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Chapter 1351: Guang Moon Palace, Saintess Yu

As they were speaking, the entire flower courtyard suddenly went silent. Despite the fragrance from the flowers around them, another even more uniquely alluring fragrance wafted in.

A trace of intoxication appeared in everyone's eyes, and they naturally turned to look at the adjacent cobblestone.

A long, holy, and blue cloud-like dress dragged along the ground as the woman gracefully strode forth.

The dress was both long and beautiful, but the thin material was ostensibly unable to cover her captivating figure. It was almost as if one could see through the dress, yet it was graceful at the same time. It made the eyes of every man present burn passionately.

The thin waist under the dress swung back and forth. It was both dignified, yet capable of making people stare at the area between her back and waist. All of the dress served to accentuate her most captivating parts, making her even more sexy and seductive.

However, very interestingly, while everyone wanted to keep their eyes on that location, they couldn't stare there for too long. They had to move their eyes up and look at the woman's face.

Everyone knew that this woman had a beautiful appearance capable of making one's heartbeat quickly. Although she would always use a veil to hide it, a single glance at her face would still make people hold their breath.

Gentle, refined, dignified, holy, yet also graceful. She was both sexy and radiated a fatal attraction. She was like a respected saint that could not tolerate profanity; a graceful woman that was both pure

and capable of making one's imagination run wild. In front of such a woman, what man wouldn't prostrate himself at the feet of her pomegranate dress?

The people at the very front of the audience were the outstanding young men from the various large factions. They had seen countless women before. This included both Tang Zhuo and Xin Xin, who initially didn't pay much attention to the Saintess. However, right now, as she was walking over, their hearts had completely changed. It seemed that all of their pride had vanished, and pursuing everything else seemed insignificant in comparison now.

"Everyone, we thank you for coming and being a guest at the Saintess's Guang Moon Palace. The Saintess has received the City Lord's support, and will gift certain people here an eternal blessing. This eternal blessing will only be obtained by suitable people. But even those who don't receive an eternal blessing will receive a trace of the Saintess's nurturing aura, which will help with your cultivation." said the older woman next to the Saintess.

Everyone present stood up at this moment out of etiquette, and waited for the fairy-like woman to sit down before they sat down themselves.

Many of the people didn't originally have intentions of adhering to etiquette because the status of these people represented the various large factions of Zhengming Continent to a certain extent.

However, it was inappropriate for them not to adhere to etiquette since the older woman who had just spoken was not simple. She was an extremely famous female soul pet trainer in Zhengming Main City, Madam Gao. In terms of status and seniority, she sat together with their elders.

If this extremely high-status Madam Gao was willing to follow this Saintess, why would they dare to neglect etiquette themselves?

“Being able to see the Saintess is our honor. We don’t have any excessive expectations of you.” Tang Zhuo thoughts instantly changed, and he immediately began to praise her.

“Tang Zhuo is correct. Being able to see the Saintess is enough in it of itself.” Son of Wind Xin Xin immediately added.

“That’s right, that’s right. Eternal blessings depends on fate. It’s not something that can be demanded.”

Madam Gao motioned for everyone to quiet down and said: “Everyone will take turns and introduce themselves. The Saintess will make a choice according to everyone’s circumstances. All you need to do is give a brief introduction. There’s no need to say too much.”

The Saintess was still sitting there very quietly. Her bright eyes seemed like they could see through peoples’ hearts as she was slowly but elegantly examining everyone present.

Soon, her eyes landed on Tang Zhuo.

Tang Zhuo understood that the Saintess wanted him to be the first to introduce himself.

Tang Zhuo had an average appearance, and didn’t have a very tall or sturdy body. However, his temperament was rather refined and his eyes radiated unhurried confidence. He didn’t look restless nor cold. He gave off an unfathomable feeling.

Tang Zhuo noticed the Saintess’s eyes examining him. He felt excited inside, but he didn’t show it on the outside. He politely stood up and the corners of his mouth faintly raised as he said: “My name is Tang Zuo. I’m sure I don’t need to introduce myself any further.”

After speaking, Tang Zhuo intentionally looked back at the Saintess's eyes, and then sat down on his own accord.

Tang Zhuo's self-introduction was rather arrogant. However, nobody was dissatisfied with this, because everyone present knew about Tang Zhuo. He only needed to say his name and everyone would know the rest.

The Saintess faintly nodded her head, and her eyes landed on the Son of Wind Xin Xin who was next to Tang Zhuo.

Son of Wind Xin Xin wasn't as carefree and calm as Tang Zhuo. When he felt the Saintess's beautiful eyes staring at him, he showed slight nervousness.

If it were any other outstanding woman, Son of Wind Xin Xin, who had an elegant demeanor, would be able to calmly face her. However, his eyes were completely occupied by the Saintess's beautiful and pure eyes, and his heart was rapidly beating.

Nonetheless, Xin Xin wasn't someone who had no life experience, and he quickly found his original elegant demeanor.

Xin Xin continued to stare at the Saintess's eyes until Madam Gao creased her eyes unhappily. Only then did he apologetically laughed and say, "My name is Xin Xin. My nickname is Son of Wind, and I am Elemental Sect's wind type Chief Disciple. I am like Tang Zhuo, and I'm sure everyone has crossed paths with me at some point. Thus, everyone should have a rough understanding of who I am. However, I will add that I am a single man."

Xin Xin's words immediately caused the atmosphere to change.

Xin Xin was unexpectedly flirting with the Saintess! Saying, for no other explicable reason, that he was single, was essentially saying that he was interested in the Saintess.

Some people agreed with Xin Xin's confident and calm laughter while others felt unhappy, thinking that Xin Xin was too frivolous.

The Saintess still nodded her head as before. No visible change could be seen in her eyes. Clearly, Xin Xin's flirting words hadn't been of much use.

"There's no need for me to introduce myself, right. I just hope that Lady Yu... uhh, Saintess Yu will grant the eternal blessing to me. I am an honest person, and if Saintess Yu needs anything in the future, just say it. I, Han Erxing, am willing to walk through fire and tread on water for you." said the third man who stood up.

Han Erxing was a Divine Sect member. From his words, he seemed to already know the Saintess. Moreover, from his mistake in the way he addressed her, he was telling everyone that he was ahead of them all.

Saintess Yu faintly nodded her head as before. She had no intentions of speaking, and her eyes fell on the woman in the fourth seat.

"Lu Fenxue. Divine Sect Upper Official." this woman's introduction was very simple. However, her eyes didn't hide her dissatisfaction towards the Saintess.

Lu Fexue obviously was unhappy with this woman whose origins were unknown. Within Divine Sect, even the most outstanding Lin Mengling didn't call herself a Saintess. So what qualifications did this woman have to call herself one in Zhengming Main City? If she was a Saintess, then wasn't Divine Sect's Lin Mengling a goddess?

Lu Fexue and Divine Sect's Lin Mengling had good relations. Lin Mengling didn't enjoy appearing in public, so Lu Fexue felt unfairness for her. Thus, she obviously wasn't going to show a friendly expression in front of this woman.

Of course, this was the first time Lu Fexue had seen Saintess Yu from such a close proximity. Although she was slightly moved by the Saintess's fairy-like temperament, it was incapable of making her heart waver.

Madam Gao ostensibly could see through Lu Fexue's demeanor, and her brows faintly creased. She was about to say something when Saintess Yu stopped her. Saintess Yu's eyes moved to the next person.

And thus the introductions continued on, one by one. Some people took a long time and tried to tell her all of their experiences. Other people had short introductions; their achievements didn't need to be described and spoke for them.

Ultimately, there were people here for the Eternal Blessing, and others were here to win a favorable impression or the attention of a beauty. Eventually, the introductions reached the back seats.

It was about to reach Huang Yufei, who was very excited. If it weren't for Li Qingqing who was pulling him back, this fellow would have probably rushed to stand up before it was his turn.

"Did you guys know that from the moment Saintess Yu arrived, her eyes have looked at me at least five times! Li Qingqing, I've told you before that she definitely noticed me last time in the crowd

and discovered that I was unique and outstanding. Perhaps I will obtain an Eternal Blessing this time!” Huang Yufei spoke with a face full of excitement.

Li Qingqing’s face was still full of contempt. Besides narcissism, Huang Yufei didn’t have anything uniquely outstanding about him. She didn’t believe that this elegant Saintess would take a liking to this fellow.

However, Li Qingqing was also very curious. There were a few times when she did in fact catch the saintess look this way, and then quickly shift away.

Finally, it arrived at Huang Yufei. Huang Yufei instantly stood up, and with a face full of confidence that was hard to hide the excitement in his heart, he said: “My name is Huang Yufei. I am the son of Ze Border’s Border Lord. I have always admired Saintess Yu. If I could, I would be willing to serve Saintess Yu for the rest of my life!”

Huang Yufei was ultimately the son of an influential family and even if his heart was flipping around, he wouldn’t sound like an idiot when he spoke. Nonetheless, his brazen expression of his admiration and devotion was something the other sons were unable to do.

Those bright eyes were still flashing with a captivating halo. It was impossible to see any changed in her emotions.

Saintess Yu nodded her head as before. She didn’t say anything.

Huang Yufei was originally waiting for Saintess Yu to show him a special gaze. But when he discovered that she was treating him the same as others, his heart instantly dropped, and he slowly sat back down.

Those spirited star-like eyes landed on Chu Mu. They were still both calm and beautiful.

Saintess Yu had already noticed that Chu Mu was sitting at the back. In truth, she really wanted to just skip this man, and have the next person introduce themselves.

However, this would be undoubtedly telling others that she had a special relationship with this man.

For some reason, when she saw his ridiculing eyes, Saintess Yu felt a trace of anger.

“New Moon Land, Chu Mu.” Chu Mu stood up, and gave a short introduction before his mouth couldn’t help but curve into a smile.

Saintess Yu immediately moved her eyes to the next person. If she stared any longer at Chu Mu, she would find it difficult to bear. The feeling she got was like merciless devil flames spreading over her entire body. It was extremely uncomfortable!

Chapter 1352: Men are all so Despicable

Chu Mu didn’t use his mental voice to communicate with Yu Suo. However, the longer Chu Mu went without saying anything, the more Yu Suo doubted Chu Mu.

Nonetheless, Yu Suo wouldn’t show any weakness either. If Chu Mu wasn’t going to say anything, she would not say anything either.

After each individual introduction, it was time to determine who had obtained the Eternal Blessing. Everyone’s faces revealed traces of expectation.

This opportunity was not something that could be demanded, not even by those young talents with huge influence behind them. But if they could obtain the Eternal Blessing, it would be a huge strength boost.

Everyone's eyes fell on the Saintess. They saw her move closer to Madam Fu's ear and quietly speak a few sentences. Madam Fu quickly understood, and nodded her head.

"Qing Border's Wan Xitong, Wo Border's Chen Xian, Elemental Sect's Tuo Yun, and Ze Border's Huang Yufei. The four of you please come forth. Saintess Yu will bestow the blessing upon you." said Madam Fu.

The four people that were named instantly went mad with happiness, and rushed to stand up from their seats!

These four people hadn't had extremely outstanding performances in the Outstanding Experts Competition. This could be seen from where they were sitting. Thus, contrary to their expectations, they had become the lucky ones, and were chosen by Saintess Yu in front of all these outstanding talents.

Huang Yufei was unable to stifle the excitement in his heart. The moment he stood up, he suddenly felt like a crane in a flock of chickens, and held his head and chest up high!

"Didn't I say so? Li Qingqing, I said before that Saintess Yu had been paying attention to me all this while, and that it wasn't purely a coincidence!" Huang Yufei seemed to have boiled over as he bragged with incomparable excitement to Li Qingqing.

Li Qingqing showed an expression full of disbelief when she heard the results. Was Huang Yufei actually right? Did Saintess Yu really show interest in this dumb man?

There was no reason for it. There were so many young talents present. Tang Zhuo, Xin Xin, and Han Erxing's names had already shaken the realm. Perhaps these four people were outstanding in their own territories. However, when placed among this group of outstanding talents, they were certainly inferior...

The audience instantly erupted into an uproar as various discussions broke out.

Even Tang Zhuo, Xin Xin, and Han Erxing were extremely shocked. They never expected Saintess Yu to not choose them, and instead to bestow this rare blessing to, in their opinions, nameless fellows!

"Saintess Yu, may I ask what your criteria for choosing whom to bestow the blessing upon is?" Tang Zhuo couldn't hold himself back and asked this question.

Until now, Tang Zhuo and the others had all been living a spoiled life. Any possible honor and attention had been placed onto them. They felt that they absolutely had to obtain the Eternal Blessing this time. Other people were at most accessories to their story of life and at most, one of these accessories could be bestowed a blessing for 'appearances' sake.

However, none of them received the blessing. All of the blessings had been bestowed onto people they looked down upon. This feeling of neglect wasn't easy to bear.

"Tang Zhuo, this is Saintess Yu's choice. In the Saintess's eyes, there is no room for nobility, looks, and strength. Everything comes down to fate." Madam Fu knew that Tang Zhuo and the others were dissatisfied and calmly explained to them.

"Fate? Why do I feel like you're grasping at straws here." Lu Fenxue muttered at a very timely occasion.

Madam Gao swept her eyes over Lu Fenxue and coldly harrumphed.

Lu Fenxue was slightly afraid of Madam Gao, and didn't say anything further.

Although Tang Zhuo and the others mentioned their dissatisfaction, nobody actually rudely objected to it.

The four winners rose up and arrived in front of Saintess Yu. Their expressions were full of excitement from obtaining the Eternal Blessing. As they walked up, they felt everyone's unwilling and jealous gazes. Although the four of them looked calm, their expressions still betrayed their inner thoughts: they hadn't obtained a high ranking in the Outstanding Experts Competition, nor did they obtain much attention; however, they were able to blow off steam through the Eternal Blessings!

Huang Yufei was a rather simple-minded fellow. When he walked past Tang Zhuo, he wore a look of arrogance.

Guo Shi, who was sitting behind Tang Zhuo, coldly muttered: "Trash is just trash. Even after obtaining some abilities, it will still be trash. Do you really think that after obtaining a single dewdrop of the Eternal Blessing that you'll be able to sit equally with our Tang Zhuo?"

Huang Yufei stopped in his tracks. If those words had just been uttered by Tang Zhuo or Huang Yufei, who knew he was of a much higher status than him, he wouldn't dare retort. However, Guo Shi was but a mere lackey of Tang Zhuo. Huang Yufei had a very straightforward personality and obviously couldn't tolerate such statements. His entire face instantly flushed red!

“What did you just say?!” Huang Yufei angrily glared at Guo Shi.

“What? Are your ears not working?” Guo Shi happened to enter the last rank of outstanding talents. He really didn’t pay attention to someone of Huang Yufei’s rank.

“You... would you believe it if I chopped you up right now?!” Huang Yufei angrily pointed at Guo Shi.

“With your skills? Don’t forget in the competition who was lying like a dog on the ground. You weren’t even able to beat a single one of my main pets...” mocked Guo Shi.

In the competition, Guo Shi had managed to easily defeat Huang Yufei.

On the one hand, Guo Shi was dissatisfied with a trash like this obtaining an incomparably treasured Eternal Blessing. On the other hand, he had seen him flaunt in front of Tang Zhuo and thus wanted to teach him a lesson.

“This Huang Yufei is as stupid as a bug! Can he not hold back the pride in his heart? Those other people are all an arrogant bunch and since they didn’t obtain a blessing, they’re obviously holding back their anger. Yet, he still went up and provoked them. He really infuriates me!” Li Qingqing was both worried and angry.

Madam Fu obviously wouldn’t let any conflict break out, and ordered them to return to their seats.

Afterwards, Madam Fu had servant girls gift a nurturing dew to every person who had come today. This nurturing dew wasn’t an easily obtainable treasure either, and nobody was stupid enough to reject such a gift.

After giving out the dew, Madam Fu told everyone to leave. The people who didn't obtain the Eternal Blessing had faces of pity, and could only leave with their consolation prizes. As for the four that obtained the Eternal Blessing, their faces were full of happiness and when they left, they were surrounded by many people. They wanted to see what the Eternal Blessing dew looked like. "Oh, New Moon Land's Chu Mu, the Saintess asks that you stay behind. There's something she wishes to discuss." Just as everyone was leaving, Madam Fu suddenly looked like she had remembered something and specifically called out to them.

The moment she said these words, over a hundred people turned around and looked towards Chu Mu before looking at Saintess Yu.

During the entire bestowal and choosing process, Saintess Yu hadn't said a single thing. Even to those she bestowed the Eternal Dew upon, she had only used her eyes to convey meaning.

But, just as everyone believed they wouldn't be able to hear her voice today, Madam Gao suddenly wanted a man, whose name they had never heard of before, to stay behind. Apparently there was also something to discuss?

"Who is New Moon Land's Chu Mu?" asked someone.

"I'm not sure. I've never heard of him before."

"Wasn't New Moon Land's Outstanding Expert Competition representative Mu Qingyi- Upper Official Mu?" said a Divine Sect member.

“Where did this Chu Mu come from? Who has fought him before? What’s his strength like?” Xin Xin creased his brows and asked.

“I’ve never heard his name before, but I just saw him and Huang Yufei sitting together. He can’t be strong at all.” coldly harrumphed Guo Shi.

“What on earth is going on with the Saintess? She’s not choosing any of us outstanding people. Instead, she’s been placing attention on those nameless people!”

Tang Zhuo’s eyes stared at Saintess Yu. He couldn’t see through her at all. Twice now, had she neglected the true outstanding talents. This left Tang Zhuo with an uncomfortable feeling. Moreover, although he had maintained his elegance and hadn’t ridiculed and mocked Huang Yufei, Guo Shi’s words had been exactly what he was thinking. He just didn’t say anything due to his cultivated manners.

Since Chu Mu had sat with Huang Yufei, what reason did this trash have to obtain the Saintess’s interest?!

“This Saintess is truly profoundly unfathomable. Whatever, nobodies will ultimately have their own useless fortunes. It won’t have any effect.” Xin Xin calmly laughed, and casually turned around and left.

Tang Zhuo gave a deep look at Chu Mu, and lifted up the corners of his mouth. He also adjusted his mindset and turned to leave.

The others more or less spoke a few bitter words and left Guang Moon Palace.

Huang Yufei and Li Qingqing were stunned for a long while before they finally reacted. Huang Yufei originally felt he was extremely, extremely lucky, as he was able to obtain a blessing in an exceptionally difficult circumstance. Yet, who would have thought the ultimate winner would be Chu Mu, who had sat next to him and not said anything.

“Why don’t the two of you wait outside.” Madam Gao glanced at Huang Yufei and Li Qingqing as she urged them to leave.

The two of them reluctantly looked at Chu Mu as they left the flower garden.

The night scene was captivating, and with the fragrance of flowers in the air, the beauty of the garden seemed even more enchanting under the dim candlelights.

Only Chu Mu, Madam Gao, and Saintess Yu remained inside the garden.

Saintess Yu waved her hand, indicating for Madam Gao to leave first.

Madam Gao curiously examined Chu Mu before slowly leaving. However, before she left, she heard Saintess Yu address the man as something. What she called this man-made Madam Gao to show an expression full of shock, and it was a while before she came back to her senses!

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Yu Suo gritted her teeth, and her face of peerless beauty that was close to a demoness’s wore a humiliated anger!

If it weren't for the fact she had given her heart to this man, Yu Suo would never call the person she absolutely hated as "master"!

"What game are you playing?"

Chu Mu slowly walked up to the seat that originally belonged to Saintess Yu and, without a trace of politeness, sat down.

There were many outsiders here before, and he already felt aggrieved that he hadn't exposed her identity. Now that everyone had left, Chu Mu was naturally more casual.

"It has nothing to do with you." coldly said Yu Suo.

"I'm curious as to why you gave the Eternal Blessing dew to those people of average talents? In my opinion, I think you're trying to take control of this group of talents," said Chu Mu.

Chu Mu saw that Yu Suo didn't respond, and formed a smile.

Yu Suo looked at Chu Mu's smile and felt uncomfortable all over. Finally, she explained:

"Tang Zhuo, Xin Xin, and that group are all arrogant and prideful people. I won't be able to get them to willingly serve me by just giving them a bit of grace. Instead, the more I neglect them, the easier it is to incite the arrogance inside them. I'll wait until I neglect them or even make them feel despair before I give them a bit of grace. This will be much more effective than bestowing them grace when they are living a favored life."

“So that’s what it was. You are really good at playing with people’s hearts.” Chu Mu nodded his head. This really wasn’t a bad method.

“Many men are this despicable.” coldly said Yu Suo.

This sentence obviously grouped Chu Mu inside it.

Chapter 1353: Monument Tear Individual’s Blood Bath vs Fake Monument Tear Individual

In a dark part of the garden, Lady Gao remained standing there in disbelief at the scene she was seeing within the garden!

The man who seemed so unremarkable was now sitting on Saintess Yu’s seat, yet she herself was sitting to the side!

Usually, Saintess Yu always sat on the seat and she stood aside. This symbolized the distance between their identities. Lady Gao knew clearly what Saintess Yu truly held in her hands, so she never dared even think to disrespect her.

After many years of contact, Lady Gao truly knew that this was a woman worth feeling terrified about. Her meticulous nature, grasp of the greater picture, ability to plot, and ability to create loyal followers- all these that make Lady Gao respect and fear her from the depths of her heart.

It was hard to imagine a woman could create such a massive network in Zhengming Main City. If this power were to surface, all leaders of other factions would probably be shaken!

Only Lady Gao knew of Lady Yu's power. Lady Gao always thought of her as high above. No matter how many followers and admirers she had, no one could truly enter her view. They were at most a pawn she could move as she pleased.

Just as Lady Gao established this deep-rooted belief, the man that appeared caused Lady Gao to fall into confusion!

Even the high up Saintess Yu had a time of serving others. Especially that title of "master" that Saintess Yu said, Lady Gao no longer knew how she should look at the man sitting in Saintess Yu's place.

"Could it be that the one that created the hidden faction, the one that extends into Divine Sect, Elemental Clan, Xuan Gate, Departed Spirit Palace, Demon Beast Palace, and even Darkness Sect- the creator isn't Saintess Yu, but actually this man named Chu Mu?" Lady Gao felt as if her brain wasn't enough to comprehend this news anymore!

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"Oh? You're pretty fast, how did all these factions let a random person like you interfere?" Chu Mu lifted an eyebrow.

At this moment, Chu Mu's heart was still surprised. He never expected that Yu Suo already had an invisible empire of her own within Zhengming Continent, with members spanning all factions. None of these members knew each other, yet they were all connected and firmly grasped within Yu Suo's hands.

With one command from her, these people would even betray their own factions and come risk their lives for her!

“If you didn’t ruin my plans, I would be sitting in a higher position speaking with the leaders of humanity. I wouldn’t be wasting time here with a bunch of young and energetic “experts”!” Yu Suo complained.

Yu Suo had laid a path of dominance in Zhengming Continent a long time ago. Many of her old subordinates had been waiting for Yu Suo to appear.

At the time, Yu Suo was still weak. She felt that stepping into the cesspool of Zhengming Continent was still too early, so she conspired to take New Moon Land into her hands first.

Yu Suo knew better than anyone that New Moon Land had immense potential.

Yet, she didn’t expect Chu Mu to appear in New Moon Land, which completely ruined her plans, and almost caused her to lose all contact with her people in Zhengming Continent.

Her faction was tightly connected with her as the central node. If she disappeared, this invisible empire would also collapse.

The few years of imprisonment with Chu Mu, Yu Suo was constantly worried that the seeds she planted would disappear. Originally, she thought she could escape Chu Mu’s imprisonment, yet Chu Mu’s strength increased too swiftly. She couldn’t get out no matter what.

Considering that her empire may likely collapse, she was forced to try to use Ye Qingzi as a hostage to force Chu Mu to release her. Yet, the little princess saw through her plans and caused it to fail.

At that moment, Yu Suo felt Chu Mu’s killing intent!

If Chu Mu wanted to kill her, she didn't even have a chance to resist. She was truly scared at that moment. She didn't want to die- she had so many things left to do.

Thankfully, Ye Qingzi begged for her forgiveness, causing Chu Mu to get rid of his killing intent. This was how she could recreate her invisible empire.

Of course, because she had wasted so much time, the invisible empire in her plans was still in its infancy, and was far from her desired magnitude.

As she had said, if Chu Mu hadn't stopped her, she would already be sitting eye to eye with the leaders of humanity!

Chu Mu rubbed his chin. Though Yu Suo complained, Chu Mu felt no remorse.

"New Moon Land is also developing well. I control a good amount of people and resources. If we can, let's connect New Moon Land with my faction to speed up its development." Yu Suo said.

"I don't care about these things." Chu Mu said very irresponsibly.

Yu Suo's eyes flashed with anger. Chu Mu truly had zero ambitions or aspirations!

Yu Suo took a few deep breaths and pushed down her negative emotions. Once she was calm, she said, "I need you to fight once for me."

“Do I gain anything from it?” Chu Mu said.

“Yes, for you, for me, for my empire, and for your New Moon Land.” Yu Suo said.

“Let’s hear it.”

“In the conference held by Territory Institute this time, you must get the greatest piece of land from the northern territory. If you can get it, New Moon Land will rid itself of its second-rate territory nature and step into first-rate. Normal immortal rank experts will no longer dare to do anything to you. Second, I will have enough resources as bait to lure some false gentlemen in, and my empire will become even larger.” Yu Suo said emotionlessly.

It wasn’t that Yu Suo had no experts. However, this was something only Chu Mu could do. Yu Suo couldn’t find any younger generation expert stronger than Tang Zhuo. Only if they could defeat Tang Zhuo in the final competition could New Moon Land get the largest territory from the north.

“The Outstanding Experts Competition is already in the final round, I don’t think I have the qualifications to join anymore, right?” Chu Mu said.

“I have a way, though it’ll expose some of my hidden forces.” Yu Suo said seriously.

Chu Mu raised an eyebrow. Just how large was Yu Suo’s invisible empire? How could she put someone into the final battle of the most authoritative competition of Zhengming continent?

“Tell me your method.” Chu Mu said.

“I’ll anger Tang Zhuo, and tell him true experts don’t care to join such a competition. I’ll point everything towards you and make him challenge you. Then, you will bet all of New Moon Land in return for the northern territory’s final control.” Yu Suo said.

“And that’s why you kept me behind in front of everyone? Speaking of which, aren’t you afraid I’ll lose?” Chu Mu said.

This woman truly dared to gamble, using New Moon Land as her bet, when the territory was truly worth its weight in gold currently.

“I can lend you the Evil Good Flower Queen.” Yu Suo said.

“Lend?” Chu Mu corrected Yu Suo, “It’s my soul pet, and you’re my slave.”

Yu Suo glared angrily. She always thought that there were many things she could get used to. However, Chu Mu’s annoyances were something she could never get accustomed to.

“Do you really gain that much pleasure from owning me? Do you have to reiterate it all the time?” Yu Suo said coldly.

“Yes.” Chu Mu nodded without hesitation, “You should know that this was my goal ever since you deserted me.”

Yu Suo didn’t want to stay on this topic, since it only increased her anger.

“Are you going to fight or not!” Yu Suo said.

“I was supposed to have a battle with Tang Zhuo anyways. Cloud Gate Elder and Tang Zhuo’s master have some grudge.” Chu Mu said.

“Great, if you defeat him and get the piece of land in the north, I can control at least two more immortal rank experts and use them to bring in more experts.” Seeing Chu Mu agree, Yu Suo’s mood finally loosened.

These two immortal rank experts are very important to Yu Suo. It wasn’t because of how powerful they were, but because they had strong connections. Using them, she could quickly control another group of factions. Beforehand, Yu Suo was stressed about this matter. With Chu Mu coming to Zhengming Continent, it seemed that only he could help her solve this issue.

“Just what happened in the north?” Chu Mu asked.

From what the two Border Lords said, the news was very vague, so Chu Mu was curious.

“You know about Monument Tear Individuals?” Yu Suo asked.

Chu Mu nodded. He learned this concept from Ning Maner not long ago.

Yu Suo was afraid that Chu Mu didn’t even know of the legends. That would waste a bunch of her breath to explain.

“The north end territory was a large scale fight between a Monument Tear Individual and Fake Monument Tear Individuals. A Monument Tear Individual gained a ten thousand year Tear Crystal and learned of the secret of one of the monuments, while also gaining immense power. When the news was leaked, all the Fake Monument Tear Individuals gained a glimpse of hope, and sent large amounts of experts on the hunt...”

“Yet the final result was that all the hunters were slaughtered by the Monument Tear Individual!”

“And from that fight, the Monument Tear Individual was taken over by an unknown power and became bloodthirsty. He also killed the entire soul pet dynasty to the north of that land, creating the news of the blood rain.”

Indeed, as Ning Maner said, only at a certain height could one see things more clearly.

If he didn’t know of the Monument Tear Individual legend and the Heaven Boundary Monuments, his understanding of the bloodbath in the northern territory would be about as vague as the two Border Lords.

“You’re also a Monument Tear Individual so be careful. It’s the cruelest and most merciless battle in this world that has lasted countless millennia.” Yu Suo said flatly.

Chapter 1354: Invisible Empire

Angering Tang Zhuo was something Yu Suo could do well. In reality, Yu Suo’s cold shoulder towards Tang Zhuo, Xin Xin, and Han Erxing was already a small blow to their egos. If Chu Mu simply stood by Saintess Yu and looked at Tang Zhuo in distaste at the final, everything would seem logical.

Of course, Yu Suo was a careful individual. If her plan didn’t work, she had backup plans. Either way, she would force Tang Zhuo to challenge Chu Mu before everyone’s eyes!

After Chu Mu walked out of the garden, Li Qingqing and Huang Feiyu's gaze towards Chu Mu had completely shifted!

They couldn't imagine how Chu Mu had gained Saintess Yu's interest. One had to know that even Tang Zhuo, Xin Xin, and Han Erxing were given the cold shoulder.

Chu Mu, of course, didn't tell them the truth. He smiled mysteriously. and just let them guess.

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Chu Mu had walked out of the garden not long ago when Lady Gao walked in slowly. Even then, she hadn't recovered from her shock.

Yu Suo knew Lady Gao hadn't left yet. Lady Gao's loyalty was high enough. It was inevitable that Lady Gao would come to know of Chu Mu. Yu Suo didn't mind her seeing the previous scene.

"Saintess, that person was....." Lady Gao didn't know what to call her master's master.

"Tell Gao he to stay by him, and do as he commands." Yu Suo didn't explain much.

Gao He was Lady Gao's nephew, and was an expert that reached the last bit of the Outstanding Experts Competition.

Lady Gao didn't have any children, but she held her nephew very dearly. She always hoped to be able to bring her to a higher position.

Gao He also lived up to her expectations, and had gotten to the last battle. Lady Gao was about to ask Saintess to recommend him to a high position once the competition ends.

However, Saintess had directly told her for him to go by Chu Mu's side. This meant making him the man's servant.

What kind of position was a servant? At first, Lady Gao was slightly disappointed. However, upon closer inspection, she realized that if even Saintess Yu was a subordinate of that man, if Gao He could gain the trust of that man, then when the empire becomes larger in the future, he definitely would reach a high position. At this thought, Lady Gao was full of smiles!

Lady Gao was very high up in Zhengming Main City, but compared to the leading figures, she was still a distance away.

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Chu Mu had just walked out of Guang Moon Palace. The palace was still filled with people that simply want to see Saintess Yu's face.

Seeing the excited faces, Chu Mu helplessly shook his head. If these people knew that their perfect goddess had a cold-hearted side to her, he wondered how they would feel.

In other words, this world didn't have a perfect person. Everyone had a dark and criminal side. All sacred men, angels, and goddesses had their own sides. These people just haven't had their dark sides exposed yet.

"Mister Chu, I am Gao He." A handsome man walked up in front of Chu Mu and said politely.

Chu Mu glanced at Gao He and lightly nodded. He knew that Yu Suo sent him as a subordinate, but this person didn't seem to realize he was a servant yet. Though he was polite and humble, the pride in his eyes gave him away.

Everyone had their own pride. How could people without pride become the top of the pyramid? Some people would know to hide it, while others easily showed it.

"Ah, you're Gao He!" Li Qingqing shouted in surprise, her eyes blinking as she looked at the handsome Gao He.

Huang Yufei was also surprised. Anyone able to enter the final Outstanding Experts were famous people in Zhengming Continent. Gao He's fame may not be that of Tang Zhuo, but he was also a famous character. In the past, Huang Yufei and Li Qingqing couldn't even speak with him. Yet, this time he initiated the conversation.

Gao He kept his smile and said hi to both Li Qingqing and Huang Yufei. He didn't say more, and just curiously observed Chu Mu.

Just now, he saw Chu Mu leaving the Saintess. Afterward, Lady Gao specially told him to be respectful to this man. Although Gao He accepted this on the outside, he still kept some thoughts to himself on the inside.

How was this nameless man getting Saintess Yu's attention, and how was he respected by his aunt? He was of a similar age to him, yet his position seemed way higher than his.

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Back at the building, the two border lords Huang Zefeng and Li Moyu were both surprised that the silly Huang Yufei had actually received the Eternal Blessing!

Huang Yufei was all smiles. Because of his weak performance in this Outstanding Experts Competition, he had always been scolded by his father, but now, he could finally keep his head high!

Of course, the two Border Lords were even more confused as to why Gao He was following behind Chu Mu.

Gao He was Lady Gao's nephew. Putting aside Lady Gao's high status, Gao He's ability to enter the final competition alone spoke volumes of his strength and status. It wouldn't be too much to assume that he could stand toe to toe with these Border Lords. More importantly, Gao He was still young. His future position definitely wasn't something the two little Border Lords could handle.

"King Chu, it looks like my son really got lucky because of you. I am eternally grateful." Being a Border Lord, he naturally was very socially aware. Thinking about it slightly, he realized that the only reason Huang Yufei could get the Eternal Blessing was likely because of Chu Mu.

Li Moyu didn't realize this at first, but with some deduction, he understood this well. Lady Gao was Saintess Yu's subordinate. If Gao He was with Chu Mu now, it meant King Chu and Saintess Yu must know each other. Huang Yufei had nothing outstanding about him. The only reason he could be picked was indeed because of the young King Chu.

Li Qingqing and Huang Yufei both were confused.

Huang Yufei was the first to ask, "Father, why do you call Chu Mu King Chu?"

Li Qingqing was similarly confused. Wasn't Chu Mu a younger generation like them?

Border Lord Huang Zefeng rubbed his temples. How did he give birth to such a slow-minded son? It was forgivable for the Li family lady to be slow; she was a woman and didn't need to be the smartest. However, his son was inheriting all of his titles and positions. If he stayed this slow, all of it was going to be destroyed in his hands.

"This is New Moon Land's King, Chu Mu. He's so talented at such a young age and is someone even we are ashamed to be compared too. Did you really think King Chu was as helpless as you two?" Border Lord Huang Zefeng scolded.

Huang Yufei and Li Qingqing both paused in shock as they looked at Chu Mu.

This fellow was the king of New Moon Land, and was basically on the same level as their fathers!

At first, they all thought Liu Binglan was the queen, and Chu Mu was just a younger generation person that Liu Binglan brought along.....

“Yufei, you have to thank King Chu. Without him, you definitely couldn’t get the Saintess’s blessing.” Li Moyu said very seriously.

“Ah?” Huang Yufei hadn’t recovered from his surprise yet. A similar age person suddenly becoming like an elder to him was hard to get used to.

Chu Mu waved his hand to dismiss this. Since they were allies, it was natural that he helped them.

Yu Suo giving the Eternal Blessing to Huang Yufei naturally was because Chu Mu gave her a glance.

The Eternal Blessing was a species ability awakened when Yu Suo’s Evil Good Flower Queen got more powerful. Though it wasn’t unlimited, creating a few bottles wasn’t too difficult. However, Yu Suo knew that the more rare an item was, the more valuable it was. She carefully controlled her output.

Chu Mu knew that there were higher level blessings in her hands, which obviously belonged to him. Before his fight with Tang Zhuo, Chu Mu would get them from her. This woman had built up quite a bit of evil aura from him to increase her strength, so naturally, Chu Mu had to take something back to make it fair.

“What’s the matter, how do you know Saintess Yu?” After going back to the courtyard, Liu Binglan asked Chu Mu.

“It’s Yu Suo.” Chu Mu explained.

Liu Binglan suddenly understood; that woman was indeed the world's best disguiser.

“She planted some seeds in Zhengming Continent. They're still in infancy, and need a lot of resources as backup. I'll tell her to talk to you.” Chu Mu said.

Now, New Moon Land was missing many things, but resources weren't one of them. Their storages were overflowing. The Sacred Realms were like gold mines that constantly provided resources to New Moon Land.

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New Moon Land was essentially storage. The reason Yu Suo wanted to take over New Moon Land was because all of her other chess pieces required the vast amount of resources that New Moon Land had in order to grow.

Liu Binglan nodded. Yu Suo was one of them now, so Liu Binglan didn't need to be overly vigilant towards her.

“What are your thoughts on her invisible empire?” Liu Binglan asked.

“Just like in Xiangrong City and Wanxiang City, the two cities seemed perfectly fine on the outside and operated as normal. However, with just a single command from her, the entire city was taken over by flower demons and became her empire.

“Her invisible empire is the same. More and more people are getting controlled by her, each acting like a seed in the dirt that is growing crazily under the surface. One day, it’ll expand to all of Zhengming Continent..... Before anyone even realizes, she will become the real, crownless queen.....”

Chu Mu hadn’t given any comments about Yu Suo’s empire before, but he was shocked!

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Chapter 1356: Countless Soul Searching Dreams

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Chu Mu cracked a smile, and didn’t know how to explain himself.

As he held her familiar and soft body in his arms, Chu Mu felt an unprecedented sense of calm.

Chu Mu had been used to being alone for a long time. But Ye Qingzi’s appearance gradually made Chu Mu walk out of his solitary path. She was always accompanying him and was great at understanding others. This made him feel as if she lived in his heart. Thus, when they suddenly split apart, he felt extremely unused to it.

He had been with Ye Qingzi now for many years, but the feelings between them hadn’t been worn away by time. Instead, they only increased day by day. In the past, when they split apart, Chu Mu wouldn’t feel much. But this time, when they split apart, the feelings had been especially intense. Originally, Chu Mu had planned on training in Wupan Continent for a period of time, but he didn’t feel at ease and ultimately decided to immediately go visit Ye Qingzi after bringing back Ning Maner.

After finally seeing her, he didn’t know if it was because her cultivation had increased, or because he hadn’t seen her in a long time and thus missed her more, Chu Mu felt his heart rapidly beat towards this woman whom he was the most familiar with.

Chu Mu hugged her, and silently smelled the fragrance emanating from her body.

Suddenly, Chu Mu felt an angry glare from nearby!

Chu Mu's true strength was already at the immortal rank, and his perceptive abilities were extremely strong. Even if there were a pair of eyes with the slightest trace of unhappiness, Chu Mu would still be able to detect them.

Chu Mu looked up and saw, at the end of the flower forest's small path, Han Erxing's sharp eyes were glaring at him.

"Why is it this fellow?!" Han Erxing threw the captivating flowers in his hand to the side. He didn't cover up the anger on his face in the slightest!

Han Erxing recognized the man hugging Ye Qingzi. It was that no-name peasant who had been asked to stay behind, alone, by Saintess Yu!

Chu Mu also recognized Han Erxing, and he calmly met his angry glare.

Ye Qingzi, in his arms, didn't realize Han Erxing was still there as her heart had been filled up by Chu Mu's familiar and comfortable hug. She slowly lifted up her face and her slender arms wrapped around Chu Mu's neck as she looked to kiss him.

Chu Mu knew Han Erxing's intentions, but he lifted the corners of his mouth into a smile. He ignored his angry glare and lowered his head, tasting Ye Qingzi's soft lips.

When Han Erxing, at the end of the small path, saw the two of them kiss right in front of him, especially after that fellow's mocking smile, he felt that it was the same as the scene from yesterday when Han Yufei, that nobody, had had his dream come true!

Han Erxing's face sank, and he turned around and left in a fit of anger!

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The kiss was very slow. Chu Mu first started with just lightly kissing her lips, before gradually deepening the kiss. Then, he eventually put his restless tongue into Ye Qingzi's, intertwining with her small tongue.

The more Ye Qingzi kissed, the more aroused she became. Her cheeks were flushed, and a mature charm appeared amidst the shyness.

It was rare for Chu Mu to feel Ye Qingzi be aroused like this. Although he was as familiar as could be with her, Ye Qingzi would always maintain a conservative and shy heart that every girl had. When they exchanged emotions, she would always be more passive and embarrassed.

Thus, Chu Mu could see that Ye Qingzi really did miss him. It made him feel warm inside.

Even when there was much love, his brain was rarely controlled by his smaller brain. Although Chu Mu often wanted to engage in passionate love with Ye Qingzi, this time was a rare occasion, and he wasn't overcome with lust.

There would be a long time during the night where he could deal with that then.

"I have something good to give you." Ye Qingzi quietly said with a red face.

After sobering up, Ye Qingzi wondered if she had been too indulgent just now. She had practically been like a demanding child.

“I also have a pleasant surprise that I have brought for you.” Chu Mu fiddled with Ye Qingzi’s long hair.

“For you.” Ye Qingzi took out the Immortal Ghost Stone from her spatial ring.

An immortal aura spilled out. The tiny Immortal Ghost Stone in her palm was emitting a dense immortal aura that even shocked Chu Mu.

“This is...” Chu Mu was stunned.

“An Immortal Ghost Stone. A first rank Immortal item. It happens to match the attributes of your Ghost King.” said Ye Qingzi with a full smile.

Ye Qingzi stared at Chu Mu’s face. She wanted to see his shock and happiness. This would make her very satisfied.

However, for some reason, besides the shock and happiness on Chu Mu’s face, she also saw a sliver of other emotions.

She didn’t know what it was, nor why Chu Mu briefly avoided her with his eyes.

“What’s the matter?” asked Ye Qingzi.

Chu Mu looked at Ye Qingzi, and for a while didn't know what to say.

An Immortal item.

The surprise Ye Qingzi had given him was an immortal item.

After wandering Wupan Continent, Chu Mu was very clear how precious Immortal items were.

Although Chu Mu hadn't personally seen Ye Qingzi's refinement process, he could guess she had spent countless sleepless nights in order to refine this Immortal item. She definitely would have experienced failure after failure while racking her brains...

"It's nothing." Chu Mu retracted his guilt, and received the Immortal Ghost Stone.

Chu Mu didn't need to act unnatural when Ye Qingzi gave him the items, nor did he even have to say thank you. He just needed to remember it.

"Did you come by yourself this time?" Ye Qingzi didn't ask anything further. She had already seen what she wanted to see.

"Oh, I'll take you to see someone." a smile rose on Chu Mu's face.

“Ok.”

He brought Ye Qingzi out of Divine Mountain, and flew towards the residence Xu Daofeng had given everyone.

The courtyard was a beautiful scenery of green and flowing water. It was a gorgeous residence.

Chu Mu knew that Ning Maner would be in the back garden playing with the small pets. The others weren't here. Chu Mu brought Ye Qingzi to the back garden.

Ye Qingzi was very curious as to who Chu Mu had brought her to see. Chu Mu wasn't giving anything away.

When they arrived in the back garden, the first thing Ye Qingzi saw were azure bamboo leaves. Amidst the bamboo leaves was an absolutely beautiful young woman taking care of a group of adorable small pets.

This young woman seemed to have sensed Chu Mu's arrival. She stood up, and like a spotlessly white cloud, lifted her skirt as she ran over. Her slender figure radiated youthful energy.

Ye Qingzi briefly went absent-minded. It was hard to believe there was a girl with such a pure temperament.

As the young woman got closer, a young girl dancing amidst countless Fairy Butterflies appeared in Ye Qingzi's head. That young girl's figure slowly merged with the beautiful young woman that was as pure as water in front of her.

“Xiao Maner?” Ye Qingzi finally understood, and her face was full of shock and happiness!

Ye Qingzi was shocked because Ning Maner had become a beauty that could even charm women. She was happy because Ning Maner, who had been taken away by Dark Sky Ocean World people, had come back.

“Big sister.” Ning Maner was the same as the past, like a young lady, and threw herself into Ye Qingzi’s embrace. Her smiling eyes now contained an extra layer of haze, formed by grievance and happiness.

Ye Qingzi had thought of Ning Maner all this time. Indeed, she had been taken away by others while under her watch. Seeing her safely return, why would she not be excited? In Ye Qingzi’s eyes, Ning Maner was like a younger sister that she dearly loved.

“See. Big sister said in the past that when you grew older, you would become a beauty capable of destroying cities. You look so beautiful that it doesn’t even look natural. Even big sister is jealous.” Ye Qingzi pinched Ning Maner’s cheek out of habit.

“How can that be? Big sister is the good looking one,” said Ning Maner with a red face. Ning Maner was speaking the truth though. Ye Qingzi’s body was much better than her own and when she raised her arms, she would exude an irresistible charm. Ning Maner didn’t have any of her reserved charm, mature composure, or graceful warmth.

As the two of them happily talked, melodious laughter that resembled singing voices drifted through the air.

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When night arrived, everyone finally returned. Even Mu Qingyi and Xu Daofeng came from Divine Mountain.

The only person Ye Qingzi could talk to in Divine Sect was Mu Qingyi. But because both of them had to cultivate, they didn't see each other much. Thus, being able to see this many familiar faces in Zhengming Main City this time made Ye Qingzi feel extremely happy.

After dinner, everyone had a long conversation before they either went to cultivate or sleep.

"That girl really has grown up," muttered Ye Qingzi with a faint smile as Ning Maner found an excuse to return to her room.

Ye Qingzi actually thought that Ning Maner wanted to sleep in her room. In the past, this girl would always come and sleep beside her, making Chu Mu depressed, and forcing him to go to one side and cultivate.

Chu Mu waited for Ning Maner to leave. After closing the door, Chu Mu looked with a smile that also was not a smile at Ye Qingzi.

Ye Qingzi knew what he was thinking and her face flushed red. She seemed to remember her indulgent actions this afternoon.

When he saw Ye Qingzi's bashful appearance, Chu Mu's lust was greatly incited. He originally wanted to tell a few things to her first, but he felt that it was best to have a taste before they spoke.

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Although there were many women around him, Chu Mu had only had this experience with Ye Qingzi before. The familiar and extremely alluring feeling made Chu Mu even sure of Ye Qingzi's spot in his heart.

Sweat dripped down Ye Qingzi's forehead as she swept a few strands of hair out of her face. Her cheeks were red, and her eyes were charmingly bashful. Only Chu Mu could see this alluring appearance of Ye Qingzi now.

It was already very late at night and in the silence, it was possible to see the rough breathing of the two people gradually turn tranquil.

Chu Mu held the sleek and soft beauty tightly in his arms. He could no longer hide the words in his heart.

"Qingzi, I have something to tell you." earnestly said Chu Mu, albeit nervous in his heart.

"Oh? About what?" Ye Qingzi rarely heard Chu Mu use this kind of tone. She was smart and sensitive; thus, she quickly guessed it was likely related to why Chu Mu had dodged her eyes during the daytime.

"Chu Mu briefly hesitated before finally saying: "It's about Princess Jinrou."

"Oh." Ye Qingzi went silent.

Chu Mu didn't want to hide anything from Ye Qingzi. That would erect a barrier in his feelings for her.

Therefore, Chu Mu spoke the truth.

He didn't know how to lie, nor did he want to lie.

Ye Qingzi quietly listened.

After he spoke and after she listened, the two of them descended into a long silence.

"Qingzi? Say something." Chu Mu broke the silence.

Ye Qingzi lifted her head and stared at Chu Mu. Then, she lowered her head and buried it in Chu Mu's embrace. Softly, she said: "I expected it to be like this..."

Chu Mu was stunned. Ye Qingzi had guessed this?

"Chu Mu, do you know you have a habit of sleep talking?" softly said Ye Qingzi.

"Sleep talking?" Chu Mu looked confusedly at Ye Qingzi.

“Often when you’re in a deep sleep, I’ll be startled awake by your sleeping voice,” muttered Ye Qingzi.

“Chu Mu, the truth is that I’ve always wanted to ask you whether, in your dreams, you’ve returned countless times to Immortal City’s Dormant World. Whether you see Princess Jinrou die in front of you time after time, and watch her fall into the pool of blood...

Ye Qingzi’s words stunned Chu Mu.

The scene on Mysterious Demon Mountain was firmly engraved in Chu Mu’s mind.

The fanned out long black hair, the final unwilling and fondly recollecting gaze, and the conspicuous red blood flowing on the ground...

She had fallen into the pool of blood. It was so beautiful it was stifling.

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He had tried to hide it and pretend he was sorry for her.

But in his dreams and in his subconsciousness, those feelings were laid bare. It was so painful that he found it hard to breathe!

Chapter 1357: Human Leader Rank Experts

This year’s Outstanding Experts Competition was very important. After all, even the northern territory distribution was determined by the rankings of this competition.

The final Outstanding Experts Competition was done in Divine Sect. To the west of Divine Sect was a floating battlefield called the Hovering Mountains.

Hovering Mountain's magnitude caused Chu Mu to remember the Folding Skies Bewildering World. The difference was that these floating mountains were all stationary.

There were a few hundred mountains. They were, in reality, just fairly large rocks, of which the bottoms and tops were covered by vine-like plants.

Normally, there would be white fog. Within it, the mountains looked no different than an average landscape. However, knowing that there were tens of thousands of meters of sky underneath them, the landscape becomes all the more impressive.

Around the Hovering Mountains were barriers that were set up. These constituted the scattered spectator stands. Considering that dominator rank techniques could easily reach a hundred kilometers, the spectators' seats definitely had powerful barriers protecting them.

There were eight people in the final battle of the Outstanding Experts Competition.

These eight people, to a certain degree, represented the most outstanding young experts within Zhengming Continent. Those that came to spectate mostly came from the largest factions as well.

Before the competition, tens of thousands of people sat down in their seats according to Divine Sect's arrangements.

Divine Sect didn't try to treat everyone equally. According to the spectator's strength and position, they were arranged to sit in different places.

Those of a Kingdom level, those of a Realm level, and those of a Boundary level were all sat in different places.

Spirit emperors, dominators, immortals, Border Soldiers, Border Generals, Border Commanders, and Border Lords.....

One could tell whether someone was powerful or weak just by their seated position.

On the main Hovering Mountain, in a seat that could look down upon all the other mountains, sat Divine Sect's Old Sect Master Xiao.

The Outstanding Experts Competition was ultimately a battle for the younger generation. Having a sect master of Divine Sect appearing was already an honor for the younger experts.

Beneath the old sect master were the leading figures of Demon Beast Palace, Xuan Gate, Elemental Sect, and Departed Spirit Palace.

However, the only ones who arrived were Demon Beast Palace's Yin Ce and Elemental Sect Guo Peng. The other two seats were empty.

Below them were Border Lords, each representing the most powerful people of Zhengming Continent. Though there weren't many of them, each one could cause a tremble throughout Zhengming Continent with any move!

Of course, not everyone was an immortal rank expert here. Many other people with special identities sat with them or were of even higher position, despite having a lower rank.

Some were kings that had independent lands of great power and resources. Some were leaders of families that were well known throughout the seas. Others were famous people with immense followings.

Though these people may not be here for their younger generations, they were people the competition had to invite.

The strength pyramid could be somewhat seen through the spacing of the seats. After Chu Mu entered the main Hovering Mountain, he took special note of this.

Chu Mu first saw the two Border Lords Huang Zefeng and Li Moyu.

Their position was near the lower end of this main Hovering Mountain. In their own borders, Huang Zefeng and Li Moyu were the utmost kings. One sentence was enough to turn the entire territory upside down. They had many dominator ranks beneath them that they could command.

However, in Divine Dect in front of more experts, even as Border Lords they lost their splendor.

Chu Mu and Liu BInglan sat very close to the two Border Lords, and were also near the bottom.

Even so, New Moon land's representatives appearing on the main Hovering Mountain could show that their status in Zhengming Continent was far better than in the past.

“Elder Yu, we’ve helped you arrange seating, please come with me.” A young Divine Sect member came and said respectfully to Yu Bo.

Yu Bo sat behind Liu Binglan, fitting of his identity of Sacred Guard Elder. However, Yu Bo’s name must have been widely known in Zhengming Continent. Not long after he appeared, someone had recognized him.

“No worries, I can see it from here too.” Yu Bo waved his hand dismissively.

The Divine Sect disciple was embarrassed, not knowing whether he should stay or leave.

“Elder Yu, please don’t make it difficult for your younger generation, my master told me to.....”
The Divine Sect disciple started.

Yu Bo stopped caring about this Divine Sect disciple. He knew that Chu Mu was rather unfamiliar with the Zhengming Main Continent experts, so he started describing them from the highest seated Sect Master.

“He’s Xiao Sect Master, his position doesn’t need much explaining. Qingzi saved his life, an extreme favor to both Sect Master Xiao himself, as well as all of Divine Sect.” Yu Bo said.

“Let’s be more detailed, or else I don’t know just how powerful this old Sect Master is.” Chu Mu said.

“Hehe, you really are realistic.” Yu Bo laughed and continued, “Let’s put it this way, Huang Zefeng and Li Moyu are at the bottom of the immortal rank. They govern the first to third rank Border Territories. These people are usually around the low class dominator rank. You young people are still a bottleneck away from them.”

“Then there are the middle ranks of the immortal rank. These people in the middle are usually the managers of some factions, chiefs, or middle-rank Border Lords. These people control the most power in Zhengming Continent, and are the people most experts recognize as the highest authority. En, en, there are at most ten here today.”

“These people are all at least the immortal rank but fluctuate up and down. More importantly, the authority they control means that a single command can move many immortal ranks to obey without hesitation. They are easily the people with the most authority in this world.”

“These people are individuals that New Moon Land can’t dare to communicate with yet. A single command from them can cause New Moon Land to disappear from existence.” Yu Bo said seriously.

“Following that are the upper ranks of immortal rank. Today, there are only five. Old Sect Master Xiao, Divine Sect’s Magistrate Xiao, Demon Beast Palace’s Yin Ce, Elemental Sect Peng Meng, and Tang Zhuo’s master Tang Ang.” Yu Bo said.

Chu Mu was surprised, “Elder Yue’s enemy is that powerful?”

Chu Mu was always wondering how powerful Cloud Gate Elder’s enemy was. He never expected him to be on the level of a Divine Sect Old Sect Master, however.

“Hehe, having lived a few hundred years, how can they not be powerful? Though this person has a deep grudge against Elder Yue, those things have long passed. It’s about time Tang Ang retired. In a

fight between disciples, even if you kill all of Tang Zhuo's soul pets, he won't release his anger on anyone. If his disciple is worse than others, what can he say?" Yu Bo said.

"These people, to a certain degree, represent the leaders of humanity. They may still hold great authority, but many others are attempting to supersede life and reach Undying Rank along with other powerful organisms."

"No matter what objective they have, their positions are easily the tip of humanity, and are truly the leader rank experts. Other than using our spirits to respect and fear them, what else can we do?" Yu Bo let out a sigh.

Looking at Yu Bo's expression, Chu Mu had an approximate guess at which rank Yu Bo was.

Chu Mu was a curious individual. The concept of Undying rank had always floated around his head. He heard Princess Jin Rou speak about it, and the Heavenly Boundary Monument also mentioned Undying Rank organisms.....

"Are there even stronger people beyond them?" Chu Mu asked.

Yu Bo paused. Originally, he thought the leaders of humanity were enough to give the kid something to look up to and sigh at, yet he didn't expect Chu Mu's ambitions to be this large.

"Chu Mu, immortal rank seems to be split into pseudo, low, middle, high, and top tier like all other ranks. However, you know how long it took for Tang Ang to go from pseudo immortal rank to high class immortal rank?" Yu Bo said.

Chu Mu shook his head.

“From the moment Elder Yue started guarding the Cloud Gate until today, you can give it a guess.” Yu Bo said.

Chu Mu only knew that Cloud Gate Elder had been in the Heavenly Mountains for a few hundred years. Could it be that Tang Ang spent hundreds of years just to raise three minor ranks?

“You’re already luckier than the rest of us, able to step into a rank that most people will never reach. However, many prodigies seem to meet the same barrier. It feels as if fate finally gave up on you, and you would remain in the same rank no matter how much longer you live..... This is why many people give up on training, and instead turn to power and authority. It isn’t that they wanted to give up, but instead, they knew clearly that they would never improve anymore, and can only find change through authority.” Yu Bo said.

Chu Mu nodded. Yu Bo was telling him that every rank in immortal rank could be a barrier that traps one for the rest of their lives.

However, Chu Mu wasn’t fearful of this.

On one hand, White Three’s self-sacrifice changed his blood, and caused Chu Mu to gain power that others could only dream of. Breaking through this barrier, Chu Mu’s other soul pets naturally would keep up.

On the other hand, Ning Maner’s special presence meant that Chu Mu basically had a Messiah Tree. This utmost treasure was something even these leaders of humanity fought head over heels for.....

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Chu Mu tilted his head, and glanced at his little Mo Xie.

Was little Mo Xie's species mutations really going to stop here?

Chu Mu had a feeling that she would become even stronger!

“Wuwuwu~~~~~” Little Mo Xie opened her bleary eyes, and glanced questioningly at Chu Mu.

Chu Mu rubbed her furry ears, and Mo Xie closed her eyes in satisfaction, her nine little tails lightly swaying.

Just how far would this sleepy, snacking, battle-hungry, and proud little fellow go? Even Chu Mu didn't know.

Would there be one day where he would pass away from old age, while she continued to push the limits of life? Would little Mo Xie one day get used to no longer using his shoulders as her most comfortable bed?

Chapter 1358: Outstanding Experts Competition

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“Have you asked around, who is he?” Han Erxing sitting on one of the Outstanding Experts seats glanced down at Chu Mu.

Han Erxing had always thought Chu Mu was just a small fish. When in Guang Moon Palace, he was sitting near Huang Yufei and other no names. Getting picked by Saintess Yu was just luck.

Yet, Han Erxing didn't expect this man to appear again and again in his vision. First, he kissed the popular Xuan Teacher Ye in front of him, showing that Ye Qingzi was his woman. Then, in today's Outstanding Experts Competition, he was sitting on the main Hovering Mountain. This caused Han Erxing to have to reevaluate this man!

"He's the King of New Moon Land, Chu Mu. He's extremely low profile. After the New Moon Land battle where he fought once, he has never appeared again at any other important occasion.

Lian Ying was in charge of collecting all sorts of information within Divine Sect. He knew a bit about New Moon Land's meteoric rise, and told Han Erxing.

"Xuan Teacher Ye was someone Master Official Lu brought from New Moon Land, meaning that they knew each other from long ago. From their relationship, they seem to be engaged." Divine Sect High Official Lian Ying said with interest.

Han Erxing wore a sullen face. He had oversimplified matters. He didn't expect Chu Mu to actually have a decent background.

"What, can there be a character that gives even our young master Han a headache?" Sitting aside, Tang Zhuo noticed Han Erxing whispering with Lian Ying, while glancing over at the main Hovering Mountains.

Han Erxing humphed but didn't respond.

However, Tang Zhuo clearly noticed who Han Erxing was keeping track of and looked over as well.

“Isn’t that the man Saintess Yu left told to stay behind the other day?” Tang Zhuo noticed Chu Mu and rubbed his chin in thought.

Xin Xin also saw Chu Mu and laughed, “So that kid wasn’t as simple as we thought.”

Those that could sit at the main Hovering Mountain meant they were outstanding in some manner. After Tang Zhuo and Xin Xin noticed Chu Mu, they both started guessing who this person was as well.

Sitting on the seats, Chu Mu noticed their furtive gazes and could guess what they were thinking.

There were only a few people that were truly outstanding in the young generation. Coming out of nowhere and receiving recognition obviously brought attention from the people who sat at the top of the younger generation for a long time. Yu Suo’s act of leaving him behind in front of everyone was completely to instigate this conflict further.

Chu Mu hasn’t fought in a while. This conflict was something that Chu Mu enjoyed.

Not long after, the battles began.

The first battle was Gao He facing Departed Spirit Palace’s expert.

Both of them summoned top tier dominator ranks with no big difference in rank.

After testing each other out, both of them also summoned nearly perfect dominator rank soul pets. The final result was Gao He winning by technique.

“Gao He is a dark horse of this Outstanding Experts Competition. He was never been this outstanding in the past!” After the victory, a discussion between the Border Lords sounded out next to Chu Mu.

“When he eliminated the number two character in Demon Beast Palace, it was already a spectacle to be surprised about. Now that he won the first final round match as well, he may be able to compete for the top three.”

“Top three? He’s probably still away from that. The top three, including Lu Fengxue, are all one step into the immortal rank. Gao He seems to have his limits at paragon dominator rank.

After the battle, Gao He looked relatively calm. He didn’t go back to rest, and instead came back to Chu Mu.

In the following battles, Gao He gave a brief description of each young expert’s identity and strength.

Tang Zhuo’s opponent wasn’t very strong. He didn’t have to go all out to defeat him.

Elemental Sect Xin Xin met Divine Sect’s Lu Fengxue, which caught everyone’s attention.

Lu Fengxue was a female disciple of Divine Sect, and the most dazzling woman in the competition. Being able to step into the final round meant that she was extremely powerful.

Yet, Son of Wind Xin Xin's fame was also widespread in Zhengming continent. His genius control of wind was unmatched.

On one side was Divine Sect's powerful female expert, while the other side had Elemental Sect's wind type genius. The battle between the two definitely caught the attention of all the spectators.

Though his opponent was female, Son of Wind Xin Xin didn't underestimate his enemies.

Both people used their top tier dominator rank soul pets to test the waters. Only when they started getting into an irresolvable situation did they bring the battle up to paragon dominator rank soul pets.

In the fight between paragon dominator ranks, Son of Wind Xin Xin clearly had the advantage.

Yet, just when people thought the battle was over, Lu Fengxue summoned a soul pet that shocked the entire competition!

Blazing Hibernating Sun!

Covered in the blazing flames of sun, when it appeared on Hovering Mountain battlefield, it was as if the sun fell onto the earth. The powerful and dominating aura spread outwards, and forced many spectators to look away!

This was the power of the immortal ranks!

Xin Xin summoned a total of four soul pets. These four soul pets had two paragon dominator ranks.

However, they all seemed minuscule compared to Lu Fengxue's Blazing Hibernating Sun!

"She indeed didn't use all her strength in the past battles, this must be her strongest soul pet!"

"Yes, though it's only near immortal rank, since it stepped into a new rank, dominator ranks shouldn't pose a large threat to her!"

Chu Mu gazed at Lu Fengxue. Under the lighting of the blazing flames, her tall posture and proud proportions were fully revealed.

Having such strength at her age was indeed fitting of her title of Divine Sect's genius. Even in all of Zhengming Continent, she was a powerful expert, let alone within her own age group.

Beside her, Gao He was clearly slightly upset, and didn't give any more explanations.

One could tell that though he had paragon dominator rank soul pets, none stepped into the immortal rank boundary. If he met Lu Fengxue, he would have no chance of winning.

“Sister Fengxue indeed is a role model of our generation. You’re the youngest of us all, yet already have a near immortal rank soul pet.....” Son of Wind Xin Xin backed off from the flames and said from afar.

“Stop being fake, and bring out your real strength!” Lu Fengxue humphed.

The famous Elemental Sect genius Xin Xin only having this strength? Lu Fengxue didn’t believe it.

This fellow definitely had a similarly powerful soul pet. In the past battles, he simply never met anyone worthy of summoning that soul pet!

Chapter 1359: Handing Down a Several Hundred Year Fight

An incantation was cast, and a violent wind was created as the heaven and earth grew turbid.

Xin Xin’s clothes began to tremble, as a shocking hurricane swirled around him, quickly transforming into a majestic and powerful body completely formed by wind!

This was a Wind Flood Dragon! The hurricane created by pure willpower in between the Hovering Mountains was its body.

The violent wind and ardent flames clashed together. Wind Flood Dragon and Blazing Hibernating Sun came together. Neither had a beast type lineage, but both displayed shocking close combat abilities.

Moreover, their wind and fire type elemental control surpassed all other creatures, creating destruction amidst beauty!

It was extremely rare to see this level of fight in the Outstanding Experts Competition. During certain eras, the strongest of the Outstanding Experts in Zhengming Continent hadn't even reached the immortal rank.

Talents and experts were everywhere. Being able to watch two immortal rank soul pets face-off In the Outstanding Experts Competition was enough to convict every person who was on the cultivation path.

Each wave of techniques was better than the last. It couldn't help but make the spectators sigh.

Finally, Son of Wind Xin Xin, who had an enormous reputation, was still a level superior in terms of control compared to Divine Sect's Lu Fexue. He won this round.

Long after the fight ended, it was still possible to see violent gales and ardent flames that took ages to dissipate. People still had scenes of the fight lingering in their minds.

As for the victor, Son of Wind Xin Xin, who was dressed in white clothing, became the focal point of the scene. After this fight, his name would inevitably spread through the entire Zhengming Continent.

Both sides had decided to stop here and nothing unpleasant occurred. However, when Lu Fexue walked off the battlefield, her face was somewhat unsightly.

Lu Xuefeng initially thought she had hope of defeating Xin Xin. However, after the fight, she finally realized the difference between their strengths. Even if they were at the same rank, she would have a difficult time surpassing her opponent.

Lu Fenxue returned to the main hovering mountain, and sat beside Lu Yuqin.

Lu Yuqin quietly consoled her: “You only lost one fight. It doesn’t matter.”

Lu Fenxue nodded her head and didn’t place too much attention on this. She had expected to lose.

She looked up at the nearby Ye Qingzi and asked: “I heard that she recently broke through and became our Divine Sect’s Immortal Teacher?”

“She doesn’t represent our Divine Sect.” Lu Yuqin glanced at Ye Qingzi and calmly spoke.

“If she doesn’t represent our Divine Sect, which side does she represent? Is there another place more worthy of her loyalty than Divine Sect?” asked Lu Fenxue, confused.

“She comes from New Moon Land. Naturally, like Mu Qingyi, she represents New Moon Land.” said Lu Yuqin.

“New Moon Land? What place is that? Is it a private territory? Of the representatives from private territories at this Outstanding Expert Competition, only Gu Ying, who comes from Sand City, is rather mighty. The rest are all subpar.” said Lu Fenxue.

In Lu Fenxue’s current world view, the strength of a faction could be seen in their placements in this Outstanding Experts Competition.

New Moon Land only seemed to have Mu Qingyi as a representative, and she was rather outstanding. However, that was it. A tiny private territory didn't have the qualifications to obtain the loyalty of an Immortal Teacher.

"The strongest person from New Moon Land didn't participate in this competition." Lu Yuqin pointed to where Gao He was standing when she spoke.

"Lu Fenxue looked over and saw the back of Chu Mu. She asked: "Is he strong? What is his name?"

"He's called Chu Mu. He's New Moon Land's king. From the rate of New Moon Land's growth, he is definitely very strong, since he is their king. As for whether he participates in this competition, I'm not sure if that will happen." said Lu Yuqin.

Lu Yuqin saw Chu Mu once in Divine Sect. She was able to clearly feel that his soul remembrance had gotten much stronger. She estimated that his strength was far above Mu Qingyi's.

Lu Fenxue curiously examined Chu Mu. This was the first time she had heard of a young expert with obvious strength that didn't participate in the competition.

"However, he'll probably fight Tang Zhuo." added Lu Yuqin.

"With Tang Zhuo?" Lu Xuefen showed a shocked expression.

"Tang Zhuo's master, Tang Ang, has a grievance with another elder from a long time ago. Tang Ang and this elder wish for their disciples to settle this grievance. Chu Mu is the stand-in disciple by this elder, so he privately will have to fight Tang Zhuo." said Lu Yuqin.

Lu Fenxue remained silent. Tang Zhuo's reputation was even above Xin Xin's. If things went as expected, he would be the champion of this Outstanding Experts Competition.

Yet, this person who wasn't participating in the competition was going to fight Tang Zhuo. This fight would be extremely looked forward to.

"It's Han Erxing's turn." calmly said Lu Yuqin.

Lu Fenxue nodded her head and her attention fell on Han Erxing.

Han Erxing's strength was equal to Xin Xin's. Lu Fenxue often fought Han Erxing and rarely won. Therefore, she was able to know that it would be difficult to defeat Xin Xin.

Han Erxing's opponent came from Demon Beast Palace. He wasn't particularly strong.

Han Erxing didn't even summon his strongest soul pet and was able to defeat him; he even killed one of this opponent's soul pets.

The Outstanding Experts Competition permitted killing. However, it was unusual for someone like Han Erxing, who obviously had the absolute advantage, to be merciless.

"What's wrong with this fellow. Is he not afraid of Demon Beast Palace's people finding trouble with him?" Lu Fenxue creased his brows.

Lu Yuqin saw Han Erxing's somewhat jittery gaze and looked pensive.

After the fight ended, Han Erxing intentionally walked past Chu Mu and coldly harrumphed as he said: "You're smart. If you participate in this fight and come across me, you'll die very miserably."

Han Erxing didn't hide his hostility at all.

Chu Mu's proud smile on that day had made Han Erxing extremely angry. With his current status, position, and strength, he didn't need to hold back at all towards weaklings. Those he should look down on, he would look down on. Who had the ability to do anything to him?

"I have no interest in the competition of children." indifferently responded Chu Mu.

"What did you say!" Han Erxing instantly got angry and he glared at Chu Mu.

"I have no interest in children's competitions. Do I need to say it again?" Chu Mu said neither rushed nor slowly.

Chu Mu was someone who enjoyed being low key. But this didn't mean he would cower in the face of someone who wanted to take his woman.

Towards these people, Chu Mu only wanted to do one thing: crush them under his feet; mercilessly crush them!

"Han Erxing go back to your seat." Lu Yuqin walked up to the two of them and coldly ordered him.

Han Erxing glanced at Lu Yuqin, but didn't listen. Instead, he pointed at Chu Mu and said: "He insulted me, and insulted all of us competitors."

Lu Yuqin stared at Chu Mu with confusion.

Chu Mu looked at Han Erxing who looked like he was throwing a tantrum and laughed to himself. This fellow was so easily provoked. He promptly proceeded to explain: "I didn't insult all of the competitors. But I did insult him."

The moment he said this, Lu Yuqin, Liu Binglan, and Gao He all turned and looked at Chu Mu.

According to Lu Yuqin's understanding of Chu Mu, he was an extremely low key person. He wasn't someone to do anything brash, especially at a place with so many experts.

Liu Binglan had an even deeper understanding of Chu Mu, and she didn't understand why he had intentionally said this. He was clearly provoking the other party. Could Han Erxing have provoked Chu Mu somehow?

Gao He quietly stood to the side, and looked with interest at the two of them. Initially, he couldn't see how Chu Mu was outstanding. However, there were very few people that would dare insult Han Erxing in the entire Zhengming Continent.

"Master Official Lu, you heard it yourself." sneered Han Erxing.

Han Erxing came here to provoke something from Chu Mu. He never expected Chu Mu to be so complying.

“Return to your seat.” Lu Yuqin repeated her statement.

Han Erxing didn’t want to offend Lu Yuqin and ultimately returned to his competitor seat. As he left, he didn’t hide his hostile gaze at Chu Mu.

“Han Erxing, why are you and him in conflict?” curiously asked Tang Zhuo and Xin Xin.

Han Erxing didn’t hide it, and told them about when he bumped into Chu Mu and Ye Qingzi.

“He said that our competition is but a child’s play, and that he can’t be bothered to participate?” Han Erxing didn’t need to add any false details to the story as Chu Mu’s words were enough to provoke them.

Indeed, Tang Zhuo and Xin Xin scoffed at Chu Mu’s words. If he really had some ability, then he should come down and fight. Why would he call the most influential young generation competition a child’s play?!

“How arrogant and insolent. Do the two of you have any methods that can drag him into this? I really want to see what kind of qualification he has to say something like that.” Xin Xin was the first one who couldn’t sit still.

“Hmph, there are many methods. I’m just afraid he’ll withdraw!” sneered Han Erxing.

“My teacher is calling me over. The two of you think of some way to teach him a lesson. A tiny New Moon Land is showing themselves off in front of us. We have no need to act all easygoing.” faintly smiled Tang Zhuo.

After speaking, Tang Zhuo stood up from his seat, and walked towards the five leader rank experts.

Tang Zhuo walked up to his family master, Tang Ang. Tang Ang was old, but amidst the age exuded a healthy robustness. His eyes that were full of wrinkles would occasionally be clouded over, making it impossible to tell what he was thinking.

“Master.” Tang Zhuo deferentially kneeled in front of Tang Ang.

No matter how arrogant he was, in front of this old man, he was but a tiny piece of dust. Tang Zhuo had never questioned his deference for Tang Ang before!

“After the Outstanding Experts Competition, you have an even more important fight.” slowly said Tang Ang.

“An even more important fight?” Tang Zhuo looked confused.

Tang Ang pointed his finger at Chu Mu’s seat and said: “This person is the disciple of an old friend with whom I have grievances. You will fight him.”

“Don’t lose, otherwise after a few hundred years, the loser will still be me.” calmly said Tang Ang. After speaking, he waved his hand and had Tang Zhuo retreat.

Tang Zhuo was stunned. Wasn't the person his family master was pointing at, Chu Mu?!

Why was it that man again?

Tang Zhuo was secretly shocked. This person who had suddenly appeared had so easily entered the sight of these experts. Even his own master seemed to pay

Chapter 1360: Chu Mu Participating in the Competition

"Mr. Tang, I believe I have a pretty good nomination." Madam Fu slowly walked over to Tang Ang and spoke.

Tang Ang creased his brows and asked: "You're nominating someone to enter Imprint Valley?"

Madam Fu nodded her head.

The adjacent Tang Ang first gave a respectful greeting to Madam Fu, but when he heard her mention Imprint Valley, his eyes lit up.

Imprint Valley was an amazing place. Inside was an ancient formation that was divided into eight locations. These eight locations could gather the energy of heaven and earth together. Regardless if it were a person or soul pet, if they were able to cultivate in the eye of the formation, their strength would inevitably fly up!

Although Tang Zhuo had entered the immortal rank, he was unable to find a suitable opportunity to cross the divide between the pseudo immortal and low immortal rank.

Before the immortal rank, his master, Tang Ang, gave him a bit of help. But after the immortal rank, he had to completely rely on himself to cultivate.

Imprint Valley was a training ground Tang Zhuo had coveted for a long time. If he were able to cultivate there for a year, allowing his soul pets to absorb ample heaven and earth energy, he would both be able to stabilize his strength after just stepping into the immortal rank, as well as give himself a perfect passing from the pseudo immortal to low immortal rank. This meant that the low class immortal rank wasn't far off!

The number of cultivators allowed into Imprint Valley were extremely limited. For a long time now, Imprint Valley's formation had been severely damaged, and could not be used like it was before.

However, a short while ago, someone released the news that a person proficient with formations had completely mended Imprint Valley's formation. Not only did it have its original gathering heaven and earth energy effect, but its absorption speed was even faster than before.

Tang Ang had personally gone to check this, and had even told Tang Zhuo that Imprint Valley was an extremely good opportunity to enter the immortal rank. If he were to cultivate there for a year, his chances of entering the low class immortal rank wouldn't be so uncertain.

Tang Zhuo was the leader of the younger generation, but within the immortal rank domain, the pseudo immortal rank was ultimately still unable to satisfy his requirements. At least, Tang Zhuo was certain that there were young experts stronger than him, for example, Divine Sect's Lin Mengling. This woman was so strong that Tang Zhuo simply had no answer to her!

"Imprint Valley belongs to Divine Sect so Divine Sect's absolute genius, Lin Mengling, will definitely take one spot. One other spot will be given to New Moon Land's King, Chu Mu, according to Saintess Yu's wishes." Madam Gao intentionally glanced at Tang Zhuo before slowly speaking.

When Tang Ang heard this, his expression changed and he said: “Madam Gao, didn’t you say before that the one spot would be given to my disciple, Tang Zhuo? Why has the nomination suddenly been given to someone else? Isn’t this inappropriate?”

Tang Ang couldn’t directly rebuke Saintess Yu’s decision change, since this woman’s influence was indeed very strong.

Moreover, people that knew of more information about Imprint Valley’s formation knew that it was Saintess Yu who had mended it. Without her, Imprint Valley’s formation wouldn’t have gotten better. Divine Sect giving a spot to Lin Mengling had even required a favor from Saintess Yu, so obviously the second spot would be to Saintess Yu to decide.

Tang Ang and Madam Gao were rather friendly with each other. Tang Ang had wanted to give his disciple greater development for the future, so he had used his friendship with Madam Gao to recommend Tang Zhuo as the second person to enter Imprint Valley.

“Saintess Yu said before that she would only consider it. Normally when she says that she will consider it, this matter is 80% or 90% confirmed. However, I never expected last night for the Saintess to tell me that the nomination would be given to New Moon Land’s King, Chu Mu, who just arrived in Zhengming Main City. I was also very shocked by this.” said Madam Gao.

The adjacent Tang Zhuo was having problems sitting still.

He didn’t know that the person who had mended Imprint Valley’s formation was Saintess Yu. When he thought of that day when Saintess Yu asked Chu Mu to stay behind, he wondered whether it was to tell him about Imprint Valley!

No matter what, Tang Zhuo couldn’t give up the Imprint Valley cultivation spot!

Although there may have been other ways that he could use to increase his strength, being able to spend an entire year cultivating with Divine Sect's exceptional female disciple, Lin Mengling, was something every outstanding expert yearned for in their dreams.

Among the younger generation, Divine Sect's Lin Mengling's status was unquestionably an unreachable goddess. How could Tang Zhuo's heart not stir at an opportunity to near her?!

"Madam Gao, Imprint Valley is a cultivation holy land for us younger generation members. The spots and resources are both limited. As for Lin Mengling having an unconditional spot, I have nothing to say. However, won't it be difficult to convince the other numerous outstanding experts, who have been diligently cultivating for this spot, to let someone, who has never been to Zhengming Main City before and has no reputation, obtain this spot?" hastily said Tang Zhuo.

Tang Zhuo understood his master's character. He was already at the retirement age, and no longer fought for a lot of things.

If Tang Ang were to be softhearted for this kind of thing and give up the spot, he would have to find the strength to breakthrough on his own.

Moreover, after Chu Mu's provocation, Tang Zhuo didn't have much goodwill towards Chu Mu. If he let this person obtain the spot, he wouldn't be able to greatly increase his strength, let alone obtain the opportunity to form good relations with Lin Mengling. In the future, his status as the leader of the younger generation would probably be taken away.

He could not give it up. He could not give up the spot!

Tang Ang presently felt a bit awkward. He really did want to fight for this spot for his disciple. However, this spot was decided by Saintess Yu. It was inappropriate for him to use his status to suppress a saintess type person who had meteorically risen in Zhengming Continent.

“Tang Zhuo is right. Although I don’t know why Saintess Yu has any interest in that young king, Imprint Valley ultimately is a cultivation spot which the younger generations of the larger factions yearn for in their dreams. Randomly giving a cultivation spot to someone with no name for himself will incite mass dissatisfaction.” Tang Ang rubbed his silver and white beard as he spoke.

Tang Zhuo and Tang Ang said very similar things. But when Tang Ang, this leader rank person, said this, both Madam Gao and Saintess Yu had to consider his feelings.

“This...” Madam Gao revealed an awkward expression.

“Originally, I thought Saintess Yu would give the spot to the winner of the Outstanding Experts Competition...” added Tang Ang.

Tang Zhuo was the most likely winner of the competition. Thus, by saying this, he was letting Madam Gao know that by giving the spot to Tang Zhuo, it would be fully deserved and nobody would oppose this.

“New Moon Land’s Chu Mu is a low key person, but both myself and Saintess Yu have personally witnessed his strength. He had no interest in this competition so he didn’t participate...” when Madam Gao got to this point, she intentionally threw a glance at Tang Zhuo.

“So you’re saying that this person can’t be bothered to participate in the most influential Outstanding Experts Competition within our Zhengming Continent?” Tang Ang raised his brows and added emphasis to his tone.

Tang Ang knew that Chu Mu was Cloud Gate Elder's disciple. Moreover, he was also going to fight against Tang Zhuo eventually. Thus, Madam Gao was essentially saying his own disciple was inferior to Cloud Gate Elder's disciple. Tang Ang obviously was unhappy.

"Not necessarily. In fact, you probably know that the experts of Outstanding Experts Competition don't necessarily represent the strongest young experts of Zhengming Continent. There will always be people who don't participate in the competition. Some of these people that I know of include Demon Beast Palace's Yun Qingshan, Beiming City's young City Lord, Xia Yin, Old Immortal's disciple, Little Immortal Monarch, and Divine Sect's genius, Lin Mengling... these people probably aren't weaker than Young Master Tang Zhuo, right?" said Madam Gao.

Tang Ang had obviously heard of these people. While Outstanding Experts Competition was indeed the most influential competition, it didn't mean that there weren't young experts who sat above the competition. The four people Madam Gao mentioned were genuine experts that few people knew about. Moreover, these people were both young and strong. Among them were a few that even Gate Master level people didn't dare to provoke.

"Madam, isn't it inappropriate for you to place New Moon Land's King, Chu Mu, with them? If he really does sit equally with them, I, Tang Zhuo, will renounce my spot. But if his strength is just average and this opportunity is given to him, wouldn't that just be wasting the extremely finite resources of Imprint Valley?" said Tang Zhuo.

Tang Ang nodded his head and said to Madam Gao: "How about this. Tang Zhuo and Chu Mu were already going to fight. How about we have the decided spot go to the winner of the fight?"

"That's right!!" Tang Zhuo immediately nodded his head.

After being provoked multiple times, Tang Zhuo could no longer wait to fight Chu Mu. He wanted to make this fellow, who had suddenly appeared, know who actually called the shots in Zhengming Main City!

“This... isn’t this unfair for Chu Mu? The spot was originally supposed to be given to him by Saintess Yu.” said Madam Gao awkwardly.

“Then let’s have a fair wager. I will take out my chips to gamble with his nomination chip. The winner will take possession of the loser’s gambling chip!” hastily said Tang Zhuo.

Tang Zhuo wasn’t afraid of this fight. He was only afraid that this nomination spot would, for no apparent reason, be taken away by Chu Mu!

“I need to solicit Chu Mu’s opinion. Let’s wait until I ask?” Madam Gao secretly rejoiced, but maintained her awkward expression on the outside.

“Then we’ll have to trouble Madam Gao.” faintly smiled Tang Ang.

Everything would be decided by strength. Tang Ang enjoyed this method of resolving things. Moreover, his disciple, Tang Zhuo, was a good fighter; he obviously wouldn’t be afraid of the opponent.

Tang Ang defeating Cloud Gate Elder was something that had happened a few hundred years ago. Could the loser’s disciple really compare to his own disciple?

He was currently a leader of humanity. On the other hand, who actually remembered Cloud Gate Elder?

When he thought of this, Tang Ang subconsciously stroked his beard. Being able to teach an outstanding disciple before he retired was a very gratifying thing.

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Not long after, Madam Gao returned.

“So, did he dare accept the fight?” hastily asked Tang Zhuo.

“He agreed, but the requirement he requested is a bit demanding,” said Madam Gao.

“What requirement?”

“He wants to participate in Outstanding Experts Competition, and he wants to have full right to the winnings obtained by the top placers of Outstanding Experts Competition,” said Madam Gao.