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Chapter 281: Strange Situation

No trace of any human and profound beast... The energy flow in this place is abnormal, too. What's going on? Yun Lintian fell into deep thoughts as he saw profound energy constantly flying toward the center of the forest's direction. It was as if it had been sucked away. Additionally, the strange behavior of that crimson woman and Abyssal Devourer... Could it be Fallen Dragon is about to come out?

Thinking of this, Yun Lintian quickly located the formation node. He turned to Qin Yiran and Qin Yuyan. "I'll start now. We don't have much time left."

Qin Yuyan nodded. "You can be at ease and leave the rest to us."

Yun Lintian turned around and used swept the dust on the formation node away. Afterward, he used a small knife to dig around the formation node and arranged some new formation stones into it. His connecting speed was extremely fast, making Qin Yuyan and Qin Yiran look at him in amazement.

Since there was no danger around here, Yun Lintian did not activate any defensive formation. He solely focused on setting up the new formation as fast as he could.

Twenty minutes later, Yun Lintian did the final check and let out a long breath after confirming everything was working fine.

"Let's go." Yun Lintian made some concealment on the formation node and quickly brought Qin Yiran and Qin Yuyan in the north direction.

"How long do we need, Young Master Tian? We are unable to hold on any longer." Yang Chen sent a profound lion beast away with his fire sword shadow and turned to shout at Tian Jiuyi, who hurriedly set up the formation.

Standing before Yang Chen was a tide of Origin and Earth Profound Beasts, trying to break the defensive barrier. The number of them was no less than a hundred.

"Two minutes. Give me two minutes!" Tian Jiuyi responded. His forehead was full of sweat, and his hands continued to move restlessly.

Contrasted to Yun Lintian's group, Tian Jiuyi and others had been constantly harassed by a large group of profound beasts along the way to this place. Even when he activated the defensive formation, the pressure on Yang Chen and others did not decrease in the slightest.

Bai Qingyi panted heavily as he had just recovered from serious injuries. He could not display his full strength for the time being.

The jade fan in his hand kept rotating and sent out many profound energy storms toward the group of profound beasts outside the defensive formation. All of his attacks could only knock them away with zero chance of killing them.

Meanwhile, Chu Heng was not much different from Bai Qingyi and Yang Chen. He frantically fended off the profound beasts and kept glancing at Chu Mi, fearing she would get injured.

"Fall back, Little Mi." Chu Heng said while sharing a burden from Chu Mi.

Chu Mi did not refuse and quickly retreated to Tian Jiuyi's side. Her complexion was pale. The earlier battle had drained a large portion of her profound energy.

Seeing everyone was busy, she glanced at Tian Jiuyi, and a strange light flashed across her eyes. A small silver bead silently appeared in her palm. With a flick of her wrist, the silver bead shot straight into the formation node and disappeared as if nothing had happened.

Tian Jiuyi was completely unaware of Chu Mi's small action as his mind was fully occupied by connecting between the new formation stones and the formation node. Two minutes later, he stood up and shouted. "Done! We can leave now."

"Let's go!" Yang Chen yelled, and his aura surged. Countless fire sword shadows appeared around him and speedily shot forward to the group of profound beasts, causing them to scatter away.

Without hesitation, everyone quickly rushed out of the formation and ran toward the west side of the forest with Tian Jiuyi on the lead while Yang Chen at the rear.

Surprisingly, the profound beasts could not catch up to them. It was completely different from the earlier scene. The group of profound beasts seemed to give up chasing them just like that. Their weird behavior made everyone puzzled but also gave them relief.

"Contact Yun Lintian." Tian Jiuyi said while checking the path ahead vigilantly.

Chu Mi hurriedly volunteered and contacted Yun Lintian. "Brother Yun, we are heading to the west point now. How about you?"

A moment later, Yun Lintian replied. "We are about to reach the north side now. What is taking you so long?"

Chu Mi had a surprised expression as she replied. "We've encountered the profound beast tide. You didn't meet one, Brother Yun?"

"Profound beast tide?... No, we haven't encountered anyone so far." Yun Lintian felt weird. Why were all the profound beasts went to Tian Jiuyi's side but not him?

"Strange. Why is that?" Chu Mi muttered.

"What is it?" Tian Jiuyi turned to ask when he saw Chu Mi's weird expression.

Chu Mi responded. "Brother Yun said he didn't encounter anyone on his side."

Tian Jiuyi frowned and made a few hand seals. A light curtain appeared, and there was nothing but an empty forest displayed on it. This place was the north area that Yun Lintian was about to reach.

"There's really nothing. What's going on?" Tian Jiuyi then changed for a few places, and the same scene appeared everywhere; not even a single trace of the human and profound beast could be seen.

Tian Jiuyi's mind spun rapidly. He tried to recall whether there was a record of this kind of situation in his head. In the end, he didn't find anything. This was genuinely a new situation.

"I know everyone is tired right now. However, we need to increase our speed. I feel something bad is about to happen." Tian Jiuyi told everyone solemnly and gave them the wind talismans.

Everyone didn't hesitate to use the talisman, and their speed increased tremendously. It was estimated they would reach the west side within an hour.

Chapter 282: A Traitor?

In the dark space, Master Seer stood before the slumbered giant dragon while holding the Monarch's profound core in his hand tremblingly. His face was full of excitement, and his mind was filled with the bright future prospect.

He calmed down after taking a few deep breaths. "My Lord, I'll help you now."

As his voice fell, a gloomy Abyssal Energy vehemently burst out from his body, filling the entire space. At the same time, the Monarch's profound core in his hand began to rotate from slow to fast, becoming a spinning shadow.

In the next moment, a powerful Abyssal Energy gradually released from the profound core, and it was quickly absorbed by the slumbered dragon in front of him. The absorption speed was neither fast nor slow; it was streaming steadily.

Master Seer's expression turned solemn, staring at the slumbered dragon attentively without blinking his eyes. A find droplet of sweat started to appear on his forehead, and his body was entirely drenched a few seconds later.

The slumbered dragon did not only absorb the energy from the profound core but also absorbed all the energies that Master Seer had released. Its aura slowly increased as time passed by bit by bit. The whole process lasted for a full hour before the profound core on Master Seer's palm had dissipated into a pile of dust.

Master Seer panted heavily and fell to his knees. He was utterly exhausted, as all of his strength was completely drained. However, the excitement in his face did not fade away, and it even grew more assertive.

A while later, the slumbered dragon suddenly had a slight movement. Its body shook slightly, and its wings gradually expanded out. It was as if the dragon was about to awake... Unfortunately, this movement only lasted for a few seconds and stopped, returning to its original motionless.

Master Seer's complexion kept changing a few times. He let out a long sigh a moment later as he muttered to himself. "It's not enough... I have to increase it...."

He sat on the ground to recover his strength and called out for Soul Eater.

"What's your instruction, Master Seer?" Soul Eater asked respectfully. He took a glance at the slumbered dragon with a touch of disappointment on his face.

"How is the preparation?" Master Seer asked calmly, but Soul Eater could feel a trace of urgency in his voice.

"Crimson Reaper has come back earlier with enough of blood sacrifice. Everything is ready on Mountain Destroyer's side. As for Abyssal Devourer, he just sent the news back reporting those ants found a way to activate the grand formation." Soul Eater replied. A cold glint flashed across his eyes as he continued. "However, their struggle would be useless soon."

Master Seer was silent for a while before saying. "Call them back. We will start the ritual right away."

Soul Eater instantly became excited when he heard this. He hurriedly replied. "Yes, Master Seer."

"You said they had encountered the profound beast tide?... Weird, it's like someone is intentionally controlling the profound beasts to avoid us. Why?" Qin Yuyan kept expressing her doubts upon learning the situation on Tian Jiuyi's side.

Qin Yiran's eyes flickered as she gave her opinion. "I feel like they are avoiding Yun Lintian especially. This might be Abyssal Devourer's deed. He probably thinks it's useless to send those profound beasts to us. After all, he had experienced Yun Lintian's strength once."

Qin Yuyan suddenly enlightened, but the doubts on her face did not disappear entirely.

"According to your statement, it means they have monitored us for all this time and perhaps aware of our plan... If that's so, it doesn't make sense at all. They should stop us at all costs, right?" Qin Yuyan said.

Qin Yiran went silent immediately. It was true, as Qin Yuyan said. Yun Lintian's plan could bring catastrophe to Abyssal Devourer and his group. Shouldn't they try to stop Yun Lintian with all they have?

"It's useless to think about it. We should finish our plan as fast as possible. Once it is completed, we would have the ability to fight them. It wouldn't be too late to think about it again at that time." Yun Lintian interrupted their thoughts and increased his pace.

Naturally, Yun Lintian had thought about these possibilities already. It was just that he could not figure out how did the enemy manage to monitor them.

According to Tian Jiuyi's words, the enemy couldn't grasp absolute control over the surveillance formation, and with Tian Jiuyi's secret action, they had no way to observe his group... How could they know his movement then?

As for why they didn't send anyone over to interrupt his plan, Yun Lintian believed they had possibly found a countermeasure already... But what is their countermeasure? Yun Lintian couldn't think of anything except for destroying the formation he had set up.

He was confident the enemy could not mess with it because they didn't know the formation diagram. If they blindly committed one mistake during the progress, the whole formation here might disappear, and people outside would be able to enter this place. It meant they would be surrounded by all forces.

All of a sudden, a weird conjecture appeared in Yun Lintian's mind. He turned to Qin Yiran and Qin Yuyan. "Can the two of you tell me your experiences from the first time you've stepped into this place?"

The two girls didn't hide anything and told Yun Lintian everything from the beginning.

Qin Yuyan's experience wasn't out of the ordinary. She first met a few profound beasts upon arriving in this place and then encountered Chu Mi hours later. Afterward, they had traveled around the outer area until they heard a loud explosion and went to check on it.

As for Qin Yiran, it was so simple. She went straight to the center area of the forest without rest and met Yun Lintian later.

After listening to their experiences, Yun Lintian went silent, pondering over the matter.

Meanwhile, Qin Yiran and Qin Yuyan tried to figure out why Yun Lintian asked them this question.

Suddenly, Qin Yiran seemed to think of something and asked with a solemn expression. "Are you thinking there's a traitor among us?"

Qin Yuyan's eyes widened open, and then thought it was possible... But who?

Yun Lintian glanced at Qin Yiran. Neither admit nor deny.

Chapter 283: Suspicions Grow Stronger

"It's not impossible." Yun Lintian finally said. In his heart, it was more than ninety percent there was a traitor among the group. However, he couldn't think of anyone at this moment. The only one person he could rule out was Yang Chen and no other. As for the rest... it was difficult to prove themselves. He could only wait until this traitor showed his tail.

Qin Yuyan and Qin Yiran glanced at each other. Their faces filled with solemness. If it was the case, the plan they were executing right now might become useless. And at that time, no one would survive until the end of the test period.

Yun Lintian saw through their thoughts and tried to calm them down. "It is wasting our time to think about it. We don't have a choice, anyway. We could only continue our plan."

Qin Yuyan and Qin Yiran nodded their heads slowly and increased their pace.

When the three of them arrived at the north area where the formation node was located. They didn't surprise at all seeing the empty land without any sign of life. Still, they didn't relax their vigilance and continued to guard Yun Lintian with caution.

This time, Yun Lintian only used ten minutes to completely set up the formation. After doing the final check, he immediately headed toward the west area.

Originally, the rendezvous point was halfway between the west and north area. Since he discovered the potential of having a traitor in the group, Yun Lintian thought it was better to directly go to Tian Jiuyi's side. He could use this chance to check on Tian Jiuyi's work and see whether someone had messed with the formation in secret.

On Tian Jiuyi's side, he had just arrived and started arranging the formation right away. The situation in this west area was completely different from the south region. There wasn't anyone except for his group. Although Tian Jiuyi had so many questions in his head, he had to finish the work in front of him first.

Yang Chen and others didn't say anything during the entire process. They took this chance to recover their strength.

Among them, Yang Chen had spent the most effort during the previous battle. He gave the guarding duty to others entirely and closed his eyes, replenishing his strength. At the same time, he had the urge to contact Yun Lintian and asked him for the opinion regarded the abnormal behavior of the profound beasts, but he gave up the idea as he thought Yun Lintian might be busy right now.

"Please take some water, Brother Yang." Suddenly, Chu Mi approached Yang Chen and handed him a cup of water.

Yang Chen looked at the sweating Chu Mi and felt warm in his heart. Somehow, he started to miss his sister, Yang Mengli. He gratefully accepted the cup of water from Chu Mi and said. "Thank you. Sister Chu should take a rest too."

Chu Mi wiped the sweat out of her forehead and smiled sweetly. "It's fine. I'm not that tired... I'll go back first." Seeing Yang Chen drink the water, she then returned to Chu Heng's side and calmly rested.

Meanwhile, Bai Qingyi stood guarding the place while fanning himself with the jade fan in his hand.

Suddenly, his Spiritual Sense captured a movement in the north direction. Bai Qingyi quickly notified everyone through sound transmission and prepared to enter a battle.

However, what came to his sight was Yun Lintian and the two women. Bai Qingyi was surprised and called. "Brother Yun? Sister Qin?"

Yang Chen and others were taken aback when they saw Yun Lintian's group approach them... Shouldn't they stay in the north area right now?

Yun Lintian arrived outside the defensive formation and said. "I have already finished the task, and come here in case there's something I can help." As he finished his sentence, he briefly cast his gaze on everyone, trying to find a clue. Sadly, he didn't see anything unusual.

Behind him, Qin Yiran and Qin Yuyan had done the same. They were trying to find the potential traitor but found nothing in the end.

Tian Jiuyi tilted his head back and saw Yun Lintian. He was surprised slightly and opened the formation, letting Yun Lintian's group in.

Yun Lintian said nothing and went straight to Tian Jiuyi's side. In order to make everything look normal, Yun Lintian didn't check the formation directly and asked Tian Jiuyi. "Do you need my help, Brother Tian?"

Tian Jiuyi paused his movement and said. "Sure."

Yun Lintian stared at Tian Jiuyi briefly and quickly arranged the formation.

"Where are the profound beasts?" Qin Yuyan asked Bai Qingyi while looking around. She didn't seem to see any movement of the profound beast in this place.

Bai Qingyi shook his head. "I have no idea what happened. They were suddenly given up midway."

Qin Yuyan and Qin Yiran glanced at each other, and the conjecture about a traitor in their minds had become stronger. Although they didn't truly understand the reason behind the profound beats suddenly stopping after Tian Jiuyi's group, they had at least confirmed the profound beasts were acting according to someone's instruction. Otherwise, with their nature, they wouldn't give up on the prey easily.

Yun Lintian heard the conversation between Qin Yuyan and Bai Qingyi. A strange light flashed across his eyes. If the purpose of letting the profound beasts attack Tian Jiuyi's group was to delay them, why did they stop halfway?... It was simple. The enemy had already achieved their goal. But how?

Yun Lintian racked his brain thinking of the possibilities. He turned to Tian Jiuyi and asked in a low voice. "Brother Tian, are you sure there's nothing wrong with the formation on the south area?"

Tian Jiuyi was taken aback and looked at Yun Lintian questioningly. It wasn't because he felt offended by Yun Lintian's question. Rather, he wanted to know Yun Lintian's true intention of asking this.

"There's nothing wrong. I have done a careful check twice before leaving." He replied. Yun Lintian nodded and continued to set up the formation. Unknowingly, there was a pair of eyes secretly staring at Yun Lintian, and Tian Jiuyi's back all this time, and heard everything they said.... Chapter 284: The Play "There shouldn't be nothing wrong." Tian Jiuyi checked the formation he and Yun Lintian had finished. Yun Lintian nodded in agreement. He had personally rechecked and saw nothing wrong with the formation. He then turned to everyone. "We have finished setting the formation now. What we need to do next is wait." Everyone was immediately relieved upon hearing this. Although they didn't know if the formation could deal with Abyssal Devourer and his group, it was definitely better than their own strength. "But..." Yun Lintian suddenly said. Before everyone could completely relax, they were instantly startled by Yun Lintian's word and looked at him in confusion.

Qin Yuyan and Qin Yiran's eyes flashed with realization. They seemed to understand Yun Lintian's thoughts.

"I want to go to the south area to check the formation over there again." Yun Lintian paused for a

something might happen to the formation there. We don't have anything to do, anyway."

moment and continued. "As everyone knows, there were a lot of profound beasts over there. I fear that

Meanwhile, Tian Jiuyi looked at Yun Lintian with a thoughtful expression. He was smart enough to notice there was something unspeakable on Yun Lintian's mind. He began to ponder over the whole incident carefully... Why did Brother Yun ask me that question earlier? And now he wants to check the formation in the south area. What made him think there was something wrong with the formation? This is definitely not simply trying to be cautious.

"But I'm afraid a lot of profound beasts are waiting for us there. It's too risky, right?" Chu Heng raised the question. He was purely concerned about everyone's safety.

Yun Lintian took a deep look at Chu Heng and said. "Now we have completed the formation. I can mobilize the formation's power to deal with them. It can be said, our safety is guaranteed... Of course, unless we have encountered a Saint Profound Beast."

Tian Jiuyi expressed his opinion. "I agreed with Brother Yun's idea. This matter is related to the safety of the entire continent. There's nothing wrong with being more cautious."

"Brother Yun and Young Master Tian are right, Brother. We should check it out. We are idle here, anyway." Chu Mi grabbed her brother's hand and said with a serious expression.

Chu Heng took a deep breath and nodded his head.

"Since there's no objection. We should set off now." Yun Lintian swept his gaze on everyone and stepped out of the defensive formation while the rest immediately followed.

"What a cautious guy. He has probably guessed something by now." In the far distant place, Abyssal Devourer received the message and said to himself with a smile.

Even though he was angry with what Yun Lintian did to him back then, he had to admit Yun Lintian's intelligence was beyond his peers, and it didn't suit his age at all. Sometimes, he even gave off the illusion of an old man in a young man's skin, which made someone who lived more than thousands of years like Abyssal Devourer feel weird.

"Since you have already found a clue, let's see how you are going to solve this problem." Abyssal Devourer curled his lips and sent a message back to someone.

Puff!

Yun Lintian fiercely stabbed on a giant python's head, ending its life. As he had speculated, the enemy would send the profound beasts to after him after showing that he had a doubt toward his own people. This action of the enemy had basically confirmed there was a traitor among his people.

At the same time, Yun Lintian was puzzled. If he was the enemy, he would never expose himself by sending the profound beasts out like this. It was as though the enemy wanted to tell him that even if he knew the truth and found the traitor, nothing would change.

Thinking of this, his heart immediately turned cold. His enemy was so confident in themselves, he, too, was confident in his own means. Whether who came out on top at the end was about to be decided on the next play.

"Strange. There aren't many high-level profound beasts here." Yang Chen said while wiping blood out of his sword. The profound beasts he had seen along the way so far weren't exceeding the peak Origin Profound Beast. It was entirely different from the previous lineup he encountered.

"Let's increase our pace." Yun Lintian said calmly and rushed in the south direction. Seeing this, everyone quickly followed.

It was an hour later did they reach their destination. Yun Lintian didn't go to the formation node right away but opened Eyes of Heaven, observing the surroundings with extreme caution.

Through his vision, there wasn't any trace of Abyssal Energy in this place. Yun Lintian felt this place was too clean, contrasting to the situation he had imagined.

After confirming there wasn't any trap around here. Yun Lintian made up his mind and turned to everyone. "Actually, there's one thing I never tell anyone before."

His words immediately aroused everyone's curiosity. They looked at Yun Lintian attentively, waiting for his following sentence.

Yun Lintian smiled and continued. "I have a way to open the formation in this place. We can return to the outside right now."

Except for Tian Jiuyi, everyone had a shocked expression upon hearing this.

"R-really? Won't it mean we can also let anyone come in?" Bai Qingyi asked with excitement.

Yun Lintian didn't deny or confirm. He glanced at everyone's face, trying to find anything unusual on them. Sadly, everyone acted as they were supposed to be. This traitor didn't show his tail at all.

"Let's go. I'll open the formation right now." Yun Lintian turned around and walked toward the formation node.

As he was about to reach the formation node, a sense of danger rapidly rose in his heart, and Yun Lintian instinctively executed Shadow Step, retreating from the place.

Boom!

In a split second after Yun Lintian retreating, the formation node suddenly exploded, and the impact violently sent everyone flying into the distance.

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Except for Yun Lintian and Tian Jiuyi, who were reacting timely, everyone was swept away by the explosion and rolled on the ground a few times while vomiting blood. The blast was extremely powerful. If they were a little closer to the formation node, they would become paste meat by now.

Yun Lintian stabilized himself on the ground and quickly moved toward Yang Chen and others. After checking there were no major injuries on their bodies, Yun Lintian went to see the formation node.

The moment he saw the destroyed formation node, his expression turned strange because the explosion was obviously coming from inside the formation node. It had nothing to do with the external force. In short, the culprit who made this trap had carefully planted the bomb during the formation set up... The person who could do that couldn't be anyone besides Tian Jiuyi.

Tian Jiuyi arrived before the destroyed formation node, and his expression abruptly changed, as he had the same conclusion as Yun Lintian. He turned to Yun Lintian and said. "If I say it wasn't me, do you believe it?"

Yun Lintian stared into Tian Jiuyi's eyes for a while and nodded his head slowly. "Although you can't be ruled out, I believe you have no reason to do this."

Tian Jiuyi heaved a sigh of relief, but the tension between his eyebrows did not loosen in the slightest. He had obviously rechecked twice and found nothing unusual before he left... How could the enemy achieve this? He did not know at all.

Yang Chen and others stabilized their injuries and arrived behind Yun Lintian and Tian Jiuyi. They didn't say anything and waited for an explanation from the two of them.

Yun Lintian turned around and swept his gaze on everyone briefly. He said. "From the trace left behind, the trap was clearly set inside the formation node. So, the culprit must have a certain understanding of the formation."

Qin Yiran was the first to react upon hearing Yun Lintian's words. She looked at Tian Jiuyi with doubt. "There are only two people who know about the formation diagram. Isn't this mean the culprit is one of you two?"

She looked at Tian Jiuyi because, to her, Yun Lintian was definitely not the culprit. He wouldn't have to spend so much effort to do this if he was one, as he could simply kill everyone here with his strength. Moreover, Tian Jiuyi was the one who took responsibility for setting up the formation in this place. In any case, it could only be him.

Qin Yiran's words made everyone realize the crux of this matter. They subconsciously looked at Tian Jiuyi with a trace of vigilance in their eyes.

Tian Jiuyi was unperturbed, facing their doubted gazes. What he was concerned about right now was how did the culprit manage to set up the trap here under his nose.

Yun Lintian raised his hand and said. "Calm down, everyone. The culprit could be anyone, but definitely not Brother Tian." Seeing everyone turn to him with confused expressions, he continued. "Think about it. If it was you who set up the trap, would you make it so obvious like this? Not to mention, Brother Tian is proficient in the formation of profound art. He has several ways to conceal his trace. I don't think he is stupid enough to leave behind a trace that connects to him."

Everyone immediately fell into contemplation. What Yun Lintian said was without reason. Indeed, why would Tian Jiuyi leave the trace that could identify him as a culprit behind so obviously?

"But... it could be his act, right? He could do it on purpose to make us think like this." Suddenly, Chu Mi interjected. When she saw everyone turn to look at her, she blushed and lowered her head timidly.

Chu Heng was fully supported his sister's statement. He looked at everyone and said solemnly. "We cannot rule out what Little Mi said."

Yang Chen and others nodded their heads in agreement. It was indeed could be, as Chu Mi said. Tian Jiuyi purposely did this to lead everyone in the wrong direction. It was called a self-victimized strategy.

"Why don't you speak something, Young Master Tian? Except for you and Brother Yun, no one knows the formation diagram. And I think everyone here believes Brother Yun is not a culprit, as this is the first time he came to this area." Qin Yuyan stared at Tian Jiuyi coldly. Although she hadn't wholly judged he was the culprit, it was no harm to be vigilant toward him.

Tian Jiuyi frowned deeper and remained silent. It was useless to say something in this situation. He had to prove himself with evidence.

Yun Lintian eyed everyone's facial expression and finally paused on Chu Mi for a while before turning away and saying. "All of you have overlooked one thing. I was the one who made the formation stones. What if I laid a trap on them beforehand and let Brother Tian take the blame for me?... See? I'm not innocent on this matter."

Everyone's expression changed drastically. They never thought of this possibility before... What's going on now? This question popped up in their minds.

Yun Lintian chuckled slightly and said. "Actually, it's not the two of us who know the formation diagram. There is another person who knows about this."

"Who is it?" Bai Qingyi asked hurriedly.

Yun Lintian tilted his head to look at Chu Mi and said. "It's her."

Everyone followed Yun Lintian's gaze and stopped at Chu Mi, who currently had a dumbfounded expression. They were startled and did not know what to say at the moment.

"Impossible! How could it be Little Mi? She doesn't even know the basics of the formation profound art." Chu Heng regained his sense and blurted out loudly. He subconsciously pulled Chu Mi behind him, looking at everyone vigilantly.

Yun Lintian shook his head and said with a faint smile. "She doesn't have to understand the formation profound art to set the trap. She only needs to remember the formation diagram." He paused for a second and continued. "When I was discussing with Brother Tian, she had approached me in the guise of giving me water. There's no way she didn't see the formation diagram at that time."

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Tian Jiuyi suddenly recalled it was indeed the case — Chu Mi did come to Yun Lintian's side at that time. And if he remembered correctly, she had taken a glance at the formation diagram shortly. He saw this but didn't care about it. After all, Chu Mi seemed to have a good relationship with Yun Lintian. It was hard to believe she would do anything that harmed everyone.

"She did come and even looked at the formation diagram." Tian Jiuyi said calmly.

"You lie!" Chu Heng flared up. "You are obviously trying to flame her!... And even it is the case, when and how did Little Mi plant the trap? Can she, a little Spirit Profound Realm, manage to set up the trap under a powerful person like you without you knowing?"

Qin Yiran and others glanced at each other, did not know what was going on anymore. Chu Heng's statement was not wrong. With Chu Mi's strength, there was no way the peak of Origin Profound Realm like Tian Jiuyi to see nothing if she did something.

Meanwhile, Tian Jiuyi frowned and said nothing more. Without solid evidence, it was difficult to prove it.

On the contrary, Yun Lintian didn't seem to be concerned about this. He looked at Chu Heng and said. "Please calm down first, Brother Chu. I'm not saying she's the culprit. I'm just stating the fact that she had indeed seen the formation diagram."

Chu Heng was calmed down a little. His chest was still up and down from anger, and he grabbed Chu Mi's hand tightly, ready to bring her away if something happened.

Yun Lintian suddenly smiled and said. "However.... What if she is not Chu Mi that we know?"

Everyone was stunned and looked at Yun Lintian in confusion. Meanwhile, a strange light flashed across Chu Mi's eyes as she looked at him.

Before Chu Heng could refute, Yun Lintian said further. "I have a way to prove it. If Brother Chu believes she's innocent, why don't you let her prove herself now?"

Chu Heng hesitated and was about to agree. Suddenly, he felt the grip on his hand became tightened, followed by a tremble. Obviously, Chu Mi was scared.

Chu Heng's eyes became determined, and said in a deep voice. "Please forgive me, Brother Yun. I believe she's not the culprit, and I don't think she needs to prove anything."

Yun Lintian had already expected this reaction from him. He glanced at Chu Mi briefly and said. "As a brother, don't you feel there's something wrong with your sister?... During the earlier battle, I discovered she never used any profound art that I gave her. I wonder, why is it?"

Chu Heng's complexion abruptly changed as he recalled it was true, as Yun Lintian said. The profound art Yun Lintian gave him, and Chu Mi had a unique characteristic. It could be said, in this world, only he and Chu Mi could use it. However, during this period, he didn't see Chu Mi use it once. She had performed a simple move throughout the battle.

At first, Chu Heng thought it was because Chu Mi wanted to hide her strength, but it didn't seem to be the case because why would she do this when her life was on the line? Furthermore, according to her personality, she would never do something like that... The only possibility was that she couldn't use it at all!

Chu Heng suddenly felt a chill running down his spine. He wanted to shake his hand off, but he discovered Chu Mi's strength had increased tremendously.

"Hehehe... Although I have expected this flaw would be discovered by you sooner or later, I didn't think it would be this fast... Hahaha! You are truly an interesting boy, Yun Lintian." The previous Chu Mi's gentle voice was now replaced by a cold and hoarse voice that gave everyone's heart chilled.

Yun Lintian's eyes narrowed as he stared at Chu Mi, who was still hiding behind Chu Heng. He spoke coldly. "If I'm not mistaken, you should be a Saint Profound Beast similar to Abyssal Devourer, am I correct?... I must say, your morphing ability is beyond my expectation. I never thought you could actually conceal yourself from my Eyes of Heaven."

"So that eyes sorcery is called Eyes of Heaven? Heh, it's not a bad name." Chu Mi slowly stepped out from Chu Heng's behind. Her eyes were full of contempt, and there was a hint of mockery on the corner of her lips. Her hand tightly grasped Chu Heng's neck, preventing him from escaping.

When everyone saw Chu Mi's current appearance, they were shocked and immediately took the battle stances. They didn't expect the traitor they were looking for was actually this soft and gentle-looking girl.

"W... where did you take Little Mi to?" Chu Heng spoke with difficulty. His eyes turned bloodshot as he struggled to look at this 'Chu Mi.'

"That pitiful girl? Hehe, where do you think she is now?" 'Chu Mi' chuckled teasingly. "By the way, I have to thank you for protecting me. I'm so touched... Haha!"

"Y... You! I'll kill you!" Chu Heng struggled hard to break off from Chu Mi's grasp when he thought of the possibility of the real Chu Mi's demise, but it was futile.

At this moment, Yun Lintian said. "Relax, Brother Chu. Chu Mi should be safe right now."

'Chu Mi' was surprised and looked at Yun Lintian with an interesting expression. "Oh? Why did you think so?"

"Simple. You have probably read Chu Mi's memory and found she has a good relationship with me. Instead of killing her, I believe you would rather keep her as a bargaining chip." Yun Lintian stared at 'Chu Mi' coldly. "Just like you are taking Brother Chu as a hostage right now."

'Chu Mi' squinted her eyes and burst into laughter. "Aren't you too naïve? Do you really think I need to do that? As for capturing this 'brother' of mine, I just find it funny. That's all."

Facing her mockery, Yun Lintian's expression did not change in the slightest. On the contrary, a smile appeared on his face as he said. "Of course, you need to do this because you are afraid of me."

Yun Lintian's words did stun not only Chu Mi but also everyone on the scene.

Chapter 287: Hidden Card

"Hehe... Hahaha!" 'Chu Mi' laughed wildly as though she had just heard the biggest joke. "Me? Afraid of you? Haha! What a joke."

Her laughter caused everyone in this place to look at Yun Lintian strangely. Except for Yang Chen, who was wholeheartedly believed in Yun Lintian, the rest felt Yun Lintian's statement was too absurd. They admitted Yun Lintian was strong, but in front of the Saint Profound Beast, his current strength wasn't enough to confront it head-on. Let alone made it fear him.

"Whether it's true or not, you know in your heart." Yun Lintian still had a smile on his face.

'Chu Mi' abruptly stopped laughing and looked at Yun Lintian with a sneer. "You have overestimated yourself. Do you know why I had so many opportunities to kill you, but I left you alive until now? It's because you're nothing but an ant I could pinch to death at any time. Now you're saying I'm afraid of you? Heh, it seems the blast earlier makes your head gone south."

Suddenly, it was Yun Lintian's turn to laugh. He shook his head, looking at 'Chu Mi' with pity, and said. "You don't have to bluff me. If you had so many chances as you said, you wouldn't wait until now." He chuckled and continued. "Besides, you think you've succeeded just because you've destroyed the formation node here?... Heh, I'll let you see who is being naïve."

Immediately, Yun Lintian stomped his feet on the supposedly destroyed formation node. With a click, a powerful aura burst out, speedily covering the entire area in almost an instant.

The sudden change caused Chu Mi's expression to change drastically. She could perceive a powerful suppression bore down onto her body, and her strength gradually left her at the fastest speed. In a blink of an eye, her power had been reduced to the peak of Heaven Profound Realm.

"You! How did you do it!? I obviously..." 'Chu Mi' stared at Yun Lintian in horror. Before this, she was confident these youths were nothing but ants dancing in her palm. Now, with her current strength, it would be a lie if she wasn't fear.

Except for Tian Jiuyi, everyone looked at Yun Lintian in amazement when they noticed the change in Chu Mi's power. They didn't expect Yun Lintian to hide such a powerful trump card... How did he know a situation like this would occur?

Yun Lintian laughed slightly. "Honestly, this plan wouldn't have worked if you are proficient in the formation profound art. You don't know how powerful the spatial suppressing formation that Lord Sky Throne had set up. Its primary function indeed is to suppress the spatial activity in this place. However, there are actually another two functions hidden within it. First, it is the Space Collapse that I showed you before. As for another one... it has the ability to suppress the strength of a Saint Profound Beast like you."

He sighed and continued. "We've underestimated Lord Sky Throne too much."

It was not only Chu Mi who underestimated Lord Sky Throne, but also Yun Lintian. He always wondered why Lord Sky Throne was so lousy by leaving no sure-kill means behind for such a potential disaster-level enemy.

When he saw the Space Collapse function, he was amazed and entirely overlooked the second function. It was until he started inscribing formation stones did he notice it and chose to conceal it from everyone. Afterward, he came up with a hidden method to set up the formation that even Tian Jiuyi didn't know.

Yun Lintian told Tian Jiuyi to arrange the formation stones, but he didn't tell him that among them, there was a defensive formation stone that would create layers upon layers of barriers to protect the core area of the formation node.

In short, the destroyed formation node that everyone saw right now was nothing but a mere scrap of its outer layer...

Tian Jiuyi quickly turned to look at the supposedly destroyed formation node and used his foot to clear the formation's debris away. Sure enough, a faint golden barrier immediately appeared in his sight, and the core formation node could be seen perfectly fine behind it.

Tian Jiuyi was genuinely astonished this time. He turned to Yun Lintian and couldn't help saying. "Had she placed the bomb right in the core area, this wouldn't work at all... You are lucky."

Yun Lintian shook his head slightly. "There's no absolute in this world. I could only take a gamble." He then turned to 'Chu Mi' with a mocking smile. "Thankfully, she's an idiot who knows nothing about the formation profound art."

Chu Mi's face turned green in anger when she heard this, but she couldn't blame anyone except for herself. Even though she had the ability to read others' memories, her knowledge regarded the formation profound art was too shallow... It could be said, she chose the wrong target to morph herself. Had she chosen Tian Jiuyi, everything would be in her grasp by now.

Chu Mi took a deep breath, and her face turned hideous. "So what? Killing all of you would still be easy for me. I'll start with this guy first!"

As her voice fell, Chu Mi exerted her strength into her grip to break Chu Heng's neck. However, before she could do that, she suddenly discovered she couldn't move her body at all.

"What..."

Boom!

Before Chu Mi could finish her sentence, she was instantly sent away by Yang Chen. Her figure flew away like a broken kite and landed heavily on a large boulder a hundred meters away.

"Ah, how rude of me. I forgot to tell you. In the addition of the power suppressing function, I have added another function to restrain any profound beast's action for a short moment... Are you okay?" Yun Lintian grinned playfully as he walked toward Chu Mi.

Earlier, he sent a sound transmission to Yang Chen, who stood closest to Chu Mi, to take action when the latter tried to kill Chu Heng. Fortunately, Yang Chen reacted quickly enough. Otherwise, Chu Heng would be dead by now.

Even if this Chu Mi's current strength was reduced to Heaven Profound Realm, she was a genuine Saint Profound Beast, after all. Yun Lintian's formation could only restrain her for two seconds at most.

Chapter 288: Succubus?

"Ugh!" Chu Mi struggled to get up from the debris and spat out a mouthful of blood. Her hair was extremely disheveled; there was no trace of a young girl in her youth anymore.

"I... will... KILL YOU!" The moment Chu Mi raised her head to look at Yun Lintian, her eyes had turned completely black and were overflowing with killing intent. Her face was so hideous, revealing the savage nature of the profound beast.

At the same time, her body started to transform. Two long black horns slowly grew out of her forehead along with a pair of black demon wings. Her white robe was torn apart, revealing flawless white skin and a couple of two mounds underneath it.

"Succubus?" Yun Lintian had a weird expression when he looked at the transformed 'Chu Mi' as her current appearance reminded him of a succubus he often saw in a hent...cough cough, a western novel... But succubus could morph herself? He had never heard of it before.

"What is a succubus?" Tian Jiuyi asked in puzzlement. He had never heard of any profound beast with this name before.

Yun Lintian coughed slightly and brushed it off. "It's nothing. Let's take care of her first." Following that, he dashed toward the 'succubus' with White Dragon Spear in his hand at lightning speed.

Though he was still confused, Tian Jiuyi quickly followed Yun Lintian toward Chu Mi.

"Hmph!" The succubus Chu Mi snorted coldly and sent a punch out at incoming Yun Lintian.

Yun Lintian suddenly felt the space around his body become constricted, ferociously squeezing his body. His expression changed slightly, and he hurriedly stabbed his spear sideways, releasing a lightning aura.

Roar!

Instantly, the White Dragon Spear transformed into a virtual lightning dragon, accompanied by a mighty dragon's cry, and shot at the space suppression around Yun Lintian's body. With a bang, Yun Lintian felt he had been freed from the invisible shackles, and he quickly charged at Chu Mi once again.

Seeing this, Chu Mi narrowed her eyes and grinned wickedly. She opened her palm, and a terrifying black ball appeared on it. Instead of throwing it at Yun Lintian, she sent it to Chu Heng, who hadn't recovered from the shock.

"Qin Yiran!" Yun Lintian saw this; he yelled loudly without turning his head back.

As expected, Qin Yiran did not disappoint him. She moved swiftly and released her powerful sword intent to intercept the black ball. Meanwhile, Yang Chen had also reacted by pulling Chu Heng away.

Qin Yiran's sword intent could not stop nor change the black ball's trajectory, but it could slow it down a bit, giving enough time for Yang Chen to rescue Chu Heng.

Boom!

The black ball missed the target and hit the ground where Chu Heng stood previously. At the same time, it released gloomy Abyssal Energy, causing everyone nearby to back off.

"Eat this!" Yun Lintian activated Shadow Step and reappeared in front of Chu Mi while thrusting his spear covered with frightening lightning sparks at her heart.

Chu Mi had witnessed Yun Lintian's instant movement technique before and seemed to fully prepare for it a long time ago. She let out a disdain noise, and her figure disappeared from the spot, timely avoiding Yun Lintian's attack.

Chu Mi's figure reappeared fifty meters away. However, before she could make a counterattack, she suddenly perceived a scorching aura lurking behind her back. The moment she turned around, Tian Jiuyi's sword had already descended on her head.

Sky Cremating Sword!

The moment Tian Jiuyi's swung his sword down, the sky turned into fiery red, accompanied by a streak of blazing flame pillar descended vertically along with his sword.

Chu Mi's expression turned grave, and she reacted by moving her wings to cover herself.

Bang!

Chu Mi felt her entire body was ignited, followed by a scorching pain spread to every corner of her body. Her heart was ablaze with extreme fury. How could she, a dignified Saint Profound Beast, be beaten by a trash Origin Profound practitioner to this point?

Yun Lintian didn't give her a chance to take a breather. He vaulted into the air, and his entire body had turned into a giant lighting dragon. The rolling thunder turned into the roars of the dragons, reverberating throughout the area as he pointed his spear at Chu Mi while descending like a shooting star.

Chu Mi raised her head to look at the sky and was startled by the giant lightning dragon. Her mind went buzzed for a moment by the deafening roar, and she was unable to cover her head with her wings in time.

Puff!

The White Dragon Spear easily penetrated into Chu Mi's wings and sunk into her skull. However, it was not enough to take her life.

"Arghhh!" Chu Mi let out a shrill scream, and her aura burst forth, sending Yun Lintian and Tian Jiuyi away to the distance.

A gloomy Abyssal Energy intertwined around her body, turning her into a black cocoon.

Yun Lintian could see her wounds start to recover bit by bit. At this rate, she would completely heal within a minute.

"Everyone, together!" Yun Lintian shouted and shot forward while releasing the most powerful move he could execute right now — Imperishable Flame.

Except for Chu Heng, Tian Jiuyi and the rest did not hesitate and released their most powerful moves at Chu Mi.

Boom! Boom! Boom!

One after another, everyone's attack constantly bombarded Chu Mi. Blood splashed everywhere, but Chu Mi did not seem to fall at any time soon. She mustered her strength and shouted at the sky. "Have you watched enough, you bastard!?"

Yun Lintian's expression changed and activated Shadow Step to arrive behind Chu Mi's back. Instead of attacking her with White Dragon Spear, he took out the bottle gourd he had never used in the battle before to swallow a portion of Abyssal Energy around Chu Mi's head. At the same time, he executed Dragon Fist with all he had, releasing a fire and lightning dragon at her head.

Boom!

Without the protection from Abyssal Energy, Chu Mi was no different from being naked. Her head immediately exploded into pieces!

Chapter 289: Tit For Tat

Chu Mi's head exploded into pieces, along with a massive amount of Abyssal Energy bursting out.

Yun Lintian's expression changed, and hurriedly shouted. "All of you, retreat!"

Tian Jiuyi and others reacted quickly and retreated to the distance, while Yun Lintian tried his best to absorb Abyssal Energy as much as he could with the bottle gourd.

Looking at the bottle gourd in his hand, Yun Lintian's face turned strange. He just didn't want to expose his Profound Spiritual Liquid and tried his luck with it. Surprisingly, it went well. Perhaps he needed to study it carefully once again later.

The bottle gourd's absorption speed was breakneck. In less than ten seconds, all the Abyssal Energy that Chu Mi released had been wholly absorbed by it.

"What kind of that artifact? It could actually absorb Abyssal Poison." Tian Jiuyi looked at the seemingly ordinary bottle gourd in Yun Lintian's hand in amazement.

Bai Qingyi and Qin Yuyan glanced at each other in surprise. Both of them once saw this bottle gourd before. Although they knew it was a Saint-rank artifact, they didn't expect it had other functions besides making wine.

Yun Lintian wondered what kind of wine it would produce after this. He put away and raised his head to look at the sky. From what Chu mi shouted earlier, he knew someone was watching them for all this time.

Clap! Clap! Clap!

"You sure have so many cards in your hands. She didn't die unjustly at all." All of a sudden, Abyssal Devourer's figure slowly descended from the sky along with his signature clapping hands.

His appearance caused everyone's body to tense up. They had learned about this man before, even with Yun Lintian and Qin Yiran's full forces, along with the Saint-rank killing formation, could not kill him. It could be seen how powerful he was.

"You've recovered very quickly." Yun Lintian furrowed his brows slightly and became relaxed in the next moment. Right now, he had the formation in his hand. It might be challenging to kill Abyssal Devourer off, but it wasn't entirely impossible.

A cold glint flashed across Abyssal Devourer's eyes briefly before he put up a harmless smile. "You had spent so much effort last time, but it was useless in the end. How do you feel right now?"

Yun Lintian shrugged and replied. " Why should I feel anything? I just wasted a few Profound Stones. That's all."

The two stared at each other with a smile on their faces. They seemed to have a peaceful conversation, but if one looked closely, one could see their eyes were full of killing intents as if the battle could erupt at any moment.

A while later, Abyssal Devourer chuckled and glanced at the fake Chu Mi's corpse. "Tsk, I never thought she would die so easily like this... Oh, by the way, you probably don't know her name yet, right?" He turned to Yun Lintian and continued. "Well, you can blame the author for his laziness."

"Where's my sister!?" At this moment, Chu Heng stepped forward and roared at Abyssal Devourer fearlessly.

Abyssal Devourer's brows raised slightly as he replied. "You mean that lovely girl?... Don't worry, she's fine. It wouldn't be long before she became one of us."

"What do you mean?" Chu Heng asked anxiously.

Abyssal Devourer glanced at him and said nothing. He turned to Yun Lintian and said. "Honestly, I have never seen anyone so talented as you before. Are you interested in joining us?"

Yun Lintian frowned as he tried to understand the meaning behind Abyssal Devourer's words. He ignored his invitation and asked. "Why don't you tell me more about Chu Mi? What do you mean by she's about to be one of you?"

"It's nothing. I find her interesting and want to convert her into our kind. At that time, her strength would surpass all of you here." Abyssal Devourer explained shortly. "How about it? Do you want to join us? I can give you the highest level of welfare if you want."

The frown on Yun Lintian's face grew deeper. A moment later, he suddenly thought of something and asked. "So it is the same method as you did to those lackeys of yours?"

Abyssal Devourer smiled faintly, refusing to give any comment.

Hearing Yun Lintian's words, Chu Heng trembled uncontrollably when he thought of his sister's fate. He stared at Abyssal Devourer with red eyes and released all of his power. "I'll kill you!"

"Relax, Brother Chu!" Yun Lintian hurriedly held Chu Heng. "Don't worry about Chu Mi. I have a way to cure her."

Chu Heng struggled for a moment and turned to Yun Lintian. "Really? You didn't lie, right?"

Yun Lintian pressed on Chu Heng's shoulder and said firmly. "Trust me. For others, it might be impossible. But for me, it's easy as flipping hand."

Chu Heng took a deep breath and nodded his head. He then stared at Abyssal Devourer with hatred.

Abyssal Devourer heard the conversation between them and asked curiously. "Oh? You can expel our Abyssal Energy?... Ah, I see. No wonder you didn't seem to fear it at all."

He suddenly recalled the previous battle. Yun Lintian was so close to Abyssal Energy mist, but he didn't show any sign of fear at all. It seemed this fellow indeed had a way to deal with it.

I must capture him... Abyssal Devourer thought.

"Are you thinking how to capture me?" Yun Lintian said.

"Y-you can read my mind?" Abyssal Devourer had an exaggerated expression. Afterward, he chuckled and said. "That's right. You've so many secrets. It would be a pity to kill you directly."

Yun Lintian smiled faintly as he said. "It seems we have the same idea. I am also thinking how to capture you."

Abyssal Devourer's eyes narrowed. "Have you found a way yet?"

"Of course." Yun Lintian replied coldly and stomped his feet on the ground.

Buzz-

Instantaneously, a layer of golden light quickly spread out from the edge of the formation node and entirely surrounded Abyssal Devourer in a split second later.

Chapter 290: The Might Of Shadow Step

Abyssal Devourer's expression abruptly changed as he was caught off-guard. The reason why he always maintained the distance between him and Yun Lintian was because of the formation. He didn't expect the effect range of this formation would be this far. One had to know he was floating at least two kilometers away from Yun Lintian in the sky.

Not to mention, the speed of the formation was extremely fast, to the point Abyssal Devourer could not react at all.

Abyssal Devourer calmed down and looked at Yun Lintian with a serious expression. "Look like I still underestimated you." As he said, he could feel his strength gradually decreasing. At this rate, he would end up with the same fate as the fake Chu Mi.

"Who told you to be arrogant?" Yun Lintian shrugged his shoulders. "I wouldn't mind to tell you, this formation could affect the whole Fallen Dragon Forest. You can imagine what fate is awaiting you and your gang."

Abyssal Devourer snorted coldly and didn't hesitate to show his true form.

"This... Abyss Devouring Gargoyle?" Tian Jiuyi's complexion turned grave. He had once seen this kind of beast in the book that his great-grandfather gave him before. Naturally, he knew how strong it was. It was said this Abyss Devouring Gargoyle could devour anything in the world.

"Die!" Abyssal Devourer opened his hideous giant mouth, and a black energy ball quickly gathered within it. In the next moment, an immense black beam immediately shot at Yun Lintian's group.

"Fall back!" Yun Lintian yelled and exerted his strength into his feet, causing them to sink into the ground. At the same time, he thrust his spear at the incoming black beam.

Roar!

Two mighty virtual fire and lightning dragons appeared around the spear, swiftly coiling and rushing out at the black beam, followed by a deafening dragon's cry.

Boom!

The impact immediately swept everyone away into the distance. Even Yun Lintian was no exception. He rolled on the ground a few times before stabilizing himself and stood up from the ground. A line of blood could be seen flowing out of the corner of his mouth.

Before Yun Lintian could take a breather, he suddenly saw a few black dots appear around his body, accompanied by a strong suction force. His heart skipped a beat, and he reacted as fast as he could by releasing Lightning Blaze Dragon to protect him.

Boom! Boom! Boom!

Several loud explosions rang out consecutively along with a strong blast, sending Yun Lintian and others away once again. This time, the impact immediately inflicted severe injuries on them; their ribs were broken, and the worst one, Chu Heng, had all of his four limbs broken.

"Cough! Cough!" Yun Lintian coughed heavily and spat a mouthful of fresh blood. He stood up from the ground, using his spear as a crutch. His face turned grimed as he stared at the black gargoyle in the sky.

Compared to the last encounter, Abyssal Devourer went all out at the beginning of this time. He didn't dare to underestimate Yun Lintian anymore.

"Heh, I know it. I always feel your body is different from any human I have seen so far. It turns out you are a body practitioner. Tsk, every piece of your body is full of secrets. I couldn't wait to tear you up and take a good look at you." Abyssal Devourer said while looking at Yun Lintian with his eyes shining in greed. Perhaps he could truly breakthrough into the Monarch Profound Realm after devouring Yun Lintian.

Yun Lintian wiped bloodstain out of his lips and swept his gaze on Tian Jiuyi and others. When his gaze landed on Chu Heng, his eyes turned cold, and killing intent started boiling.

Yun Lintian turned to Abyssal Devourer. Surprisingly, except for the overflowing killing intent in his eyes, his face was incomparably calm.

For some reason, Abyssal Devourer felt a chill running down his spine upon meeting Yun Lintian's gaze... How could a seventeen-year-old little boy have such an immense killing intent? How many people had died under his hand?

Yun Lintian took a long, deep breath. Suddenly, the air around him started to revolve, forming into a small whirlwind, accompanied by golden lightning sparks and a scorching heat aura.

A golden glow shone brightly within his pupils as he stared at Abyssal Devourer. He stabbed White Dragon Spear to the ground nearby, and his entire figure started to blur and blend into the environment.

Before Abyssal Devourer could react, he discovered Yun Lintian had vanished from his sight, and even his Spiritual Sense could not find a trace of him.

Of course, as a Saint Profound Beast, he didn't panic facing Yun Lintian's mysterious move. He conjured a defensive barrier around him beforehand just in case Yun Lintian made a sneak attack while remaining vigilant.

Boom!

Abyssal Devourer heard a loud bang behind him and felt his head was heavily hit by something. His giant body was sent away like a cannonball in shock before he managed to stabilize himself in the air. He quickly used Spiritual Sense to search for Yun Lintian in almost an instant the moment he was hit. However, he couldn't even catch a glimpse of him; he had disappeared again!... What the hell is going on!? And how the heck could he bypass my defense?

Bang!

While Abyssal Devourer was confused, he was hit severely on his waist, and this time, his hip bone was actually broken! It was not only that; he suddenly felt a scorching burn seeped into his body like a raging molten river flushing in.

H-how!? Abyssal Devourer, who was sent away once again, roared inwardly. He couldn't comprehend the situation at all.

On the ground, Tian Jiuyi and the rest were opening their mouths wide. What they saw was different from Abyssal Devourer. They saw Yun Lintian had become a shadowy figure, appearing behind Abyssal Devourer and attacking him before disappearing like a ghost. Everything happened so fast that they couldn't even take a look at Yun Lintian properly.

What kind of movement technique was that!? This question kept echoing in everyone's mind.