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Chapter 1031: Alliance Master Ling Chan

Old Han and Old Wen both looked at each other. They heard of the war starting between three palace and soul alliance, but considering the five people were all three palace's people, they told them to hide to avoid any unwanted trouble.

According to Old Han's understanding, even if the five were around, as the alliance master, he wouldn't get angry over a few young generation members. Yet, with one of alliance master's soul pets killed, if a war were started because of that, the alliance master would definitely let out his anger on these young generations!

Old Han and Old Wen glanced at each other and said mentally, "Thank goodness we hid them. However, I wonder who had the great power to kill one of alliance master's soul pets?"

"Heng, great, kill it, it'd be better if the person killed them all!" Old Wen said using mental voice.

When the two communicated with their minds, Old man Han on the outside continued cursing loudly, "Who's so daring as to kill even alliance master's soul pet!"

"A late comer. I have other things to do, do you have any soul healing soul items here?" Alliance master said.

"Soul healing soul items are hard to find and ask for, we indeed don't have any." Old Han said.

Soul alliance's gaze immediately became icy and he said, "Isn't there a seven hundred year old Soul Healing Stamen in Prison Forest?"

“Uh..... That was prison forest, we actually don't have any here. And, I can't go into Prison Forest anymore.” Old Han quickly reacted and responded quickly, but was already cursing at how this person knew about the seven hundred year soul healing stamen.

When spirit emperor reached high rank, only five hundred year old soul healing stamens and above could heal. The entire human realm didn't have any five hundred year old soul healing stamens, and even those who had wouldn't reveal it at all.

“You lead the way.” Alliance master's tone was utterly frigid.

However, even though they knew it was a command, Old Han had to obey. No one in Tianxia realm and Wanxiang Realm dared to defy his will!!

Old Han nodded and said, “Alliance master, you should wait ahead a bit as I prepare some tools.”

Alliance master didn't say much and turned around to walk into the forest.

Old han saw alliance master leave the room and glanced at the underground cellar as well as his worried wife, “I'll go quickly and come back. He should leave after he gets the soul stamen. Tell the kids to not run around and just stay in the wooden room. I don't think he will come back though.”

Old Wen hated the person's guts but just now, she couldn't say anything.

“You be careful. You already troubled him for that thing the last time.” Old Wen said in a quiet voice.

“Don’t worry, Ling Chan should only be looking to heal his soul. Looks like this war between soul alliance and three palace is one he will participate in. Not long after, Wanxiang realm will have to face another large bloodbath.” Old Han sighed, and shook his head as he walked out of the wooden room.

Old Wen watched Old Han leave but felt uneasy the entire time.

After a while, when Old Wen made sure both Old Han and Alliance master Ling Chan left, they finally opened the cellar to let the five people out.

Of the five people, Ye Wansehng and Shen Yue was already sweating profusely. They had no idea why soul alliance’s alliance master appeared here. More importantly, Chu Mu who killed soul alliance master’s soul pet was also here. If they didn’t hide.....

“That man was alliance master Ling Chan?” Chu Mu’s gaze became apathetic and cold.

“En, someone killed his soul pet so he’s probably angry right now. It’s better to avoid him.” Old Wen said.

“Uhh..... Chu Mu did that.” Ye Wansehng said.

Old Wen stared blankly before turning to Chu Mu and saying in disbelief, “You killed alliance master’s soul pet?”

Chu Mu nodded and told her about the situation between him and son of heaven Wu Kuang.

The more Old Wen heard, the more she was surprised. She never would have thought that the man who killed soul alliance master's soul pet was the young man in front of him. If Old Han heard, his jaw would probably hit the ground!

"Speaking of which, if alliance master gets the seven hundred year old soul stamen, wouldn't his soul heal in a short time?" Shen Yue said.

Old Wen shook her head, "Shouldn't be that quick. Seven hundred year soul stamen will at most heal his soul, but if he wants to control five soul pets again, he'll need some more time. However, the soul stamen most definitely will speed that process up."

Once the soul was injured, it was hard to heal. The higher the rank, the longer it took to heal as well.....

"This is slightly troubling. Chu Mu's dead dream is only sixth phase. If his soul heals first, and he launches a main attack on three palace, we'll have one less soul pet that can fight him." Ye Qingzi said.

"Worst comes to worst I'll tell the old man to stand on your side. He should help bring back some of the disadvantages." Old Wen said.

"That would be best."

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Late night, everyone went back into the treehouse to sleep. Only Old Wen was still outside the house waiting.

Chu Mu didn't think of much. However, thinking about how his enemy was only ten meters away, he couldn't go to sleep peacefully.

He quietly took out his arm behind Ye Qingzi's neck and walked out of the tree house.

"Chu Mu?" Old Wen quickly noticed Chu Mu and asked in a low voice.

"En, you're still worried about old Han?" Chu Mu walked by Old Wen.

"Old Wen nodded and said worriedly, "Prison Forest isn't far from here. Getting the soul stamen shouldn't take this long, yet he still hasn't come back."

The two old people always argue with each other and even sometimes go to the point where they refuse to talk with each other, but their relationship was evident to anyone. The worry and unease she was showing for old han right now was her true attitude.

Chu Mu was also worried. From the two couples' conversations, Chu Mu understood that old han could to a certain degree affected alliance master. Under normal circumstances, alliance master probably didn't want to offend him since it would bring him decent trouble, but under current circumstances, old han was a potential threat to him!

"Let me go see then." Chu Mu said.

“No, it’s too dangerous.” Old Wen of course didn’t want Chu Mu to go.

“Don’t worry, he probably hasn’t seen me before. Even if I run into them, Old Han could probably continue the lie for me.” Chu Mu said gently.

“But if he has ill will towards the old man, you going.....” Old Wen thought of the same possibility. After all, Old Han could be threatened!

“Then I need to go even more.” Chu Mu said sincerely.

Old Wen paused and hesitated for a long while before nodding and saying, “Then you must be careful. With your skill, escaping should still be possible.”

Chu Mu was just about to leave when the highest remembrance Mu Qingyi noticed and slowly opened her eyes.

In reality, when she was in silent meditation, Mu Qingyi vaguely heard Chu Mu and Old Wen’s conversation.

“Let me go with you, there’s a greater guarantee that way.” Mu Qingyi walked over and said to Chu Mu.

Chu Mu didn’t want to tell Mu Qingyi to risk herself with her. After all, they were facing the alliance master and both of them together still wasn’t enough to match him.

However, thinking about it, with Mu Qingyi, if Old Han really was in danger, they could barely assist. Or else if Chu Mu went alone, he may only be able to watch and not dare to fight.

“En, come up.” Chu Mu said an incantation and summoned Zhan Ye.

Zhan Ye had dark type and was good at hiding in the night. Neither Mu Qingyi’s white tiger nor crown phoenix king was suited for travel at night. As for her demon, it was too low level and could get detected by dominator rank organisms too easily.

Chu Mu helped Mu Qingyi onto Zhan Ye and leaped on, heading towards the Prison Forest that Old Wen pointed them to.

Seeing the two leave, Old Wen’s emotions only got more in a mess. After hesitating for a while, she decided to go to the forest aside to pick some Life Fruit. If they come back wounded, these life fruits could save lives.

At once, all three left, leaving only Ye Wansheng, Ye Qingzi, and Shen Yue in the tree house.

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After a while, Ye Qingzi woke up confused and noticed Chu Mu wasn’t there. Looking around, she still couldn't find Chu Mu.

“No need to look, Goddess Mu and him both disappeared.” At this moment, Ye Wansheng’s voice came through.

“Where are they?” Ye Qingzi had been concocting soul items for Chu Mu’s little dead dream the past few days and was very tired today. When she fell asleep, she didn’t notice the two leave.

“Who knows, a lone man and woman leaving in the middle of the night, how would I know where they went?” Ye Wansheng intentionally insinuated with a strange tone.

“What are you trying to say?” Ye Qingzi of course understood what he was trying to imply.

“Ai, I feel like Goddess Mu has feelings for Chu Mu. If this continues, you have to start considering who’s the main wife, and who’s the second one.” Ye Wansheng said.

“Boring.” Ye Qingzi ignored his presence.

Ye Wansheng laughed out, “You really are confident in Chu Mu, haha, alright, they went to go find Old Han. Old Wen was pretty worried. I was going to go as well but I remembered they were all dominator rank so I shouldn’t.”

Ye Qingzi nodded. Just as she was about to speak, they felt a spatial ripple and a silver devil flame burn within the tree house!

Flames burned and from the flames quickly appeared Chu Mu. In a moment, all the flames disappeared and Chu Mu’s figure solidified.

“Qingzi, quickly save Old Han!!” Chu Mu was incredibly anxious as he looked at Ye Qingzi who had just awoken.

Ye Qingzi glanced at Chu Mu and noticed a heavily wounded man!

The man was covered in blood that was dripping onto the wooden floor in large amounts. Chu Mu’s hands were dyed red long ago, as the scent of blood quickly filled the house!

Chapter 1032: Life Fruit, Saving in Heal

Ye Qingzi told Chu Mu to bring Old Han onto a wood bed, and quickly said an incantation to stop Old Han’s blood.

Old Han already closed his eyes and nearly had no life force. In this state, most people would already consider him dead. However, Chu Mu was hoping Ye Qingzi could save him. Though they weren’t together for a long time, Chu Mu didn’t want to see such a wise elder die like this.

Ye Wansheng and Shen Yue were completely awake. They looked at Old Han covered in blood and were fearful, quickly moving to the side to give Ye Qingzi as much space as possible.

After Ye Qingzi stopped old Han’s blood, she quickly casted another incantation to summon Bell Noise Concubine and Wood Tray Spirit.

Wood Tray Spirit constantly poured life force into old han, while Bell Noise Concubine used its flower juices to create blood and transmit it into Old han.

“His life force is too weak.....” Ye Qingzi furrowed his brow.

Old Han was already part of the dead. If they could have brought him earlier, Ye Qingzi had some chance of saving his life. Now that his life was nearly gone, any more blood was useless.

Ye Qingzi's words meant she tried her best, causing all of their expressions to change.

Seeing the old man laying on the ground, the same person that had spoken countless lost tales and history, everyone felt a welling of sorrow come up.

Chu Mu tightened his fist, and was even angrier at Alliance Master Ling Chan!

“Dongdongdongdong~~~~~”

Just as everyone went silent, a few light thuds came from behind on the wooden floor.

Ye Qingzi turned around to discover Old Wen standing pale faced there. She seemed like she lost her soul as her eyes nearly bulged out, staring at the nearly dead Old Han.

Old Wan was like a child as she stumbled forth in front of Old Han. Her eyes instantly watered up, and her face was covered in tears immediately, too choked up to speak.

Seeing the Old Woman almost instantly grow older, the four could only stand there and watch. They didn't know how long the two had been living together for, but thinking that this room would only have the old woman's lonesome self in the future, void of any arguments that were so loud people outside could hear, would the loneliness be even more destructive than death?

Ye Qingzi was also hurting from sadness. She blamed herself. If only her spirit abilities were better, and she could make the Wood Tray Spirit's life technique even stronger, maybe Old Han could be saved.

She didn't dare to look at the old woman, and looked aside.

When Ye Qingzi's gaze was averted, she happened to see the fruits that had fallen onto the ground. These fruits were crystal clear and emanated a thick life force, as if they were real life forms.

"This.....this is life fruit?" Ye Qingzi pointed at the fruits on the ground.

Suddenly, Ye Qingzi thought of something and quickly picked all the fruits up to feed to Wood Tary Spirit.

"Grandma Wen, I still have a way of saving Old Han. can you find more of these fruits?" ye Qingzi quickly asked Old Wen.

Old Wen shuddered and turned tear stricken to Ye Qingzi, "You.....do you mean it?"

Ye Qingzi nodded solemnly. From a soul teacher's perspective, death was a very fuzzy term. Life and death had a very clear boundary, but recent deaths often were a gradual shift from life to death.

The true definition of death by a soul teacher was the death aura that emanated once life force truly disappeared.

That means that, as long as there wasn't any death aura, the organism was between life and death. Now, Old Han's life force was infinitely close to zero,. Most normal techniques and medicine were helpless once a person's life force went below 10%.

Ye Qingzi's soul arts were rather powerful, and could save organisms with 2% life force.

When Old Han was sent here, his life force was already below 2%. Ye Qingzi's soul arts could only reach this level so she couldn't do much. However, as long as Old han raised his life force to above two percent, Ye Qingzi could save him.

And the life force fruits that Old Wen brought back were the perfect soul item to raise life force.

However, Old Han's life force right now was very close to zero. With a limited amount of life fruits, she could at most make Old Han's life force raise up by a little. If they had more and could raise Old han's life force to a degree that Ye Qingzi could save, Old han could live.

"These life fruits really are useful?" Old Wen didn't think that the fruits she went to pick offhandedly would truly come into use. Her eyes already started to light back up.

"En, where did you go pick them, are there any more?" Ye Qingzi asked.

Old Wen's face turned grave again and said in a low voice, "Those were it. The main tree was planted by the old man and I fifty years ago. At the time, we only had one seed."

"Then....." Ye Qingzi's expression changed.

With only these fruits, Old Han's life force couldn't raise enough, and he would quickly go near death again.

"There's a place that has it, its where we got the seeds, but....." Old Wen's voice grew quieter.

"Grandma Wen, saving him is more important. Just tell me the place and I will go pick it." Chu Mu heard that Old Han could be saved and his heart immediately leaped at the hope.

"I will do my absolute best to keep Old Han alive for ten days. If you can get 20 fruits in ten days, then we can save Old Han. However, these life fruits are very precious and probably are hard to find....." Ye Qingzi said.

Everyone's gaze fell on Old Wen's body. As long as they knew if they could reach the place Old Wen mentioned within 10 days, they could know whether Old Han had hope.

Old Wen was still hesitant because that place was truly too dangerous. She wasn't assured she could let these kids go there. If the kids lost their lives for this faint hope, Old Wen was sure that Old Han wouldn't forgive her even in his death!

"Old Wen, just say it, Chu Mu and Mu Qingyi are both very powerful. There's nowhere in human realm they couldn't get in. They can definitely bring it back safely." Ye Qingzi said.

"That place can't be explored recklessly. Fifty years ago, the old man went in and only escaped with a soul wounded." Old Wen said.

“This started with me. If Old Han left, how will I face my father in the future? Just point us in one direction, I promise I’ll come back safely!” Chu Mu said sincerely.

Old Wen finally sighed and said, “Alright, I will give you a map scroll. Walk based upon it, and take everything with safety in mind. Don’t push yourselves. We’re all nearly dead anyways, going into the coffin earlier or later don’t matter too much for us....”

Chu Mu nodded. Glancing at Ye Qingzi and her soul pets continuing to maintain Old Han, he asked worriedly, “Will alliance master come back again?”

“Probably not, I was rendered nearly disabled a few decades ago, so killing me doesn’t make a difference to him” Old Wen said slightly self-mockingly.

Chu Mu’s heart shook slightly and guessed the reason. Speaking nothing more, he took over the scroll Old Wen passed over.

“For safety, you should still switch location. Is there any other spot you have to stay at?” Chu Mu asked.

“Yes, the place I picked the life fruits.” Old Wen said.

“Good, I’ll help you move over first to ensure your safety.” Chu Mu said.

After Old Wen packed some stuff up, Ye Qingzi told Bell Noise Concubine to create a flower bed and started moving Old Han towards another place.

The new location was covered with dense woods. The fifty year old tree's accompanying wood spirit wasn't weak either. It controlled the nearby thousand kilometers of territory to prove the safest space for Ye Qingzi and the others.

After settling them down, Chu Mu was put slightly at ease.

"Chu Mu, bring these healing and soul medicine." ye Qingzi gave a spatial ring to Chu Mu.

Most of the time, Ye Qingzi was very reassured with Chu Mu. However, the enemies they may face this time as well as the place they were going to were both extremely dangerous. She didn't want to see chu Mu come back like Old Han, covered in blood.....

Chu Mu nodded, his black pupils slowly turned silver and started burning with silver devil flames.

Shen Yue, Ye Wansheng, and Old Wen all saw Chu Mu become half devil for the first time. After Chu Mu quickly disappeared, the surprise on their faces didn't disappear.

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Controlling darkness and space, Chu Mu could easily move through the night.

He didn't immediately head towards the location in the scroll but first had to meet up with Mu Qingyi.

When Chu Mu and Mu Qingyi found Old Han, Chu Mu had to bring Old Han back first. Mu Qingyi would be slower since she was riding Zhan Ye.

Quickly, Chu Mu found Mu Qingyi on her way back with Zhan Ye.

“Chu.....” Mu Qingyi was just about to call for Chu Mu’s name when she saw Chu Mu covered in silver yet dim devil flames. His sturdy body seemed made of silver as he emanated with an utmost evil!!

This was the silver devil man she saw back then!!

Though she already knew Chu Mu’s real identity, when she saw him appear as the devil man, Mu Qingyi couldn’t help but still be shocked.

“What’s wrong?” Chu Mu saw the strange expression on Mu Qingyi’s face and asked.

“Nothing, I’m just a little unused to it. How’s Old Han?” Mu Qingyi said.

“There’s still hope, but we have to go find some life saving fruits. It may be dangerous, come with me.” Chu Mu said.

“En.” Mu Qingyi didn’t ask more and nodded.

Chapter 1033: Ancient, Lost Desolation Garden

According to the scroll, Chu Mu and Mu Qingyi went straight for the Lost Desolate Garden.

The Lost Desolate Garden was the most dangerous zone in the Eastern Wild Forest, and was the most absolute human forbidden ground in Wanxiang Realm. In this place was gathered the highest ranked creatures in Wanxiang Realm. Humans that stepped here wouldn't find it easy to walk away with their lives.

Old Wen knew that Chu Mu and Mu Qingyi stood at the apex of humanity in terms of strength. However, she still didn't want them to enter because this forbidden ground was terrifying beyond imagination.

Lost Desolate Garden wasn't particularly vast. The outer portion was accompanied by a peculiar bewildering fog. When Chu Mu and Ye Qingzi stepped in, it was like they had stepped into an incomparably disordered forest labyrinth. If they didn't have a map to guide them, they would have easily gotten lost on the outside.

It was said that Lost Desolate Garden's existence predated even Wanxiang Realm. Indeed, Wanxiang Realm had only begun expanding after Tianxia Realm and the very nucleus of Wanxiang Realm was actually the Eastern Wild Forest. As humans began to step foot in this area, Wanxiang Realm slowly began to accumulate increasingly many human cities. Ultimately, even the soul pet habitats became bewildering worlds for humans to train.

However, Eastern Wild Forest had always remained a place humans were unable to step foot in. A large part of this reason was due to the existence of Lost Desolate Garden where numerous powerful native creatures lived.

"Old Han's scroll records the approximate circumstances that were going on 50 years ago when he entered the Lost Desolate Garden. The Life Fruit is located in Lost Desolate Garden, where a Ten Thousand Eyed Treant has lived there for at least a thousand years according to the old man. Purely from the area its roots cover, it encompasses over a hundred kilometers!" Mu Qingyi held the scroll and read the back.

“A Ten Thousand Eyed Treant that has lived for a thousand years. It is definitely a tree king, right?” Chu Mu was stunned.

In human territory, it was practically impossible to see a dominator rank creature. However, there were probably a few dominator rank creatures living in the Lost Desolate Garden. It was no wonder that Old Han had wounded a soul when fleeing this place while young.

“Yes. My Crown Phoenix King and you are both fire attributes. It should be easy to deal with it. I’m just worried there are other dominator rank creatures.” said Mu Qingyi.

“No worries. We should be able to deal with it.” said Chu Mu.

The two of them successfully entered the Lost Desolate Garden’s middle area following the scroll.

The spirit energy in the middle was very dense and they frequently could see emperor rank creatures wandering around. Presumably, emperor ranks had to be careful here since on their way there, Mu Qingyi and Chu Mu had seen numerous high rank emperor ranks.

Fortunately, the creatures living in Lost Desolate Garden had no intentions of leaving their land. If they had any ideas towards human territory, with so many emperors, this would be enough to give humans a calamity.

Gradually, Chu Mu and Mu Qingyi entered the inner area of the Lost Desolate Garden. This location was more shocking than they had imagined and they felt like they had entered an ancient period. All of the plants had practically reached 100 meters in height and all of the weeds were akin to a normal human forest.

Watching these enormous soul pets walk in front of them with their large heads above the trees, Chu Mu and Mu Qingyi had very strange feelings!

“I feel like we’re extremely tiny. Compared to normal forests, we’re like ants. Whether it be the plants of the soul pets, they are several times larger than we’ve seen before.” said Mu Qingyi.

Chu Mu had a very similar feeling. A single leaf from the Lost Desolate Garden could be used as a blanket. When they walked through this enormous forest, he really did have a feeling of tininess.

“It seems that we aren’t in an illusion...” Chu Mu’s expression turned strange and he pointed at a creature lying on a slim sliver of grass.

Mu Qingyi looked forth and discovered a familiar, yet unfamiliar creature. After closely examining it, her face was full of shock.

“Marrow Sucking Devil Mosquito. This thing can’t even be considered a soul pet...” Mu Qingyi lowered her voice.

Marrow Sucking Devil Mosquitos didn’t even make the soul pet chain and were seen as tiny life forms without any fighting strength. These small life forms relied on sucking plant marrow and biological creatures’ blood. They would be no larger than the size of a thumb.

However, the Devil Sucking Marrow Mosquito in front of them was two meters large. It looked similar to a Heavenly Devil Insect. With its long mouth, it would probably be able to suck both the bone and marrow if it were to stab into a human’s body!

A small life form that didn't even make the soul pet chain was equivalent to a servant rank Heavenly Devil Insect here. Then what would be the ranks of the other soul pets?

This Lost Desolate Garden indeed wasn't just a normal level of scary. Those emperor rank soul pets that they saw earlier on the outside were probably very normal soul pets.

"Ancient era plant majesties and soul pet species are extremely few. Most of them are bigger than now. Originally I didn't believe the recordings of ancient people, but now I believe them." Chu Mu watched these creatures which were countless times bigger than the outside world and muttered to himself.

"It should be because of something special that they can maintain their appearance from the ancient era. Soul pets have evolved and mutated over countless generations and now possess extremely strong bloodlines. Their innate bloodlines should be the extremely high leveled and if they were to also live in a primitive ancient environment like this with abundant resources, that would be akin to entering a natural spirit vat..." said Mu Qingyi.

It was no wonder that the creatures here wouldn't leave the Lost Desolate Garden. With a treasure ground like this, no one would rather go outside to breathe in the impure air.

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Chu Mu and Mu Qingyi gradually got closer to the Life Tree.

Both of them had dominator ranks. Although the ancient environment was first-rate, dominator rank creatures couldn't be found everywhere and the two of them had an easier time passing through.

However, if they wanted to take the Life Tree's fruits, they would have to disturb that Ten Thousand Eyed Treant. It would be difficult to avoid a bitter fight.

"There are still 100 kilometers, but this means if we take another step forward, we will enter the range of the Ten Thousand Eyed Treant's roots." said Mu Qingyi.

In front of them was an incomparably vast forest and they couldn't see the end of it. However, each patch of soil in this enormous forest was covered by the Ten Thousand Eyed Treant's roots!

"Yes, I'll attract its attention and you sneak in and take 20 Life Fruits. Then, we'll immediately leave." Chu Mu wasn't certain whether there were a few dominator rank creatures inside. Indeed, it wouldn't be strange for kings to appear in this ancient environment.

"You possess the other type and dark type attributes, so it will be easier for you to sneak in. Let my Crown Phoenix King fight the Ten Thousand Eyed Treant." said Mu Qingyi.

"That works too. However, you need to be careful. There's a chance the Ten Thousand Eyed Treant's strength is not inferior to the Forgiven Fox Thunder Monarch." said Chu Mu.

"Ok." Mu Qingyi nodded her head. She promptly chanted an incantation and summoned the Crown Phoenix King.

The Crown Phoenix King's entire body burned with golden flames. After being summoned, it ostensibly died the forest in a golden color. Its domineering aura spread over the hundred mile forest, provoking all of the creatures, including the Ten Thousand Eyed Treant, living there.

"Zhan Ye, protect her." Chu Mu entrusted Zhan Ye.

“Hou~~~~” Zhan Ye nodded its head. Its black eyes flickered with excitement as this fight had ignited its warlike heart.

After speaking, Chu Mu dispersed the devil flames, and his silver demonic body melded into the darkness. He walked through invisible space and slowly approached the depths of the forest.

When Mu Qingyi saw that Chu Mu left, she jumped onto her Crown Phoenix King and flew straight above the hundred meter trees, carrying the dark war tiger with her. Extremely ostentatiously, she passed over the incomparably verdant sea of trees towards the tallest tree at the very center of the forest!

The golden flames were particularly conspicuous in the dark night, resembling a blazing sun hanging in the sky. In an instant, it startled all the creatures living in the forest.

Immediately, chaotic shouts began to ring out, and as the Crown Phoenix King charged straight through, the forest entered an uproar. There were even countless trees that began to move away!

“O!!!!!!!”

Suddenly, a mighty roar rang out from the lofty treant at the very center.

The roar suppressed all of the other creatures’ shouts in the forest. Before the echo of its voice faded, its black towering tree figure suddenly lit up with sharp cold lights!

The cold lights were tightly packed together in rows. Shockingly, they were all terrifying eyes that covered the top of this enormous tree!

There were no leaves, just eyes. When Mu Qingyi rode on her Crown Phoenix King and approached, all of the eyes focused on her. Mu Qingyi couldn't help but shiver, because it seemed like thousands of creatures were staring at her in the darkness!!

Each eye carried a powerful mental piercing. Mu Qingyi knew of how terrifying Ten Thousand Eyed Treants were, and immediately had the Crown Phoenix King use a technique that blocked its ten thousand eyed stare.

The Crown Phoenix King beat its wings and the golden light on its body became even more dazzling. Each golden brilliance pierced at the Ten Thousand Eyed Treant's eyes, preventing it from using its mental attack.

The Ten Thousand Eyed Treant let out an angry roar and all of its eyes instantly shut!

“Long long long!!!!!!”

Of course, the Ten Thousand Eyed Treant's strongest attack wasn't its mental piercing. The moment it shut its eyes, the earth began to violently shake and terrifyingly fissure apart. Suddenly, the enormous roots in the ground transformed into strength-filled pythons that swung at the Crown Phoenix King!!

The Crown Phoenix King beat its wings and agilely dodged the roots. However, the moment it dodged, all of the plants in the ten miles around it were all lifted from the ground. A thousand python-like roots twisted their bodies in a shocking and densely-packed scene!

Chapter 1034: Devil Tree Empire, Ten Thousand Eyed Treant

The hundred kilometer forest instantly turned into a lair of terrifying python roots. These roots interweaved above the mass of tree tops and swept down everything in their way. The forest was toppled and destroyed, leaving only these brownish yellow roots waving about!

The Crown Phoenix King had a fast flying speed, but it wasn't as fast as these roots. The thick roots criss-crossed and wrapped around each other, preventing the Crown Phoenix King from ascending into the air in time. The aerial region was covered by the roots, transforming into an aerial forest completely formed by thick roots!!

"What a terrifying region." Mu Qingyi surveyed her surroundings, but she couldn't see the sky or the earth. The only thing there were interweaving roots that formed a forest with a few cracks.

Golden fire light illuminated the surroundings, but only managed to illuminate a very limited area. Moreover, each thick root was malevolent wriggling about. Among these complex layers of roots, cold and sharp eyes could be seen staring at her.

"Burn them." Mu Qingyi gave the Crown Phoenix King an order.

The Crown Phoenix King let out a cry and golden flames burst from its body!

Golden tongues of flame danced around its body, striking the countless withered roots, rapidly igniting them on fire!

The fire quickly spread, burning all of the roots in the one kilometer area around them into dust. A huge golden space was created.

However, there were too many roots that grew extremely quickly. The Crown Phoenix King maintained the golden sea of flames that burned in the kilometer, but couldn't keep extending it. Although roots were destroyed, new ones quickly grew in their place. Moreover, there were a few roots that didn't fear the flames, and they transformed into flaming pythons that launched themselves at the Crown Phoenix King.

“Hou hou hou!!!!!!”

The White Tiger and Zhan Ye simultaneously let out roars. Their claws rapidly tore away at the tick roots in attempt to open up a path for Mu Qingyi.

Without the Brave Heart Stinging effect, Zhan Ye's fighting strength was equivalent to the White Tiger. Presently, the White Tiger would use its freezing power to freeze the roots before Zhan Ye would use Death God's Dawn Blade to destroy them.

However, the attribute counter was exceptionally visible. No matter how many roots Zhan Ye and the White Tiger ripped apart, the space they could move was extremely limited.

Beast and insect type creatures were always weaker in the face of plant world soul pets. Mu Qingyi was afraid that they would be separated by the root forest so she didn't let them charge out and breakthrough the root forest. Thus, she had them stay beside the Crown Phoenix King and protect it as it used fire type techniques.

Nonetheless, fire type techniques had very prominent effects on wood type creatures and Mu Qingyi didn't believe that the Ten Thousand Eyed Treant would be able to continue suffering the burning.

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In the now transformed root forest, Chu Mu, who was travelling through the darkness, was now only 50 kilometers away from the Ten Thousand Eyed Treant.

The scroll indicated that the Life Tree was where the Ten Thousand Eyed Treant was. Chu Mu needed to take advantage of Mu Qingyi drawing away the Ten Thousand Eyed Treants attention to take the Life Fruits.

“This Ten Thousand Eyed Treant’s strength isn’t inferior to that woman!” Chu Mu looked up at the aerial root region.

When Chu Mu was in Xiangrong City, he had also been engulfed in a dense area of branches. Chu Mu was still afraid of that terrifying plant region in which not even spaces of cracks were left. If he didn’t have the fire attribute, it would have been truly difficult for him to free himself from within.

Right now Mu Qingyi was in the same predicament. While being trapped by the endless roots, the Crown Phoenix King’s flames could only barely exude a bit of light from the roots...

In the 100 kilometer forest, there were still several Devil Trees. This was thus probably a complete high level empire. Even though Mu Qingyi had the Crown Phoenix King, which had the fire attribute, she wouldn’t be able to completely burn down such an enormous Devil Tree Empire.

Chu Mu looked into the depths of the forest, but didn’t hesitate. He continuously used Devil Phantom, and passed through the angered Devil Tree species.

50 kilometers was no more than a few steps to dominator ranks. However, in this dense Devil Tree Empire, Chu Mu had to be cautious and avoid as many higher ranking Thousand Eyed Treants as possible.

Through the tree trunks and treetops, Chu Mu could see the Ten Thousand Eyed Treant's main body. He was about ten kilometers away.

However, in these ten kilometers, practically all of the Devil Trees were of the emperor rank. Above the treetops were star-like clusters of eyes that frighteningly roamed about. Looking at it would make one shiver.

"If I enter, can I get out..." Chu Mu himself was astonished!

With the ten kilometers around it being all emperor rank and above Devil Trees and the very center being the Ten Thousand Eyed Devil Tree with strength very close to the dominator rank, it was extremely hard to believe that such a terrifying Devil Tree Empire could exist in a human realm bewildering world!!

However, Old Han's critical condition was pressing, and Chu Mu could only grit his teeth and charge in!

The Devil Tree emperor were all wriggling around. However, most of their attentions were on Mu Qingyi, since the fighting strength exhibited by the main fire attributed Crown Phoenix King was stronger than Chu Mu.

Chu Mu continued to advance, slowly walking through the enormous Devil Tree emperors.

However, when Chu Mu was about seven kilometers away, the Thousand Eyed Treants around him all looked at him like cold lights from a ghost lantern!

With the instantaneous staring from eyes on all sides, it could practically make one's mind collapse!

Chu Mu silently cursed. His silver body appeared from the darkness and his body was quickly covered in silver devil flames!

Displacement Specter!

Chu Mu didn't hesitate and ignited his body in silver devil flames. He instantly was burnt to ashes and forcibly teleported himself to the Ten Thousand Devil Tree's body!

Chu Mu's Displacement Specter could travel ten kilometers. However, in this domain restricted by the Devil trees, he couldn't teleport that far.

Chu Mu wasn't able to move more than four or five kilometers before instantly being encircled by a large group of Devil Tree emperors.

Chu Mu didn't have the time to worry. He charged right through and before those Devil Tree emperors could react, he had charged to the Ten Thousand Eyed Treant's main body!

"Life Tree, where is the Life tree?" Chu Mu used his other pupil to look around through the dense treetops. Finding that Life Tree was easier said than done.

"O!!!!!!!"

A thunderous cry rang out beside his ear. It was the Ten Thousand Eyed Treant giving an angry and humiliated roar.

Chu Mu looked up, and abruptly discovered that the Ten Thousand Eyed Treant had uprooted its body. The lower half of its main trunk split into two legs formed by interweaving tree trunks. The tree trunk that was originally hanging down from the treetop to the ground had now transformed into long arms!

In an instant, the Ten Thousand Eyed Treant had transformed into a tree giant from its rooted state. Its ten thousand eyes all looked down, staring at the incomparably tiny silver figure at its feet!

Chu Mu didn't know how many eyes were staring at him now. Yet, despite being in the face of the enormous aura, Chu Mu's attention was still on finding the Life Tree!

"Found it!!" finally, when the Ten Thousand Eyed Treant moved its body to use a technique, Chu Mu found a special plant next to the Ten Thousand Eyed Treant!

This tree was being protected by a few roots, but the top of this tree was full of Life Fruits. Each Life Fruit was much larger than the other Life Fruits Old Wen had picked. Presumably, the life force contained would be even richer!

If he could take these Life Fruits, Old Han would be able to live. Thinking of this old man who had previously saved his father's life, Chu Mu had no hesitations. Without thinking of a way out, he charged straight towards the Life Tree!

"Beng!!!!!!!"

An enormous tree trunk arm descended from the sky, falling in front of Chu Mu. It was like a huge mountain appearing out of thin air!

A palm print appeared on the ground and instantly, branches began to rapidly grow out of the arm, transforming into countless wooden ropes. Immediately, it formed a branch cage with no gaps!

“This is Wood Finger Prison?” Chu Mu was stunned, as he watched the wood finger ropes that had appeared on all sides quickly interweave together.

This Wood Finger Prison was several tens of times stronger than the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's. Purely from the imprisonment space, it was probably enough to contain a mountain. The Devil Tree Battle Soldier's Wood Finger Prison was like a ten fingered rope in comparison to the Ten Thousand Eyed Treant's Hundred hundred fingered rope. There were no gaps in this version and even space was restricted here!

Thus, Chu Mu was unable to use Displacement Specter to escape. Yet, with the Life Tree just in front of him, Chu Mu's heart was so anxious it was as if it was on fire.

Shattering Heaven Imprint!

Chu Mu raised his right hand and the spatial fissures were like dancing lightning bolts that rapidly ripped away the extremely tough finger ropes!

A single technique clearly was incapable of allowing him to escape this prison. Thus, Chu Mu's hands were now holding balls of devil flames that he proceeded to throw at the spots Shattering Heaven Imprint had torn away at!

“Hong~~~~~”

The devil flames blew up and the flames rapidly spread, destroying half of the hundred fingers!

Using this opportunity, Chu Mu flew straight out. As he flew, his body was covered by a thick devil flame that continued to expand!

Grand Sun Devil Flame!

With Chu Mu at the center of this expanding devil flame energy, he was transformed into a grand silver sun. With tongues and dragons of flames dancing around him, all of the plants blocking his path were knocked aside!!

“Gezhi Gezhi~~~~”

All of the roots and branches were destroyed by Chu Mu’s charge and fire!

Using such a reckless charge, Chu Mu finally reached the Life Tree.

Chu Mu easily used a few Evil Beheads to kill the Devil Tree emperors guarding this place. Then, using his mind and his quickest speed, he put as many Life Fruits into his spatial ring!

“Sou~~~~~”

More than half of the Life Fruits on the treetop were taken away by Chu Mu. Watching this silver devil steal them away like a bandit, the Ten Thousand Eyed Treant was about to be driven mad!!!

Chapter 1035

Fifty years ago, only one human was able to come through and steal a life tree seed, and Ten Thousand Eyed Treant made him pay the price of his soul pet's life!

Today, a half devil dared to make its way in and take a huge amount of old life fruits. If he didn't make this devil pay the price, how could its anger be sated?

Ripping him into pieces and tormenting his soul wouldn't even be enough. Ten Thousand Eyed Treant's roar reverberated through the ancient tunnel. Countless original sleeping organisms within this special space woke up within the night. Glancing towards the Ten Thousand Eyed Treant's direction, they all quickly gathered from their respective locations.

The roots that gathered in the sky backed away like a receding tide and released Mu Qingyi and her Crown Phoenix King from the struggle.

However, the situation wasn't very optimistic. Mu Qingyi looked around, and was shocked to find that in all directions, a powerful aura quickly neared them.

The east side's night sky was like a dark lightning, occasionally bright, occasionally imperceptible. It was hard to find in the dark so Mu Qingyi couldn't tell what organism it was.

From the south, the high forests were getting parted like a tide. A fierce beast was sprinting towards them from the horizon, splitting apart all that dared stand in its way.

On the west side, a black figure slowly stood up within the sea like forest. The impossibly tall tree canopies merely reached its knees. Such a terrifying creature also opened its shocking eyes to glance in their direction.

The north side forest didn't have any illusions, but it was very quiet, so quiet there weren't even calls of bugs and birds. This was a sign of danger, and Mu Qingyi definitely didn't think it was the safest direction!

"Chu Mu, we've been surrounded. All four directions have extremely powerful organisms!" Mu Qingyi said to Chu Mu with her mental voice.

At this moment, Chu Mu had just come out of the endless devil tree emperor tide and met up with Mu Qingyi with difficulty. However, when he heard this, his heart sank again. This Lost Desolation garden was like an ancient wasteland, habitat to so many powerful creatures!

"Let's go!" Chu Mu knew that they definitely angered everyone this time and didn't dare stay around, directly going towards the west side.

West side was the direction of the massive black shadow. Once they got nearer, Mu Qingyi and Chu Mu was shocked to find the massive shadow was actually an ancient Empress Heavenly Thunder Snake!

This Empress Heavenly Thunder Snake was like a bolt of thunder that came down from the skies. Its massive body was enough to cause immense shock to their hearts. A human in front of it felt more insignificant than an ant!

The two people that met Empress heavenly Thunder Snake clearly already went through emperor rank. In reality, an Empress Heavenly Thunder Snake entering dominator rank was far more likely

than any other organism. After all, when it reaches tenth phase, it was already invincible emperor. After a long time of training, it could ultimately enter dominator realm.

Empress Heavenly Thunder Snake was in itself massive. After the ancient environment's effects, it only became larger. It truly could reach the skies!

Mu Qingyi rode her crown phoenix king with her white tiger right behind. Crown phoenix king flapped its wings and the golden flames on it continued to grow, slowly growing into a massive phoenix shadow!

Golden phoenix shadow flew past. The Empress heavenly Thunder Snake opened its massive mouth and instantly the entire night started thundering. Purple thunder fell down in a shocking bolt, continuously falling onto the crown phoenix king's golden flame body,

Purple thunder arc and golden flames became the brightest spot in the entire Lost Desolation Ground, brighter than even the skies or ground!!

"Dash your way through!" Mu Qingyi commanded Crown Phoenix King.

Crown Phoenix King's didn't slow down in the slightest. Dashing forth at the speed of lightning, she flew towards the snake.

Behind her was Chu Mu, who didn't dare slow down either because a mere ten kilometers away from him was a sky covering devil tree sea that devoured towards them!!

It was hard to believe that the entire sky and ground didn't have a single gap. It was utterly full of roots and was frenziedly growing towards them. Billions of pupils were scattered amongst the terrifying roots. Chu Mu had never seen a more shocking scene!!

Now, Chu Mu finally knew why Old Wen wasn't relieved in letting him come to take the life fruit. Demon realm wasn't even as dangerous this!

"Chu Mu.....Chu Mu. How is there so much devil tree!" Mu Qingyi glanced at Chu Mu and found that the night sky was no more, replaced by the writhing roots.

The feeling was as if they were chased by a giant digestive tract that had already devoured everything behind them.

This way, Mu Qingyi was utterly terrified. If they got caught, they probably would never escape. Mu Qingyi truly didn't know how Chu Mu escaped just now in the first place.

"Retract your white tiger quickly!" Chu Mu glanced at white tiger who was about to fall into the intestine and quickly said to Mu Qingyi.

Mu Qingyi quickly cast an incantation, and retracted her white tiger into her soul pet space.

Chu Mu knew Zhan Ye under the plant world organism's attacks would have limited effects. He told Zhan Ye to occupy Empress heavenly Thunder Snake. Once Mu Qingyi and him left, he quickly retracted Zhan Ye back into his soul pet space, and escaped towards the west without daring to look back!

After breaking through empress heavenly thunder snake's obstruction, Chu Mu fell on crown phoenix king's body and glanced at the pale Mu Qingyi.

"Gather your focus to deal with the obstructions ahead, I'll deal with the ones behind." Chu MU said to Mu Qingyi said.

Mu Qingyi nodded, yet in the corners of her eyes, she already saw the countless roots start to converge on the two sides of crown phoenix king. This feeling was as if they were falling into a massive beast's mouth. A single second of pause could devour them!

Chu Mu started an incantation, and around his body quickly burned nine silver devil flame swords!

These swords were upside down and had an immense aura. Mu Qingyi remembered it, as the sword diagram that allowed white nightmare to defeat Tai Mountain giant in the past!

This Heavenly Devil Sword Diagram cast by Chu Mu was clearly stronger!

As Chu Mu's incantation finished, Chu Mu pointed towards his sides with his fingers. Immediately, the massive devil swords flew towards the root pythons at each side!!

"Shuashua!!!!!!!"

The devil swords flew by. All the roots that were cut were swiftly lit by devil flames and instantly rendered to ashes!

Nine devil swords flew through recklessly, instantly giving crown phoenix king enough space to move. The pressure on the crown phoenix king reduced, and it immediately started flapping its wings at a high frequency, becoming a golden beam that flew through the sky!

“Sisisi~~~~~”

Suddenly, within the endless root created digestive tract, a massive purple shadow became a thunderbolt. The snake teeth appeared above Crown Phoenix King and Chu Mu’s head and bit down!!

Chu Mu didn’t know the Empress Heavenly Thunder Snake that was thrown behind caught up with the army. He quickly controlled his last devil sword to move through the other space!

The space rippled. As the Empress heavenly Thunder Snake opened its mouth and exposed its massive mouth, the last devil sword flew straight in!!

“Sisisi!!!!!!”

Empress Heavenly thunder Snake yelled out. Before its fangs could close shut, its mouth was penetrated by the devil sword and sent back into the dense devil tree army.

Mu Qingyi had felt the empress heavenly thunder snake’s assault but didn’t turn around, and instead chose to believe Chu Mu.

Indeed, the threat was quickly gotten rid of and Mu Qingyi relaxed, giving all her attention ahead to detect enemies ahead with her soul remembrance and finding the optimal escape route.

Mu Qingyi owned quite a few wing type soul pets, so her control technique technique was already adept. The crown phoenix king flew and constantly moved its body, flying up and down, tilting sideways, rolling to dodge the chaotic techniques!

With aerial maneuverability, Chu Mu naturally couldn't compare to Crown Phoenix King. Currently, all of Chu Mu's attention was on the endless army behind them. The techniques and incantation coming from him were never-ending because the moment he stopped, he knew the roots would catch up to them, and bring them into the disaster.

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Since Xiangrong City, facing off against defector young girl, Chu Mu had never experienced a night like tonight!

Thankfully, Crown Phoenix King's speed was unparalleled. Adding on Chu Mu's half devil's unstoppable explosive power, they ended up escaping from the layers of obstacles.

Strangely, after leaving the Lost Desolation Garden, all the chasing organisms backed off like the tide, none of them meaning to chase them out.

Them being unable to chase was a good thing. Chu Mu didn't think of it too much. After finding a safe hidden place and setting up a protective barrier, he fell onto the ground and breathed heavily, thinking back to the terrifying scene beforehand.

Mu Qingyi laid down beside him sweating coldly. Her high rising chest was still lifting up and down signified she also had an unforgettable night.

As for crown phoenix king, it already became its bird form and fell down like a broken sparrow.

“This is definitely the human realm’s most terrifying grounds.” Chu Mu breathed and glanced at Mu Qingyi and asked.

“En, en.” Mu Qingyi nodded. Though she loved adventuring, if anyone wanted to send her to Lost Desolation Garden, she wouldn't go.

“Thank goodness we got the life fruits. Let’s rest and immediately go back.” Chu Mu said.

“How many did you grab?” Mu Qingyi asked.

“I don’t know. I picked as many as I could, probably a few hundred, I took around half.” Chu Mu said.

“That means around fifty. These life fruits are probably near Xuan Items. Taking half of their treasures in one go, you truly are a thief.” Mu Qingyi glared at Chu Mu.

“Uh, let’s save Old han first. We can split the rest, its probably very valuable.” Chu Mu said.

“Who wants to split the treasure with you...” Mu Qingyi muttered, not liking his usage of words.

Chapter 1036: Awoken Wood Type Xuan Item

Lost Desolation Garden indeed was the most terrifying place in human realm. If it were any other dominator rank expert, entering it would be near certain death. Thankfully, Chu Mu and Mu Qingyi both had fire types, giving them a great advantage in this fight. Otherwise, if they got blocked by

dominator rank organisms and had an empire of emperor rank organisms behind them led by the Ten Thousand Pupil Devil Tree, there was no way they could escape easily.

Of course, because of the special environment, the life fruits that chu Mu took definitely weren't ordinary.

Chu Mu didn't think of it much at the time and directly grabbed all the fruits and jammed them into his spatial ring. Once he escaped, he finally took the time to observe it and was surprised to find that they all emitted Xuan aura!

Xuan Aura meant the ability to make dominator ranks. This definitely was something rare to find, making this adventure worth it. Not only could they save Old Han, Chu Mu and Mu Qingyi could also gain this rare wood type Xuan item.

Going back only took three days. After recovering some stamina, Chu Mu and Mu Qingyi didn't stay around for long and summoned Zhan Ye to go back.

"What is this?" When Mu Qingyi was riding her white tiger, she saw Chu Mu holding a strange wooden box and asked.

"It's just a broken wood type xuan item. It had lost all its xuan aura. I noticed it was stealing all the xuan aura from the life fruits, so I took it out." Chu Mu said.

"A broken wood type xuan item, where did you get it?" Mu Qingyi was bewildered. She went around all these years searching for any clues of xuan items and never got any, yet Chu Mu seemed to find one without even looking.

“I got it from xiangrong city. It seems that these life fruits can replenish this xuan aura’s item.” Chu Mu said surprised.

This wood type xuan item had been leeched by the defector young girl quite a bit so it didn't have much left. It was also then served as the energy that sustained dead dream’s reincarnation, and devil tree battle soldier’s extracted energies. There was very minimal aura left after all that.

Originally, the xuan items were nearly gone, so leaving it around didn’t have much benefit. Yet, after putting it into their spatial rings, the box seemed to start absorbing the life fruit’s xuan aura to replenish its own. If it could be fully replenished, it could become a wood type xuan item!

Of course, for old Han’s life, Chu Mu naturally couldn’t let these xuan boxes absorb life fruits too excessively.

“You got it from Xiangrong City? You went to Xiangrong City, could it be that the chaos there was started by you?” Mu Qingyi suddenly remembered that a huge commotion happened there. The rumors said a large white nightmare army appeared and razed the city while emperor concubine and Xia Zhixian tried their best to protect it.

“En, it was me.” Chu Mu nodded. Xiangrong City’s event seemed to be locked down by defector young girl, so not many people knew about it.

“Indeed it was you. I was far away that time, or else I definitely would’ve come to take my revenge!” Mu Qingyi made an angry face.

Chu Mu laughed slightly sheepishly and said, “This xuan item was something emperor concubine plotted long and hard to get. Me stealing it was helping you take revenge against emperor concubine preemptively. As for our “grudge”, let’s let that go, shall we?”

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Old Wen's new hiding spot was under a small life tree. This life tree's coupled organism dug out a small space underneath the tree for emergency uses.

On the eighth day, Old Han's life force started to decrease. This caused Old Wen and Ye Qingzi to both start worrying. On one hand, they were afraid for Old Han's life. On the other hand, they were worried for Chu Mu and Mu Qingyi. After all, Lost Desolation Garden was truly the most terrifying place they knew!

However, they knew that worrying was useless. They could only wait slowly.

"Someone's nearing. It may be between Chu Mu and Mu Qingyi, however for safety, we shouldn't make any sounds." Ye Wansheng outside crawled down the roots leading to outside, and said to the three.

The three all nodded, no longer making any sound. Even their breaths were kept at a very weak state.

The four of them held their breaths. After a moment, the ground space above them loosened slightly and dust fell down.

Soon after, Chu Mu and Mu Qingyi, both dressed in black, came down.

When Ye Qingzi saw Chu Mu, she slowly broke into a wide smile and asked Chu Mu caringly whether he was wounded.

Chu Mu shook his head and said, "Just tired, nothing more."

Old Wen stood in front of Chu Mu but said nothing. However, her hopeful gaze at Chu Mu gave away her thoughts. Old Wen really wished Chu Mu could bring them good news.

"Qingzi, see if these life fruits are enough." Chu Mu threw down all the life fruits in one go, revealing around fifty.

Ye Qingzi and Old Wen were all staring blankly, and stared at the fruits that were many times larger than the previous life fruits.

"Enough, these life fruits are even thicker than previous fruits. Just five are enough for us to save Old Han.

"Really.....really? That's wonderful!" Old Wen fell into tears of joy and didn't know how else to say to express her thanks for Mu Qingyi and Chu Mu.

Ye Qingzi didn't dare pause, and directly took ten life fruits out and fed it to wood tray spirit. Wood tray spirit digested the energy and converted it into energy that old han needed to inject into his body.

Wood tray spirit's roots were like vessels that constantly poured new life force into the old man. Old han's face was nearly pale by now, but with the life force injection, it regained some color, looking more like he was simply sleeping instead of nearly dead.

Seeing Old Han get better, Old Wen's emotions got even more out of hand.

Having been together for more than a hundred years, Old Wen and Old Han were probably one of the rare couples.

After an entire night's healing, Old Han finally left life's danger and got better.

The tired Ye Qingzi saw the old man recover and smiled satisfyingly, unable to hide her tiredness. "Grandma Wen, as long as you feed Old Han these five life fruits to treat him, he'll be able to completely recover."

"That's.....that's too good, you should rest now, leave the rest to me." Old Wen said thankfully to Ye Qingzi. These eight days, Ye Qingzi didn't even close her eyes a single time, staying by Old Han to ensure his life force was still there.

Ye Qingzi was indeed tired. Chu Mu felt sorry for her and let her lay in his lap as they rested against the underground wall.

Ye Qingzi no longer cared about anyone else's thoughts. Like a small cat, she snuggled up against Chu Mu and fell asleep.

Chu Mu himself was also tired. After all, Mu Qingyi's escape back wasted a lot of his energy. He laid back on the root and fell asleep as well.

Chu Mu entered a deep sleep this time. Deep in slumber, he didn't notice that the Xuan wood roots were frenziedly absorbing the remaining forty life fruits and was becoming full from its original corrupted state. The life fruits instead were slowly shriveling up.....

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This sleep was extremely long. Because they were underground, Chu Mu didn't know whether it was day or night, simply continuing to sleep when he still felt tired.

Ye Qingzi slept even more soundly. She loved laying in Chu Mu's embrace because for some reason, after laying against his warm body, she felt very languid and clingy.

Maybe it was a reliance, or a habit she developed.

After a long while, Ye Qingzi finally woke up. She opened her eyes, and saw Chu Mu meditating and subconsciously shifted her body.

Chu Mu opened his eyes. He woke up earlier than ye Qingzi, but he continued to meditate just so his beautiful wife could sleep a little longer.

"Done sleeping?" Chu Mu chuckled as he glanced at Ye Qingzi.

"En." Ye Qingzi nodded but noticed everyone looking at her and went red.

"Alliance master probably left long ago, let's go back to the wooden house." Old wen saw that the couple woke up and smiled understandingly.

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The wood house's spirit aura was more abundant, and was better for Old Han's recovery.

Once Old Han was moved back, he already started having signs of waking up.

The moment he opened his eyes, Old Wen sat down emotionally by his beside. Seeing Old Wen cry again, Chu Mu and the others understandingly left the room to give the old couple some time alone.

"Alliance master's soul shouldn't take too long to recover anymore. We have to speed up our training." Mu Qingyi glanced at Chu Mu. The key to this war was Chu Mu's Dead Dream.

Chu Mu nodded. Remembering that Old Han was nearly killed by this man, Chu Mu was even angrier. He was going to obliterate Alliance Master Ling Chan!!

"Why don't we head back first while you train here." Ye Qingzi said to Chu Mu.

Dead dream's phase was jumping too fast, to the point where no one else could keep up. Staying around won't help him much, especially since Ye Qingzi already finished making all the soul items for dead dream's growth up to tenth phase.

After hesitating, Chu Mu nodded, "Fine, you go back first, I'll get there quickly. Before I get there, you have to be careful."

Chapter 1037: Sealed Mouth Event

After everyone left, Chu Mu didn't waste a bit of time since time was pressing. The faster he raise the Dead Dream's strength, the safer he would be.

After saying goodbye to the four others, he put all of his attention on raising the small Dead Dream.

The entire Eastern Wild Area was very large, and Chu Mu was able to find suitable opponents to train the Dead Dream. To raise its phases quicker, he increased his efforts and stimulated the Dead Dream's potential through continuous fights.

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After a month of high-intensity training, the Dead Dream finally entered the sixth phase. Its strength had reached the middle class emperor rank.

In this month, Chu Mu didn't stray too far from the wooden hut. Indeed, Old Wen couldn't summon soul pets while Old Han was still recovering. To a certain extent, they needed to be protected. Fortunately, the forest around the wooden hut was extremely suitable for his training.

Once the Dead Dream reached the sixth phase, Chu Mu allowed it to rest for a period of time and used spirit items to nurture it. Continuously stimulating its potential wasn't bad, but if he didn't use spirit items as supplements, excessive fighting would produce the opposite of the desired result.

Chu Mu chose to return to the wooden hut to train the Dead Dream while also checking in on Old Han's health.

Not long after entering the hut, Old Wen smilingly brought Chu Mu around.

“Ke ke~~~~~” the moment Chu Mu walked in, he heard Old Han cough.

“What are you doing up? Continue lying down!” Old Wen was a bit angry, as she walked up to Old Han and lent an arm to support him.

“I’ve spent over a month lying down. If I continue lying down, it will be the same thing as dying... Ke ke~~~~~” Old Han glared at Old Wen. Afterwards, he put on a compassionate gaze as he had Chu Mu come sit next to him. He said: “Old Granny told me. Chu Mu, your half devil transformation shouldn’t have any negative effects, right? For example those that affect your body and soul...”

”Chu Mu shook his head and said: “In the past there were effects. Now there aren’t.”

Old Han naturally knew quite a few things about half devils. He didn’t understand why Chu Mu could voluntarily transform into a half devil, and why it wouldn’t damage his soul afterwards. At least the high soul temperature should have given Chu Mu constant enormous pain.

Old Han didn’t understand that the young man sitting in front of him actually couldn’t be considered a pure human. “You are the first person in a hundred years who was able to enter the Lost Desolate Garden and steal Life Fruits before safely escaping. It seems that I have truly gotten old and decrepit. I didn’t even know that the young people of this generation had reached such a realm.” Old Han sighed.

“Nonsense. What “young people of this generation already reaching such a realm”? It’s only Chu Mu and that Mu girl. If anyone could have a dominator rank, everything would be a mess then.” said Old Wen.

“Haha, you’re right about that.” Old Han let out a carefree laugh.

“Old Han, when you were at your peak, you were probably much stronger than me, right?” asked Chu Mu.

“Not really. My three main pets perished before I did. However, when I was at my strongest, Alliance Master Ling Chan was just an exiled brat who I helped a few times. This is why after he reached the pinnacle, he gave me a bit of face. But in reality, I know what his character was like, and guessed that there was a high chance he would attack me this time. Fortunately, I was smart enough to take him to the hidden forest and walk him around in a few circles... unfortunately, I was still heavily injured...” said the old man.

“I already said you were useless. Look at this child. He genuinely killed one of Ling Chan’s, that monster, soul pets.” muttered Old Wen.

Old Han was stunned at stared at Chu Mu: “You killed Ling Chan’s soul pet?”

Chu Mu nodded his head. With a bit of guilt he said: “But I implicated you guys...”

“What implication? Killing it is too good!” Old Han suddenly stood up. His beard was shaking and he resembled an old child!

“I’ve been wanting to teach that brat a lesson! Unfortunately, by the time I realized his character, I was no longer his opponent. Child, this is good. You are the first person after Chen Fengqing to injured his soul!” said Old Han.

“Chen Fengqing?” Chu Mu obviously hadn’t heard this name before. He was shocked that there was someone else who could injured Alliance Master Ling Chan.

“Chen Fengqing is the master of your father, Chu Tianmang. I’m not sure if he’s dead yet. The last time I saw him, he was living in seclusion in Xiangrong City.”

“Oh it’s Senior Chen? The person with both eyes blind.” Chu Mu was stunned and quickly inquired.

“So you’ve seen him before. That’s right, it’s him. That year, the Event was mainly a fight between Chen Fengqing and Ling Chan. The other people were just props.” said Old Han.

“What props? Do you, who didn’t even dare show his face, have the qualifications to call us props?” Old Wen was immediately unhappy and roared in Old Han’s ear.

Old Han snickered, and hastily explained that he had been far away during that time and was unable to return in time.

From the old man’s words, Chu Mu roughly understood that that year was the one in which his father fell. The reason the terrifying Sealed Mouth Event arose was because Soul Alliance Alliance Master Ling Chan and a few hidden experts engaged in a bloody fight. The leader of the opposition was the blind senior who lived reclusively in Xiangrong City.

“Then for what reason did both sides engage in that bloody battle?” asked Chu Mu.

The two old folks in front of him were involved in that matter, and they definitely knew everything that had happened.

“There are many reasons. From a bigger point of view, Alliance Master Ling Chan was like an absolute ruler. Soul Alliance’s dictatorship and establishment was the most obvious manifestation of this. This had already greatly offended the bottom line of many experts, including the three great palace’s profits. Indeed, because the three great palaces had been established for many years, practically every expert had some deep connection with the three great palaces. For example, when I was in my middle aged years, I served as a senior elder in Nightmare Palace, Chen Fengqing was Xiao King, the previous Tianxia King, and your Grandmother Wen used to be a member of Soul Pet Palace, and the strongest female soul pet trainer of Soul Pet Palace at that time...

When Nightmare Emperor’s event occurred- this caused Supreme experts to unexpectedly perish and the Seven Diagram Saint Kings were unable to be summoned. Ling Chan used this opportunity and the crimes of your father as an excuse to launch a bloody battle against Chen Fengqing and that group of experts who ignored the mundane but oversaw humanity from the strongest treasured domains. After defeating them all, he secured Soul Alliance’s position and he became the strongest expert, supreme over this world.”

Old Han’s words caused billows to surge through Chu Mu’s heart!

Until now, all Chu Mu had known about this matter was that it seemed to have arisen because of his father and had caused numerous hidden experts to perish.

However, Old Han had, from a macro point of view, had given Chu Mu the reason for it!

“Haha, did you really think that Chu Tianmang, while still at the emperor rank, could really raise such a bloody storm?” Old Han glanced at Old Wen. When he saw that this old grandmother wasn’t speaking, which was rare, he continued: “Tianmang had indeed angered Ling Chan. However, if it wasn’t because Ling Chan was extremely ambitious and with Chen Fengqing protecting Tianmang, there would be no way for him to die prematurely on his cultivation path...”

Chu Mu nodded his head. Old Han’s words made sense. In other words, his father’s fall wasn’t solely because he had angered the Alliance Master. Indeed, an irreconcilable conflict had emerged between both sides.

“Now many years later, another event was about to arise! Speaking of which, you father and son are truly troublemakers. Back then it was because of Tianmang that the battle had been ignited. Now today, it is because you killed Ling Chan’s soul pet that the matter has been pushed to the point of a struggle...” at this point, Old han began to laugh.

Chu Mu bitterly laughed. How did he know that the Fighting Heaven Horned Beast King was the Alliance Master’s soul pet. If he had known, Chu Mu would have been “merciful” and given himself more time to develop. This way, there would be no need to be so rushed like now.

“Practically all of the three great palace’s true experts have perished. Right now that Liu girl is in control, but that means her strength is definitely greatly restricted... ai, this fight can truly only rely on you guys now. The encouraging cheers from us old folk aren’t as sonorous anymore.” said Old Han.

“Don’t worry, Soul Palace’s Supreme members have been refilled, and the Seven Diagram Saint Kings are our trump card against the Alliance Master. All I have to deal with are those Hero experts. If I defeat them, our chances of victory will be much higher. Moreover, Mu Qingyi currently stands on our side so dealing with the Four Heroes shouldn’t be hard.” said Chu Mu.

“You bringing that Mu girl over was a smart move; however, Soul Alliance’s Four Heores are not limited to those experts on the stage. Hero Chief Yuan Sui and Hero Aide are extremely low key people. In that initial fight, they chose to stand on the Alliance Master’s side so they have definitely obtained great benefits from the Alliance Master. You absolutely cannot underestimate them. Moreover, there are a few other hidden experts for example Underground Palace’s Wang Yijun. This fellow’s ability shouldn’t be trifled with...” said Old Han.

Chu Mu earnestly nodded his head. Old Li had told him the same before, and he had to be careful about everything since he couldn’t lose this fight. If he lost, he wasn’t sure how many people would be implicated.

“That’s right, did Bai Yu awaken? I heard that you allied with the Empyrean Cyan Hidden Dragon to drive him away?” asked Old Han.

“Yes. He didn’t die, but I’m not sure where he has gone.” said Chu Mu.

“If Bai Yu has awakened, his state could be similar to yours.... Also, he possessed an ice type creature that was evolving towards the dominator rank. That ice type xuan item was found through my guidance. While he was sealed in the Dormant World for nearly 20 years, that ice type soul pet of his obtained the most optimal training ground. If his consciousness is awakened and he helps you, your chances of victory will be even higher.” said Old Han.

“Yes, his strength is nearly at the low class dominator rank...” said Chu Mu.

”Old Han shook his head: “You’re underestimating Bai Yu and also underestimating the Supreme experts from the previous generation who perished. While you did indeed fight Bai Yu, think for a moment. Would a creature with a fire type secondary attribute be able to display its full strength just after being unfrozen from being sealed in ice for twenty years?”

Chu Mu was stunned. He really had never thought of this!

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After chatting with Old Han, he gave Chu Mu a complete map.

This map seemed to lay out the entirety of Eastern Wild Forest’s terrain. It even contained markings for creatures. Chu Mu could follow this map to train on a grade basis.

Dead Dream’s strength increased very quickly. Practically every month they would have to change locations. Moreover, they often couldn’t find suitable opponents. Searching like this wasted a lot of

time, so such a detailed map would save Chu Mu a lot of time. Moreover, the old man had used his many years of experience to outline a number of spirit items that could accelerate soul pet growth to Chu Mu which he could feed the Dead dream. This way, he would be able to accelerate its development.

Chu Mu who was used to frequently undergo harsh training and long periods of training alone, felt that there was nothing difficult to bear. Moreover, each time he saw the Dead Dream's strength rise, Chu Mu felt a sense of accomplishment.

There was also something else worth being happy over.

Chu Mu had placed a total of 40 Life Fruits in his spatial ring. Mu Qingyi had taken ten and Ye Qingzi had used ten to concoct spirit items. The remaining twenty were left in his spatial ring and ultimately, the energy inside was all absorbed to replenish the xuan root without much xuan energy left.

This meant that Chu Mu now had a wood type xuan item. According to Chu Mu's estimations, the xuan item with recovered xuan energy would probably be able to create a wood type dominator creature.

Thus, aside from training the Dead Dream, Chu Mu also trained the Devil Tree Battle Soldier. He would first raise its power to the paragon emperor rank before attempting to strengthen it to the dominator rank!

Chu Mu had witnessed the power of a wood type dominator rank creature. The Ten Thousand Eyed Treant's roots that covered 100 kilometers still made Chu Mu's heart palpitate. Especially since wood types countered demon world creatures, this would truly be very effective. If the Devil Tree Battle Soldier could enter the dominator rank, it would be extremely useful in a group fight.

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It was an age of war. Turmoil and chaos. Each city had exceptionally tight defenses.

The season of snow had once again descended on Wanxiang Realm. In the frigid winter, the fights became even more frequent. The vagrant soul pet trainers that wanted to find a place to rest each time they reached a city would discover that the city walls, both inside and out, were being defended heavily by soldiers. Moreover, flags of war were hung on the outside. They would have no choice but to shake their heads and sigh before making a detour around this city to continue their excursion.

“How many cities are still peaceful in Wanxiang realm...” on the snowy ground, a vagrant man spoke with resentment.

There were also three men and one woman with this vagrant man. They were probably similar to an adventure group from some city that travelled to different cities and bewildering worlds.

During peaceful times, these types of adventuring teams constituted the majority of travelling soul pet trainers. Most of them had ties to Hunting Alliance and would often take a mission before traveling to a city and collecting the reward at the next city after finishing the mission.

This vagrant lifestyle was something that many soul pet trainers without shackles on their hearts looked for. Travelling, fighting, taking risks, fortuitous encounters... finally, they would have a chance encounter in some city and settle down there, or perhaps they would become genuinely exhausted and choose to return to their hometown.

Unfortunately, in times of war, such adventure teams were difficult to construct. On the one hand, the various cities were in chaos, putting them in danger. On the other hand, practically all soul pet trainers were relying on a faction. The emergence of a war would cause their standpoint to become

sensitive. They would no longer be as free as they were in the past and those genuinely free vagrants would often be rejected or looked upon with suspicion...

“Let’s go. We’ll head in the direction of Snow City. Snow City is rather stable right now. There won’t be a fight that breaks out for the time being,” said the team leader.

The team leader was the only woman in the team of five. She was a close-combat type soul pet trainer, and a very swift and decisive woman. The team members would occasionally tease or flirt with her. However, often this would result in them asking for trouble.

Since the female team leader had chosen Snow City, the team members couldn’t really say anything. Indeed, they didn’t know which city to go to.

After traveling ten days, they finally neared Snow City.

“Snow City is the most beautiful city I have seen. It is covered by snow all four months of the year without the slightest blemish. It’s exactly like a dream...” the middle aged man recalled the scenery from the last time he came to Snow City. He spoke with emotion.

“Really? I remember the first time I came to Snow City, I encountered a man from the three great palaces inside a wine shop. He told me that Snow city was a linkage point in the war in Tianxia Realm and Wanxiang Realm. This city was extremely important because if their three great palaces lost the war, they would be able to use Snow City as a transfer point to return back and defend Tianxia Realm. This would cause the two realms to face off against one another. Moreover, Tianxia Realm would be able to continuously pour fresh blood into Wanxiang Realm’s battlefield through there...” said the female team leader.

“From the way things appear, it should be like this. I wonder which of the two great factions will win.”

At this point, all of them began to urge their soul petse to run down the snow slope.

“That’s strange, Snow City should be here. Why can’t I see it?” muttered the man who had come to Snow City before.

“You guys... you guys quickly look ahead!” suddenly, one of the members cried out.

The others immediately used soul remembrance to scan the hazy plains of flying snow ahead.

However, what entered their eyes was not a serene and quietly beautiful city, but instead an enormous ice flower forest filled with countless plants!!

Countless flower demons covered the city. Plant roots, branches, vines and tendrils passed through, and winded around the city walls and buildings. It looked as if an enormous plant soul pet was lying on the city!

The five adventurers were stunned by this. One month ago, they had obtained information from another city that Snow City was abnormally quiet and there were no signs of war. However, for some reason the city had now been engulfed by countless flower demons. In the pocket of wind, they could hear screams and sounds of slaughter in the distance!

“What... what happened. Why did so many flower demons appear?” the female team leader stared at the city in the distance and a feeling of terror passed through her whole body.

The other members couldn't say anything as they had never seen such a shocking scene before!

“Soul Alliance probably launched a hidden attack on Snow City!!”

Yet, when did Soul Alliance possess such an enormous flower demon army? Could it have been Flower Empress Master Xia Zhixian's power? But wasn't she right now in Wanxiang City which was in the distant east?

“We had better quickly leave this place!” the team leader lost the courage to continue forwards.

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Wanxiang City, Soul Palace's great hall.

After the news of Snow City falling in a single night reached the three great palace's higher ups, all of the elders and senior elders were stunned.

From the previous fight against Soul Alliance in Snow City, they obtained absolute control over the city. Moreover, the surrounding tens of kingdoms around the city had no Soul Alliance influence. As a city, its defense was extremely tight.

However, in a mere single night, Snow City had completely lost connection with other cities!

Snow City was extremely important to the three great palaces. Now that it had mysteriously been taken over by Soul Alliance, this was undoubtedly a huge blow to them!

“What on earth happened? How were so many cities taken over by our enemies in such a short period of time?!!” Great Senior Elder Chao was fuming.

Previously, those ninth rank kingdom cities had mysteriously been lost. That was fine. But this time, they had lost a tenth rank kingdom city. Moreover, Snow City was their transfer city. Now that it was occupied by Soul Alliance, this meant that they had no path to retreat!

“Everybody stay calm. I’ve already sent people to gather intelligence. Although the loss of these cities can damage our courage, the advantage is still with us. We’ll continue as we have previously decided.” said Diagram Supreme Ke Yin.

The senior elders and elders all realized that they couldn’t do anything about it and could only do their own matters.

After everyone broke up, there were a few Soul Palace people left in the great hall.

Ke Yin stared at Female Supreme Liu Binglan who hadn’t said anything in the meeting. After hesitating, he asked: “Did you think of something?”

“Yes. This method is similar to how Tianxia City was nearly destroyed. It was completely without warning and the plan was extremely careful and fast. It caught everyone off guard and when we were completely defenseless, we had already sunk into an irreversible situation.” said Liu Binglan.

“You’re saying that the strategist who has caused numerous important cities to instantly fall is likely to be the same person as the plotter of the Tianxia City event?” asked Diagram Supreme Ke Yin.

Liu Binglan nodded her head. This was just her intuition.

However, Liu Binglan believed that the person who was able to design the Tianxia City plot would definitely not disappear without a trace. The present strange fall of these cities could very well be an omen of the plotter taking action.

“Your Majesty Female Supreme, the fall of these cities wasn’t actually without warning. Previously, I felt that these fallen cities were all in a period of peace. If I were Soul Alliance’s general, I would definitely try and take down these cities through any possible means... If they could do it without a word or movement, this means that they already had something deployed there. Moreover, the designer of the Tianxia City plot, if I’m not wrong, is the Empress Concubine.” said Old Li.

“This woman did a very good job of pretending. There will be a day when we rip off her facade.” harrumphed Diagram Supreme Ke Yin.

“Yes, she has hidden herself too deeply.” Liu Binglan nodded her head and pensively spoke.

Chapter 1039: Capture Hero Aide Xia Zhixian

Snow City is only a start. In the following time, Wanxiang city constantly got war reports of many important kingdom capitals being taken over almost bizarrely.

Three palace’s cities originally already created a large entity connected by these crucial cities, making it almost impenetrable.

However, in the short time recently, they kept on losing these crucial cities, causing the entire three palace battlefield to get scattered and caused their battles to be less organized than before.

This abrupt breakthrough caught three palace off guard and delayed their plans of continuing to push forth. Now, they had to instead turn around and take these cities back.

Because of this, when it went from the snowy season to blazing suns, two seasons later, three palace's unceasing army of experts finally took back those cities and wanxiang realm's west side stabilized.

Wanxiang Realm's western region had around five hundred sixty kingdoms. About four hundred belonged to three palace while the remaining were neutral factions or part of the alliance. Getting them was only a matter of time.

Most of soul alliance's power was stacked up in wanxiang realm east region, with around three fourths of it belonging to them.

This split all of wanxiang realm into two opposing factions, splitting the entire map into east and west, including wanxiang city itself!

In the past, Wanxiang City was shaped in a hoop, split into outer city, inner city, and wanxiang altar.

The two factions split the city in two. In two short years, wanxiang city went from being a huge city into two, where each faction's center left as well.

Three palace's original palaces were already made into a city stronghold and extended walls towards the north and south! The walls and stronghold were filled with layers of guards, remotely facing off against soul alliance's army.

Wanxiang realm seemed to be peaceful, but neither three palace nor soul alliance will easily give up control of this city. The competition in the background appeared after night fell every day. Citizens of the city could often see corpses left in small alleyways.....

Before the lower and middle level struggles end, wanxiang city could still maintain this face off. However, three palace knew that wanxiang city's final struggle will definitely not mark the end of this war.

No matter which side failed, losing wanxiang city's control will allow them to retreat back to their fortified land and defend to a certain degree. Once they gathered their forces, they could definitely fight back and take wanxiang city again.

One could say that Wanxiang City was just a flag. No matter who took the flag, the side would have the high ground in the war, allowing them to use it as a jumping pad towards more land and resources. However, it didn't mean the war would end.

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"Good news, diagram supreme, good news!" Old Xiao walked smiling into the palace. As if he had wind underneath his feet, he stepped in front of diagram supreme in two or three steps. Forgetting his manners, he said out directly with an excited expression.

Diagram Supreme was talking to a neutral faction elder of hunter's alliance. Glancing at Elder Xiao, he hesitated but ended up giving Princess Wanning a glance, "Help me bring Mister Dang to rest, and then tell Old soul teacher De to help him diagnose."

Princess wan ning nodded and called over a few servant girls to leave with her and the elder.

After they left, diagram supreme Ke Yin gave elder xiao a stare, “What’s the matter, how are you still unable to control your emotions at such an old age!”

Elder Xiao’s face reddened slightly. Coughing to hide his embarrassment while his peers laughed at him, he quickly stated, “Prince Chao took down Xiangrong City and captured the enemy general!”

Diagram Supreme Ke Yin was just drinking tea when he heard this and immediately put his cup down!

The laughing Elder Chao aside even stood right up from his seat out of surprise and excitement, “Is..... is this real?”

Elder Xiao saw Elder Chao react so and couldn’t help but grumble, “You all reacted the same as I did, and yet you laugh at me?”

“Do I look like someone who likes to joke?” Elder Xiao said.

Everyone knew elder xiao’s character well. He was indeed usually extremely stern and deadpan. If someone else had said this news, there may be unforeseen issues, but with elder Xiao’s way of life, if he hadn’t confirmed it fully, he definitely wouldn’t tell it to anyone!

“Hahaha, good work, good work!!! This way, we’ll have a jumping pad to invade all of wanxiang city’s territory!” Sacred guard leader laughed out brusquely.

Xiangrong City’s boundaries were very wide and had a massive amount of plant soul item resources. More importantly, it was the closest tenth rank kingdom capital to wanxiang city. Once

they got that city, it was as if three palace had a long sword that pierced straight into wanxiang city's territory. Pushing soul alliance out of wanxiang city will happen soon!

"Don't get too excited yet. Guess who their general is." Elder xiao kept it a mystery, but his shining eyes gave away his excitement and joy.

"Enemy general? Right, Xiangrong City is Xia Zhixian's city, can it be Xia Zhixian's right hand woman, Xia Qing?" Elder Chao asked.

Xia Qing was Xia Zhixian's foster sister and was an absolute level expert.

By now, every top tier emperor rank expert was extremely precious to both factions. If they could take down Xia Qing, it was one less threat for three palace in the future.

Elder xiao shook his head, showing some belittlement in his eyes.

Anyone could tell that elder xiao was saying Xia Qing was nothing.

"Can it be that....." Diagram supreme slowly showed a face of shock as he seemed to realize who the general was.....

"Yes, Diagram Supreme, the general was hero aide Xia Zhixian!!"

When he said that, the entire palace went silent!

After a few long seconds, everyone finally came back to their senses after hearing the shocking news!

“Is..... is this real?” Elder Chao almost asked the same question but from his attitude and tone, he was in even more disbelief.

Elder Xiao didn't want to repeat himself anymore. In reality, when he heard the news himself, he thought it was impossible as well. However, after confirming multiple times, including prince chao's personal message confirming his capture of Xia Zhixian, elder xiao finally recovered from his shock and quickly brought this news to diagram supreme ke yin.

“Xia Zhixian was extremely powerful. If she was in Xiangrong City, taking her down is nearly impossible. Let alone, she had a dominator rank soul pet. Prince Chao shouldn't be her match. Is there a trick here?” The rather vigilant diagram supreme quickly calmed down and asked a logical concern.

“Yes, Xia Zhixian shouldn't be this easy to deal with.....”

“However, the problem is Xia Zhixian is in the hands of prince chao and her soul has already been sealed. She's no different from a normal girl. Prince Chao is waiting for us to decide how to deal with Xia Zhixian.” Elder Xiao said.

“Let's just kill her!” Elder Shen was the first to give his opinion.

“Yes, kill her. Regardless of if they are scheming something, killing her will definitely greatly harm soul alliance!” The others were in agreement as well.

Diagram Supreme Ke Yin furrowed his brows, and didn't know what to decide.

A dominator rank expert wasn't someone one could just kill whenever. As Xiangrong City's city master, Xia Zhixian had great fame. Killing her will cause a huge rebellion to arise from Xiangrong City. One also had to consider whether she had any neutral experts behind her. It would be a huge hit to the three palaces to attract even more enemies.

However, not killing her, Xia Zhixian suddenly getting captured was too strange. There likely could be a trap set up by the soul alliance, waiting for them to dive in. If they fell for it, they would likely lose a lot as well!

"We can confirm Xia Zhixian is completely useless now?" Diagram Supreme Ke Yin continued to ask Elder Xiao.

Elder Xiao nodded and said, "Prince Chao, Elder Huan, other elders, and the sacred guard leader all confirmed."

"Then tell Elder Chao to bring her back first." Diagram Supreme felt like it was bad to make a decision so soon. They should decide once they get the three palaces together in a meeting.

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Xiangrong City

Prince Chao Lengchuan had slowly shed off his social inexperienced self through two years of war and matured.

However, him being able to capture Xia Zhixian was completely due to the old raccoon man's strategy. Or else, with Xia Zhixian's power, prince chao probably wouldn't even be able to take down xiangrong city, let alone capture Xia Zhixian.

"Look at that, I told you you should listen to me. Xia Zhixian is a support soul pet trainer. Her own fighting strength is limited and she had to stand behind an expert. As long as you split them up, there was nothing to fear about Xia Zhixian." Old Li laughed.

Chao Lengchuan nodded heavily. He was getting more and more respect for this half human half soul pet old man. Without him, soul palace couldn't possibly have captured this many cities.

"Elder huan, how should we deal with this woman?" Chao Lengchuan asked.

"We can't kill her for sure, we can use her as a bargaining chip to gain wanxiang city, though." Old Li said.

"Why can't we kill her? Even if we can't kill her, can't we render her dominator rank soul pet useless?" Chao Lengchuan asked.

"Xia Zhixian has great relationships with neutral factions. If we kill her, it'll cause many factions to fall towards soul alliance's side. You may not understand this, so here's an analogy. Let's say diagram supreme or female supreme were captured. They similarly wouldn't dare harm them at all. This wasn't a war where killing the enemy general wins the war. Once one reaches dominator rank, one goes beyond mortal bounds. Their entrance was simply a result of their faction identities. There are some people in this world that just shouldn't be killed, only restricted.....

Chapter 1040: Surprising Change, Wanxiang City Falls!

Being able to capture Xia Zhixian was outside of Chao Lengchuan's expectations. He walked into the city master fort, and walked to Xia Zhixian's prison.

Xia Zhixian had already had all of her power sealed. At this moment, she was sitting by her table, and slowly drinking tea. She didn't look like a prisoner, instead seeming like a noble woman enjoying her afternoon.

"Prince Chao, this time you definitely achieved a great service for your side." Xia Zhixian saw Chao Lengchuan walk in and simply smiled warmly.

"Flower teacher Xia, do you have no recognition of your current position within the center of enemy territory? You know you face life danger at any moment, right?" Chao Lengchuan said.

"Haha, defeat is a commonplace military phenomenon. I got captured due to a mistake and can't say anything about it. Maybe I can swear to never participate in the war again. Why take a harmless girl's life? One has to know that everyone who lost under my hand have been left alive under my command." Xia Zhixian said while revealing a hint of pleading. If he didn't know her identity, he might actually believe that she was just a harmless girl.

Xia Zhixian was speaking the truth. There were many experts that lost by Xia Zhixian's hands, but Xia Zhixian always let them go as an exchange for something else, not killing a single one. In fact, the captures were always treated very well after being imprisoned, as if they weren't even prisoners of war and instead guests.

No one knew why Xia Zhixian was treating this war with this much civility, but one thing was for sure; the experts that lived after suffering a defeat were all somewhat grateful towards Xia Zhixian.

"I can't decide this. Whether you live or die is still by command." Chao Lengchuan didn't want this woman to understand his thoughts and said coldly.

Xia Zhixian saw Chao Lengchuan like this and laughed out, charming as ever.

“Prince Chao, sit down. Sister Xia knows that you aren’t very experienced yet. Since I’m free, I’ll tell you about the current landscape.” Xia Zhixian extended a hand and signaled for Chao Lengchuan to sit down, her tone teasing him.

Chao Lengchuan stiffened his face. and sat down in front of Xia Zhixian.

After facing Pang Yue’s constant teasing, Chao Lengchuan wasn’t the little boy that blushed whenever a woman laughed. Facing Xia Zhixian’s alluring words, he could remain calm. He also wanted to hear what this captured woman could spin up.

Xia Zhixian lifted up her tea pot and elegantly poured a cup of tea for Prince Chao.

Xia Zhixian’s calmness and confidence caused prince chao to feel as if he was the captured one. However, Elder Huan (Old Li) had told him to never let the enemy guess what he was thinking of, and to never show anything on his face.

“Prince Chao, I’d imagine your people are definitely worried whether capturing me this time has a secret trap underneath it.” Xia Zhixian said in a gentle voice.

Chao Lengchuan didn’t speak, instead sipping his tea to wait for Xia Zhixian to continue.

“Hehe, let’s put aside whether this is a trap. I think they’re probably also troubled over another question: why do I never kill your people, instead treating them very well and forgivingly?” Xia Zhixian said.

Chao Lengchuan’s gaze slightly shifted. This was exactly the question Chao Lengchuan was wondering but she didn’t say anything.

“The reason is simple, I’m building my relationship with them.” Xia Zhixian said.

“Building your relationship with three palace people? Flower master Xia truly is tolerant.” Chao Lengchuan said.

“It’s not that I’m tolerant, I’m just planning ahead.” Xia Zhixian said.

“Really? Do you want to join our three palace?” Chao Lengchuan said calmly.

Xia Zhixian shook his head and said, “Exactly the opposite.”

Xia Zhixian’s words immediately caused Chao Lengchuan to furrow his brows. If she wasn’t entering three palace but was building her relationship, this meant that she predicted three palace to get taken over!

In the lower mid level struggles, three palace has the advantage. In the higher levels, the victor is still up for grabs. This Xia Zhixian was getting ahead of herself!

“You definitely don’t believe my words. How about this, Prince Chao, sister Xia will make a bet with you.” Xia Zhixian laughed and said.

“What bet? You’re already a prisoner, what bargaining chips do you have?” Chao Lengchuan looked at her wondering whether she had any more tricks up her sleeves.

“I’m the chip. If you, three palace, can remain in Wanxiang City a month later, then I will join your side, and help you defeat hero chief and hero aide.” Xia Zhixian said.

Chao Lengchuan humphed and said, “No need to believe you, you can remain a prisoner.”

“Don’t come to conclusions so quickly, I haven’t finished talking. If in a month, your people remains peacefully in wanxiang city, then Prince Chao has to agree that, when the day comes and three palace suffer an overwhelming defeat, Prince Chao shouldn’t stay and fight until death with the other obstinate old fools. You have to know that as long as your seed lives, you can continue in the future.

Chao Lengchen gained a huge wave of fury after hearing this. This woman was completely playing with him.

“Enjoy your tea.” Chao Lengchuan stood up and no longer bothered to hear this woman’s voice.

Xia Zhixian didn’t mind. Like an elegant and mannered noble woman, she stood up to walk prince chao out.

When Prince Chao went back to the army, the aide-de-camp brought back message to bring Xia Zhixian into the city.

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On the third day, three palace people came to capture xiangrong city. Prince Chao, Shen Mo, Old Li, and other strategists waited for Xia Zhian's territory.

Considering soul alliance could send out experts to block them halfway, they didn't get back with the army. Instead the experts formed a team of around ten people.

This type of imprisoning was the safest. With the land this large, no matter how powerful soul alliance was, they couldn't find the walking path of ten people. As for whether they could track them through some soul item on Xia Zhixian, old Li thought of that as well. They directly casted a spatial prison on Xia Zhixian so no matter what soul technique or soul item she had, it couldn't transmit anything.

The path back was very safe and was unobstructed. It was planned that by the twentieth day, they could reach western wanxiang city.

To keep their tracks hidden, none of them contacted any city, including wanxiang city.

In these twenty days, other than occasionally teasing Chao Lengchuan, Xia Zhixian didn't do anything crossing the line. This caused Chao Lengchuan to remember the bet she had offered the other day. Though he never intended on betting with this woman, her words caused some unease within him, making him feel as if something will happen soon.

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“Strange, why hasn’t Shen Mo come back yet?” Old Li stood on Thousand Wave Beast’s head and glanced far at western Wanxiang City.

When they neared Wanxiang City, Old Li told Shen Mo to enter the city first to test whether there was an ambush.

In reality, the west side is three palace’s territory. Under most circumstances, Old Li was simply being extra cautious.

“They’re back.” An elder pointed at the man on the devil colt hurrying back.

Everyone else looked over and indeed found Shen Mo coming.

However, behind Shen Mo were three people, respectively on a star wilderness devil colt, a gale devil colt, and a purple robed dream beast.

Chao Lengchuan naturally recognized the three of them. They were Chu Mu’s fiancée Ye Qingzi, Ye Qingzi’s brother Ye Wansheng, and Shen Mo’s sister Shen Yue.

Chao Lengchuan was secretly wondering. Why did the three of them come here, are they welcoming him?

However, their sour expressions signified that something major had happened.

“What’s wrong?” Old Li looked at Shen Mo and had a feeling something went wrong.

Shen Mo said nothing, only glancing strangely at the three behind him. The three of them clearly had anger and unwillingness.

After a while, Ye Qingzi replied, but her tone was very sullen, saying something that shocked everyone, “Wanxiang City has fallen!”

When Ye Qingzi said this, Chao Lengchuan’s whole body shivered, and he quickly turned around to look at Xia Zhixian.

She gave her answer in the form of a simple smile.

Wanxiang City fell?

In the past year, many great kingdom capitals had suffered strange losses. Three palace had grown used to such news and would simply retaliate by taking the cities back by force.

So, when they mentioned a city falling, Chao Lengchuan, Old Li, and the other sacred guard leaders didn’t think of it much!

However, Ye Qingzi was speaking of a different city, Wanxiang City!!

“I...I’m not mistaken, you said wanxiang city just now?” Elder Kuang asked loudly!

Ye Qingzi nodded.

If not for seeing the entire event happen herself, ye Qingzi didn't dare to believe the heavily guarded western wanxiang city would fall so quickly and become soul alliance territory!

"The fort has ten thousand soul pet trainers, thirty thousand elemental soul pet trainers line the walls, fifty thousand are spread out in the outer scouting towers. Another ten thousand are in the outer and middle city. Inner city have even more experts. Even a hero level expert would get blown to smithereens by the elders and sacred guards. Western Wanxiang City is impenetrable, it can't have fallen!" A Sacred Guard said angrily.

How could this be used as a joke, what were these young people doing! The sacred guard got angrier as he thought about it.

The other elders thought similarly and yelled out!

"Yes, I wouldn't believe it if it were me either. But, use your soul remembrance to check western wanxiang city and check the flags." Ye Wansheng pointed behind him.

Everyone stopped arguing and cast their soul remembrance over.....

Three palace's flag was sacred yellow. Soul palace had seven diagram sacred pet, nightmare palace was nightmare flags, soul pet palace was a simple crown. Usually, these flags covered the lighthouses and guard towers.....

However, when they glanced over with their soul remembrance, there weren't many of these flags anymore!

In fact, Chao Lengchuan could even see that, at the center of three palace territory, the highest soul palace flag was slowly sliding down along with the sunset!

The highest flag falling didn't mean the coming of night; it was announcing that the faction of this flag no longer owned this territory!!

But, how was this possible! In a short month of zero contact with the city, three palace's advantage disappeared along with their control of wanxiang city!!