else. It turned into a red crystal spider that was only one centimeter long and extremely exquisite with a red flash of energy. It then jumped into Lin Yuan's hair gently before vanishing within his hair.

As a Path Protector, the Mother of Bloodbath didn't have any feelings toward Lin Yuan. It was only willing to become his Path Protector, just to repay the life-saving favor. As such, the Mother of Bloodbath wouldn't give any preferential treatment to Lin Yuan. It would only do what a Path Protector had to do and made sure that he wouldn't get killed.

The blood-colored energy gradually fused into Lin Yuan's spiritual energy, giving a lift to Lin Yuan's spirit. He felt as if the whole world was much clearer.

All of a sudden, Lin Yuan felt he was going to comprehend something as if he could grasp something if he reached out his hand. However, there was also a vague layer of window paper.

But what is the Law Rune that the Mother of Bloodbath mentioned?

Lin Yuan opened his eyes after the comprehension and saw the Moon Empress smiling at him. Before Lin Yuan asked, the Moon Empress said, "When the Mother of Bloodbath became your Path Protector, you comprehended a trace of the Law Rune that the Mother of Bloodbath possesses. It is great as you will be able to comprehend Willpower Runes in the future. The most difficult thing for the young generation is to comprehend the world's Willpower Runes. Presently, Sequence #1 of the Radiance Hundred already possesses three Willpower Runes."

The Moon Empress' objective for saying this was to give Lin Yuan motivation and also pressure. She wanted Lin Yuan to know his advantage, as well as the state of the strongest expert among the young generation.

Lin Yuan suddenly clenched his fist tightly. Don't I have three Willpower Runes in my spiritual spatial zone? However, I have never told this to anyone yet. I might lack strength, but in terms of the number of comprehended Willpower Runes, I have unknowingly reached the level of the No. 1 expert of the Radiance Federation's young generation.

Lin Yuan obviously knew that he had obtained an advantage that others could only dream of having. It was to obtain a trace of the Law Rune's energy and gain enlightenment, which would definitely increase the comprehension ability of Willpower Runes.

However, Lin Yuan still didn't know what a Law Rune was. When the Moon Empress saw Lin Yuan's pondering eyes, she explained, "After evolving to Suzerain at Fantasy V, if the fey wishes to reach the Myth Breed, the Willpower Rune will need to transform into the Law Rune."

The Moon Empress then said nonchalantly, "Willpower Runes are to comprehend the will of the world, while Law Runes are to comprehend the laws of the world before turning them into something to be used. Therefore, there's a huge gap between Myth Breeds and Fantasy Breeds."

After asking some knowledge-related questions, Lin Yuan and the Moon Empress conducted a question and answer exercise. Once Lin Yuan asked a question, the Moon Empress would use her experiences to answer. Simultaneously, the Moon Empress was also helping Lin Yuan strengthen the foundation of his knowledge.

The questions and answers were truly a joy for the Master and disciple pair.

Once Lin Yuan left, Cold Moon walked toward the jade-like table and picked up a small delicate pot that looked like it was made of glazed porcelain. She then poured out a cup of tea that was amber in color.

Cold Moon handed the teacup to the Moon Empress and said, "Lordess, it has been a long time since you have been so happy."

The Moon Empress picked up the cup of tea and took a sip of the amber-colored tea, which left a refreshing, sweet aftertaste.

“It truly feels great to have a disciple. I feel very proud as I see a young fellow growing step by step. It feels as if I am looking at my young self.”

When the Moon Empress spoke, the corners of her mouth were curved up slightly. Perhaps this was the satisfaction of a Master passing down knowledge to the disciple.

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After exiting the Radiant Moon Palace’s inner palace, Lin Yuan headed toward the Radiant Moon Palace’s other side, where the spiritual ingredient vault was.

Lin Yuan already had the Revival Soil, so he just required a liter of Grasswood Fountain Water and two Mahogany Tree Cores. These two spiritual ingredients might be rather rare in the outside world, but Lin Yuan was truly worried that he wouldn’t be able to find them in the Radiant Moon Palace’s vault. After all, the grade of these spiritual ingredients were obviously lower than the regular spiritual ingredients in the vault.

A red crystal spider was within Lin Yuan’s soft hair, lying there quietly, and it was like a one-centimeter sculpture. It was none other than the Mother of Bloodbath. It was currently in a strange state. When inside Lin Yuan’s hair, the Mother of Bloodbath could constantly feel Lin Yuan’s body emitting very pure spirit qi. Feys loved pure spirit qi, and when the Mother of Bloodbath sensed Lin Yuan’s spirit qi, it felt that it wasn’t as bad as it imagined to be his Path Protector.

Feys had very simple thoughts, and Lin Yuan’s plant spirit qi made the Mother of Bloodbath feel amiable. Thus, its impression of Lin Yuan was naturally better than before.

Lin Yuan knew that the Mother of Bloodbath was lying in his hair, so he said, “Senior, I will need to trouble you in the future.”

The Mother of Bloodbath let out a light snort and lifted its legs before jumping onto Lin Yuan’s nose. “There is no need to call me Senior. You may address me as Mother of Bloodbath. During normal times, don’t call me. Unless you are in a certain death situation, I will not interfere.”

After speaking, the Mother of Bloodbath jumped off from Lin Yuan’s nose and landed on the leaf-shaped Diamond fey storage box on Lin Yuan’s chest. It looked as though there was a decorative red crystal spider on the leaf, and it was extremely exquisite.

Even if someone looked carefully, it was impossible to see that the spider was a living creature.

## **Chapter 120: Path of Original Intention**

After walking to the Radiant Moon Palace’s spiritual ingredient vault, Lin Yuan noticed there were three spirit attendants in light yellow robes. He had even encountered two of the spirit attendants before as they were the ones that had come to clean up the pavilion.

Since Lin Yuan had heard the idle conversation carried by the wind, he could still vaguely remember their names. The one with the exquisite make-up was called Jin Qi, and the one without make-up was called Wen Yu. As for the other girl, Lin Yuan had never encountered before.

When the trio saw Lin Yuan approaching, Jin Qi's eyes lit up as she hurried to bow. "Lord Lin Yuan, it has been a long time!"

Lin Yuan nodded and took out a token, carved with two crescent moons, and said, "I am here at the vault to retrieve some spiritual ingredients."

Jin Qi quickly responded, "What spiritual ingredients does Lord Lin Yuan require? I will go and prepare them right now."

Lin Yuan scratched his head and said, "I need one liter of Grasswood Fountain Water and two Mahogany Tree Cores."

When Jin Qi came forward, she had the intention to block off Wen Yu and the other spirit attendant. She didn't even want to give Wen Yu and the other spirit attendant a chance to speak. She thought that she would definitely serve Lin Yuan to his satisfaction for whatever spiritual ingredients he requested.

But when she heard that the requests were one liter of Grasswood Fountain Water and two Mahogany Tree Cores, she was rather confused and stood there in a daze for two seconds. The other spirit attendant that Lin Yuan didn't know walked over and said to Lin Yuan in a respectful tone, "Lord Lin Yuan, the vault does have Mahogany Tree Cores, but there isn't any Grasswood Fountain Water. Because the stream at the waist of the Leaning Moon Mountain is made up of Grasswood Fountain Water. If you need it, I will go and fetch some for you now."

Jin Qi silently glared at the young girl. She didn't think that a two-second daze would allow someone to cut into the conversation. When the young girl saw Jin Qi glaring at her, she glared back seamlessly.

Until now, Jin Qi didn't really understand why Lin Yuan wanted the Mahogany Tree Cores and Grasswood Fountain Water, but she still interrupted with decisiveness. "Lord Lin Yuan, I will go at the waist of the mountain and fetch the Grasswood Fountain Water for you."

Lin Yuan was rendered speechless as his speculation was actually correct. The spiritual ingredients he required were rare outside but weren't even qualified to enter the Radiant Moon Palace's vault.

An entire stream of Grasswood Fountain Water? How many liters is that? The amount of wealth is absurd.

Jin Qi immediately prepared to set off for Leaning Moon Mountain's waist to fetch the Grasswood Fountain Water upon seeing Lin Yuan nod. But when she was about to leave, she suddenly thought, "Wouldn't I be giving others the chance if I go and fetch the Grasswood Fountain Water?"

Jin Qi made a quick counterplan and pulled along the young girl that had interrupted her. "Xi Xi, accompany me to fetch the Grasswood Fountain Water. Since Lord Lin Yuan requires some, we will fetch more and store it in the vault."

The young girl called Xi Xi was reluctantly pulled away from the Radiant Moon Palace by Jin Qi.

This was the lesser of two evils principle. In Jin Qi's eyes, Xi Xi had more competitive power than Wen Yu.

The thoughts of a young girl were things that Lin Yuan wouldn't understand and wouldn't be able to guess either.

Presently, only the spirit attendant named Wen Yu was left. Lin Yuan gestured and said, "It just so happens that I need some other spiritual ingredients. Why don't you help me with it?"

Wen Yu bowed and waited for Lin Yuan to continue. He then wrote down all the spiritual ingredients he required on a piece of paper. These were all spiritual ingredients required for Genius and Chimey to reach the Legend quality.

Genius and Chimey might not have a suitable Willpower Rune yet, but their quality could be upgraded to Legend first.

Wen Yu received the paper and replied, "Lord Lin Yuan, these spiritual ingredients are all available in the vault. I wonder whether you will wait here for me or enter with me."

Since Lin Yuan had nothing else to do, he said, "We will enter together then."

Once inside the Radiant Moon Palace's vault, Lin Yuan saw all sorts of spiritual ingredients, and they were all sorted into boxes of different materials on various racks. Due to the different traits of the spiritual ingredients, their storage boxes had to be particularly specific too. Lin Yuan was truly dazzled by the different types of spiritual ingredients.

Wen Yu was very familiar with this place, so she took just a moment to gather everything that Lin Yuan required and store them in a fey storage box. When Lin Yuan received the fey storage box and was preparing to exit with Wen Yu, she suddenly coughed violently.

Wen Yu used a handkerchief to cover her mouth, but the handkerchief was still dyed with some fresh blood. Evidently, she had coughed out earlier too.

After the violent coughing, Wen Yu turned and bowed to Lin Yuan. "My apologies, Lord Lin Yuan. I have been rude."

Lin Yuan could see that Wen Yu was rather apprehensive when she spoke. He looked at Wen Yu and said, "There is nothing rude. Humans are mortals. How can anyone remain healthy all the time?"

Wen Yu let out an apologetic smile. Lin Yuan then recalled about that night's idle conversation and asked, "The competitive pressure among spirit attendants must be tough, right?"

Wen Yu nodded as she replied, "The spirit attendants will go through a selection every year. If we don't reach the standard, we will lose our qualifications to be spirit attendants."

After Wen Yu replied, Lin Yuan posed a question that stunned her. "If the competition between spirit attendants is so intense, is it worth it to risk injuring the roots to save someone?"

Wen Yu didn't expect the conversation that night to be overheard, and she really didn't know how to answer Lin Yuan's sudden question.

Her talent was originally ranked in the top three, but after she rescued someone and injured her roots, her performance had declined, and she was at the bottom now. She was already determined that she would be the one to lose her qualifications as a spirit attendant.

Since then, she had suffered all sorts of bullying and suppression from her comrades. The person she had rescued had been filled with gratitude at first, but the said person gradually distanced themselves from her and even started to bully her too.

This was the harsh reality. Did Wen Yu regret it? Perhaps!

But why didn't she even think before rushing over without regard? Was it foolish? It might seem a little foolish now.

Nonetheless, no matter how foolish or regretful she was, her actions back then were in accordance with her true self.

When Lin Yuan saw Wen Yu biting her lips and not giving a reply after a long time, he smiled.

After suffering all the bullying and suppression, if she is able to say that she doesn't regret it without hesitation, that would definitely be false. She is truly a genuine and kind person, which is rather hard to find.

Lin Yuan turned around and gestured. "Later on, you will help me to bring the Grasswood Fountain Water to the pavilion I am residing at. I will return first."

While walking back, the Mother of Bloodbath, which had stayed silent until now, spoke. "Why? Has she touched you, and you wish to heal her injuries now?"

The Mother of Bloodbath's tone sounded mocking. Feys that were able to reach this current state had already disregarded sympathy. Natural selection and survival of the fittest—those were the feys' iron rules.

Lin Yuan shook his head and said, "Since she chose her own path, then she must persist and grit her teeth to go on."

The Mother of Bloodbath didn't respond and continued to lay on the leaf. It then heard Lin Yuan saying again, "But I wish to tell her when I am still capable that her path of original intention isn't wrong."

After speaking, Lin Yuan walked on with determination. At the same time, something undetectable happened. The red spider shivered a little, and its aura became gentle.