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Chapter 1101A – Abyss Gazer

There was a pool of dark red blood on the ground in front of Cloud Billow. His face was pale and there was anger and panic in his eyes.

There were three black-robed demons standing around him. Their auras were threatening and formidable and they each held onto demon-imprisoning shackles.

If this was normal times, then with Cloud Billow's strength, while fighting one against three would be difficult, it wouldn't be hard to escape. Even if they had specially prepared demon-imprisoning shackles.

As the one recognized as the most outstanding bloodline descendant amongst the old King's lineage and one of the most powerful contenders for the new King's throne, it was easy to guess how valued Cloud Billow was.

Others might have one or two life-saving cards, but Cloud Billow actually had multiple of them.

If this wasn't the case, did people think that the factional strife and tumult within the Nightmare Clan would be settled with gentle words?

But today's accident was truly unexpected. No one had ever dared to make a move in Nine Nether Pagoda, let alone arouse the strength of the ancestral land.

This already violated the greatest taboo of the Nightmare Clan. No matter who did it, they would have to pay the price in blood.

But now, Cloud Billow had no time for anger or regret. He didn't even have time to think of other thoughts as the panic in his heart grew increasingly intense.

Because of this surprise attack, he had been severely wounded by soul tempering power. Not just that, but he was also struck by an unknown and terrifying demon poison.

The demonic power in his body revolved with increasing difficulty as it dissipated at an astonishing speed. As a result, he wasn't even able to use the cards in his hand before he fell into a suppressed situation.

Three demon-imprisoning shackles wrapped around his body, constantly tightening. They were like three burning chains that drilled into his flesh and blood. If they only wanted to kill him, the three demons that attacked could have achieved this goal already.

But they had clearly planned to suppress him and then capture him.

This thought caused Cloud Billow to feel chills all over, as if he had fallen into an icy lake.

To violate the greatest taboo of the Nightmare Clan and even attack him in Nine Nether Pagoda wasn't something done easily. Countless people would lose their heads because of this.

The plotter was willing to pay such a heavy price because the anticipated harvest was worth it. In other words, they had already obtained some crucial information.

For instance...his true status!

Only this could explain why these three-black robed demons only suppressed him and didn't kill him.

If this only involved the contention for the new King's throne, then once he died the old King's lineage would have no choice but to withdraw. The only explanation was that this other party's goal was more than that...what they wanted was to destroy the entire old King's lineage!

As he realized this, Cloud Billow's heart shrank. It was like an invisible hand gripped onto him, causing his heartbeat to come to a standstill.

No! This could not happen!

He forced himself to calm down, his thoughts rapidly racing as he tried to figure out a way to survive. Although he wasn't sure what the connection was between Nine Nether Pagoda and the ancestral land, he knew that this pagoda was one of the most sacred places of the Nightmare Clan.

When an accident occurred here, it would soon be discovered. And once the Clan Elder learned of it, he would immediately race over.

No, that wasn't right!

Although he didn't have evidence, only a small number of people had the qualifications to tamper with Nine Nether Pagoda.

Since they made a move, they had surely completed all preparations. The Clan Elder must be entangled somewhere so that he would be unable to rush over.

Cloud Billow's heart sank. He knew that if he wanted to survive, he could only seek help from within the pagoda. Otherwise, all that awaited was death.

But in the pagoda...

The eruption of soul tempering power was a wide-scale indiscriminate attack. Anyone that was cultivating in Nine Nether Pagoda with the aid of soul tempering power wouldn't be able to escape it.

Right now they couldn't even protect themselves, much less help him...Qin Yu's figure suddenly appeared in Cloud Billow's mind. He wasn't too far away from here and should have sensed the fluctuations of aura...

Before this, Qin Yu had been impatient to come here and cultivate. There was almost a near certainty that he had been struck by the attack of soul tempering power!

Cloud Billow bitterly smiled. He discovered he had fallen into a hopeless situation that he couldn't extricate himself from.

But this bitter smile didn't continue for long. Resolve shone in his eyes. Then, he closed his eyes and a wild aura broke free from his body.

He couldn't find a way to live, but he could choose to end his life. As long as he died, the plot aimed at the old King's lineage would vanish into nothingness!

"Hehe, you want to die? It's not that easy!" With a cold sneer, the three demon-imprisoning shackles simultaneously exploded, transforming into thick black flows of demonic energy that drilled into Cloud Billow's body like snakes.

Countless crimson lines appeared on Cloud Billow's skin. They wove together, emitting a constraining aura.

Cloud Billow's eyes widened with anger and shock, "Royal Line Blood Restriction! You actually refined the Royal Line Blood Restriction...how bold!"

By extracting the bloodline of those from the same tribe and refining it using a secret and insidious method, one could obtain a terrifying spell used to imprison the bloodline. This sort of blood spell not only had an evil and sinister refinement process, but also required a massive amount of death and slaughter...to refine one spell required at least ten bloodlines of the same tribe. And this was the lowest amount. The higher the cultivation level of the target, the more sacrifices were needed.

With Cloud Billow's strength, if one wanted to instantly imprison his bloodline, it would require at least 30 of his clansmen, their bloodlines extracted in the most cruel and vicious way as they died in extreme pain.

The old King's lineage was called one of the three heads of the Nightmare Clan and their strength couldn't be underestimated. Thus, they were naturally vigilant when it came to this. If any clues or traces appeared, they would be discovered.

Yet they hadn't noticed anything so far. It could be seen that this other party had spent an extremely long time refining this bloodline restriction spell. They had chosen to collect the blood a bit at a time rather than taking the risk of being discovered.

As Cloud Billow thought of this, his heart grew increasingly cold. This other party had deliberately planned for all of this. Since they made their move, they wouldn't give him any chance to resist!

"Sir Cloud Billow, you've finally been caught!" With sneers, the three black-robed demons walked over. Their eyes shined with wild joy and ecstasy.

Although they had completed all their preparations, until this mission was settled, no one dared to underestimate anything.

If they succeeded they would obtain everything...but if they were defeated, they would be abandoned without hesitation. At that time, death would be the best possible result.

After all, the person they wanted to capture was Cloud Billow, the successor of the old King's lineage, the one said to have at least a 30% chance to capture the new King's throne.

Luckily, no accident occurred!

"Begin!"

"Take him away!"

"Leave now!"

There was inevitably chaos outside of Nine Nether Pagoda. While they were prepared for this, Cloud Billow wasn't someone who could be measured with common sense. Every moment they delayed was another moment an accident could occur.

The three acted quickly. Their figures flickered as they arrived at Cloud Billow's side. They lifted their hands and placed them on his body.

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Hum -

Hum -

Strange fluctuations of demonic energy spread out from them. Using some unknown method, they unexpectedly managed to form a kind of resonance with Nine Nether Pagoda's strength.

Rings of murky black light radiated from the three of them. They collided with each other, setting off countless smaller waves that distorted the surrounding space.

Within this distortion, the figures of Cloud Billow and the three demons started to fade away. Like shadows, they would soon vanish.

Bang -

A loud explosion shook the entire room. As it happened, the tightly shut door was blasted open, crashing into the opposing wall. The door was made of some unknown material. While it didn't collapse into pieces, it was twisted into a horrendous shape.

Qin Yu stepped into the room. At first glance he saw Cloud Billow and the others in the spatial warp, about to vanish.

Seeing Qin Yu, Cloud Billow's eyes that were full of despair and fear immediately brightened, "Save me!" He did his best to shout out loud, but his voice seemed to come from the far off distance. When it reached Qin Yu's ears, it sounded weak and quiet.

The three black-robed demons revealed looks of surprise. They never expected that someone would be able to avoid the surprise attack of soul tempering power.

If this person had come a bit earlier, he might have influenced their plan. But now...hum hum, it was already too late! They would leave this place soon!

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The figures of the four people became even blurrier. All that remained was a faint shadow that seemed as if it would dissipate in the next moment.

Qin Yu lifted a hand and grasped forward. The distorted door rose up and howled towards the several people.

Then, a strange scene occurred. The door directly passed through the distorted space, even penetrating through the figures of the four people. But, it only caused the fluctuations and impact to become even fiercer; it wasn't able to affect the four people at all.

Cloud Billow and the other three...they seemed to have become true shadows!

Qin Yu's pupils widened and he frowned.

Beneath their black robes, the three demons revealed mocking expressions. They had consumed endless effort, even paying a great price, to barely be able to borrow Nine Nether Pagoda's strength for a short period of time.

Unless a Demon King was here and forcibly imprisoned this space, no one could stop them from leaving.

Qin Yu wasn't at the Demon King level. To be precise, in a situation where he wasn't in his titan true body state, the gap between him and a Demon King wasn't small.

But that didn't mean he had no way to stop these three black-robed demons from carrying Cloud Billow away.

Or to be more exact, this wasn't difficult for Qin Yu at all. It was just that he wasn't willing to expose the current special connection he had with Nine Nether Pagoda.

He hesitated for a second. Then, he sighed inwardly. No matter how he considered things, he couldn't allow Cloud Billow to be taken away as he did nothing.

If so, there was no need to hesitate.

Chapter 1101B – Abyss Gazer

Qin Yu closed his eyes. His mind instantly established a connection with Nine Nether Pagoda.

And this connection was based on the connection between Qin Yu and the Nightmare Ancestral Land. Or, it could be called an additional attribute he gained after that connection had been strengthened to a certain degree.

In short, what he could do right now was interfere with the internal flow of power within Nine Nether Pagoda to a certain extent. If he had to say how strong this interference was, then if someone asked him to directly summon it and pulverize the three demons into a mass of gooey flesh and blood...sorry, but that was not possible.

But if he just wanted to stop these three black-robed demons from carrying Cloud Billow off, that wasn't too hard.

As Qin Yu fell silent and closed his eyes, the light in Cloud Billow's eyes slowly extinguished as it was swallowed by unwillingness and despair.

Perhaps this was the inevitable destiny of the old King's lineage...

Once his status was made public, Cloud Billow couldn't imagine the terrifying situation that would follow afterwards. Despair crashed into him like a tide, yet it was also like layers of spider webs that wrapped around his heart, making every breath difficult to take.

Hum -

A fluctuation came back from Nine Nether Pagoda. The three demons' eyes lit up with happiness.

It was complete!

Their final shadow quickly faded. In another breath of time, they would leave Nine Nether Pagoda.

At that time, the 'hunt' that they had prepared for countless years and finally started today would end perfectly.

One strike to take his life!

At this moment, Qin Yu suddenly opened his eyes. He grasped forward, his fingers curving as if he had caught something.

The three demons revealed mocking looks, ridiculing Qin Yu for his uselessness. But before these looks disappeared, their faces stiffened.

An imprisoning power transmitted around them, capturing their illusory bodies and interrupting the transmission that had already begun.

The counter-shock force formed by the failure of the transmission broke into their bodies. At the same time, they stuffily coughed as their faces paled.

Six eyes stared at Qin Yu, filled with stunned shock and disbelief.

This boy...this boy...how could he possibly interrupt the transmission!?

But this shock only lasted a short period of time. With a loud shout, one of the black-robed demons roared out, "Kill him!"

It was obvious that as long as Qin Yu lived, they could not take away Cloud Billow.

For those dispatched to fulfill such a crucial mission, the ability to kill decisively and without hesitation was the most basic requirement.

Without hesitating, one demon grabbed onto Cloud Billow as the other two roared and rushed at Qin Yu.

Demon Commanders!

Qin Yu's heart sank. One black-robed demon hadn't attacked yet, but they were clearly all powerhouses of the same level.

To dispatch three Demon Commanders at once and even harm Cloud Billow, this was not a normal faction.

He had interfered today and interrupted their plan. Even though the two sides had no connection and he had never seen them before, Qin Yu had undoubtedly gained a terrifying enemy from this point on.

But he had already interfered now. Let alone whether or not he regretted it, even if he did, he still had to grit his teeth and make these new enemies.

Rumble rumble -

In the blink of an eye, the two black-robed demons clashed with Qin Yu. Violent fluctuations of wild strength swept out in all directions.

Fighting one against two, Qin Yu was at a disadvantage. But as the two demons went all-out against him, they discovered they couldn't kill him in a short period of time!

This boy was unexpectedly also at the Demon Commander level, and his strength was incomparably tyrannical!

Surprise and anger surged out from the bottom of their hearts. Everything had been going smoothly and they were just about to succeed, but then Qin Yu had popped out of nowhere!

Incredibly formidable self-defense systems had been implemented on the land Nine Nether Pagoda was built on. No matter who it was, anyone that dared to act recklessly in Nine Nether Pagoda would be ruthlessly suppressed.

For all their preparations, they only managed to gain an hour of time. Once they crossed this threshold, Nine Nether Pagoda's strength would be restored.

At that time, they would no longer be able to escape!

"Old Three, put down Cloud Billow and kill this brat with us first!" A black-robed demon howled.

The demon who held Cloud Billow hesitated for a moment before he let go and joined the fray.

Three Demon Commanders and two Demon Commanders were separated by just one, but the strength they produced was on completely different levels.

And more importantly, these three Demon Commanders had a strength that was able to meld together. Qin Yu had sensed this when he was fighting against two, but now that he fought against three, this sort of melding became even smoother. The result was that the total strength they output rose drastically.

Qin Yu blocked left and dodged right. He seemed to be in a distressed situation, but he actually felt relieved inside. Since they had let go of Cloud Billow, he could fight without scruples!

With a thought, his eyes suddenly turned dark. They were pure and transparent without any other color at all. It was like a miniature version of the endless abyss, capable of drowning and swallowing all.

The three opposing demons were struck hard. Their bodies shook and most of the wild demonic energy around them was dispersed.

Qin Yu took this opportunity to attack. He raised a hand and slammed forward. Demonic energy flooded out like a tide, blasting the three away.

Blood flowed out from their noses and mouths. The three demons widened their eyes, panic in their voices as they screamed out, "Abyss Gazer!"

The three Demon Commander level demons seemed to have discovered something terrifying. It even surpassed their heavy losses.

Qin Yu could feel the fear and awe in their eyes, and even the despair there.

"Kill Cloud Billow!" A demon rushed away. The other two took a deep breath and blocked Qin Yu's path.

But the wild and violent atmosphere around them had vanished. All that was left was solemnity and fear.

As if just by blocking Qin Yu's path, they had determined what would happen to them.

Carrying away Cloud Billow had become an impossible mission.

If so, they could only draw back and kill him here.

Qin Yu took a step and howled forward. The two Demon Commanders froze before they were sent soaring backwards.

He had no idea what an Abyss Gazer was, but it was undoubtedly an ability he obtained from the Nightmare Clan bloodline. It seemed to have an extra bonus terrifying damage attribute against them.

Two Demon Commanders weren't even able to resist. They were directly overwhelmed!

Hearing his two companions' pained grunts, the demon rushing at Cloud Billow revealed a manic look.

He cried out loud and raised a hand. A dark green light howled out, shooting at Cloud Billow!

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The dark green light tore through flesh and blood. Then, like a mass of liquid it was absorbed.

Cloud Billow's eyes widened as she looked at Qin Yu in front of her. Their faces were very close, close enough that they could hear each other breathe.

Qin Yu took a deep breath and pushed Cloud Billow away. Then, he turned around and punched out. The last black-robed demon flew away, crashing into the stone wall and falling to the ground as he vomited blood.

The mission failed!

The three black-robed demons revealed eyes filled with pain. But against Qin Yu, they had no hope.

With a muffled sound, their bodies quickly blackened and started rotting away. Puddles of oil and putrid mucus formed on the ground, sizzling as it melted the floor.

In the blink of an eye, they had instantly vanished. All that remained was a corroded pit in the ground, proof of what just happened here.

The three black-robed demons had died and the imprisonment within Cloud Billow's body loosened. He grabbed onto Qin Yu and anxiously said, "You've been poisoned, don't use any more demonic energy. I will find a way to save you!"

He had smelled that dark green liquid. There was no way he would mistake it. It was venom extracted from a self-severing soul snake.

In terms of toxicity, even if a Demon Commander were touched by it they would die without a doubt. But Qin Yu blocked it for him without hesitation...

Qin Yu shook his shoulder and flung off Cloud Billow's hand. He walked away, "My body is special and I don't fear poisons. If you really want to thank me, don't tell anyone what happened here today."

His figure flickered and he vanished from sight.

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Changes occurred at Nine Nether Pagoda; Cloud Billow from the old King's lineage had been attacked, and several hundred nightmare clansmen had been severely wounded...a series of explosive news traveled out. It was like turbulent undercurrents beneath the water, sweeping out in all directions!

The entirety of Adversity Peak City was put on lockdown. The city guards that had disappeared for a long time suddenly rushed through the streets, patrolling back and forth with sharpened eyes.

The ten Clan Elders of the Nightmare Clan summoned leaders from the three great factions to Adversity Peak City. No one knew the specifics of what they spoke about, but the constant three-way conflict immediately fell silent.

It was certainly impossible for things to end easily like this. Because Cloud Billow was attacked, the old King's lineage would never give up.

The more important reason was this incident involved the ancestral land, and it even occurred inside Nine Nether Pagoda. The audacity of this act surpassed the Nightmare Clan's bottom line.

Although things seemed calmed on the surface, the investigative agencies beneath the Clan Elder Assembly had already started moving.

It was said that a man leaves behind his name wherever he stays, just as a goose utters a cry wherever it flies. Since this unknown faction had made a move, it was impossible for there to be no traces!

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The bloodline restriction spell within Cloud Billow's body had been undone. Even so, he suffered severe injuries due to its corrosive properties.

Right now he lay on bed, his face incomparably white, without any trace of blood.

The door was pushed open from outside. Cloud Boundless walked in with a gloomy expression. When he saw Cloud Billow lying on the bed, he took a deep breath and bitterly smiled, "I was too negligent this time."

He already knew about the spies amongst the guards and had made corresponding arrangements. Even if the other party made a move, it wouldn't harm Cloud Billow at all.

In fact, he could grasp their weakness and use it as a bargaining chip to counterattack and improve his chances of winning.

Cloud Boundless was full of confidence in his own arrangements.

But, he never imagined they would directly strike within Nine Nether Pagoda.

Fortunately, nothing happened to Cloud Billow. Otherwise he would become the sinner of the old King's lineage.

As he thought about the series of changes that would have occured after Cloud Billow was captured, even Cloud Boundless felt his heart turn cold.

Cloud Billow asked, "Has the clan found any evidence?"

Cloud Boundless shook his head, his complexion growing uglier. "Since they dared to make a move, they must have cleaned their hands. While we have found some minor traces so far, even if we dig deep we will find at most some chess pieces they are willing to throw away."

This result was within Cloud Billow's expectations. After a brief silence he slowly said, "Since that's the case, Clan Elder should use this opportunity to find compensation from other aspects."

Even if everyone knew that the manipulator behind all of this was within a very small and narrow number of choices, it couldn't be pursued without evidence.

Just like Cloud Boundless said, they would at most wipe away some chess pieces the other party had prepared beforehand. It wouldn't harm their roots at all.

It was better to retreat and then advance. It was true that Cloud Billow had suffered an assassination attempt and the old King's lineage nearly lost their future successor.

Therefore, it was normal to get some compensation. The Clan Elder Assembly wouldn't be too stingy.

Chapter 1102 - A Normal Man

Cloud Boundless had a gratified expression. As expected, Cloud Billow was indeed worthy of being the one he chose. Even though he encountered such a bitter experience, he still didn't lose his reasoning. If it weren't for that thing...then what could the ancient King's lineage and the new faction be considered as? They would have no chance of competing for the throne of the new King!

"Cloud Billow, I have already considered what you speak about. We can only endure today's anger first!

"Hehe, but things won't end like this. Since they were the ones that decided not to abide by the rules first, I won't be polite either!"

He sneered coldly, and each word he spoke was filled with a dense killing intent.

As one of the strongest Clan Elders of the old King's lineage, his strength nearly supported the entire family on his back. How could he be some weak or softhearted person?

Because of his change in status, Cloud Boundless had remained low key for all these past years. This caused many people to forget that he was once called Blood Carnage!

He looked at Cloud Billow and hesitated for a moment, "Who was the one that helped you in Nine Nether Pagoda?"

Although the three black-robed demons had died without anything left over, according to the post-scene investigation, they could approximately theorize what had happened.

And everyone was well aware of Cloud Billow's condition. His bloodline had been completely restricted and he wasn't able to summon any strength at all. It was impossible for him to have killed three powerful enemies while remaining fine.

The Nightmare Clan had already approached Cloud Billow with this question, but had only been given a perfunctory answer. At that time, Cloud Boundless was also there. The reason he asked this question again was because he wanted to get the truth from Cloud Billow.

Cloud Billow's eyes flashed with hesitation. He pursed his lips together and slowly said, "It was Qin Yu...his strength is far greater than you believe."

He looked up and stared at Cloud Boundless, continuing to say, "I promised him that I wouldn't tell anyone about this. The reason I told Clan Elder is because I don't want to hide the truth from you and because I also believe you won't do anything that would harm Qin Yu. So, please keep this a secret."

Cloud Boundless' eyes brightened as he looked at Cloud Billow. He smiled and said, "So it was that boy. Before you spoke, I already guessed it was him...hehe, don't worry, he was a treasure to begin with, but now I cherish him even more. I would never harm him."

Three Demon Commanders had died beneath Qin Yu's hand. This boy's strength wasn't ordinary.

But what left Cloud Boundless even more pleasantly surprised was that Cloud Billow's attitude seemed to have undergone some joyful change.

Strictly speaking, this was the most important issue to the old King's lineage right now. If he found the right opportunity, he could divulge the truth to Qin Yu.

As for whether or not Qin Yu would agree? Hoho, when it came to this, Cloud Boundless never felt any worries!

Even if Qin Yu refused, were they supposed to accept that? How na?ve!

If a cow didn't drink water, a person could press them down and force them to. Once they drank more and more, they would eventually get used to it.

If they wouldn't get used to it? They would continue forcing them to until they got used to it.

Cloud Boundless was all smiles. He believed he could become a qualified farmer who raised cows near the river.

As he thought this, he couldn't suppress the excitement in his heart. He wished he could capture that brat Qin Yu and tie him up.

As Cloud Billow lay in bed, he seemed to sense Cloud Boundless' thoughts. He took a deep breath and slowly said, "Clan Elder, concerning this matter, I hope to personally speak to Qin Yu about it. Please don't interfere."

Cloud Boundless furrowed his eyebrows. Looking down, he hesitated. For other matters it would be fine, but when it concerned the future of the family, he couldn't help but be cautious.

Cloud Billow said this...but for some reason he didn't believe he was too reliable...if things dragged on for too long, who knew what would happen?

It was better to catch that person and get them in hand first.

As for feelings...those things could be slowly raised and nurtured. Moreover, if things went as Cloud Boundless hoped, Qin Yu would take a big advantage no matter how he looked at it. Would he still be dissatisfied?

Realizing his hesitation, Cloud Billow's expression became even more dignified. "Clan Elder, I guarantee that I will explain this matter to him as soon as possible. Please give me some more time."

Emphasizing this a second time was enough to indicate how much he regarded this matter.

Cloud Boundless stretched out a finger. "Three days. I will give you three days. If you don't say anything by then, I will do it for you!"

Cloud Billow was speechless, but he also knew how anxious the Clan Elder was about this. Giving three days of leeway was already the limit.

"Very well. I promise you."

Cloud Boundless smiled. "Good, then you should rest first. I am going to argue with those people at the Clan Elder Assembly some more. Since you have been wronged, you have to cry out. The louder and more pitiful you seem the more sympathy you'll get. Even though we can't strangle whoever was behind the scenes of this to death, we still can't let ourselves suffer a loss."

Cloud Boundless turned and walked out. When he stepped out of the room, his smile had vanished, replaced with a cold and callous look, like frost on a winter night. It could even be described as indignant and full of dreadful anger. He quickly hurried away.

Since he was going to act in a play, he had to commit to it. No matter what he did, he had to do it to the highest possible standards. He could not be careless about anything.

Although he was in Bluetile Courtyard right now, he'd had far too many dealings with those old things from the Clan Elder Assembly. Anyone who underestimated them would be in for a round of bad luck.

Seeing the door close, Cloud Billow smiled bitterly. But, the emotions in his eyes gradually calmed down.

Qin Yu's figure, blocking the snake poison in front of him, appeared in his mind. He took a deep breath and slowly let it out.

Perhaps this was destiny – it was him!

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Cloud Billow was the future wielder of authority pushed by the old King's lineage. He was a candidate to compete for the new King's throne and his status was limitlessly honored.

But he was actually a she. When Qin Yu discovered this, he couldn't stand still.

It was because of this that after the three black-robed demons committed suicide he had to hurry and leave. He feared he would reveal an abnormal expression.

Because she wasn't unfamiliar to him. To be exact, they had some close contact before.

That's right, after Qin Yu carefully thought over it, he could determine that Cloud Billow was the same woman he encountered on the eighth level of Nine Nether Pagoda!

Although she revealed a perfectly male state, after her bloodline was sealed by the restriction spell she was no longer able to conceal her aura. Qin Yu was able to feel incomparably familiar demonic energy fluctuations coming from her body.

Incomparably similar strengths that came from the same source might exist, but it was impossible for them to be the exact same.

Unless this strength came from the same person!

In order to save that wicked girl, Qin Yu had extracted a portion of her demonic energy. This was the best and strongest evidence – their demonic energy fluctuations were the exact same!

The successor pushed forth by the old King's lineage, the candidate for the competition of the new King's throne, was a woman? Hoho, this was the world's greatest surprise!

The Nightmare Clan had never had a female King ascend to the throne. This wasn't an issue of talent or bloodline, but because they only allowed males to inherit the throne.

Not all abyssal tribes were like this – it was a special rule of the Nightmare Clan. Of course, there were other similar abyssal tribes that only allowed females to ascend the throne. This was a well-known matter.

But this wasn't the key.

The key was that the old King's lineage had pushed forth a woman.

If this matter were exposed, it could be expected that the prestige of the old King's lineage would sweep the floor and their influence would instantly collapse.

A woman that could never inherit the throne of the new King, how was she worth following?

Qin Yu faintly understood why the three black-robed demons at Nine Nether Pagoda didn't brutally murder Cloud Billow but decided to suppress her and take her away.

They likely wanted to publicly reveal her status and then unleash an annihilating attack against the entire old King's lineage.

It seemed that he had ruined something extremely important. Those people who spent so much painstaking effort on this plan must hate him to their bones.

Moreover, if the old King's lineage that he inadvertently saved knew he was aware of this secret that they tried so hard to hide, they would be worried, right?

As for eliminating any worries, the simplest and most effective way was to make him vanish forever.

Qin Yu immediately thought back to that old thing Cloud Boundless and his laughing visage.

He rubbed his eyebrows, suddenly feeling depressed and helpless, as if there was nowhere he could turn to for assistance.

However, that didn't mean there weren't any harvests.

At the very least, Qin Yu had determined something. In terms of his sexual orientation, he was an average straight man.

This was an extremely, extremely important point!

Chapter 1103 - Asked to Marriage

Nine Nether Pagoda was sealed up once again. After such a sinister and horrible thing occurred, even the Nightmare Clan was refused entry.

So no matter how sad or unwilling Qin Yu was, there was nothing he could do about it. As they said, a fire at the city gates was a calamity for the fish in the moat. Bystanders would also suffer...even if this fish was a bit bigger, what he believed wasn't wrong.

But this sort of situation wouldn't last too long. After all, with the struggle for the new King here, the Nightmare Ancestral Land's strength was active and this was a rare chance to cultivate. The Nightmare Clan wouldn't miss out on this chance just because of an accident.

However, it could be expected that even if Nine Nether Pagoda opened up again, it would become far more difficult to enter than before.

Although the people that attacked Cloud Billow came from some faction within the Nightmare Clan, this would never be publicly acknowledged. Otherwise, their honor would be ruined. They could only put out an even more severe attitude to outsiders to indicate how they regarded this issue.

This could be considered a continuation of the fish in the moat being harmed...

Qin Yu knew that if he wanted to enter Nine Nether Pagoda again, he could only do so through the old King's lineage. But for now, he really didn't want to go to them.

It wasn't that he was afraid...

Okay, while he lived these days steadily and calmly, if he really saw Cloud Billow or that old freak Cloud Boundless, he was sure to feel uncomfortable.

This spoke of a truth. In the face of an absolute strength, it wasn't always a good thing to have their weakness in hand. Not only would it not bring benefits, but it would be like drinking a mouthful of scalding soup that couldn't be swallowed or spit back out. He could only suffer quietly.

As Qin Yu sighed, feeling down on his luck, another invitation arrived for him. The demon who delivered it was familiar. It seemed that the first invitation to Bluetile Courtyard was also delivered by him.

"Your Excellency Qin Yu, I am here upon orders of the young master to bring you to the courtyard. If possible, I ask you to immediately come with me. The carriage is waiting outside." His demeanor was restrained and his voice was respectful.

This demon didn't know much about Qin Yu, but he was undoubtedly an extremely important guest to the old King's lineage.

This point could be inferred from the invitations of both the Clan Elder and Sir Cloud Billow.

You think this judgment is too sloppy? Hoho, what sort of characters are the Clan Elder and Sir Cloud Billow? Let alone at this time when it was a critical period for the struggle of the new King's throne, when would they ever waste their precious time on anyone unimportant?

Even an idiot could draw this conclusion!

Qin Yu revealed a strange look, instinctually feeling some rejection even though he had been thinking about how to gain the qualifications to enter Nine Nether Pagoda from the old King's lineage not too long ago.

As someone dispatched by Bluetile Courtyard, the demon that delivered the invitation might not be strong, but he was insightful. He could sense a bit of coldness and hesitation from Qin Yu's silence.

Who didn't know of Sir Cloud Billow's status in Adversity Peak City? This Qin Yu clearly knew that this was a personal invitation from the young master, but he was still debating on whether or not he wanted to go. This only proved that his status was even greater than he first thought.

Although his mission was only to deliver the invitation, if Qin Yu didn't come then it would be considered a dereliction of duty.

Without any hesitation, the demon smiled. He continued to say, "Your Excellency Qin Yu, the Clan Elder also hopes to see you again."

During this recent period of time, Cloud Boundless had almost become a lurking shadow in Qin Yu's heart. He never knew when that old thing would leap out from behind a door and slap him to death with one strike.

Although Qin Yu wouldn't die with one slap, if they truly tore apart all pretense of face, it really would become troublesome.

After thinking for a moment, Qin Yu said, "Alright. Please wait a moment. I will come out soon."

The messenger demon bowed and respectfully said, "The carriage will be waiting outside the inn."

When he left, Qin Yu's complexion immediately clouded over. Strictly speaking, it was the old King's lineage that owed him a favor, so why did he need to be afraid? This was a really unique situation!

Was this going to be a red banquet where he would be murdered?

That shouldn't be the case. Otherwise, Cloud Boundless would have used some other method to invite him. He definitely wouldn't be so temperate.

Stand firm. Don't be afraid. At the very least, the old King's lineage had no idea he knew of their weakness.

If he didn't say anything, who would know?

Moments later, the carriage left the inn. Qin Yu sat in the comfortable compartment. Two demon women were in front of him, carefully serving him.

Old Fox and Black Astral followed behind the carriage. They glanced at each other, both sensing the anxiousness in the other's eyes.

Qin Yu hadn't said anything to them before they left, only informing them to be discreet. But, they had seen the cloudiness in his eyes.

Could it be that there was something else to the invitation this time?

It had to be said that they were two Demon Commanders, and one of them had even touched the threshold of the Demon King boundary. It wasn't an exaggeration to say his strength was tyrannical.

While it was arrogant to say he could freely wander throughout the abyss without fear, it was more or less true. He wouldn't be afraid of trouble coming to his door.

But the question was whether their young master's eyes were looking too high up when choosing an opponent. While no one knew the true strength of the old King's lineage, easily suppressing the two of them was absolutely possible.

Thinking of this, the two old demons couldn't help but force a smile.

The journey proceeded smoothly. When they arrived at Bluetile Courtyard there was no grand reception this time. Before the main entrance opened, Qin Yu was immediately invited to a side door.

After turning into a smaller garden, the demon who led the way hurriedly stopped and bowed.

Qin Yu looked up and his heart twitched. He cupped his hands together and bowed, "I greet the Clan Elder!"

This old thing, was he really this bored? He was still in the mood to drink tea at such a time?

Or could it be that Cloud Boundless was intentionally waiting for him here?

Cloud Boundless smiled. He said in a warm and intimate tone, "Little friend Qin Yu, you arrived. I was actually worried that you would be cautious and not come for the time being. Hoho, but it appears I've underestimated you. Your breadth of spirit and noble heart is truly worthy of being a handsome and outstanding youth!"

Qin Yu's lips twitched. Just what kind of messy way was this of complimenting others? And no matter how he listened to it, he felt that there was something else in his words.

Before he could think further, Cloud Boundless waved his hand, "Go, go, you young people have more in common so there's no need to waste your time here with an old man like me."

This caused Qin Yu to relax a little. He really didn't want to face this old thing. After bowing and apologizing, he immediately turned and left.

Qin Yu didn't know if it was an illusion or not, but he always thought that Cloud Boundless' eyes were constantly on him. It was only when he turned the corner and left the garden that this nervous and uneasy feeling slowly vanished.

Qin Yu took a deep breath and slowly let it out, trying to relieve the heaviness in his heart. Although Cloud Boundless' expression and tone were normal, there seemed to be a bit more...eagerness.

That's right, it was eagerness. This was an incomparably correct word that described Cloud Boundless' vague attitude.

But for some unknown reason, Qin Yu felt uncomfortable. He felt as if he had been targeted by some great wolf.

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As this thought came to mind, he immediately thought something was wrong. From the very start, Cloud Boundless' attitude towards him was strange.

There was a problem, there was definitely a problem!

As Qin Yu barely managed to rid himself of this restless mood, he arrived at Cloud Billow's dwelling.

The defense was tight and nearly watertight. This didn't exceed Qin Yu's expectations. After all, Cloud Billow had just been attacked in Nine Nether Pagoda, something previously thought unimaginable.

Old Fox and Black Astral were not allowed to enter. Qin Yu thought for a moment and nodded. The two old demons were guided to a side courtyard where they could wait.

Without anyone to lead the way, Qin Yu briefly paused at the entrance before pushing open the door and walking in.

Unexpectedly, Cloud Billow's courtyard wasn't large and the layout was simple. And it also seemed that he was alone right now.

From the look of things, were they planning on telling him about some unusual secret? But in truth, even if he didn't know that Cloud Billow was actually a girl, the two sides had strictly only met twice. There was no friendship between them.

Could it be that she knew he knew?

These words were a bit convoluted, but everyone knew what it meant. Qin Yu's complexion changed a bit as he drew in a deep breath.

Don't panic. Clarify the situation before deciding things. Since he was able to come here, it meant things hadn't reached an uncontrollable level.

"Your Excellency Qin Yu has arrived? Please enter."

Cloud Billow's voice sounded out. Hearing the dignified tone in her masculine voice, even though he knew it wasn't right, he still showed a strange expression. This wicked girl's acting skills weren't ordinary!

"Cough...it's me, Qin Yu." As he spoke, he firmed himself. He took several steps in and pushed open the door, walking into the room.

Cloud Billow was neatly dressed, sitting in the main seat. When she saw Qin Yu she stood up and bowed, "I still haven't officially thanked you for saving my life. Please receive my bow and respect."

Qin Yu didn't avoid it. After a pause he said, "There's no need to thank me. I previously asked you to not tell anybody about what happened in Nine Nether Pagoda concerning me...I wonder if young master has done that?"

Cloud Billow was silent for a time. She slowly shook her head and said, "I apologize. Because the Clan Elder asked me in all seriousness, I could not hide it. But rest assured, the Clan Elder promised me that he would not inform anyone else about it."

Qin Yu rubbed his eyebrows. As he thought, the previous meeting wasn't a coincidence. That old thing Cloud Boundless had been purposefully waiting for him. But, just what was he plotting now?

Cloud Billow should have preserved Qin Yu's secret; after all, it was a life-saving graciousness. But he also knew that with Cloud Boundless' status, once he started pressing Cloud Billow on this matter, there was no way she could hide it from him.

There was no significance in worrying about this point anymore. Qin Yu took a deep breath and wryly smiled, "I hope so. After all, I don't want to provoke too much trouble." He looked up at Cloud Billow and continued, "May I ask for what reason you invited me here today?"

Although he knew that he had been sold out by Cloud Billow and felt a little sad, there was at least one point he was certain of.

Cloud Billow didn't know that he knew.

This was also convoluted...but in short, the situation was much better than the worst case scenario. Otherwise, Cloud Billow might have directly opened up with that when they saw each other!

Facing Qin Yu's questioning, an unnatural look flashed across Cloud Billow's face. After several breaths of time she slowly said, "As a way to thank you for saving my life, the Clan Elder would like to marry off a woman in the tribe to be your wife."

As she spoke, she stared at Qin Yu, her eyes shining with luminescence.

Qin Yu nearly choked on his own saliva. He violently coughed, not caring about how distressed he appeared. He looked at Cloud Billow.

What kind of thanks was that?

Moreover, why are you looking at me like that? And why is there some anger and shame there?

Please don't tell me that the woman you are referring to is yourself!

As this thought appeared, Qin Yu coughed even more fiercely. He bent over, hiding his shocked and incredulous expression.

Someone just asked me to my face to marry them; what am I supposed to say? Please answer, this is urgent!

Chapter 1104A – The Way Thing Are

Cloud Billow was a woman.

Qin Yu had seen this wicked girl's true appearance before. In terms of looks and physique, she was explosive to the point that there was no need to say anything else. And such a woman had taken the initiative to try and force him into marriage...while he was dumbfounded and anxious, he still couldn't help but feel a bit of prideful satisfaction in his heart.

Perhaps this was one of the incorrigible natural instincts of all men, something that couldn't be changed. Some people could act and pretend that they felt otherwise, while others were more obvious.

Qin Yu was probably the kind that could act well...cough, well, this wasn't the key point. The key was that it was impossible for him to marry her.

Not to mention the fact that abyssal life forms had no chance of ever coming into union with beings from the living world, even if there was he still wouldn't recognize it.

That's right, he did urgently need to enter Nine Nether Pagoda to cultivate. But, that didn't mean he would abandon his bottom line and sell himself out.

He had to refuse, but he had to do it in a warm and temperate way so that the old King's lineage didn't feel ashamed. If that happened, things would become troublesome.

After thinking this, Qin Yu settled his mood and said, "The Clan Elder is kind, but I am aware of my own skills and abilities. I cannot match a daughter of the royal bloodline, so I can only decline his good intentions."

Cloud Billow had a calm expression. After saying what she just said, she seemed to have thrown away a burden. She leaned back against her chair, seeming tranquil and serene, "Your Excellency Qin Yu, there is no need to be modest. With your cultivation and background, there is definitely no problem with marrying into my family."

Qin Yu lightly coughed. Background...how did he not know he had something like that? But it was clear that refusing wasn't going to work. So, he decided to switch strategies.

"After being so highly valued by you and the Clan Elder, it would be unappreciative if I continued to refuse. But my family has already made arrangements previously and marriage is not a decision I can make by myself. I ask for your consideration in this."

Cloud Billow's eyes darkly shined. She said in a soft and eerie voice, "Are you saying you wish to reject the offer?"

Qin Yu forced a smile, "It's not that I refuse, but this matter is too important and I don't dare to easily agree!"

The room fell silent. In this quiet, as Qin Yu was worried that this woman would become angry out of shame, she lightly sighed and said, "This matter is the intent of the Clan Elder...if I say it like that, do you understand?"

Was this a threat!? I can't refuse a woman if I don't want one? Where is the reserve of a royal woman? Where is the pride of the royal bloodline?

Qin Yu certainly understood this. Even if he didn't understand, when he added those words along with how he met Cloud Boundless just before this, everything became clear.

This marriage had been arranged by Cloud Boundless. It was fine if he agreed, but if he didn't, there would be nothing but anger.

Shit...this was simply unreasonable!

Moreover, this sort of unreasonableness where someone sent a daughter from their own family into a stranger's bed was rarely seen!

Qin Yu's thoughts raced. With the strength of the old King's lineage, would they forcibly give him a woman just because he saved them? Hoho, that was impossible.

There had to be a problem.

Qin Yu recalled the last time he saw this woman and the uncontrollable desire he felt. It had to be related to this.

Could it be that they have taken a liking to my abyssal bloodline and they wanted to play a trick of marriage and having children to obtain it? Thinking of this, Qin Yu felt as if he'd had an epiphany.

The most outstanding junior of the old King's lineage, someone who had great expectations placed on their shoulders and was recognized as one of the people with the highest qualifications to compete for the new King's throne, was actually a woman.

In other words, no matter how this competition for the new King's throne went, the old King's lineage was helpless.

Qin Yu thought back to the rioting demonic energy within Cloud Billow's body that he had helped subdue. It had signs of losing control...in other words, there was already a problem with her.

Taking this idea further, could the problem she experienced be because she had to maintain this identity as Cloud Billow?

If this was true, then it wouldn't be long before she could no longer pretend to be Cloud Billow.

Once she was exposed or was seen through by others, the old King's lineage would suffer a disastrous attack...

They would think, the one we followed was a woman?

Hoho, the old King's lineage really did know how to play around. Even an idiot could tell how dire the consequences would be.

The assassination attempt at Nine Nether Pagoda proved that someone had already started suspecting Cloud Billow's status. They likely even obtained some key information, otherwise they wouldn't have caused such a commotion.

Without a chance to compete for the new King's throne, they were almost struck down. This performance would soon have to come to a grinding halt...all of these little things were like swords

hanging above their heads. If the old King's lineage didn't want a thousand holes pierced through them, they had to find a solution...for instance, finding a new partner to substitute for Cloud Billow's position.

And at this time, Qin Yu just happened to appear. As long as they got married and produced a bloodline descendant, this woman could find a chance to fake her death and return to her original identity. Then, all problems would be solved.

But how could the old King's lineage determine the 'quality' of the seed they borrowed? Just because the two felt a sudden lustful urge when they met each other? This was completely unreliable!

Whether it was reliable or not, Qin Yu wasn't in the mood to debate this. He looked at Cloud Billow, one thought in his heart...if his guess was correct, the old King's lineage would never let him go.

What nonsense, this was a life-saving rope that had delivered itself to their door. Anyone who let go of it would be a fool! The more he thought about it, the more accurate this seemed. As a result, Qin Yu's complexion grew increasingly ugly.

His intuition told him...he was right!

Cloud Billow had a calm expression, "Qin Yu, the Clan Elder has always been rash and reckless. It is best if you agree to this matter, otherwise there will definitely be problems."

Qin Yu's lips twitched. If he brought up the matter of Cloud Billow being a woman, could he use it to threaten the old King's lineage? But he immediately suppressed this idea.

From that old freak Cloud Boundless' shameless actions of pushing a woman into his arms, it could be seen that the old King's lineage had no other path they could take.

Otherwise, was he really supposed to think that a royal bloodline wouldn't care about face? It was just that compared to face or life, they chose the latter without hesitation.

There was not much else to say about this. If it was anyone else they would have done the same. Face was important, but it was nothing when compared to one's life. Face? Could that be eaten?

If Qin Yu really dared to bring this issue up, Cloud Boundless would become enraged. Then, he would give Qin Yu two choices. Either marry this woman or be killed.

Qin Yu still had some assurance in escaping Adversity Peak City. If things really went south, he still had one ultimate last resort – to summon the Abyssal Demon Dragon Clan Elder, Ao Fa.

But if he did this, he would surely be placed on the top killing list of the Nightmare Clan. No one could expect a happy ending if they caused such trouble in Adversity Peak City at such a time.

As for entering the Nightmare Ancestral Land and finding a way to undo the Path of 10,000 Souls? That would become the babblings of a madman!

Thus, unless he had no other choice, Qin Yu would never take this step.

Calm down! Impulsiveness was the devil!

Today's matter had come too suddenly and he hadn't even prepared himself at all. For a short time, he couldn't figure out what to say.

He could only delay.

Qin Yu took a deep breath and slowly said, "Sir Cloud Billow, this matter is far too important. I must contact my clan before I can make a decision."

Cloud Billow nodded. "Of course. But I ask you to please give an answer as soon as possible."

Qin Yu nodded. Without pausing, he stood up and bid his goodbyes, leaving the courtyard with a gloomy expression.

When Old Fox and Black Astral came out and glanced at him, they followed behind him without saying a single word.

"Haha, little friend Qin Yu came out so soon? I thought you would still be talking with Cloud Billow. The young should get to know each other better." A hearty laugh filled the air as Cloud Boundless appeared. The demon guide who was leading the way hurriedly bowed, astonishment in his eyes.

The Clan Elder had appeared? This was too much of a coincidence!

The corners of Qin Yu's eyes twitched. He really wanted to punch Cloud Boundless' smiling face. This old thing, he must have been waiting out here!

But thinking this was all he could do. So, he forced out a smile and said, "There are some matters I must deal with, so I cannot stay much longer. I'll be leaving first."

"Oh. There's something urgent? Then you should deal with it. Only after dealing with these trivial matters can you concentrate on major events, right?" Cloud Boundless smiled as he stared at Qin Yu with eyes full of meaning. "The situation is just how things are. Little friend, you understand me right? Haha, think about it as soon as possible. I favor you very much!"

As he spoke he walked over and patted Qin Yu's shoulder. A mass of demonic energy instantly shot into Qin Yu's body. Without giving him a chance to speak, he turned and walked away.

He disappeared in the blink of an eye.

Qin Yu paled. This old freak, he had given him a marking, warning him not to secretly run away.

Although the demonic energy had integrated into his body, with Qin Yu's soul force he could easily feel this marking.

Destroying it was simple. It would only take a thought. But since Cloud Boundless hadn't even concealed the fact that he shot it into Qin Yu's body...

This was a stance.

If Qin Yu left behind the marking, then nothing would happen. But if he tried to destroy it? That would not be showing him due respect and he would be forced to be angry.

Whatever. It couldn't harm him in any case. He would endure it for now!

Qin Yu let out a breath, "Let's go!"

Chapter 1105 - Bold Plan

Qin Yu soon arrived at Bluetile Courtyard. While he hadn't received an invitation, the guards were respectful of his arrival.

It was impossible for them not to be respectful. By now, everyone knew he was an honored guest of the young master and the Clan Elder. They couldn't afford to offend him at all!

"Your Excellency Qin Yu, we apologize, but Sir Cloud Billow was invited to the City Lord Mansion to participate in tonight's banquet. He hasn't returned yet."

Seeing Qin Yu's complexion, the guard thought for a moment before saying, "If this is an urgent issue, you may directly go to the evening banquet. Before the young master left, he said that no matter when you come, you can instantly see him."

City Lord Mansion...

Qin Yu frowned before composing himself. He turned and boarded the carriage, "Go to the City Lord Mansion."

Blue Wave was a nuisance, but since Feature hadn't killed him then he naturally had his uses.

If so, there was no need to hide. Even if his big brother was the Adversity Peak City Lord, Qin Yu had no need to fear him with his current level of strength.

The old King's lineage was currently on his side. Before he gave them a response, Cloud Billow would do everything in her power to protect him.

The carriage sped away. When they arrived at the City Lord Mansion, other demons from Bluetile Courtyard were already waiting outside. They respectfully bowed to Qin Yu before leading him inside through a side door.

Adversity Peak City guarded the ancestral land and the City Lord was one of the holders of the key. He held a pivotal position in the Nightmare Clan.

The construction of the mansion was natural and magnificent. Compared to Bluetile Courtyard, it might be a bit inferior, but it still possessed overwhelming momentum.

The great hall where the banquet was being held was brightly lit. Countless demon women gracefully walked around with immaculate elegance and poise. They were divided into small circles as they quietly conversed with each other. But, there was a strange absent-mindedness about them.

The current City Lord Blue Sea had obtained his current office by using a challenge method of the clan to directly kill off the previous City Lord.

His actions afterwards had been low-key. While he hadn't been able to take full control of Adversity Peak City yet, he had managed to eliminate the previous City Lord's subordinates.

The key was that all of this occurred with any disturbances and was resolved without a sound. From this, it could be seen how skilled he was.

Strictly speaking, today's banquet was the first time that Blue Sea had taken the initiative to declare his existence ever since he became City Lord.

Moreover, this was a time when the old King's lineage, Ancient King's lineage, and new faction had gathered together to compete for the throne of the new King. It was natural that this attracted even more attention.

Could it be that Adversity Peak City had made its choice?

It had to be known that Blue Sea held one of the keys to the ancestral land. Although he had just recently risen, his decision would undoubtedly affect the decisions of many people.

In this sort of situation, the invited guests weren't in the mood to really enjoy the banquet. They were mostly waiting for him to make an appearance.

With great fanfare, he had invited main figures from the three major factions to join together. Could it be that this was all for a meal and a chat? Heh, that was impossible, there was bound to be something exciting happening!

When Qin Yu was brought to the entrance of the banquet hall, the demon who guided him here pointed at Cloud Billow's position and then respectfully bowed and walked away.

Without hesitation, Qin Yu stepped into the hall. By the time he passed through the entrance, Cloud Billow had already noticed him.

Cloud Billow gave a slight nod and said a few words to the people around her. Their eyes fell on Qin Yu, looking him over a few times before they smiled and left.

Cloud Billow walked over. Her first words were, "Qin Yu, have you made up your mind?"

This left Qin Yu feeling somewhat speechless. Even if you are a woman, aren't your acting skills too good? This involves her own marriage, yet she is able to act so calmly about it.

Fierce! Definitely fierce!

Qin Yu shook his head and said, "I have an even better plan now. If you agree to it then we can all be happy."

Cloud Billow furrowed her eyebrows. She looked at him and said, "I can listen to it. But to be honest, I don't have much faith in your plan."

The Clan Elder was already anxious. If Qin Yu didn't agree soon, he might suffer some hardships.

Qin Yu smiled, "Just listen to it first. There's no loss for you."

Cloud Billow nodded and walked over to a corner. No matter what Qin Yu wanted to say, it was best that no one heard them.

Otherwise, they really might cause a disturbance.

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City Lord Mansion, in a room somewhere.

The banquet had already begun, but City Lord Blue Sea had yet to make an appearance. He stood in front of a mirror, ripples wafting across its surface. A trace of divine sense came out from it; it seemed to be talking to him.

The divine sense from the mirror produced no sound, but Blue Sea's reply echoed in the air. He furrowed his eyebrows together, slowly saying, "I can take advantage of this moment to express my stance. But doing this will have a great impact on him."

He paused for a moment and continued to say, "I am confident in you and also believe that we will be the last ones laughing. But, there's a process to this, and in this process he will have to withstand great danger."

Blue Sea's eyebrows tightened even further. He took a deep breath and said, "I can agree, but no matter what the result is, you must give him extra compensation for this...for instance, that thing I mentioned before. I hope you can agree."

The ripples on the mirror's surface continued to spread outwards. After several breaths of time, Blue Sea respectfully bowed, "Thank you my lord. I will arrange it."

The ripples gradually faded away. After calming down, all that remained in front of him was an ordinary mirror.

Blue Sea stood up. He took a deep breath. Then, he pushed open the door and walked out.

Outside the courtyard, Blue Wave hurriedly bowed, "Big brother."

Blue Sea glanced at him and said, "We will continue according to the plan. You will have to take a risk, but there should be no problems if I am there. Moreover, I have requested an extra reward for you. It will be greatly beneficial for your future cultivation."

Blue Wave said, "I will listen to big brother's instructions."

Joy flashed in his eyes.

His big brother absolutely wouldn't harm him. Since he asked him to do this...even if this other party had an honored status, there shouldn't be a problem.

As for the reward, Blue Wave knew what it was. Once he obtained it, it would help him break past his current boundary in a short period of time.

Blue Sea waved a hand, "Go and prepare."

"Yes, big brother."

Blue Wave turned and left.

Looking at his back, Blue Sea's eyes were deep and profound. After several breaths of time he gently sighed.

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In all honesty, Cloud Billow was shocked by Qin Yu's plan. He really dared to come up with something like this!

Of course, Qin Yu wasn't able to say that he knew Cloud Billow was a weakness and he had grasped their weakness.

But changing his rhetoric and expressing his stance wasn't difficult.

As long as the old King's lineage understood his meaning, it was fine.

Welcoming Cloud Billow's wide eyes that were full of stunned disbelief, Qin Yu lightly coughed and said, "I know this proposition is absurd, but think about it carefully. It won't necessarily fail.

"Of course, I will keep my word and I will not covet the throne of the new King. Once I succeed, I will transfer it to you as soon as possible."

Cloud Billow took a deep breath. She subconsciously glanced around her before quietly roaring, "You are insane! Never mention this again. If the Clan Elder learns you are thinking something like this, no one will be able to save you!"

Nightmare King! This was the Nightmare King, the role that represented supreme authority! Moreover, there was no chance of this plan ever succeeding to begin with.

Drawing back 10,000 steps, even if Qin Yu luckily managed to succeed somehow, would he still give up authority? What a joke, not even a child would believe that.

The old King's lineage is supposed to do everything in our power to help you ascend the throne, and then we are supposed to wait for you to give it back to us?

That is simply absurd!

Cloud Billow's response was within Qin Yu's expectations. It was just a bit more forceful than he anticipated. But since she hadn't gone crazy with rage, that meant there was room for discussion.

He took a deep breath. Just as he was about to continue speaking, he furrowed his eyebrows and looked to the side.

A woman seemed to have drunk too much and was staggering over...although she had changed her clothes and the corner here was a bit dark, Qin Yu still recognized her with a single glance.

Spring Breeze 13th Madame!

Sure enough, Blue Wave hadn't died and had already returned.

He never thought that Blue Wave would bring this woman back with him.

Qin Yu frowned and subconsciously took a step back, hiding in the shadows. He might have said he wasn't afraid before, but he didn't want to create problems at this time. Convincing Cloud Billow was the key, and there was no time to waste with these people!

But even though Qin Yu didn't want to provoke trouble, that didn't mean trouble would avoid him.

The seemingly drunk Spring Breeze 13th Madame suddenly staggered over and fell onto Cloud Billow.

Chapter 1106 - Conflict

Spring Breeze 13th Madame could definitely be regarded as 'beautiful and sultry to the bone'. In terms of appearance alone she might not be the best, but when it came to seduction, few could match her.

Let alone with her current appearance. She seemed drunk and weak, as if she would pour herself into the arms of any man that approached her.

But Cloud Billow wasn't a man. She furrowed her eyebrows and raised her arms, using some strength in her palms to push Spring Breeze 13th Madame away.

13th Madame went flying with a cry. As she gave an ear-splitting screech, her long skirt tore apart to reveal shocking amounts of pale white skin.

"How bold! You dare to bully my woman!?" With a roar, several figures rushed over.

Qin Yu furrowed his eyebrows. He wasn't a stranger to this voice – it was that boy Blue Wave. Did he not know of Cloud Billow's status?

No, something was wrong. Spring Breeze 13th Madame wasn't a genuinely weak and feeble woman, nor would she get drunk in such a situation. Moreover, Cloud Billow had only pushed her away and hadn't ripped her clothes.

And with Blue Wave who just came out after that accident...could it be they came for Cloud Billow?

These people were actually considerably courageous. Even if City Lord Blue Sea was standing behind Blue Wave, did they not fear retaliation from the old King's lineage? Or, could it be said that they had completed their preparations and felt no fear at all?

"Go, seize them!" Blue Wave breathlessly roared out, rage etched on his face.

Several demons from behind him leaped forward. Their auras weren't weak, but they couldn't pose any threat to Cloud Billow.

Even if her current injuries hadn't yet healed, it was still easy for her to deal with these people.

With a flick of her sleeve, space shook and demonic energy swept outwards. The several demons plaintively cried out as they were sent tumbling backwards.

Although this was just a corner of the great banquet hall, since fluctuations of demonic energy appeared, everyone instantly sensed it.

Eyes gathered over and complexions changed. Just which idiot dared to attack Cloud Billow?

After the incident of Nine Nether Pagoda, Cloud Boundless almost tore apart all pretense of face and was heavily arguing with the Clan Elder Assembly. Anyone who dared to show any ill intent towards Cloud Billow would cause that old freak to go crazy.

As for Blue Wave, he was a stranger in their eyes. They had never seen him before.

But the stranger this situation was, the better it was. Since they weren't related they wouldn't be implicated. Cloud Boundless had been angry recently with no place to vent his anger. They didn't want to be collateral damage.

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Several City Lord Mansion guards raced into the grand hall like lightning. Their auras covered every corner of the hall.

"Sir Blue Wave..."

After seeing both sides, the complexions of the guards changed. They subconsciously cried out in alarm, revealing anxious looks. They never imagined that the one coming into conflict with Cloud Billow would be him.

The looks of the crowd started to change. It was mentioned before that the Adversity Peak City Lord was not some nobody, and he possessed an important status within the Nightmare Clan.

In particular, with the competition for the throne of the new King about to open up, everyone was subconsciously paying more attention to the City Lord Mansion.

Many people knew that City Lord Blue Sea sent subordinates to cross dozens of layers of the abyss to bring his only younger brother back to Adversity Peak City.

This showed how highly he valued him.

Now, Blue Wave came into conflict with Cloud Billow...although this didn't seem like much, who could guarantee there wasn't another reason behind it?

"What are you all standing around for? Capture him!" Blue Wave roared between clenched teeth.

Qin Yu glanced around. This boy's acting skills were quite good; he couldn't see any flaws on the surface. But, why did he come out here today?

This was likely the plan of the solemn Adversity Peak City Lord. Even if he expressed his stance, did he still need to do something like this? It seemed far too petty.

As for whether or not they would truly harm Cloud Billow...hum hum, although he didn't want to admit it, with that old freak Cloud Boundless in the city, the City Lord Mansion wouldn't be so bold.

And since they were in full view of the public, they couldn't play any tricks.

Qin Yu felt a bit curious. Since things were well within control, he quietly took two steps back, completely hiding in the shadows and letting Cloud Billow deal with this herself.

Of course, Qin Yu had to acknowledge that deep in his heart, he also had some dark thoughts.

For instance, because of this matter, the City Lord Mansion might develop a grudge against the old King's lineage.

An enemy of an enemy might not be a friend, but it was easier to be closer and friendly.

Although he had never met the Adversity Peak City Lord, with Feature's actions before and also the fact that Blue Wave was still alive, it shouldn't be difficult to meet him.

Still, that was just a thought. At the very least, this matter today had nothing to do with Qin Yu. For now he could sit back and enjoy the show.

The several guards all stiffened like blocks of wood, and they almost cried when they heard the orders. They thought, young master, you really do know how to cause trouble.

Do you know who this is? He is the successor to the old King's lineage and one of the potential candidates to the new King's throne. As for us? We are just minor background characters that could be crushed with merely a wave of the hand!

If you want us to capture him, why not just kill us instead and give us a happy ending? At least this will prevent disaster from reaching our families.

A guard gulped and said, "Young master...this matter...maybe there is a misunderstanding..."

"Misunderstanding!?" Blue Wave's voice rose by several decibels and he pointed a finger at Cloud Billow. "This damned bastard just touched my woman! I saw it with my own eyes, so how can it be fake!?"

Spring Breeze 13th Madame sobbed on the ground. She pulled her skirt as if trying to cover herself, but the more she tried the more she revealed, making her seem even more alluring.

In addition, with her profile...tsk tsk, she really was a beauty.

It was said that Cloud Billow was someone who wholeheartedly focused on cultivating and ignored all female attraction. Could the rumors be wrong?

No, that wasn't right. Even if the rumors were true, after the last assassination attempt it would be normal if he underwent a change in personality. Coupled with some drinking and encountering such a beautiful woman...

Hum hum, this wasn't a good look at all. No wonder Blue Wave's anger soared to the heavens. With his background, how could he endure watching his own woman be humiliated?

Of course, even if this were true and Blue Wave's status in Adversity Peak City wasn't low, he had no choice but to lower his head today.

Let alone that Cloud Billow had just taken a touch, even if he snatched Blue Wave's woman and threw her onto his bed, was he supposed to become enraged at the old King's lineage because of this?

Don't talk nonsense. Not everyone here was an idiot!

Cloud Billow frowned, a cold light in her eyes. She knew who Blue Wave was and never thought she would come into conflict with him. Right now, the old King's lineage was trying to win over Blue Sea so that he threw in his vote for them.

At such a time, it wasn't good to come into conflict with his little brother. She took a deep breath and said, "Sir Blue Wave, it is better if you clearly investigate this matter first. I did not touch your woman."

After hearing this, everyone knew that Cloud Billow was trying to maintain the peace and let Blue Wave keep some face. Otherwise with his status, there would be no need to be polite.

Qin Yu glanced at her. Did this woman not realize that the other party had done this intentionally? No...although they hadn't come into contact for long, he knew Cloud Billow was someone with brains.

In other words, had she realized it and was carefully bearing it? With the strength and status of the old King's lineage, they still needed to be careful of the Adversity Peak City Lord?

Qin Yu's eyes sparkled. It seemed that he had underestimated the strength that the City Lord controlled.

Chapter 1107 - Idiot

In fact, Qin Yu's thoughts weren't wrong. The status of the Adversity Peak City Lord was much more important than he imagined. This was the only reason this accident attracted the eyes of everyone in the banquet hall.

As the several guards were streaming with sweat, they were finally saved by someone walking over. It was Lord Clear Sea, one of the most trusted subordinates of the City Lord. Since he appeared, there was no need for them to continue participating in this.

Hurriedly bowing, the several guards fell back. Clear Sea had a bitter expression as he bowed and said, "I greet Sir Cloud Billow. Today's accident must have been a misunderstanding. Young Master Blue Wave has no idea of your status, so if there has been any offense, I ask you to be broad-minded."

This was the correct way of dealing with things. This really seemed like a coincidence, but Blue Wave unexpectedly didn't know who Cloud Billow was. It seemed that this second young master of the City Lord Mansion was as absurd and ridiculous as the rumors said.

Some time ago, a group of City Lord Mansion guards had been poisoned to death and Blue Wave had also been heavily injured, resulting in him being hidden away as he recuperated.

Blue Sea flew into a rage because of this and people were captured and executed. It was said that the cause of this accident was a woman.

Was it possible that this woman was the one lying on the ground and sobbing? Tsk tsk, beautiful women really did bring ruin to their country. Blue Wave had already suffered a loss once, but he hadn't committed that experience to memory. Someone with such a playboy attitude was bound to get into trouble sooner or later.

Blue Wave's complexion changed but he maintained a gloomy expression. He hesitated and said, "Clear Sea, who is this person?" From the look of things, he still didn't want to stop. This caused the watching demons to snicker inwardly as their opinion of him dropped even lower.

With Clear Sea's status and his current attitude, was this not enough to show what was happening? To become so muddled because of a woman...he was far too besotted!

Clear Sea's face stiffened. He took a deep breath and respectfully said, "Second young master, Sir Cloud Billow is a descendant of the old King's lineage and his status is incomparably honored. He would absolutely never do something that would demean his honor."

What kind of hero was the City Lord? Yet he managed to have such a pathetic and sloppy little brother. If this were anyone else, he would have sternly scolded them a long time ago.

Blue Wave's complexion changed and dread flashed in his eyes. But when he looked down at the crying 13th Madame, his face flushed red as an expression of grief and angered indignation rose on his face.

He knew Cloud Billow's identity and felt dread, yet he was unwilling to back down...right now, his performance perfectly displayed the mind of a playboy to the fullest extent.

Qin Yu wasn't the same as the surrounding demons who felt disdain at Blue Wave's actions and even laughed at him. He subconsciously furrowed his eyebrows, a strange look in his eyes.

He hadn't come into contact with Blue Wave much, but he knew he was a person with some cleverness. At certain times, he even showed some resolve. For instance, before knowing of Feature's supposed identity when they faced the red-eyed demon leader, he directly betrayed her without hesitation so he could leave unharmed.

So now that he knew Cloud Billow's status and still acted like this, something was clearly off. And others might not know about Spring Breeze 13th Madame's status, but Qin Yu did.

Although he had no idea why this woman was together with Blue Wave, there were obviously no feelings between them. As for whether or not Blue Wave would go this far for someone like her?

It was simply a joke.

If he was only guessing before, he could now confirm that Blue Wave came here for Cloud Billow.

It seemed that the Adversity Peak City Lord had made a choice. While Qin Yu didn't know which one of the three great factions it was, it surely wasn't the old King's lineage.

In other words, Cloud Billow's patience was meaningless. If Blue Wave came here for her, was it really just to show his attitude and deal a small blow to her reputation?

As Qin Yu's thoughts were racing, his nose twitched. Where did that smell come from? It seemed to be from Spring Breeze 13th Madame who was lying on the ground.

He had no idea what this scent was, but it smelled nice. Qin Yu subconsciously took a few more sniffs. The heart of the abyss in his chest started to beat faster as his demonic energy became livelier.

Mm? This wasn't right.

Although the effect wasn't great, Qin Yu instantly discovered the changes in his body. His complexion changed.

This sort of fragrance was able to galvanize the strength in his body...but after sensing it, he didn't discover anything dangerous. Could this merely be a coincidence?

He suddenly looked at Cloud Billow. Her expressionless face was a little bit more ruddy, and there was a restlessness in her eyes.

"Alright. Since this is a misunderstanding, there is no need to say anything. I have not placed this matter in my heart." Cloud Billow quietly said. She glanced at Blue Wave and at Spring Breeze 13th Madame on

the floor. "Apologize to the City Lord for me. I have other matters to attend to so I will be leaving. Goodbye."

She turned to leave.

Clear Sea's complexion changed. It was impossible for the old King's lineage to not know about the importance of today's banquet, yet Cloud Billow wanted to leave ahead of time?

This was just a trivial matter; was there a need to lose his temper? No, that shouldn't be it. He had heard that Sir Cloud Billow was like a phoenix in the skies, so how could he not accommodate this?

The City Lord still hadn't expressed his stance. Only when the three great factions gathered together could he obtain the most benefits.

If Cloud Billow left ahead of time, it might affect the City Lord's plans. As Clear Sea thought of this, his dissatisfaction towards Blue Wave only grew.

But if Cloud Billow wanted to leave, he couldn't stop him with his status. He could only watch anxiously.

At this time, a calm voice sounded out, each word tumbling with a formidable aura. "Blue Wave, you have been far too dissolute. Immediately apologize to Sir Cloud Billow!"

Blue Sea strode in. His facial appearance did share some similarities with Blue Wave, but it was impossible to compare their imposing manner and momentums.

Anyone who saw him would praise him as a dragon amongst men!

Wherever he walked, the people in the hall quickly drew back.

"City Lord!"

"I greet the City Lord!"

Blue Sea smiled and nodded, his demeanor calm and unhurried. He didn't show any unease over what was happening in front of him.

Cloud Billow's feet paused. She could only stop here. She cupped her hands and said, "Greetings, City Lord Blue Sea."

"Sir Cloud Billow, my little brother has been spoiled since he was a child and that is why he has been so arrogant and conceited today. To think he offended you, that is his greatest mistake!" Blue Sea said in a stern tone. He glared at Blue Wave and barked, "You scoundrel, why haven't you apologized!?"

Blue Wave shrank back his neck and revealed an aggrieved look mixed with dread. He reluctantly bowed and said, "I apologize. I had eyes but couldn't see. I ask Sir Cloud Billow to forgive me!"

This sight left many people surprised. Could it be that their previous guesses were wrong? The Blue Family Brothers had played tricks but were not willing to retreat?

They clearly offended Cloud Billow, but they actually wanted to express their true status using this incident? So did that mean Adversity Peak City had chosen the old King's lineage?

For a time, everyone's eyes widened. There were those that were shocked, amazed, thoughtful, and some that were even cold and dark...

If Adversity Peak City really stood behind the old King's lineage, it would represent that they had another vote and their disparity of strength with the ancient King's lineage would have shrunk. This meant that the final winner of the new King's throne would be even more unpredictable.

Cloud Billow hesitated for a moment.

Originally, she didn't think too much about it. She just felt that Blue Sea's brother was really ignorant and lacking in finesse. But just now, she smelled something. Although it wasn't strong, it animated the demonic energy in her body.

Faintly, there was a sign that it was going to go out of control.

So she made the decision to leave. At the same time, her heart chilled. When she combined all these events together, she came to a conclusion – Adversity Peak City had made their choice!

But now...could she have been mistaken?

The race for the new King's throne was imminent. Even if the old King's lineage couldn't succeed in the end, if they managed to draw in this Adversity Peak City Lord who had recently risen within the clan, their momentum would drastically rise.

Even once the new King took the throne, he would need to have some scruples if he wanted to deal with the old King's lineage.

It had to be known that the Adversity Peak City Lord held a vote in his hand. In terms of this, his status was even higher than a Clan Elder's.

She thought about how Cloud Boundless had almost torn apart all pretense of face with the Clan Elder Assembly for their family's inheritance. Such a solemn and dignified quasi-King level existence had already started to act shamelessly.

Cloud Billow took a deep breath and sensed the strength in her body. While it wasn't too steady, it was still within her scope of control.

This was just a brief conversation. There shouldn't be an accident.

She still had to leave, but before then she had to comfort Blue Sea's state of mind so that they avoided any unexpected losses.

With this thought in mind, Cloud Billow smiled and said, "It's fine. Sir Blue Wave only arrived at Adversity Peak City recently and we haven't seen each other now. This can be considered our first meeting."

Blue Sea laughed out loud. "I've long since heard that Sir Cloud Billow is broad-hearted and generous. Now that I see you today, you are truly worthy of such praise!" He turned and angrily shouted, "Hurry and express your gratitude!"

Blue Wave earnestly bowed, "Thank you, Sir Cloud Billow."

Cloud Billow nodded. "I received a message from the Clan Elder just now and there are some important matters I must attend to, so I will leave the banquet ahead of time. I ask that the City Lord not mind." After a brief pause, she smiled and said, "Two days from now, if City Lord is available then feel free to come to Bluetile Courtyard as a guest. The Clan Elder has much appreciation towards the City Lord."

Blue Sea smiled, as if he felt incomparably satisfied that he had the appreciation of Cloud Boundless. He said, "That's simple. Once I have handled some trivial matters I will come to pay a visit...I also admire the Clan Elder's reputation!"

Cloud Billow's eyes brightened with pleasant surprise. She had extended the good intentions of the old King's lineage and Blue Sea had responded without hesitation.

It had to be known that this wasn't a private discussion between two parties. Before this matter was publicly revealed, it was possible that either side could have changed their mind.

Today, the old King's lineage, ancient King's, and new faction had gathered together in the banquet hall. There were also a massive number of demons who were eligible to participate in the struggle for the throne and choose sides.

Although there hadn't been much conversation between the two parties, they had basically expressed their stance. This could be seen from the changed expressions of those in the hall.

In other words, after Blue Sea made his statement, there was no chance of going back on his word. If he did so after saying such in full view of the public, he would become a hypocritical villain. The noble Adversity Peak City Lord could not do something like this that would be ridiculed by others!

In fact, because of that, he might even have to abandon his position as the City Lord. After all, while Blue Sea's rise within the clan had been astonishing, he hadn't spent the time establishing relations and his foundation in the clan was shallow.

Could someone who was able to become the Adversity Peak City Lord not think of this? So at this moment, Cloud Billow really believed that Blue Sea had chosen the old King's lineage, and she was joyously surprised by it.

Qin Yu had a full view of the subtle changes in her expression. He curled his lips and secretly thought that this woman really was an idiot!

Are you truly the signboard for the old King's lineage nowadays? Hoho, this level truly is terrible!

Chapter 1108 - Cannot Provoke

Blue Sea had a regrettable expression. "Since this is my first time meeting with Sir Cloud Billow, I would truly love to have a long conversation with you deep into the night, but you have other matters to attend to."

He suddenly clapped his hands and said, "I have a proposition I would like to suggest. If the Clan Elder's matter is not a secret, how about inviting him to the City Lord Mansion for a meeting? Since everyone is gathered here today, this will be a great opportunity."

Opportunity? What opportunity? Of course it was for Adversity Peak City to publicly state their stance!

Blue Sea's current meaning was that the old King's lineage needed to put forth sufficient sincerity. It would only be considered enough if both the Clan Elder and Cloud Billow were here.

Cloud Billow was surprised again. She thought that things were proceeding far too smoothly. The old King's lineage hadn't had much contact with this newly risen Adversity Peak City Lord.

But in this situation, as long as Blue Sea expressed his stance he could no longer go back on his word...this was a chance she couldn't miss out on.

What should she do?

Should she really ask the Clan Elder to come?

Her current condition was still stable. Although the strength within her was still restless, it was gradually calming down after she suppressed it.

Perhaps she really had been overthinking things. While she had no idea why the scent she smelled before was able to quicken the strength within her body, at least now it didn't seem harmful to her.

As long as the Clan Elder came, her safety would be even less of a question. Moreover...Cloud Billow turned her head, subconsciously glanced at Qin Yu who was hiding in the shadows. That fellow was still here.

While she hadn't known Qin Yu for long, for some unknown reason her heart was stable when she was with him.

Would he protect me?

Cloud Billow took a deep breath and suppressed her hesitation. The opportunity was right in front of her. As long as it was for the family, even if there were some risks she would take it.

"Since City Lord is so sincere, I..." As she spoke to here her voice came to a grinding stop. Her face flushed red and panic flashed in her eyes.

At this moment, the strength within her body became like a volcano that had awakened from a deep sleep and was finally erupting. It crazily attacked her suppression, causing her aura to wildly fluctuate.

Blue Sea's eyes flashed with a sharp light, but he actually showed concern on his face. "Sir Cloud Billow, what is it?"

As he spoke he moved forward as if to support her. The changing emotions on his face were perfect. Anybody that saw him would think that the City Lord was worried about Cloud Billow's condition and wished to help him.

"City Lord, please stop!" The other demons from Bluetile Courtyard who had followed Cloud Billow to the banquet immediately moved in front of her.

Although they had no idea what was going on right now, in such a situation they couldn't allow anyone to easily approach Cloud Billow.

Cloud Billow clenched her teeth and gritted out, "I'm fine. It's just a remnant wound from the attack at Nine Nether Pagoda...I will bid my farewells here first..."

She turned to leave.

Blue Sea frowned. "Sir Cloud Billow is my honored guest. If an accident happens at the banquet, that is the responsibility of the City Lord! I don't think this is an outbreak of an old wound, but rather the effects of an extremely terrifying demon poison!" As he spoke a cold chill percolated in his eyes as he swept over the demons from Bluetile Courtyard. "You fools, hurry and draw back! If treatment is delayed, no one can bear this responsibility!"

As he spoke he flicked his sleeves, sending several people flying away. He raised a hand and grasped forward.

Cloud Billow's lips moved. But before she could speak, an invisible strength imprisoned her. As she looked at Blue Sea who grabbed her, despair rose in her heart.

Everything that happened today was a trap aimed at her. Blue Sea's performance had indeed confused and entranced her. In fact, even all the people in the hall firmly believed that Blue Sea would stand behind the old King's lineage after what he said.

But what if something happened to the old King's lineage? Or to be exact, once her true status was exposed, everything that Blue Sea said before could be taken back.

After all, how could a mere woman have the qualifications to obtain the support of Adversity Peak City? They would even borrow this incident to launch an even more violent attack against the old King's lineage.

Qin Yu...Qin Yu is still beside me. He will protect me...Qin Yu, save me...hurry and save me...

As if hearing Cloud Billow's mournful pleas, Qin Yu suddenly stepped forward and left the shadows.

Blue Sea had already noticed him standing in the shadows. Right now, while he furrowed his eyebrows, he didn't pause in his actions.

Bang -

In the next moment, a low and deep explosion erupted in the hall. Shockwaves of turbulent strength shot out, causing the blue stone floor to break apart.

Blue Sea took a step back, his feet sinking into the ground. He put his shivering palm behind him. Even though his eyes were full of shock, he still coldly said, "Who are you? Could it be that you are the one who poisoned Sir Cloud Billow!?"

The floor around Qin Yu had cracked and shattered. Without glancing at Blue Sea, he reached out and grabbed Cloud Billow.

Sure enough, the strength in this woman's body had spun out of control. It was even more violent than that day at Nine Nether Pagoda.

This stupid woman, she had actually fallen for such a simple plot. If he weren't here today...hoho, the old King's lineage really would have been in for a bad day.

Not to mention that the next step in Qin Yu's plan required the cooperation of the old King's lineage, just the strange and inexplicable connection between them made it so that Qin Yu couldn't simply stare on helplessly as Cloud Billow fell into a trap.

Standing to the side and watching was simple, but if he wasn't careful he would be caught by his own indifference!

With a thought, strength shot into Cloud Billow's body. The wild strength within her immediately calmed down. But, the fragrance that Cloud Billow inhaled was clearly targeted at her. Even though Qin Yu was helping her, he couldn't fully suppress it.

But at the very least, Cloud Billow's situation was now much better than before. She let out a breath and glanced at Qin Yu. Then she said, "City Lord Blue Sea does not need to worry. Sir Qin Yu is my good friend and I am the one who invited him to participate in this banquet today." She paused for a moment before continuing to say, "As for being poisoned, City Lord worries too much. It is just the outbreak of an old wound."

Qin Yu looked at her. This woman was sometimes stupid, but sometimes she could be smart too.

As long as she didn't reveal anything, then even if Blue Sea's statement today was a lie, it would have to become a truth...even if he planned to go back on his word, there were all sorts of worries he would have to keep in mind.

Blue Sea nodded. "So that's how it is. That is actually..."

Before he finished speaking, Qin Yu suddenly kicked out a foot. With a loud crash, the prone Spring Breeze 13th Madame was flung far away. She crashed into a wall and spat out a mouthful of blood.

This caused many people to widen their eyes. Who was this boy? He was actually so insolent!

Interrupting Blue Sea was one matter. Another was that even though he knew this woman was Blue Wave's, he still dared to use such a heavy hand.

Moreover, the key issue was that this woman hadn't done anything at all before she suffered such a powerful kick. For some reason it felt as if it was a slap to the face.

But whose face was he slapping?

Blue Wave had definitely been slapped. As for Blue Sea, who was standing in front and was about to speak? His cheeks also loudly rang.

To be slapped in public was an uncomfortable matter, much less when it involved the noble Adversity Peak City Lord.

But even though Blue Sea was angry, his eyes flashed with joy. What he feared now was that Cloud Billow would insist on leaving.

If she did, the plan would outright fail and he would be in considerable trouble...but as long as he managed to keep her here, she definitely would not be able to last much longer...

So in his opinion, Qin Yu's kick was wonderfully done! But no matter how wonderful it was, he wouldn't let things end here!

Blue Sea glanced at Blue Wave. At this time, it was best if he walked up. It would be even better if he came into conflict with Qin Yu, then he would have a reason to interfere.

As long as there was a dispute, Cloud Billow and these other people could give up any thought of leaving.

As for Cloud Boundless...he wasn't too worried. The plan had already started and that old man would be entangled enough that he wouldn't be able to arrive so quickly.

Mm?

What is that brat Blue Wave doing? Why is he lowering his head? Hurry up and speak!

However, Blue Sea could feel fear and panic rolling off his body. His eyes darkened. He didn't have time to figure out what the reason was. He looked ahead and said, "Your Excellency Qin Yu, how courageous and powerful you must be to harm someone in my City Lord Mansion!"

No matter what, he could not allow them to leave. Since Blue Wave wasn't going to do something, he could only go into battle himself. While it seemed a bit deliberate, he couldn't care about it anymore.

Cloud Billow pursed her lips. She knew that Qin Yu had already discovered that the fragrance which affected her was coming from that woman's body.

In other words, he really knew everything...and he even knew before he helped? As she realized this, even though the situation wasn't right, shame and anger still flashed in her eyes.

Could it be that on the day when she mentioned marriage, Qin Yu already knew everything? That meant he had been watching a play all this time!

And even though Qin Yu knew she was speaking about herself, he still chose to refuse her...this hateful man!

Qin Yu had no idea that Cloud Billow was roaring at him in her heart. He looked at Blue Sea and lightly said, "This woman is named Spring Breeze 13th Madame. She once attacked me, so I am already showing face by kicking her and not killing her...if City Lord doesn't believe me, you can ask her yourself."

As he spoke he looked at Spring Breeze 13th Madame. His faint smile emanated a freezing chill.

The woman stiffened. She wiped the blood from her lips, looked up at Blue Sea, and hurriedly nodded.

Although she knew that this response absolutely wasn't what Blue Sea hoped to see, she was even more afraid that Qin Yu would expose her relationship with the red-eye demon clan.

If that happened, she would truly die without a grave!

Blue Sea's eyes darkened. He looked at Blue Wave and said, "So there's something like this. I hadn't heard of this before...Blue Wave, you met 13th Madame on the road here to Adversity Peak City. In other words, you also know Qin Yu?"

"Yes...big brother..." Blue Wave stammered out. He looked at Qin Yu and subconsciously glanced around.

When he didn't see Feature and the others, his heart relaxed. But, he still felt bitter. These bastards had chased him all the way to Adversity Peak City. What did they plan on doing?

When it came to Feature and Qin Yu's statuses, he believed that they came from the most ancient and formidable royal families of the abyss.

Although the Nightmare Clan was said to be in the top ten rankings of abyssal royal families, this was only an indication of their reputation.

A real ranking did not exist in the abyss. There were some abyssal royal families that had existed for endless years, and while they might not have resounding names, they were the ones that truly stood at the peak of the abyss.

For instance, the royal family that Feature and Qin Yu came from. They were definitely no weaker than the Nightmare Clan. In other words, even if both sides tore apart all pretense of face, even if his big brother was the Adversity Peak City Lord he still wouldn't be able to shoulder the consequences. He would even provoke great trouble for himself.

And Blue Wave...Qin Yu held his weakness...that was his deal with the red-eye demon clan leader. When the red-eye demon clan leader learned about Blue Sea, he was actually willing to let him go...

This was a bomb!

Once it blew up, the consequences would be unimaginable.

Blue Wave's thoughts raced and his complexion paled. A cold sweat started to stream down his body.

Qin Yu smiled and said, "Sir Blue Wave is very hospitable. We once traveled together, but he left in a hurry. I didn't expect to see him here today."

Blue Wave squeezed out a smile. "To see Sir Qin Yu again is my honor."

"It doesn't matter if there is honor or not. But I kicked your beloved woman today. Is that okay?"

"No, no...this cheap whore was the one seeking death. Sir Qin Yu only giving a kick was already the greatest show of mercy!"

Qin Yu nodded, "Since that's the case, we will be leaving first." He supported Cloud Billow and turned to leave. The several demons from Bluetile Courtyard that had been flung away rushed over and followed on their heels.

In the hall, the numerous guests widened their eyes. Who was this Qin Yu and where did he come from? He clearly had a deep background!

Otherwise, how could he shock and deter Blue Wave so badly that he didn't dare to say much?

Blue Sea drew in a deep breath. He looked at Blue Wave. He had a good understanding of his little brother and had understood his glance just now...who was this Qin Yu?

The plan had failed and disappointment was certain. But for Blue Sea to have his current status, how could he not know how to hide his emotions?

He took a deep breath, suppressing his mood and smiling once again. "I was the one who didn't prepare today's banquet well enough and caused you all to laugh. Sir Cloud Billow doesn't feel well so he will leave ahead of time. I must apologize for that."

As he spoke he clapped his hands.

The banquet officially began.

After dealing with some matters in the banquet hall, when Blue Sea walked out his smile immediately vanished. He asked in a somber tone, "What was that?"

Blue Wave put on a long face, "Big brother, you cannot provoke that Qin Yu!"

Chapter 1109A - Dominion

[red-eye demon -> blood-eye demon]

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Before, it was said that Blue Wave wasn't stupid. Since he knew that he couldn't follow his big brother's wishes today, he no longer dared to conceal anything.

He immediately retold everything that happened before, stressing the three Demon Commander level guards that followed beside Feature and Qin Yu. He didn't even try hiding the existence of the blood-eye demon clan.

"Brother, that is what happened. Qin Yu and those people truly cannot be provoked, otherwise we will both be in grave trouble!"

Blue Sea's face darkened. He looked at Blue Wave and slowly said, "You said that after encountering the blood-eye demon leader, he was still willing to let you go?"

Blue Wave nodded with effort.

"He...what did he look like...no, what was his expression?"

Blue Wave looked at his big brother, a bit puzzled. But facing this question he could only do his best to answer. After a short pause he said, "I felt that he was a little surprised, and was also ridiculing me...but he didn't have much killing intent towards me..."

Blue Sea slowly nodded. He closed his eyes and opened them again, saying, "Never mention this matter to anyone. You may leave now."

"Yes." Blue Wave spun around and started hurrying away.

Behind him, Blue Sea's voice rang out, "For this period of time, don't randomly wander around. I will order someone to bring you to a seclusion area to cultivate."

Blue Wave nodded.

When he was far away, Blue Sea let out a breath. There was a complex look on his face as he mumbled. "So he was lost to your hands...what an unexpected harvest..."

As he whispered to himself, his expression was calm. But, the slightly raised blood vessels on his neck indicated that he didn't feel this way in his heart.

After consuming endless effort and numerous years of meticulous preparation, he only then managed to cultivate an avatar...although this avatar had been in a lost state due to an accident, as long as it was still alive, both of them were of one body and this would not change.

It wasn't just an avatar that was killed and destroyed. Blue Sea's plans for the future were also disrupted.

However, a mature and wise person would never leave just a single path for themselves. Blue Sea still had a backup plan.

But without a doubt, the difficulty of implementing this backup plan as well as the danger level was extremely high. If there was a single misstep, he would be lucky if he only ended up losing everything he had worked for. He feared that he would be buried in it.

"So, you have to be responsible for this matter." Blue Sea let out a breath, a cold chill in his eyes.

But there were some things he couldn't be anxious about. As Blue Wave said, these two people undoubtedly had a formidable background.

Before determining their status and before he had enough assurance, he should try to avoid conflict with them.

There were infinite possibilities in the future...moreover, he wasn't the only one who wished to tear Qin Yu to shreds right now.

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When the carriage drove out of the City Lord Mansion, there was no need for Cloud Billow to say anything before the demons from Bluetile Courtyard already issued a distress signal.

Over a dozen demons surrounded and protected the carriage, their expressions dignified and vigilant. The demon that drove the carriage cracked his whip so fast that it nearly produced afterimages. Without caring for any possible injuries that the demon beasts might sustain, they pushed them to explode with their fastest speed.

The group rumbled forward.

Inside the carriage, Qin Yu opened his eyes. "There won't be a problem for now, but it's best if you figure out some way to settle the hidden danger in your body, otherwise it will be a major problem for you eventually."

Cloud Billow looked at him, her eyes bright, "You knew."

Qin Yu furrowed his eyebrows. This wasn't a suspicious or question – it was a plain and straightforward statement, as if she were talking about something ordinary and well-known.

Sure enough, just because she had a big chest didn't mean she was brainless. She had already noticed it.

In fact, she had already guessed this even before Qin Yu helped her at the City Lord Mansion. After all, when they were at Nine Nether Pagoda together, Qin Yu had helped her suppress her rioting demonic energy.

Even if he didn't know before, after this experience he would discover that the demonic energy within their bodies was the exact same.

Qin Yu looked at her and nodded. Since he couldn't hide from it, his best choice was to directly acknowledge it.

Otherwise it was likely that a needless gap and suspicion would form between the two of them.

"I only discovered this matter when I helped you suppress the strength in your body..." Qin Yu took a deep breath and asked, "Then what should I call you?"

She knew that Qin Yu knew and yet she wasn't angry. This boded well.

Qin Yu asked for her name in order to go from a passive role to an active role. He also hoped to ease any inner turmoil she might be feeling.

The two of them were in the same carriage and less than a meter apart. They could hear each other breathe and from the outside it appeared that they had a close relationship.

But Qin Yu knew that he stood at the cusp of the volcano. If he couldn't comfort Cloud Billow and deal with this matter appropriately, he would usher in a frantic attack from the old King's lineage.

That old freak Cloud Boundless might hesitate in killing him, but he definitely wouldn't waver in capturing him and turning him into a breeding machine.

As far as how Qin Yu understood Cloud Boundless, there was a high possibility of this occurring...thinking of this, his eyes twitched and he drew in a deep breath to steady himself.

Don't panic, things haven't devolved that far yet...moreover, if I can deal with this matter correctly, it may even help me...

But the premise was that he first managed to convince Cloud Billow. Only when she coordinated with him could they block Cloud Boundless from doing something.

"Cloud Mist," Cloud Mist slowly said. "Where wind and mountains meet. In the abyss it means nobility and freedom. My background has given me a sufficiently noble identity, but at the same time it restrains me and restricts the freedom I should have.

"That is my name."

Qin Yu's heart skipped a beat. This response...didn't seem right. For some reason, he felt as if some kind of ultimatum was coming.

"I am Qin Yu. That is my real name. So today, we can be considered as truly meeting each other."

Cloud Mist nodded. "Since we know each other, I will go straight to the point. You have two choices in front of you. Marry me or be killed by the Clan Elder."

She paused and then looked straight into his eyes. "Qin Yu, marrying me is your best choice. As long as we can breed a perfect bloodline together, then no matter what you want, the Clan Elder and even the entire old King's lineage will do their utmost to help you."

Qin Yu rubbed his eyebrows. As he thought, she laid all her cards on the table. She went straight to the final question without concealing anything.

A woman tried to secretly sell herself once, and after completely opening up, she tried to sell herself a second time...

If he refused, would she become angry? Please wait, this was making him worried!

Although he didn't have a definitive answer, Qin Yu felt as if it was best for him not to take that risk. He coughed and said, "I am curious. Why are you sure that you and I can produce a perfect bloodline? Is it because of the...attraction...between us?"

This was an appropriate description. He couldn't say that the two of them immediately wanted to dive into bed every time they met.

Cloud Mist's face flushed red but she remained calm. At this time, she exposed her powerful psychological state. "That's right. When I invited you to the banquet at Bluetile Courtyard, after the bloodline test for the juniors, you left behind a fingerprint."

Qin Yu clenched his jaws. That old snake Cloud Boundless really had plotted against him.

But it didn't matter how bitter he felt about this. Since they had verified this, there was no chance for him to avoid it.

If he misspoke at this point, Cloud Mist might flip the table on him.

Should he...first agree and then find a solution afterwards?

Qin Yu's thoughts raced. But at this moment his complexion changed and he reached out to grab Cloud Mist. "Things haven't ended yet!"

It seemed that the other party had already made preparations. Even though the plot at the City Lord Mansion had failed, there was a backup plan.

That's right. Since they had made their move, right now was the best opportunity to finish things.

Cloud Boundless still hadn't arrived. He was definitely being held back by something.

Tsk tsk, that old snake had already experienced the assassination attempt at Nine Nether Pagoda, yet he was still being held back again.

There was no way he was a fool. In other words, this other party had made full preparations.

It seemed that wanting to withdraw alive today wouldn't be as simple as he thought.

As Qin Yu felt dread and wariness, he also felt some helplessness. He hadn't even been able to reach an agreement with the old King's lineage yet he had to fight to the death for them.

And most importantly, even if he risked his life, if he didn't handle things well afterwards, there was a chance he could turn around and be smashed into the ground anyways.

This was simply...pitiful to the extreme!

Whatever, don't be affected by such messy thoughts. First he would break his way out before thinking about it again.

When Qin Yu raised a hand and looked out the window, the demons that surrounded and protected the carriage had also discovered something wrong.

At some unknown time, a fog appeared in the air, turning the surrounding space blurry.

The sense of distance seemed to stretch away, as if an invisible barrier had isolated them.

"On guard!" With a shout, several demons raised their hands and violently blasted out demonic energy.

The fog violently tumbled and rolled. But as if something was activated, it suddenly became thick and strong.

With the carriage at the center, the surrounding 1000 feet had been turned into a cage by this fog.

"Dominion!" The carriage driver roared out loud, fear on his face. "Hurry and break through the Dominion, otherwise we will be sealed in here!"

A Dominion was a spatial talent ability that only formidable demons could awaken.

With powerful demonic energy as the foundation, distorted space formed a small world that was sealed off from the outside world.

Of course, this was just a rough idea. To be more exact, it duplicated a region of space.

Within the space of the Dominion, the one who created it would be strengthened.

The way to break through it was to slay the person who created the Dominion or forcibly shatter it.

Someone who could arrange a Dominion and easily drag them inside was absolutely incomparably terrifying. They had to be at least at the Demon Commander level, and the most tyrannical one at that.

To kill such a character inside a Dominion they created...hoho, it was best not to dream of such things.

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"Attack!"

"Use all of your strength!"

"Break through the Dominion!"

With a roar, the demons from Bluetile Courtyard all attacked at once, erupting with their greatest strength and blasting out at all sides.

A cold cough echoed from all directions. It was impossible to tell where it came from. The demons that attacked the Dominion all stuffily humphed as if they had suffered a severe attack. They were sent flying backwards where they were swallowed up by the fog in the blink of an eye.

The carriage driver's pupils shrank and he slapped the carriage. Countless lines immediately shined on its surface, linking together and transforming into a powerful defensive demon array formation.

"Young master, we are under attack by a powerful enemy. Please stay in the carriage and wait for the clan to rescue you!"

As his voice fell, the carriage driver shot into the skies. With a loud roar, he punched with his fists.

As he punched, potent demonic energy surged out, rumbling like raging rivers.

Demon Commander!

This unremarkable carriage driver was unexpectedly a powerful Demon Commander.

It seemed that Cloud Boundless wasn't completely unprepared. He had arranged for such a strong guard to protect Cloud Mist.

Since Cloud Boundless was in Adversity Peak City, once an accident occurred he would immediately realize it and would be able to rush over.

Cloud Boundless had made full preparations in normal times. In addition, there was also this extravagantly expensive carriage. Even if Cloud Mist suffered some bitter accident, it should be able to ensure that she remained safe until help arrived.

Bang -

The fog exploded. Like a giant mouth opening up, it swallowed the carriage driver. Then, it fiercely contracted and inflated. Loud rumbling noises came from within like rolling thunderclaps.

It was clear that both sides were engaged in battle.

Cloud Mist's complexion was ugly. She took a deep breath and said, "Don't worry, the Clan Elder personally prepared this carriage. No one below the Demon King realm will be able to break through it in a short period of time. As long as we can endure, the Clan Elder will surely catch up!"

The demon runes on the carriage had the Clan Elder's aura poured into them. Once they were activated, he would immediately sense it.

No matter what arrangements were made, they would not be able to hide the attack from Cloud Boundless anymore. He would rush here as fast as he could.

Qin Yu didn't show approval or disapproval. He believed Cloud Mist, but since the opponent had made their move, would they not have a way to deal with this? This carriage might be a turtle shell, but that didn't necessarily mean it was safe!

As Qin Yu thought about this, his complexion changed. He turned his head and looked outside the window.

Half a body was flung out from the fog. The powerful vitality of the carriage driver allowed him to live momentarily even though he had suffered a fatal injury. The demon looked towards the carriage and shouted, "Young master, do not come out! Do not!"

Whoosh -

A black shadow cut through the half-body. With a heaven-shaking bang, the half-body blew apart into pieces of bone and meat.

Pa -

The figure landed on the ground. When he looked up at the carriage that was surrounded in layers of defensive demon runes, his eyes flashed with a cold luster.

Without hesitation, he stepped forward!

The facts proved that Qin Yu's worries weren't unwarranted. The assassin demon that walked towards the carriage raised a fist and punched out. His fist was wrapped in pitch black demonic energy that was as thick and viscous as ink. It crashed into the carriage, causing it to fiercely shake.

The counterforce caused the demonic energy on his fists to collapse, exposing cracked open flesh and blood, and even revealing the white bones beneath.

Inside the carriage, when Cloud Mist saw this her complexion paled further.

This was because a black stain now covered the defensive demon runes that wrapped around the carriage. Like wriggling insects, they spread outwards.

The assassin's fist quickly regenerated without a single drop of blood flowing out. The assassin demon punched a second time without hesitation.

Bang -

A shaking fluctuation unexpectedly made it through the defenses of the carriage. Cloud Mist coughed, bitterness in her eyes.

The defensive demon runes that the Clan Elder personally laid down were incomparably formidable. Even though there was a super-powerhouse outside the carriage who was able to condense a Dominion, they still shouldn't be able to break through its defenses easily.

A problem had occurred!

In this world, there was no such thing as perfection. Even demon runes laid down by the Clan Elder had their flaws.

It was clear that this terrifying powerhouse outside the carriage was informed about the weaknesses of the defensive demon runes ahead of time.

This wasn't the Clan Elder. Otherwise, if he wanted to kill her, there would be no need to go through so much trouble.

Then there was only one other possibility...there were other traitors in the clan and they existed at a very high level. They even had the trust of the Clan Elder.

If not for that, this would never have occurred today.

But regardless of who it was, they had already succeeded. The originally impregnable carriage wouldn't be able to last much longer.

This was just the second fist but it was nearing collapse. Once that happened...

Cloud Mist drew in a deep breath and calmed her mind. Although Qin Yu always thought she was a stupid woman, the truth was that if she was able to perfectly pose as Cloud Billow and even obtain the approval of the old King's lineage, she wasn't actually brainless.

She looked up at Qin Yu and said, "If the Clan Elder doesn't make it here before the carriage's defenses are broken through, I need you to kill me."

Dark lines appeared on Qin Yu's forehead.

Cloud Mist thought that he was worrying. "Don't worry. Even if the Clan Elder learns of this, he will only thank you."

Qin Yu lightly coughed. "You can do it yourself, right?"

"I cannot." Cloud Mist was silent for a moment. "I cannot commit suicide. This involves a secret of the clan so I cannot tell you why, but I'm asking you to please do it for me."

Qin Yu's heart relaxed. He asked her this to make sure that she couldn't. Otherwise, if she were to get overly excited and kill herself, his plan would come to nothing.

Now, in this situation...perhaps this assassination attempt was an excellent opportunity to impress Cloud Mist...

Uh...was this despicable? Maybe a little bit, but it's not like he wanted to deceive her emotions, right? He had no other choice either.

When Qin Yu found a reason for himself, he immediately calmed down. As expected, self-comforting things like this were still useful.

So following this...mm, he had to make it realistic as if he suffered a loss...no, he definitely had to suffer a loss, or how else could he fool Cloud Boundless? That old freak wasn't easy to deal with!

With this thought in mind, Qin Yu revealed an awkward and distressed expression. "Cloud Mist, are you sure you want me to kill you?"

Bang -

The carriage violently shook once again. The defensive demon runes crazily flashed once again but they were unable to pierce through the black energy that covered them. Instead, it only stimulated the black energy, causing it to spread faster.

Cloud Mist's complexion grew increasingly pale. "Yes. You must remember to kill me...it is better if you even destroy my corpse..."

As she spoke to here, she pursed her lips, fear growing in her eyes.

Who in the world didn't fear death? Much less someone like her, a woman who had patiently endured everything for the sake of her family.

She had never even truly lived a single day in the abyss using her real identity...of course she felt fear dying like this. Of course she felt unwillingness!

Qin Yu's heart flickered with hesitation. This Cloud Mist was already too pitiful. If he continued fooling her like this, it seemed as if he would be going too far.

He took a breath and suppressed his emotions. There was nothing he could do about it...at worst he would just compensate her in the future.

"Alright, I agree!" When Qin Yu said this, Cloud Mist relaxed. But, she also felt disappointment.

It seems he really has no feelings towards me. Otherwise even if I asked him to kill me, he would struggle over the decision a little.

What a cruel man...this made Cloud Mist feel as if she had been betrayed, even if she didn't want to acknowledge it.

But in truth, from the moment she willingly spoke to Qin Yu about marriage, some subtle changes had begun to occur to her feelings.

Qin Yu didn't notice the small changes on Cloud Mist's face. He looked at the demon outside the window, his eyes narrowing tightly.

Dominion...Black Astral had once said he could condense one. Even though Old Fox hadn't said much, his eyes had flushed red.

In other words, only a peak Demon Commander that touched the threshold of a Demon King could condense a Dominion. Other Demon Commanders could not.

From this, he could approximately judge how strong this assassin was.

Since Feature left, Qin Yu hadn't truly fought all-out. But ever since he achieved a half-dragon body, his strength had undoubtedly greatly improved.

There wasn't much he could do against a Demon King, but there shouldn't be anything to fear at the Demon Commander level.

What's more, he also had other skills; there was the ability that the Nightmare bloodline had given him. Even though he had only used it a few times, it was incomparably powerful.

Self-preservation shouldn't be a problem. If so, what he needed to do now was to figure out how to make this play seem even more realistic.

Bang -

The fifth fist!

After attacking continuously, even if this assassin was tyrannically strong he still had to withstand a severe backlash. At this time, the surface of his palm cracked open and the healing speed slowed. Blood finally dripped down.

But the defensive demon runes on the carriage had nearly been extinguished. Fewer than 20% of them remained lit.

Just one last punch. When this fist fell, he would be able to shatter the carriage and his mission would be complete.

He had to hurry, there could be no delay. That old freak Cloud Boundless was hurrying over here even right now. He could arrive at any moment, and if he wanted to withdraw unscathed, he had to finish before then.

So even though he had been injured from the backlash, the assassin continued without pause.

Bang -

The sixth fist punched out!

Cloud Mist closed her eyes and shouted, "Qin Yu, kill me!"

The carriage couldn't block it any longer and the Clan Elder hadn't yet arrived. Perhaps he would come soon, but this short difference in time was as far as the heavens and earth right now.

Qin Yu...if he could face off against the Adversity Peak City Lord, his strength was indeed formidable. But could he block the assassin...

Cloud Mist didn't believe that. After all, an existence that could create such a powerful Dominion was only a step away from the King boundary.

Even if such an existence was inferior to the Clan Elder, the difference wasn't too much. It would already be lucky if Qin Yu could escape alive.

How could he save her?

Death...was her only choice. No matter what plot this enemy had, it would utterly fail!

Bang -

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With a loud explosion, cracking sounds spread out. The final defensive demon runes extinguished. The carriage instantly disintegrated. The six continuous fists had already shattered it, and it only maintained its form until now due to the defensive demon runes.

Cloud Mist screamed, "Qin Yu!" He had to hurry and kill her now, otherwise there wouldn't be enough time!

"I cannot kill you...moreover, we haven't reached a dead end just yet!" Qin Yu shouted. He howled forward and punched out a fist.

Cloud Mist's eyes flew open. This was something she had never imagined before. Could it be that Qin Yu had no idea how powerful this assassin was?

No, with his strength and status, he definitely knew that he wasn't a match. He was just bringing about his own destruction!

He would rather risk his life...than kill me...

As this thought appeared, her heart began to race. Her eyes blurred and she bit her lips.

Bang -

In a battle between powerhouses, a single moment was enough. Before Cloud Mist could think further, Qin Yu had already clashed with the assassin. Heaven-shaking eruptions exploded again and again as wild fluctuations of strength swept out in all directions.

The dense fog formed by the Dominion started to fiercely tumble. The ground disintegrated, forming pitch black cracks.

Before, it was said that strictly speaking a Dominion was a duplicated space that formed a small world – it didn't truly exist. Now, the cracks that appeared on the ground were signs that the Dominion was breaking.

The assassin's eyes darkened. He never imagined that Qin Yu, who was traveling with Cloud Billow, would possess such enormous strength.

It seemed that this boy was hoping to borrow the shockwaves of their battle to impact the stability of the Dominion.

This idea was correct. But unfortunately, Qin Yu seemed to overestimate his strength.

Within this Dominion, he was the supreme king. He might even be able to fight with a Demon King level existence.

"Die!"

The assassin punched with a shout. The void above his head roared out loud as the phantom of a terrifying beast took form. Its image was blurry, with only a pair of blood red eyes shining out from the darkness. They were deep red, as if they had absorbed endless amounts of blood.

Bang –

Qin Yu stormed backwards. His clothes were torn and his exposed skin was caved in, creating a deep hollow formed by a deep purple fist mark.

The surrounding flesh and blood cracked open. It spread across his chest like a spider web. The flesh and blood wriggled as if it wanted to regenerate, but it was constantly cracked apart by the remnant strength of the punch.

Puff -

Qin Yu spat out a mouthful of blood and his complexion paled. He glanced over at Cloud Mist. This woman was anxiously looking at him.

He had succeeded! Taking this punch was worth it!

Although he had been wounded, the truth was that his pitiful and distressed appearance was mostly intentional.

The half-dragon body was far more formidable than he expected. Even after receiving such a heavy strike, the blood energy only tumbled in his chest a little before returning to normal...in fact, if he wanted, he could heal this wound to how it was at the beginning.

Then there was nothing to worry about. He could do his best to seem as miserable and pitiful as possible, so that Cloud Mist could watch it all in real time. Do you see how I am suffering so many hits trying to save you? I almost lost my life, so doesn't this show how great this graciousness is?

With such graciousness, it wouldn't be hard for you to agree to my request, right? As long as you agree, then it is possible to continue. As for Cloud Boundless...as long as Cloud Mist agreed, that old freak wouldn't necessarily dare to flip the tables on me.

That's right, this was it!

Qin Yu was overjoyed. He looked at the assassin and thought he was much more pleasing to the eyes. After all, if this fellow hadn't delivered himself right to his door, how could he have this opportunity to solve his current conundrum?

When the assassin saw Qin Yu's shining eyes, he stiffened a bit...hey, what sort of look was that? What is the meaning of this? Did he have some other card in hand?

He clearly knows how fierce I am, so why does he dare to rush out and fight with me? If he didn't have a mental defect and wasn't trying to commit suicide, he had to have a hidden card in hand.

That's right, this was it. I have to be careful so that this mission doesn't fail!

After all, the old King's lineage was not good to provoke. Otherwise why would the person behind him target Cloud Billow so much? They would have already overturned the old King's lineage by now!

But no matter how careful he was, he had to be quick. If he delayed any longer then that old freak Cloud Boundless really would arrive.

He drew a deep breath, his chest puffing out. The assassin lifted his palms and thrust them forward. As he did, the terrifying beast phantom above his head shot out.

If he was worried about being tricked and was also in a hurry, then he could only go all out!

Bang -

Qin Yu flew backwards. In midair, his body crackled and popped as countless wounds opened up.

Blood spurted out from every orifice of his head. He crashed into the ground, smashing open a giant pit. Without caring about Qin Yu any longer, the assassin coldly sneered and plunged at Cloud Mist.

Capturing her was the key of today's mission!

Mm?

As he was in the air, he furrowed his eyebrows. Then, a figure shot up from his side, crashing into him and sending them both careening downwards.

Cloud Mist held her mouth. She could clearly see Qin Yu right now, his body entirely covered in blood.

Even if it didn't happen to her, she felt as if she could feel his wounds. They had to be agonizingly painful, yet Qin Yu was still desperately fighting.

As for why he was going all out...it had to be because he wanted her to live!

Cloud Mist acknowledged that she couldn't figure out what Qin Yu was thinking. When she mentioned marriage before, he had refused without hesitation. But now in order to save her, he was willing to abandon his life.

Qin Yu became a contradictory figure in her mind. However, without a doubt, he left a profound impression in her heart.

After all, there was no one in this world that could ignore someone risking their life for them, right in front of them. Especially a woman that seemed calm and tough on the surface but was frail and fearful inside. Especially a woman that had already decided to embrace death with both arms wide open.

"Get out of my way!"

The assassin roared. Demonic energy erupted from his body. But, Qin Yu was stuck to him like glue. No matter how much strength he released, he couldn't shake him off.

Of course, whether he was being shaken off or not, Qin Yu's injuries became increasingly worse. Wounds covered his body and he continued to gush out blood. The blood had already completely soaked him and was now dripping to the ground.

If one looked carefully, they would find that there was no intact flesh and blood on Qin Yu's body. He was like a giant drum that had been maliciously beaten.

But, this was just skin and flesh. The wounds weren't too serious. The bones had to be broken before it got worse...

Although the bones creaked as if they were struck by a hammer, after absorbing the dragon blood they had become incredibly hard and durable. Even though they suffered a constant barrage of attacks, it was still a bit off before they would break.

Whatever, it was best to rely on himself. Having broken bones was more realistic...that old freak Cloud Boundless should have arrived by now...

After making a decision, cracking sounds started to come from Qin Yu's body. They were the sounds of breaking bones.

The assassin felt like he was going insane!

Even a mountain would have been smashed apart by now. This fellow still hadn't died!?

Moreover, it was just blood and flesh that splashed out, so why were bones suddenly breaking out of nowhere? And it was more than a few. With so many sounds, it had to be at least a few dozen!

I didn't think I used more strength...could this boy be exhausted and can no longer endure it?

No, that wasn't right!

This boy appeared pitiful and distressed, and as time passed he looked even more tragic.

But the assassin knew that Qin Yu's hands that grabbed him hadn't weakened at all. They were still as tough and powerful as they were before.

What is going on here? How hateful! I am a pinnacle existence beneath a Demon King, yet I cannot even kill off an unknown nobody!

If this was a different stage or a different time, the assassin was confident he would have the patience to slowly whittle Qin Yu away.

If a hundred punches can't kill you, what about a thousand? If that's still not enough, 10,000 should work right!?

But now, what he lacked was time. He couldn't delay any further. Cloud Boundless could arrive at any time. Once that happened, let alone all his efforts going to waste, even surviving would be a problem.

Cloud Boundless...as the assassin thought about that old freak's methods, his pupils contracted. Then, endless cruelty gushed out.

How hateful!

Originally he didn't want to use a big move, but now he had no other choice. He had to tear this brat to pieces in order to dispel the hatred in his heart!

The assassin clenched his teeth. Then, the skin between his eyebrows burst open. As blood gushed out, a rich blood red light broke free from his body.

The moment the blood red light emerged, Qin Yu's heart skipped a beat. He hissed to himself, thinking that this fellow really was going all out. While he had no idea what this blood red light was, his intuition told him that it was better for him not to be contaminated by it.

Otherwise, even if he had a half-dragon body, he would still be in great trouble.

Releasing his hands, Qin Yu covered his chest. Then he was blown away with a muffled bang.

The assassin was stunned for a moment. He didn't even have time to attack yet, so how had Qin Yu been thrown away?

Moreover, did I even hit you just now? What the hell was that bang?

But at this moment, the assassin had no time to dwell on these things. He glanced at Qin Yu who was sent flying away and then rushed towards Cloud Mist.

While he still wished to tear Qin Yu to shreds to relieve the indignation in his heart, he hadn't lost all reasoning. He knew what his most important priorities were.

Only by catching Cloud Mist would his actions today have meaning. Otherwise even if he eliminated Qin Yu, he would still be in great trouble.

To dare to try to attack and kill one of the contenders for the new King's throne in the middle of Adversity Peak City...if he didn't give a satisfactory result, the people behind him would be the first to eliminate him in order to silence all potential informants.

Shua -

Blood red light flickered as the assassin flew at Cloud Mist. But the result was the same as before. Just as he rushed out, he was struck and sent flying away again. And this time, the collision was even heavier than before. The assassin's head buzzed and his field of vision flashed black as if he had been struck by a raging bull.

The two tumbled to the ground. Only by flinging his head and clearing the blood from his nose and mouth was he able to see clearly. The assassin saw Qin Yu desperately slapping his body, trying to extinguish the blood red flames that covered him.

It was this bastard again!

The assassin's eyes reddened. This brat was ruining him! If he delayed any further, Cloud Boundless would arrive and he would die!

"You bastard, die for me!"

With a loud roar, the assassin hurtled over. He finally understood that unless he killed this bastard, he would never be able to capture Cloud Mist.

Smashing him to death didn't mean he couldn't burn him to death. The blood red flames that burned all over his body were his greatest trump card. He originally planned to use them to prevent Cloud Boundless from chasing him down.

If it wasn't for this bastard he wouldn't be forced to bring them out now. He would burn this boy to ashes and teach him what it meant to rush headlong into death!

Qin Yu turned to run away. He was acting, and while it was true that he tried to be as realistic as possible, he certainly wouldn't allow the act to become reality.

It wasn't good to mess with those blood red flames. If he managed to delay a bit longer until the Clan Elder arrived, things would be over.

When the assassin saw Qin Yu running away, he fiendishly grinned. Was he afraid now? It was already too late!

Run, I want to see just where you can run to! In front of me, is there anything else you can do?

But the facts proved that there was something he could do, and it was a considerable amount. After chasing Qin Yu for a while, the assassin's expression began to change.

No, something was wrong. Something was definitely wrong!

It seemed he would overtake this boy immediately, but then he suddenly escaped the next moment. Once or twice could be considered luck, but this was the fourth time.

He had been played!

This brat had been playing around with him!