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Chapter 671: Yuan Kingdom Master, One of Five Peaks Lu Zideng

Chu Mu looked likelike he would have to bring little hidden dragon out for battle often in the future. That way, ghost dragon's strength will increase quickly, meaning little hidden dragon's fighting rank will increase quickly too!

Old Li was also extremely excited. He had a special adoration for his past master and was confident his past master's idea of type strengthening was accurate.

The truth had proven that such strengthening methods were indeed surprisingly powerful. No one would have thought that ghost dragons could be created this way!

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Once Little Hidden Dragon reached tenth phase, it would be invincible in middle class emperor rank. This gave Chu Mu hope that little hidden dragon would grow to tenth phase.

At that time, Chu Mu would be very formidable, even amongst spirit emperors.

On the way back, Chu Mu was a face full of smiles. He specially spent more time observing the specific changes on the ghost dragon.

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"Chu Mu, we should switch places. I think they aren't entering the third rank tribe from this location." Chu Tianren sat in ambush for two days without reward and said to Chu Mu.

Chu Mu found that Chu Tianren was extremely patient when it came to ambushing people. He could stay with his demon without moving for two full days.

"En, let's move to another direction." Chu Mu said. Little hidden dragon's ghost type had to be strengthened further all the way to tenth phase, or else in little hidden dragon's rapidly increasing strength, its ghost type will slowly weaken, and cause it to be unable to combine. So, the resources had to keep up with the growth.

He was still lacking in resources. To further strengthen it, Chu Mu naturally had to try harder and find better resources to provide for his massive emperor rank formation.

“Third uncle, since you know who is competing against you, how is his strength?” Chu Mu asked. Knowing the opponent was always useful for battle.

“It’s a fellow that made a grudge against me ten years ago. He’s the Yuan Kingdom Master now, called Lu Zideng. As for his strength, he is a little stronger than me. However, this is just my estimate. Rumors say that he has grown a lot stronger, and if these rumors are true, then he won’t just be a bit stronger than me; we would have to run away immediately.....” Chu Tianren said.

Yuan Kingdom was a third rank kingdom. Western Kingdom and the other nearby first and second rank kingdoms were all subordinates of Yuan Kingdom. What made Chu Mu think, however, wasn’t the fact that the competitor was a third rank kingdom master, but the fact that Lu Zideng sounded like a familiar name.

Immediately, Chu Mu asked Old Li since he seemed to remember hearing this name from Old Li.

“He’s one of the Youth Five Peaks from long ago. The Youth Five Peaks, in reality, stands for the top five of that year’s Battle of the Realms. At the time, Chu Tianmang was the leader of the Five Peaks, while second was Undying Immortal - Ying Long. Third was Nightmare Palace Tang Bianxian, fourth was Lu Zideng. The fifth one young master saw in Li City. He’s a typical example of being extremely powerful in young ages but got stuck on the bottleneck between emperor and monarch rank later on. Of course, he stepped into emperor rank before, but after falling further and further behind, he went too hard in training in the wild and caused his main soul pet to die.” Old Li said.

With this explanation from Old Li, Chu Mu understood. Undying Immortal Ying Long was Ye Qingzi and Ye Wansheng’s teacher. Of the Five Peaks, Chu Tianmang was the most talented, but fell not long after he stepped into emperor rank. Of the others, Ying Long was the best off, not only becoming a famous expert, but also becoming a top tier soul teacher. However, at middle age, he was ruthlessly framed and set up.

Chu Mu followed Chu Tianren, and continued around this heavenly devil insect third rank territory. Chu Tianren didn’t give up this ambushing activity and again looped around this territory for nearly five days aimlessly.

Finally, on the sixth day morning, Chu Mu and Chu Tianren found that the third rank tribe had signs of outsiders intruding.

This was a ninth rank clan spread out on the middle outer edge of the third rank tribe. This ninth rank clan was completely wiped out, leaving only a ground full of corpses disfigured by a poisonous fluid. If Chu Mu and Chu Tianren came any later, they may not have even seen any corpse.

“This is Lu Zideng’s Poison Evil Mother, bug type poisoning organism. It’s a pseudo emperor rank. These nearly dissolved corpses are definitely its work.” Chu Tianren clearly understood his opponent well.

“Good thing I brought a lot of antidotes.” Chu Mu said.

Facing soul pets with powerful poison, if they didn’t cure the poison in time, even powerful beings can be poisoned to death. Not only bug type - vine type, flower type, grass type’s specific sub species are poisonous as well. If one doesn’t have antidotes, one has to stay far away from it.

“Is it emperor rank antidote? If not, don’t even bother bringing it out.” Chu Tianren asked.

“En, a couple third rank emperor rank antidotes, specially made to defeat bug type poison.” Chu Mu nodded.

“Third rank emperor antidote? Where did you get this? Such an item is very hard to get, especially now that soul teachers are each more miserly than the last.” Chu Tianren said questioningly.

This medicine was what Chu Mu kept from Tian Ting’s loot. Poison is always extremely scary, so Chu Mu always brought around antidotes. In Tian Ting’s medicine, the antidotes were the only things Chu Mu didn’t sell.

Seeing Chu Mu unable to answer, Chu Tianren realized that it must have come from some unspeakable source. He didn’t ask further and laughed, “With antidote, his Poison Evil Mother is useless. A normal pseudo-emperor rank can easily defeat it.”

“Let’s first find out what they’re looking for.” Chu Mu felt that following them without any solid target was not appropriate.

“Heihei, as long as we find them, this problem will be easily solved. Don’t forget that my Zhanbin Emperor is great at hiding. Though I might not be able to ambush Lu Zideng, finding out why they were here is definitely not an issue.” Chu Tianren clearly had experience in this and took it into his own hands.

Already having a lead, Chu Tianren and Chu Mu followed tightly, while still maintaining a certain distance.

On the first day, Chu Tianren’s Zhanbin Demon Emperor figured out the opponent’s approximate situation.

There were three people on the opponent side total. The leader was Yuan Kingdom Master Lu Zideng, one of the youth five peaks.

The other two Chu Tianren had seen before too. They were Lu Zideng’s scoundrel friends and lackeys, and were both spirit emperor, but of unknown degrees.

“Zheng Kuang and Fang Li, they each have around two to three pseudo-emperor ranks. You should be able to deal with one.” Chu Tianren guessed.

Clearly, Chu Mu and Chu Tianren couldn't fight them head on. They wanted to wait until the three were deep into the heavenly devil insect territory and were tired before fighting. That way, the chances that they got something was almost certain.

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“These three people are truly careful! How have they gone so long without sitting down and talking through their strategy? At least let me know what they’re trying to do.” Chu Tianren furrowed his brow.

In the following days, Chu Tianren didn’t get any information.

Around the sixth day, Chu Mu and Chu Tianren already followed the three into the heavenly devil insect territory’s central region.

The three still didn't attack, instead wandering around, and looking for a suitable entrance and exit route.

Though the three people's strengths added together was definitely stronger than a third rank tribe, if the entire third rank tribe attacked, they would definitely suffer injuries and losses, so if they couldn't guarantee they could easily destroy the entire tribe, the escape route had to be pre-planned.

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Under the heavenly devil insect cave group

The third rank yuan kingdom master stood on a rock full of massive holes as he watched the hollowed mountains that were structured like a beehive.

These mountains were the nests of heavenly devil insects. One mountain had thousands of holes, enough for an eighth rank clan to live in.

And looking from here, there were hundreds of mountains that go straight into the skies.

Even further away, the mountains were larger, and the heavenly devil insect groups would be larger!

"Are the younglings here? Is it this easy to get? One has to know that we didn't use much strength entering here." Fang Li said.

Fang Li's age was about thirty. Able to reach spirit emperor at this age was very rare. Fang Li's appearance was normal, and could even be said to be ugly close up.

On the other side was the luxuriously dressed Zheng Kuang. Compared to Fang Li, Zheng Kuang was handsome. The two created a clear contrast nearby.

However, seeing the two talk, the uglier Fang Li had a stronger stance. Maybe it was because Fang Li had an extra pseudo-emperor rank than Zheng Kuang.

"My information isn't wrong. Just in front of us is the largest heavenly devil insect hive mountain. There is only a pseudo emperor rank in it, and the nearby heavenly devil insects won't be able to

come to rescue so easily. Once we get it, we can instantly leave.” Yuan kingdom master Lu Zideng said.

When the three talked, they couldn’t detect that, around five hundred meters away, a pair of deep blue eyes stared at them!

What they said just now all went into its ears and was sent to Chu Tianren’s brain.

“So that’s why, they came for the heavenly devil insect youngling. One heavenly devil insect youngling is 10,000 spirits. Adding on the heavenly devil insect innard crystal worth 2000 spirits, it was a worthy deal. Eh, the heavenly devil insect emperor’s innard crystal would probably be kept by Lu Zideng so he can get the nomination requirement for realm throne.” Chu Tianren smiled cunningly.

Chu Mu was calmer, starting to think about how he could win out between all these experts.

Chapter 672: Throwing a Brick to Get a Jade Back, Infant Pet Trap

“This still isn’t the interior of the Heavenly Devil Insect’s nest. Any one of them is capable of getting rid of these Heavenly Devil Insects. If both sides have unequal strength, we can’t just sit here and reap the profits.” Chu Tianren rubbed his chin, and was unable to find a solution.

Chu Mu also understood this, so he began to think.

One Heavenly Devil Insect Emperor infant was worth 10,000 spirits. This was no small amount.

“We can only strike first to get the upper hand!” after thinking, Chu Tianren decided on this method.

Obviously, this plan wasn’t particularly strategic, but it really was hard to find a solution in this kind of a scenario.

Chu Mu also couldn’t think of a better method, and could only do as Chu Tianren said.

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Chu Mu's small Mo Xie had a distinct advantage when it came to speed. As for Chu Tianren's Deep Transient Demon Emperor, which was a sole demon attribute low class emperor, entering a nest which was equivalent to a first rank tribe wouldn't be too hard.

Since they were going to strike first, timing was extremely valuable. After obtaining the precise location of the Heavenly Devil Insect infant, Chu Tianren and Chu Mu hastily made their move. From the other end, they made their way around the three careful fellows and immediately made their way into the nest they spoke of.

The Heavenly Devil Insect's nest was shocking. It stood at the very peak of the mountain peak and could only be seen by tilting one's head up!

The entire mountain peak was a brownish black color. Countless holes were scattered over the peak; each hole was a nest and inside were the 'homes' of single Heavenly Devil Insects. This mountain peak probably was 7000 meters high and the number of Heavenly Devil Insects inside were probably innumerable.

Within the ten kilometer radius around the peak were another hundred of these mountains. Their height was only about 4000 meters and they probably formed the legion members of the small tribe.

Without a doubt, the leader of this first rank Heavenly Devil Insect tribe which was attached to the larger third rank tribe, lived in the highest nest on the 7000 meter mountain. When Chu Mu used soul remembrance to observe the area, he quickly found two Eight Winged Heavenly Devil Insects circling the peaks of the nest. They resembled devoted guards.

"We don't have much time. They'll get here in about two hours." Chu Tianren tilted his head up as he spoke to Chu Mu.

"Two hours? Isn't that being too paranoid?" Chu Mu was confused.

There were a total of three enemies, and they were stronger than Chu Mu and Chu Tianren. With their strength, it would be extremely easy for them to deal with this nest with only one pseudo monarch. Yet, for some reason they were going to take their time.

"Lu Zideng is just like that. He has to make sure nothing goes wrong." Chu Tianren didn't really pay much attention to this.

Chu Mu still felt something wasn't too right about this. To any spirit emperor with adequate strength, even if he was extremely careful, there was no need to be careful to this extent. This would give others the chance to strike first.

Chu Mu was planning on having Chu Tianren think this over again. After all, those three were truly moving too slow. It was as if they were intentionally having them strike first. However, Chu Tianren was evidently impatient and had already started heading up the 7000 meter high nest with his low class emperor rank soul pet!

"Third Uncle, aren't we being a bit too hasty?" Chu Mu didn't immediately rush up the mountain.

"We've already come here, we can't think for that long. How about this, I'll go up and you stay at the bottom and provide support." Chu Tianren knew what Chu Mu was afraid of, but he was even more confident in his own judgement.

There would only be one chance, and it would be difficult to find another chance if they missed it. It wasn't that Chu Tianren hadn't thought of what Chu Mu was thinking of. However, even if their opponents had intentionally set them up, he still had to go up and check. After all, there was still a fifty percent chance there would be an infant soul pet!

Chu Tianren by himself would be able to deal with the Heavenly Devil Insects on the mountain. Thus, Chu Mu, who had a rather strong intuition, decided to stay at the bottom of the mountain and watch.

Chu Tianren's low class emperor's camouflage abilities were rather terrifying. He had made it up nearly 4000 meters, before those slow Heavenly Devil Insects finally discovered that there was an intruder.

In order to save time, Chu Tianren immediately summoned all of his main pets and rushed for the top.

Heavenly Devil Insects were rather united soul pets. The moment there was an invader, ear-piercing buzzing noises immediately would resound from the several hundred peaks!!

Hiding under the mountain, Chu Mu observed his surroundings and discovered that countless black dots had risen to the air from the hundred mountains. From far away, it resembled countless specks of black dust that manifested from the mountain crumbling!

The Heavenly Devil Insect legion quickly gathered and within a few minutes, the sky was covered by them. They transformed into a buzzing surging black cloud that quickly migrated to the 7000 meter mountain!!

There were normally about 100 thousand members in a first rank tribe's legion.

Bug type soul pets had double the reproduction ability, meaning that there were a total of 200 thousand Heavenly Devil Insects in this tribe. This was the first time Chu Mu had seen so many Heavenly Devil Insects. The black mass was a shocking sight and made Chu Mu stunned!

In the skies above the 7000 meter peak, Chu Tianren was quickly surrounded by the Heavenly Devil Insect legion. Chu Tianren's soul pets were powerful, but under the constant wave after wave of attacks from the 200 thousand member legion, he wasn't able to reach the peak.

“Hong hong hong hong~~~~~”

The mountain and earth violently trembled. With each technique, one could see hundreds if not thousands of Heavenly Devil Insect corpses fall to the ground like rain as blood flew everywhere!

The buzzing noise from the Heavenly Devil Insects covered everything. Chu Mu could no longer see Chu Tianren or his soul pets. He could only see the black cloud-like Heavenly Devil Insect legion from a distance. Even the light from techniques was completely covered by the Heavenly Devil Insects.

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Time slowly passed, and as he looked at the sky 7000 meters above, even though corpses were raining down, Chu Mu felt that the number of Heavenly Devil Insects wasn't decreasing.

At this moment, the attacks from the legion had slowly moved to the peak of the mountain. Clearly, Chu Tianren had made it to the highest point of the mountain. It wouldn't be long before he would be able to determine if there was a Heavenly Devil Insect infant pet.

“Haha, that fellow indeed was impatient. I just randomly mentioned something to incite him, and he went charging after it.”

Suddenly, a voice could be heard a thousand meters from where Chu Mu was.

After reaching the spirit emperor level, utilizing soul remembrance to communicate wouldn't expend too much soul power. If they spoke and didn't intentionally lower them, they could be heard a thousand meters away if another spirit emperor rank expert released their soul remembrance.

Chu Mu had carefully released his soul remembrance because he was afraid of a trap. The moment he heard their voices, Chu Mu was sure of it!!

This indeed was a trap!! Lu Zideng had intentionally set a diversionary tactic!!

“Kingdom Lord Lu, you truly are clever. How did you now that we were being followed by Chu Tianren?” Fang Li cracked an unsightly smile.

“Before I came, I had people go and inquire about anyone who knew about this place. In Wogu City, an old friend told me that Chu Tianren had come to inquire about Great Broken Sting Valley, and that there was a chance he would come here...” Lu Zideng smiled and looked very cunning.

“No wonder Kingdom Lord waited before entering and kept beating around the bush.” said Zheng Kuang.

“Well to tell the truth was that I didn't discover him following us. That fellow's demon has a very powerful camouflage ability. I wasn't able to tell, but I still threw out the bait so that I would be able to determine if he was nearby. Therefore, I had you guys say things that he could hear. Otherwise, how would he show himself? Nor would he have attempted to strike first like this. Isn't he slaughtering those Heavenly Devil Insects right now? Haha, I really want to see his unsightly expression when he makes his way to the peak and discovers that the nest is empty!” laughed Lu Zideng.

“Kingdom Lord Lu's methods are truly superior. With Kingdom Lord Lu here, it won't be a problem for us to obtain that third rank Moonlight Magic Stone this time!” Zheng Kuang gave a brilliant laugh!

A Moonlight Magic Stone was a spirit crystal that could strengthen any attribute. Moreover, it was a third rank spirit item that could strengthen a pseudo emperor to a low class emperor. A single Moonlight Magic Stone was invaluable and if it was a dual Moonlight Magic Stone, the three of them would strike it rich!

A third rank spirit item was worth 500 thousand spirits! A dual Moonlight Magic Stone was five times that price. 2.5 million!

Of course, the chances of a dual stone was extremely low. Zheng Kuang was just imagining, since it was practically impossible for a dual third rank emperor rank Moonlight Magic Stone to appear in the territory of a third rank tribe.

Lu Zideng saw that Zheng Kuang had let out that piece of information, his brows immediately creased and he said: “Haven’t I told you many times that when you start talking about that, you need to use soul remembrance to do so!”

Zheng Kuang hastily nodded his head in affirmation and looked very deferential. However, he muttered in his heart: Chu Tianren, that idiot, has already been tricked into charging up the 7000 meter mountain. It’s impossible for other people to be nearby. Is there really a need to be so careful? Using soul remembrance to speak is so tiring.

“Fang Li, did you do the thing I had you do?” Lu Zideng asked.

“Don’t worry, for the next few days, Chu Tianren will be continuously chased by Heavenly Devil Insects...” Fang Li craftily laughed.

“Very good. It’s best that if he accidentally loses one or two of his main pets. That would be even more interesting.” said Lu Zideng.

Chapter 673: Shocking Appearance of A Million Manned Devil Insect Legion

Chu Mu didn’t dare to expose himself. He completely hid his aura, and stood motionlessly behind the rock filled with folds.

“Moonlight Magic Stone. A third rank one on top of that. This item isn’t just ordinarily valuable, right?” Chu Mu softly asked Old Li.

“Yes, Lu Zideng’s ability isn’t small. He unexpectedly was able to find a Moonlight Magic Stone here. This item should be heavily guarded by powerful soul pets until enough energy has been gathered, whereby it will be devoured by a soul pet to fully strengthen it.” said Old Li.

A third rank emperor spirit item is a very rare treasure even amongst spirit emperors. After all, this is a spirit item capable of 100% creating a low class emperor!

There was a completely different status and strength between possessing a pseudo monarch and a low class monarch. It was no wonder that Lu Zideng was being so careful. Any expert that had information like he did would be exceptionally careful!

“Moonlight Magic Stones are normally single crowned, meaning that they are applicable for any single attribute soul pet. A dual crowned Moonlight Magic Stone is applicable for dual attributes and can thus strengthen any dual main attributed soul pet. Among the natural world, there are few among few spirit items that can strengthen dual attributed soul pets. Thus, the price of a spirit item that can do this is nearly 5 times a single attribute!” Old Li, this encyclopedia, gave Chu Mu an explanation.

Chu Mu was in the midst of thinking when Lu Zideng and the two others laughed and left.

Lu Zideng began to enter the Heavenly Devil Insect Tribe’s interior from another angle. Right where here he was, there resided an even larger Heavenly Devil Insect legion.

When Chu Mu saw them leave, he was about to fly into the air and inform Chu Tianren of reality.

Suddenly, a huge group of black objects appeared from the interior of the tribe and flew towards the horizon!

It started out as a thin line, before gradually becoming more well-rounded and eventually turning into a huge group. Finally, it transformed into a black sandstorm that covered the whole sky!!

Chu Mu was able to see mountain peaks that were a hundred kilometers away.

In the expansive horizon, a Heavenly Devil Insect legion that were so tightly packed together there were no gaps in between them was rushing over in this direction. They resembled a sandstorm that covered the entire sky and was about to devour everything into darkness!!

A palpitating feeling of insignificance manifested!

Compared to that, the Heavenly Devil Insect legion above Chu Mu's head was closer to a river wave while the legion in the distance was like a tsunami. They were simply incomparable!

"What happened? Why did the tribe's interior's Heavenly Devil Insects fly out like that?!" Chu Mu looked in terror at the Heavenly Devil Insect legion!!

Chu Mu could sense that those Heavenly Devil Insects were flying in his direction. They resembled a legion that had obtained orders for war, and were coming to safeguard their territory!

"Chu Mu!! Chu Mu!!! Quickly leave this place!!"

When Chu Mu was stunned, Chu Tianren's soul remembrance suddenly transmitted from high up.

Chu Mu lifted his head and discovered that Chu Tianren had, at some unknowing point, slaughtered his way out of the besiegement. He was about 2000 meters above him right now.

"Third uncle, there's a legion of nearly a million Heavenly Devil Insects approaching!" Chu Mu hastily said.

"A million?! Holy crap!! Lu Zideng that old bastard. He dares to screw me over!?" Chu Tianren was both shocked and angry!!

"They sneakily injected jade spider bile into many of these Heavenly Devil Insects so that when I killed them, their blood would spill on me. The blood of the Heavenly Devil Insects and the jade spider bile mixed together forms a toxin which doesn't affect me, but its smell drifts hundreds of kilometers away!"

"This smell is a signal to the Heavenly Devil Insects that a natural enemy has invaded. Added on the fact that I've summoned too many emperors, basically the entire million Heavenly Devil Insect legion is coming for me!"

Chu Tianren's words gave Chu Mu huge shock!!

It was no wonder that the three people said earlier that Chu Tianren would be miserably pursued by the Heavenly Devil Insects. It turned out that the three of them had done something!

A legion formed by a million soldiers. This was strength capable of obliterating a small species!!!

"Young master, a third rank tribe essentially has the strength of two legions, which means there should only be about 600 thousand Heavenly Devil Insects. Chu Tianren has summoned too many emperor rank soul pets, and is viewed as a natural enemy threatening them. Essentially the entire nest has come out... but there should only be about 600 thousand. I'm afraid it's a miscalculation by human intelligence. This very well could be a fourth rank tribe!" Old Li's voice transmitted.

When Chu Mu saw the terrifying scene in the horizon, Chu Mu realized that this tribe was definitely not a mere third rank!

'Chu Mu, those fellows are trying to kill two birds with one stone. They are not only sabotaging me, but are also using me as bait to lure away the enormous Heavenly Devil Insect legion. This way, they will be able to enter the interior and obtain the item they want much more easily." sighed chu Tianren.

"Hai, this time I lacked judgment... now I'm in danger and you can only return to Wogu City first. I need to throw of this legion within the Forbidden Region, but the Heavenly Devil Insects dare to fly in this region while I cannot."

"Third Uncle, I'll go with you." Chu mu couldn't just leave Chu Tianren like that.

"There's no need. The two of us going together will be inconvenient and you haven't been infected by the blood bile. The Heavenly Devil Insects won't chase you." Chu Tianren spoke very quickly. Obviously, he didn't have the time to have a slow chat.

"Third Uncle, be careful!" Chu Mu also understood he couldn't help Chu Tianren, and could only leave for now.

“Don’t worry, I won’t die!” Chu Tianren didn’t say anything else. He quickly descended to the ground. In order to ensure Chu Mu wouldn’t be pursued as well, he intentionally made a large detour and lured the Heavenly Devil Insects in another direction.

Chu Tianren fleeing in another direction caused the sandstorm of Heavenly Devil Insects to deviate their path.

Indeed, this enormous and stifling Heavenly Devil Insect legion was solely going for Chu Tianren!

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Eventually, the Heavenly Devil Insect legion on top of Chu Mu became sparse. The entire nest had pretty much left in pursuit and only Chu Mu remained there. He was presently debating what to do next.

In the north, it was very likely to be the interior of a fourth rank tribe. It was approximately about a hundred kilometers.

In the south, spanning about 2000 meters was the boundary between humanity and the Great Broken Sting Valley. If he were to return now, Chu Mu was certain he would be safe and sound. However, at the same time this meant he and Chu Tianren would have wasted two months. It would also take a month to return, meaning this was three months wasted...

Only 5000 spirits in three months, and it was to be split among two people. Additionally, they would need to rest and recuperate before setting out again. This would waste even more time.

Chu Mu didn’t need resources for the time being, but when the Little Hidden Dragon reached the eighth phase, it would consume five times the resources of other emperor ranks. This was huge. Moreover, he needed to gather it all within a year otherwise its specter attribute would weaken. Even if it combined with the Specter Dragon, its strength would be greatly lessened!

Time was precious, and Chu Mu couldn’t waste it!

“They don’t know of my existence. Right now, Lu Zideng and the others wouldn’t be wary of other potential competitors...” Chu Mu muttered to himself.

“Young master, you aren’t thinking of...” Old Li quickly guessed Chu Mu’s intentions.

“The Little Hidden Dragon is at the fifth phase. In another half a year, it will approach the eighth phase whereby it will pretty much possess emperor rank strength... the resources need to keep up with it...” after Chu Mu witnessed the Little Hidden Dragon’s limitless potential, he firmly decided to pursue the path of multiple attribute strengthening.

One Moonlight Magic Stone was worth 50 thousand spirits. This amount happened to solve the problem of the quintuple the normal amount of resources it required as it evolved from the sixth phase to eighth phase.

The Little Hidden Dragon’s evolution was imminent so Chu Mu had to be brazen!

“Young master, the opponents are experts with low class emperors. If they discover you, a low class emperor is capable of instakilling your soul pets. Young master won’t even have the ability to resist.” said Old Li.

“Don’t worry, I’ll be very careful.” Chu Mu obviously wouldn’t engage in a direct confrontation with them.

This Heavenly Devil Insect Tribe was very likely to be a fourth rank so even if a legion of a million was lured away, those emperor rank Heavenly Devil Insects would still exist. It wouldn’t be easy for them to deal with.

If Chu Mu went now, there was hope for him to steal the profit from them, especially when they were unprepared!

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Chu Mu was always someone who did something if he had a certain way of thinking. He thus rode on Mo Xie towards the northern interior of the Heavenly Devil Insect territory.

Chu Mu didn’t follow the footsteps of the three people, because the Moonlight Magic Stone was definitely being guarded by a low class emperor. Chu Mu only had to reach that area and silently wait for the human experts to fight the emperor rank Heavenly Devil Insects.

An emperor rank fight would cause great activity and when the time came, the nearby Chu Mu would be able to sense it. If he had instead followed their footsteps, this would make it easier for Lu Zideng, who was much stronger than him, to detect him.

Therefore, Chu Mu didn't need to be hasty. Instead, he slowly entered the interior and began to travel along the nests of a few ninth rank and tenth rank communities, collecting scraps of resources along the way. These would provide for the Chu Family's growth.

The Heavenly Devil Insect unitedness would also make it easy for their nest to lack in defense. As Chu Mu went north and plundered a large amount of nests, although the items he collected were all within the tenth rank, the amount he collected was enough to fill up all of his spatial rings to the brim.

The items Chu Mu took were mainly soul crystals, crystals, and insect eggs. All together, Chu Mu wasn't even able to count how many hundreds of millions they were worth.

In any case, Chu Tianheng who was Seven Color City's City Lord would definitely be so elated that he would pass out when he saw these!

Chapter 674: Neglecting the Greater Threat Behind

Nearing Heavenly Devil Insect's interior, Chu Mu no longer dared to enter heavenly devil insect hives carelessly anymore. After all, at the interior of this hive, there obviously were powerful heavenly devil insects guarding. If he accidentally alarmed a large leader of heavenly devil insects, there would be a large group of these things following Chu Mu around.

Heavenly Devil Insect army's drastically decreasing numbers gave Chu Mu a chance to infiltrate them. Otherwise, with millions of heavenly devil insects in this hive group, Chu Mu would get discovered no matter how well he hid. After all, a fourth rank tribe wasn't that easy to infiltrate.

"That should be the main hive mountain of this tribe." Chu Mu lifted his head up, and looked afar.

Standing ahead were a few spiral and bald mountains. They were not covered by any plants, and were dark brown like the ground. On it were densely packed caves, similar to the holes in beehives.

The entire mountain's base was extremely large, getting narrower as it got higher. Around 10,000 meters in height, the lone peak pierced through the cloudless skies, magnificent and imposing. Lifting one's head up to look at it caused one to be fearful.

"Since its a fourth rank tribe, there may be two low class emperor ranks. The million army that was chasing Chu Tianren probably has one low class emperor rank leading." Old Li said.

In the main heavenly devil insect cave, most of the armies were pulled out. The main danger probably came from the emperor rank and top tier monarch rank heavenly devil insects.

"There's still five kilometers until we get there. Let's not go now, in case we are discovered.

Chu Mu could already feel that the last five kilometers would be extremely tough. The nearby peaks all had top tier monarch rank heavenly devil insects standing patrol.

Chu Mu himself hadn't reached spirit emperor rank, so top tier monarchs still posed a threat to Chu Mu.

"Young master should just wait near here. Once they attack, the nearby heavenly devil insects will definitely congregate towards there again. Then, young master can stroll indirectly, and not be discovered." Old Li said.

Chu Mu was very patient, and found a place to hide and stayed there. Presumably, now, Lu Zideng and the other two were at work thinking about how to enter this main peak without being discovered.

"Honghong~~~~~Hong~~~~~"

Not long after, the sound of a technique blasting out sounded, causing the ground and rocks to shake slightly!

Chu Mu quickly crawled out from behind the rocks, watching the main hive peak from afar.

"They started fighting at the main hive peak. Moonlight Magic Stone indeed is on this ten thousand meter high peak." Old Li laid down on the rocks and said to Chu Mu.

“Very good, we’ll let them know what it means to ignore the threat behind them as they go for their own prey.” Chu Mu smiled.

Just as Chu Mu guessed, the moment the main battle sounded, the patrolling heavenly devil insects all flew up and congregated towards the main peak.

Immediately, Chu Mu’s path became almost completely unobstructed, making him able to stroll casually in.

Of course, Chu Mu wouldn’t directly go into battle. He rode Mo Xie to another side of the main hive peak to see the situation of the battle.

The battle was extremely loud. When Chu Mu arrived, there was already a small ravine like cracks in the ground, spreading through the surroundings of the main hive peak!!

The technique’s glow was extremely dazzling, causing even the sun to dim in comparison!

From Chu Mu’s position, he could see six ten winged heavenly devil insects.

At the center of the six ten winged heavenly devil insects, there was a huge heavenly devil insect shining with a black gold like sheen. This figure was constantly surrounded by clouds of black bugs, similar to the evil aura monsters have around them. What was terrifying was, every time this bug cloud attacked, even if it didn’t hit any opponent, all the ground and rocks in its path would get utterly devoured!

Very clearly, the black gold ten winged heavenly devil insect was the low class emperor rank, the strongest organism in this fourth rank tribe!

What was fighting this low class emperor was a Gen Devil Wolf!

Gen Devil Wolf: Beast World - Beast Type - Wolf Species - Gen Devil Wolf Subspecies - high class monarch rank

Gen Devil Wolf was a wolf type monarch. Similar to horned armor beast, pool beast, blood beast, devil tiger, it was a mainstream beast type soul pet.

Yet, this Gen Devil Wolf that was able to fight against the ten winged heavenly devil insect low class emperor was already strengthened to low class emperor rank as well. This was Yuan Kingdom Master Lu Zideng's main soul pet!

As a third rank kingdom master, he must have a low class emperor rank. Lu Zideng's largest card was this Gen Devil Wolf that he strengthened from monarch rank to low class emperor rank.

Lu Zideng's Gen Devil Wolf couldn't fly, but once it was emperor rank, unless against a wing type soul pet, it won't be at too much of a disadvantage if it were to battle in air. Emperor rank soul pets could use their own strength to stay afloat.

Gen Devil Wolf and heavenly devil insect emperor's battle was the most shocking. The battles between the pseudo emperor ranks all became mere background, as their techniques weren't on the same scale either.

As for the top tier monarch rank heavenly devil insect, they could only stay even farther from the battle and constantly harass the pseudo-emperor ranks of heavenly devil insect.

"Lu Zideng-five control, one low class emperor rank, four pseudo-emperor rank, the other person is duo control with two pseudo-emperor rank. There's a total of six pseudo emperor rank, having one more than the heavenly devil insect army. The heavenly devil insect army has 20 top tier monarch ranks, however, which can preoccupy two pseudo emperor ranks....." Chu Mu sat aside and watched calmly, yet his brows slowly furrowed.

The battle between emperor ranks had huge impacts. This was the first time Chu Mu saw such a large skirmish between emperor rank. This mountain collapsing, heaven shaking scene was eye-shocking and caused one to be unable to feel calm for a long while after.

However, very quickly, Chu Mu realized that the battle between spirit emperor and heavenly devil insect was missing a person!

"The ugly Fang Li isn't here. The three people were smart, using two distraction and decoy strategies." Old Li realized and used soul remembrance to tell Chu Mu.

The first decoy strategy naturally was to remove Chu Tianren as a hidden threat, and to also siphon away a large part of heavenly devil insect armies.

And now, Lu Zideng and Zheng Kuang intentionally summoned all their emperor rank soul pets to provoke this massive battle between the fourth rank tribe's heavenly devil insect emperor formation while the third person can quietly infiltrate into the empty main hive mountain and steal what they want.

Lu Zideng and the other two came for the Moonlight Magic Stone. The heavenly devil insect emperor rank formation was massive. To completely kill them was very hard to do. Even if they did it, they would lose a lot of their soul pets. This false bluff was indeed the best method.

However, the delicate planning of the three would never have accounted for another person that they hadn't even discovered yet.

At this moment, this person was like Fang Li, going to the back of the heavenly devil insect main mountain peak, while they were in battle.

"Young master, your night thunder dream beast isn't emperor rank, so it's almost impossible for it to get up without alarming any heavenly devil insect. Once heavenly devil insect notices there are people trying to infiltrate, they will immediately surround this place and send pseudo emperor rank and heavenly devil insects." Old Li said to Chu Mu.

"Did I ever say I would climb up?" Chu Mu smiled.

"If you don't go up, how will you get the Moon Magic Stone? Are you going to hide here and ambush Fang Li? He's a spirit emperor and has a demon rank emperor. It would be hard to ambush him, and we aren't far from the battle itself. Lu Zideng would come back and help, who has a very powerful low class emperor rank that would definitely kill you if it finds you." Old Li said.

"I won't ambush him either." Chu Mu shook his head and gazed at the high main hive peak.

Old Li thought for a while and said, "Is it that you want little fox to go up? Little fox doesn't have any special hiding technique. Even with pitiful appearance, it would only be able to climb five or six thousand meters. Past that, it would get discovered by more advanced heavenly devil insects....."

As they spoke, Old Li suddenly noticed Chu Mu was watching him and from Chu Mu's gaze, Old Li saw something.

Old Li's expression immediately changed and he waved his hands quickly, "Not possible. There's no way I can go up. Who knows if there still is a pseudo emperor rank still left guarding the stone. If there is, I will be dead for sure. Even without an emperor rank, the monarch rank army all coming out would be hard enough to deal with."

Chu Mu knew Old Li's powers, and knew he couldn't do it alone.

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About four thousand meters up the main hive peak, two shadows that merged together were slowly climbing up the mountain full of caves. Their actions were very very careful, afraid of triggering any heavenly devil insect standing guard already.

"Let's make sure there aren't any emperor rank heavenly devil insects guarding the main peak or else we'll get discovered at nine thousand meters. Stealing the Moon Magic Stone would then take more effort and could cause them to be surrounded." Fang Li who was struggling while climbing said quietly.

Fang Li was riding an invisible demon. It was because of this important demon that the profit split of this action allowed him to get 30%, 10% more than Zheng Kuang.

Now, he was only six thousand meters away from the Moon Magic Stone that was worth 50,000 spirits.

The path ahead wasn't too hard to deal with. He was just scared that around eight thousand and nine thousand meters up, there would solely be advanced heavenly devil insects.

Fang Li guessed that there would at least be a pseudo emperor rank staying guard. One pseudo emperor rank is something he could deal with. However, if there still were a large amount of top tier and high class monarch ranks, the difficulty would increase greatly.

"Sousou~~~~~"

“What is that!!!” Fang Li shouted in his mind.

At this moment, when Fang Li reached 5000 meters, he noticed a small silver fox slowly approaching him!

Fang Li knew very well that anything able to walk around this heavenly devil insect main hive peak so confidently wasn't normal. His expression immediately changed as he tensed up, and watched this small silver fox as if it were a great foe!

“Wuwu~~~~~” The small and cute little fox noticed Fang Li and let out a harmless mental call to Fang Li, as if asking him to wait up.

Then, the delicate little fox ran up, holding a letter meant for a human in its small tail!

This caused Fang Li's eyes to widen in shock and confusion. What was the situation now?!

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Little Mo Xie very casually strolled in front of Fang Li. Fang Li knew this little organism isn't too simple. However, he didn't dare to do anything because any slight movement may alarm the heavenly devil insects and completely ruin his plans.

Fang Li stared as this little fox slowly walked up to him, and handed him a slip of paper with its little tail.

Fang Li was dazed for a while, not knowing what the situation was.

One had to know that this was a fourth rank heavenly evil insect tribe main hive peak. In such a dangerous place, how was there suddenly a little fox soul pet? What made him the most confused was this little fox gave over a little paper slip, as if wanting to tell him something.

“Wuwuw~~~~~” The delicate little fox let out a weak cry. From just its appearance, this little fox was like a soft yet exquisite little lady, with no offensive power.

Fang Li stared for a while before stiffly and carefully taking the slip of paper from the little fox's tail.

Indeed, the paper slip had a line of human writing, neat and tidy. One could see the calmness and leisure from the person's writing alone.

Fang Li stared at the little fox as he read the words on the slip.

There wasn't that much information on this message. When Fang Li finished reading it, his expression became abnormally strange, causing his face to become even uglier than it was before.

"Evil!!" Fang Li cursed silently and crumbled the paper into a ball and was about to chuck it away before he remembered his current predicament. The hand he rose up quickly froze.

"Tell your owner to die. If he wants a piece of the cake just like this, does he know the consequences of wronging us?" Fang Li pointed at little Mo Xie, and said angrily to Mo Xie using soul remembrance.

Little Mo Xie very calmly waved her tail. Seeing Fang Li this angry, her body slowly burned with sin flames, and she started to release her emperor aura.

If Mo Xie released her aura, it was equivalent to shouting to all the heavenly devil insects nearby that there was someone here. Within seconds, this area would be surrounded by the heavenly devil insect army. Even Fang Li's invisible demon wouldn't be able to hide then.

"Stop!! Stop!! Quickly stop!!!" Fang Li felt the aura release and immediately shouted to stop little Mo Xie.

"Wuwu~~~~~" Little Mo Xie blinked, and slowly retracted her aura again.

"You want fifty percent, it's impossible. We have three people, one of which is a Yuan Kingdom Kingdom Master!" Fang Li finally got his temper under control, and negotiated angrily.

"Wuwuwu~~~~~" Little Mo Xie shook her head and lifted another little tail that held a spatial ring.

Seeing the spatial ring on little Mo Xie's tail, he immediately sent his soul remembrance into it. Indeed, he found quite some spirits and soul items in this spatial ring.

"Second rank emperor rock orb, 20,000 spirits, 5000 spirits upfront, it truly is 25,000 spirits...." Fang Li was helpless. The opponent clearly wanted half of the profit, or else they were going to cause everyone's death.

"Wuwuwu~~~~~" little Mo Xie let out another sound and asked if Fang Li wanted to agree. At the same time it was letting out the call, little Mo Xie started releasing her aura again, forcing Fang Li to agree immediately.

"Okay, okay, okay! Let's do as you say. Once we get the Moon Magic Stone, I'll give it to you, and you'll give me the ring worth 25, 000 spirits. We each take fifty percent, and then I'll tell my demon emperor to bring you up. If there's a battle on 9,000 meters, you have to participate as well, or else if we don't get the moon magic stone, we won't get anything." Fang Li quickly said.

Little Mo Xie's pupils flashed craftily and she lightly jumped onto Fang Li's invisible demon.

Fang Li's demon was full of unwillingness, but this little fellow wasn't weak either. If they decide to fight, they both will get surrounded by heavenly devil insect army and would lose more than they gain.

Seeing this little fox arrogantly laying down on his demon emperor's head, Fang Li wished he could pinch this little thing to death.

He had planned for so long and entered this place multiple times to figure out the geography and find a plan just so he could get the moon magic stone. Yet, just as he was about to succeed, another person entered and asked for half of it just like a thief!

Half was 25,000 spirits. To these three people, it was a huge sum. Losing half just like that not only made Fang Li angry, but Lu Zideng and Zheng Quan would probably go insane at him.

Yet, Fang Li had no other choice. If he didn't agree and the opponent decided to cause trouble, he wouldn't even be able to get 25,000 spirits.

This time, they had tried so hard to divert a near million heavenly devil insects. Jade Spider Bile wasn't that easy to obtain, so this may be the only time they succeed. Fang Li could only compromise and get the 25,000, even if it meant giving up 50,000 so he wouldn't waste all this planning time.

Little Mo Xie's hiding ability could at most allow it to climb to 5,000 meters. Any higher was difficult, and it needed Fang Li's invisible demon to go further.

Fang Li kept all his anger to himself as he slowly climbed up with his demon emperor.

Slowly, they passed eight thousand meters. At this distance, Fang Li was clearly more careful because most of the things living here were monarch rank now.

Fang Li especially gave little Mo Xie a stare and commanded, "If we alarm the guarding heavenly devil insects, you deal with them, while I charge forward and get the moon magic stone."

Little Mo Xie shook her head and waved the spatial ring in her little tail. She meant that if there was a fight, Fang Li would stay and she would go up and grab the moon magic stone. But before this, Mo Xie would throw the spatial ring with 25,000 spirits to him.

Fang Li originally wanted to be clever, but he didn't guess that the little fox was also clever. Seeing that the opponent had more control over the situation, he could only agree.

Fang Li continued to climb around 500 meters and still didn't alarm any heavenly devil insects. However, the nearby heavenly devil insects were all-powerful, and thus Fang Li didn't dare to climb further anymore.

"Wuwu~~" Little Mo Xie was confused.

"Give me the ring. Another ten meters and we both will be discovered. You go ahead and get the moon magic stone." Fang Li said to little Mo Xie.

Fang Li's expression didn't change as he said this, but his heart was in shambles!

Fang Li was a spirit emperor, and he already felt the thick aura of the moon magic stone. However, moon magic stone's cave also resided an emperor rank heavenly devil insect!

The organism guarding the cave wasn't pseudo emperor rank, but instead a terrifyingly strong low class emperor rank!!!

Low class emperor rank was strong enough to murder any of Fang Li's soul pets. Fang Li would never expect that there were three low class emperor ranks in this fourth rank tribe!!

It was good that Fang Li discovered this early, or else any higher up and he would have been exposed!

At this moment, Fang LI's heart was shaking and his back was full of cold sweat but Fang Li couldn't show this.

Low class emperor rank guarding the highest cave meant that there was no chance he could steal the moon magic stone. This plan was destined to fail! However, the little fox's owner's intervention gave Fang Li a chance. Though he couldn't get the moon magic stone, he still had a chance to get little fox's ring worth 25,000 spirits!

Because of this, Fang Li suddenly stopped at 8500 meters and announced without changing his expression that he wanted the ring while the little fellow went for the stone. If this little fox agreed, then Fang Li could receive 25,000 spirits and watch as this little fox became the dinner of this low-class emperor rank heavenly devil insect.

Most importantly, if he got the ring, Fang Li could omit this little incident and just tell Lu Zideng and Zheng Kuang that there was a low class emperor rank guarding the location and the plan failed. The final winner would then be him, Fang Li! After all, even if he followed the original plan, he would only get 15,000 spirits.

Fang Li's heart was full of excitement and fear. These two emotions entangled, but Fang Li was sure the little fox couldn't sense the presence of the low class emperor rank.

He quickly adjusted and tried to provoke Mo Xie, "What, didn't we agree on it before? If you don't dare to go ahead, you stay here and attract the heavenly devil insect's attention."

"Wuwu~~~~~" little Mo Xie shook her tail and extended one that held the ring.

Seeing the little thing extend the ring worth 25,000 spirits, Fang Li was even more excited.

However, Fang Li was extremely careful and specially checked the ring over with his soul remembrance.

“This is a soul capture ring with a strange soul pet in it. It isn’t the ring previously!” Fang Li immediately furrowed his brow, and said angrily.

“Wuwuwu~~~~~”

Little Mo Xie let out a call as if saying “never planned on giving it to you in the first place.”

After calling out, little Mo Xie threw the soul capture ring to the highest point in the peak. The ring flew in a cold arc that went straight into the cave nine thousand meters up, embedding itself in the rocks.

“What are you doing!!” Fang Li’s expression changed as he said angrily.

“Wuwuwu!!!!” Mo Xie didn’t care about Fang Li. Before Fang Li’s demon could attack, it cast Nien Tail Confusion and jumped to another cave while immediately releasing its demon aura outwards!!!

The reason Mo Xie did this was clearly to expose itself, as well as expose Fang Li as well!

Fang Li was in shock. He was certain that the little fox didn’t detect the presence of the low class emperor rank. However, he didn’t expect it to create mutual destruction before it even got the moon magic stone. Can it be that it never wanted the stone in the first place?!

The moment Mo Xie let out her aura, the entire mountain was alerted. Countless shrill screams sounded, sending sound waves around that affected the mind!

“Wengweng!!!!!!!” From the highest peak, the low class emperor rank insect was alarmed by Mo Xie’s aura!

Its powerful aura pressed forward and Fang Li's invisible demon was immediately revealed! This caused Fang Li's face to become even uglier!!

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“Shit, you had better make sure I don't find out who your master is. The moment I find him, I will pull your master's bones out and use it to make soup. Afterwards, I'll drink it!” Fang Li angrily roared at Mo Xie.

After venting his anger, Fang Li didn't dare stay, and immediately rode on his camouflage demon emperor to the bottom of the mountain!

"Wu wu wu~~~~~"

The small Mo Xie saw that she had already disturbed the Heavenly Devil Insect on the nest at the master peak, and hastily retracted her aura. She transformed into her pitiful state and continued to flee behind Fang Li!

The small Mo Xie also had a main demon attribute, and even if she was unable to camouflage, her speed was not much slower than Fang Li's demon.

“Weng weng weng weng weng~~~~~”

At the peak of the master nest, a black cloud of insects flew out. This cloud could change into whatever shape it wanted too, and right now it was in the shape of thin black yarn that was quickly flying down!

“Don't follow me, you evil creature!!” Fang Li saw the small Mo Xie following him, and was instantly angered.

However, when he turned around and saw the black insect group flying down the main peak, his scalp went numb, and he felt as if the death's god belt was coming to wrap around him!

That was a low class emperor!

The moment he fell within its attack range, Fang Li would be dead. Most importantly, the low class emperor could see through his emperor demon's camouflage. Moreover, it would think the small fellow behind him was part of his team!

The small fellow was pretending to be a small fox, and its true aura was completely retracted. It didn't look like it had any fighting strength. On the other hand, his demon was an emperor, and the moment it was locked onto, its camouflage was of no use. The Ten Winged Heavenly Devil Insect Emperor would definitely be able to find Fang Li's demon!

Right now Fang Li was only thinking of fleeing. He didn't dare to stay here!!

The black bug group flew to a height of 8500 meters when they suddenly gathered together. All of the black fine sand-like insects began to combine together as they gradually formed an enormous Ten Winged Heavenly Devil Insect flickering with a dark gold light!!

Its wings were filled with black colored bone spikes. There were ten wings and with each beat, they resembled meat blades.

It had ten arms, and each one was a black arm blade that flickered with cold light. It looked terrifying!

“Huo!!!!!!!!!!”

The Ten Winged Heavenly Devil Insect opened its large ugly mouth that was filled with saliva. It spat out a black sound wave from its throat that swept down the mountain!

Countless insects were winding around the sound wave. These creatures were tiny, but their biting abilities were terrifying. One of these small insects would be able to bite through the bone of a normal creature within ten seconds. Right now, there were thousands if not ten thousands of these bugs following the sound wave as it flew towards Fang Li's soul pet.

Fang Li was so frightened that he was drenched with sweat. When he felt the technique coming for him, he flusteredly had the demon emperor dodge!

The Heavenly Devil Insects were a thousand meters away. At this distance, the demon emperor was still able to dodge.

After dodging this terrifying attack, Fang Li turned around and looked at the small fox.

Fang Li nearly spat out blood because that small fox had already fled in another direction. However, that Ten Winged Heavenly Devil Insect had ignored that small fellow and was chasing after him!!

The low class emperor rank creature possessed intelligence, and it naturally knew that this human soul pet trainer had come here to cause trouble.

The Ten Winged Heavenly Devil Insect had discovered Mo Xie first before discovering Fang Li. However, in its eyes, it had to kill the greedy human first. As for the small creature whose aura had suddenly turned weak and pitiful, even if it knew that the small creature was faking it, it would not be able to catch up.

Therefore, when the small Mo Xie chose to flee in another direction, the Ten Winged Heavenly Devil Insect ordered a few Eight Winged Heavenly Devil Insect to pursue it, while it would pursue the evil human. After all, this human was clearly working together with the two other humans at the front!

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On the ground, Chu Mu was still hidden at a safe spot. He lifted his head and looked at the northern side of the main nest mountain.

“That’s the low class emperor rank Heavenly Devil Insect. It looks even bigger than the previous ones!” Chu Mu let out a sigh.

Fortunately, Chu Mu had never planned on ever splitting the profits 50/50 with those fellows. Otherwise, after Mo Xie made her way up to the top, she would definitely be killed by the low class emperor.

Fang Li knew he wasn’t the low class emperor’s opponent, so he fled towards Lu Zideng and Zheng Kuang in hopes they would be able to help him resolve this danger.

When Chu Mu discovered that Fang Li was luring the enemy to his allies, he couldn’t help but laugh. With two low class emperors, those three people would definitely would be demolished!

Indeed, not long later, when Lu Zideng discovered that Fang Li failed and was fleeing while being chased by an even more terrifying enemy, he gave out several coarse curses. This truly was unbefitting of a Kingdom Lord!

Loud rumbling sounds continuously echoed from the area in front of him, and Chu Mu knew that the three people had chosen to flee. After all, even if they were stronger, they would not be able to face the two low class emperors and other pseudo emperors. Moreover, there were clearly many other monarch rank soul pets pursuing them from Heavenly Devil Insect main peak.

If he wasn't afraid that he would be discovered, Chu Mu would have gone to the main peak to watch those three fellows, who thought they were so smart flee in such a sorry state.

“Wu wu wu~~~~~”

After a moment, the small body of Mo Xie jumped on Chu Mu's shoulder.

Chu Mu rubbed this clever small fellow's head and praised: “You did well. Now we just wait for Old Li's good news.”

“Wu wu wu~~~~~” the small Mo Xie adorably nodded her head.

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On the main peak 9000 meters up, the soul capture ring that was embedded in the cave had been ignored by everyone.

Suddenly, the soul capture ring began to flicker. Immediately afterwards, a short figure jumped out of the ring, its claws stuck into the rock.

Right now, there were practically no Heavenly Devil Insects left on the main peak. This creature that was half suspended into the air could not be discovered!

“I'm already so old, yet you're having me do something so dangerous!” grumbled Old Li.

After speaking, Old Li carefully climbed up.

This place was only a few hundred meters away from the Heavenly Devil Insect's highest cave. Although there were a few guards, Old Li's strange ability made it only too easy for him to avoid them. After all, there were no emperor rank soul pets here.

Old Li was still careful as he quickly climbed up to the highest cave.

Indeed, there was no longer an emperor rank soul pet in the highest cave. This only made it easier for Old Li.

Old Li was very acute, and it was rare that something escaped his eyes.

Quickly, Old Li found a location where he could find moonlight, and saw that there was a Moonlight Magic Stone flickering with gorgeous moonlight!

"It really is a third rank Moonlight Magic Stone. Young master has truly struck it big! Anyhow, young master's exploitation of Fang Li to lure away the enemy was truly ingenious. That idiot Fang Li thought that they would split things 50/50? He wishes!" Old Li muttered.

As he spoke, Old Li wiped away his drool, and used his claws to carefully take the Moonlight Magic Stone. As for the infant Heavenly Devil Insects in the cave, Old Li could completely ignore them.

"50 thousand spirits are in possession!!!" Old Li cracked a smile, revealing his rows of pearly white teeth. He carefully put away the pupil size Moonlight Magic Stone.

"Those Heavenly Devil Insects won't return for a while. Why don't I continue looking around. Perhaps there are other treasures here?" Old Li muttered.

It was extremely rare to be able to enter the final nest of a fourth rank tribe. Old Li got greedy, and carefully began to make his way deep into the cave.

The inside of the cave were numerous soul crystals, but most of them were within the tenth rank. Old Li expertly grabbed the tenth and ninth rank soul crystals. These were all worth gold and he couldn't ignore any profit!

“Haha ~~~ there’s unexpectedly Heavenly Devil Insect Eggs!!” Old Li covered his mouth as he nearly let out a shout of excitement!

Old Li had very good eyes. He was immediately able to tell the difference between Eight Winged Heavenly Devil Insect Eggs and Ten Winged Heavenly Devil Insect eggs. The one currently being guarded by several peak monarch rank Heavenly Devil Insects was the only Ten Winged Heavenly Devil Insects. This item was worth 10 thousand spirits!

Those several peak monarchs clearly were not on guard as they were currently bickering with each other.

Old Li’s body was short and he utilized the various rugged rocks to slowly approach the Ten Winged Heavenly Devil Insect egg.

“It belongs to me!!”

Suddenly, Old Li jumped out and his short legs broke into a run. He unexpectedly was able to use his arms to life the Ten Winged Heavenly Devil Insect Egg that was as large as his head above him. Then, he slipped out of the cave!

Those mother Heavenly Devil Insects that were still bickering now all had their eyes wide open. For a moment, they didn’t react. It wasn’t until Old Li made it out of the cave that they let out angry roars and rapidly flapped their wings in pursuit!

Old Li ran very quickly down the mountain. He didn’t care if this would attract any remaining Heavenly Devil Insects.

Yet, running down ten thousand meters from the peak at such a fast speed left a trail of smoke that rose up and alarmed the defending Heavenly Devil Insects. Many of them didn’t know what was going on or what that short creature was. It wasn’t until their comrades pursuing it told them that it had stolen their prince, they began to bare their teeth and chase Old Li!

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One month later

Wogu City

In a secluded courtyard's small pavilion, a middle aged man was downing wine as his laugh reverberated around the courtyard.

"That's good, that's too good. You, brat, really do have guts. You knew that it was a fourth rank tribe, and that there were an additional three spirit emperors. Yet, you still dared steal away their treasures. No wonder when I encountered the three of them a few days ago and berated them, they looked so dejected. They got screwed!" Chu Tianren didn't stop laughing, and his hand kept slapping the table.

In the forbidden region, Chu Tianren had been chased by the million insect legion for an entire half a month. Half a month later, his physical energy had been completely spent, and he didn't dare stay any longer in the forbidden region, returning to Wogu City.

After returning, he wasn't able to find Chu Mu. He was worried that something happened to him, and planned on reentering the forbidden region just when Chu Mu returned. When he returned, he brought Chu Tianren news that made him howl with happiness.

Chu Tianren was most upset not because they hadn't obtained much in the forbidden region, but because he had been used by other people and been chased for so long.

Yet, Chu Mu ended up setting up a beautiful turnaround, causing Chu Tianren to swallow his words. A foe's tragedy made him very happy!

"Third Uncle, you really don't want the Moonlight Magic Stone?" asked Chu Mu.

Chu Tianren drank the wine and slightly laughed as he shook his head. The truth was that Chu Tianren had indeed wanted the Moonlight Magic Stone worth 50 thousand spirits. However, Chu Mu had risked his life this time by himself to steal it. Chu Tianren, on the other hand, had been forced away due to his own recklessness. Although Chu Mu really respectfully wanted to split half of it with him, as an elder generation, Chu Tianren couldn't have such a thick face.

25 thousand spirits was definitely a large amount. For this amount, Chu Tianren was willing to kill others and plunder from them, offend factions and even risk his own life. However, it was only in

this situation that Chu Tianren didn't want it. This came from his own team mentality, as he didn't feel he was justified on taking it.

"It was my mistake this time. I lost out on a good opportunity. How about I take the 3000 spirits and inner crystals from before?" Chu Tianren said.

"I also have 3 pseudo emperor rank Heavenly Devil Insect inner crystals. I took them from the main cave. How about I give them to you?" Chu Mu couldn't slight Chu Tianren. Without his leadership, he wouldn't have dared to go so deep into the forbidden region.

"Three?!" Chu Tianren was stunned.

Normally, three inner crystals of Heavenly Devil Insects were worth only 1.5k spirits. However, due to the nomination requirements for the realm thrones, inner crystals had quadrupled in value, and three of them were now worth 6k spirits!

These three inner crystals had been stolen by Old Li. They had been placed in the main cave for a long time, and if it wasn't because of Old Li's sharp eyes, they would have been neglected.

Chu Tianren didn't try to argue, and happily took the three inner crystals.

In total, Chu Tianren had obtained 11k spirits. This was definitely a large amount to Chu Tianren, because this would allow him to nurture another pseudo emperor!

Even if he didn't use it for a pseudo emperor, he could also use it to feed his soul pets. If he remained low key and didn't fight, this was enough to feed them for a few years.

Thus, tonight, Chu Tianren drank and laughed.

"That being said, you need to be careful of Lu Zideng and the two others. You offended them so they definitely will not let you off easily." Chu Tianren reminded Chu Mu.

"I'll be careful." Chu Mu nodded his head. Yet, the opponent hadn't even seen what he looked like before fleeing in a miserable state. Wouldn't it be too hard for them to find trouble for him?

That night, Chu Tianren still happily went to do his nightly activities.

Chu Mu, however, maintained his good habits, and began to silently cultivate in his room.

If one day was not enough to break into the spirit emperor rank, Chu Mu would not be able to strengthen his soul pets.

Chu Mu still had an emperor rank wood type soul crystal which was capable of strengthening the Devil Tree Battle Soldier into the pseudo emperor rank. But before reaching the spirit emperor rank, Chu Mu didn't dare try doing this. He didn't believe that he would have the same luck as strengthening the White Nightmare into an emperor at the ninth remembrance.

“Wu wu wu~~~”

“Wu wu wu~~~~”

Chu Mu was silently cultivating when the small Mo Xie let out a murmur, awakening Chu Mu.

Chu Mu opened his eyes and discovered that the small Mo Xie was using her tail to bind the short legs of Old Li. Then, she used her mouth to bite the small bag on Old Li's back.

“Nothing, I don't have anything!” Old Li looked flustered, as if he wanted to run. Yet, the small Mo Xie bit her teeth, and the small bag came off.

“Ding ding~~~~” a small spatial ring fell on the ground and Old Li's face changed as he hastily went to pick it up.

Unfortunately, Chu Mu saw the ring too.

Chu Mu beckoned with his hand, indicating for Old Li to hand the ring over.

Old Li suddenly became transformed into a great young lady who squirmed in place with a flushed face. His two hands guarded the spatial ring, and his attitude indicated that he was unwilling to hand it over.

“Wu wu~~~” the small Mo Xie glared at Old Li.

Old Li was helpless, and could only open the spatial ring. Then, he took out a soul pet egg and placed it on the ground. He said: “This is a Ten Winged Heavenly Devil Insect Egg that I obtained from there...”

Chu Mu was stunned. He never expected that Old Li would be so bold as to steal a Ten Winged Heavenly Devil Insect Egg. It was no wonder that when he fled, there was such a huge group of Heavenly Devil Insects chasing.

Chu Mu was very surprised, but he happily took the Heavenly Devil Insect egg worth 10k spirits.

An emperor rank soul pet egg could be auctioned. If he was lucky, it could potentially be auctioned off for above 10k spirits. After all, this was a soul pet with a species rank of an emperor. As it was further strengthened, there was even less of a chance that it would fail in strengthening due to species ranking and innate talent restrictions.

This meant that he had obtained 60k spirits this time!! Taking the risk was indeed worth it!!

“If you hoard such a shimmering object, I’ll treat you as a selfish addict. What’s the point in hoarding it? Could it be you can raise a soul pet?” Chu Mu asked, curiously.

Chu Mu knew that Old Li had his own hoard of objects. Just now when he had dropped the spatial ring, inside was definitely a huge amount of objects. It could very well be the accumulation of 200 years. Moreover, Liu Binglan had told Chu Mu that Old Li had been committing huge thefts for dozens of years, even stealing items from numerous large factions.

Chu Mu was curious. What was the point in a half human half soul pet collecting these items? Was he able to strengthen his own rank? But even if he got stronger, his attacks would still be insignificant.

“Haha, it’s my own secret.” Old Li’s face was red as he laughed.

Chu Mu knew that Old Li had secrets, but if this old fellow remained tight-lipped, Chu Mu couldn’t do anything about it.

As for what was in Old Li's spatial ring, Chu Mu was certain Old Li would stake his own life not to give it over.

Old Li could still be considered loyal. This could be seen from how he fled from battles much less now, and how he really was a huge help to Chu Mu. Thus, Chu Mu didn't need to force this old fellow to expose his bottom line. If he enjoyed hoarding, then why not let him hoard.

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A few days later, Chu Mu sent the tenth rank items he obtained from the fourth rank tribe to the Chu Family. Furthermore, not long after, the young generation of Chu Xian, Chu He, Chu Lang and the others arrived at Wogu City. Indeed, after they saw Chu Mu, they excitedly described the shocked expressions on their family member's faces when they saw the items in the spatial ring.

Chu Mu was gratified at being able to see his family's strength rise so quickly.

Chu Mu could see that his cousins were in high fighting spirits. They had come to Wogu Region for the disaster that would arrive here in a short while. They planned on joining the human protection army to fight against the Heavenly Devil Insects. On the one hand, this would help the family establish a few banners while also providing them with the requisite training they needed.

Chu Mu couldn't intervene with family matters, so he could only send back various types of resources.

Chu Mu originally planned on heading east after dealing with family matters. He would continue increasing his own strength while also seeing if he could meet up with Ye Qingzi and Ye Wansheng.

Since there was going to be a soul emperor exchange in Wogu Region, Chu Mu decided to wait for the exchange to finish before leaving. This way, he could sell off the Moonlight Magic Stone. Otherwise, it would only be a few months before there would be problems with the Little Hidden Dragon's resources.

Moreover, Old Soul Teacher De would come to Wogu Region. This was perfect because Chu Mu wanted him to help concoct a multi-attribute spirit item.

Other people consecrated Soul Palace's elders as gods. Yet, Chu Mu was using the elders to do manual labor. Moreover, the elders were unable to take money from Chu Mu for doing hard work.

As experts gathered in Wogu Region like clouds, the exchange in Wogu Region increased in resources. Chu Mu began to wantonly collect these resources, as he planned on increasing the ranks of his soul pets that hadn't reached the peak monarch rank yet in the subsequent short period of time.

Chu Mu originally didn't plan on using the 200 billion gold, but he had no choice now. After all, when he reached the spirit emperor rank, gold would be very invaluable to him.

The Ghost King, Binding Wind Spirit and Zhan Ye were Chu Mu's three soul pets that were still stuck at the high class monarch rank. In the next few months, Chu Mu gathered all of the spirit items required and planned on strengthening these three soul pets.

The Ghost King and Binding Wind Spirit were easy. Their attributes were rather simple and strengthening them wasn't hard.

But Zhan Ye's spirit items needed to be mixed and combined.

Jian Shang's mother was probably unable to create a tenth rank dual main attribute spirit item, so Chu Mu could only offer a mission with a reward of gold for a spirit master to combine it for him.

The missions in Wogu City normally didn't have huge rewards. Anything over a 100 million was already considered a huge reward.

Thus, Chu Mu gave a reward of a few 100 millions. This frightened everyone.

However, Chu Mu was a bit surprised because his own reward still wasn't the highest!!

Above his reward was unexpectedly a limitless reward!

This was the first time Chu Mu had heard of a limitless reward!

Chu Mu, out of curiosity, went to see the mission, but when he saw the contents, he was shocked!

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Limitless Reward - Find and Return the Missing Nightmare Palace Princess Jin Rou!!

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Chapter 678: Princess Only In Name

“Little princess went missing!!!!”

Chu Mu stared at the bounty for a while without being able to process it!

Princess Jin Rou’s absence was a huge event. In reality, this bounty had been posted two months ago, and had long since caused a huge commotion throughout the city.

However, Chu Mu had always lived a life somewhat isolated from the world, so he didn't even know about little princess disappearing.

Because of the princess’s strange absence as well as the huge bounty, countless experts were looking for him.

However, this beautiful princess seemed to have evaporated from mankind, leaving no hints at all.

Some top tier searching experts were looking for the princess using items that the princess had used before, and still had no traces of her. This caused nightmare palace’s elders and palace masters to be especially worried, scared that little princess had had something happen to her.

Finding out about princess Jin Rou’s absence, Chu Mu’s first reaction was related to the defector young woman.

The defector young woman had had the intention of controlling princess Jin Rou multiple times, but never truly succeeded. This time her disappearing was very likely due to the work of the defector young woman.

Chu Mu and Princess Jin Rou had some relationship, so Chu Mu couldn’t just ignore her. Immediately, he found where Nightmare palace people were staying at great chu family.

Chu Mu originally wanted to use his identity as Nightmare Prince to ask Nightmare Palace people if they knew anything more. It just so happened that Qian Qing had arrived at Wogu City too.

Chu Mu could guess that Qian Qing was a highly statused girl in Nightmare Palace. Presumably, she recognized Princess Jin Rou, so she might know more about her disappearance.

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Nearing dawn, Chu Mu waited in the tea building.

Qian Qing came as expected. With her also came a thirty or so year old man. What made Chu Mu surprised was that the accompanying person was also a spirit emperor.

“Once my rank is higher, why are there spirit emperors everywhere, where were they before.....” Chu Mu muttered.

However, Chu Mu knew that he was in a different realm now. Mainly before, even if an expert like that walked right up to him, he wouldn’t be able to detect it.

When Qian Qing walked into the tea room, she told the man to wait aside. The young spirit emperor didn’t say much, only glancing at Chu Mu specially, before sitting aside alone and asking for some tea.

“Bringing along a spirit emperor whenever you go out, I’m truly sorry for bringing you to barbarian valley like that.” Chu Mu was the first to speak.

Qian Qing shook her head, “I was not born under an emperor.... It’s just that a teacher had favored my talent as a soul teacher, and has taken me as an apprentice. In reality, he isn’t this careful usually.....”

At this time, Qian Qing spit her tongue out and said in a small voice, “When princess went missing, I went unannounced to barbarian valley. My teacher thought I went missing too. It was good that he discovered a little late and that I returned soon, or else I would have had a bounty on me too.....”

“Eh.....” Chu Mu laughed awkwardly. Speaking of which, Chu Mu indeed didn’t care much back then before pulling a young woman to barbarian valley with him like that. Thinking back on it, it indeed wasn’t the best move.

“En, did you say the same time? Wasn’t that five months ago? Didn’t the princess go missing around two months back?” Chu Mu suddenly put things together, and asked quickly.

“The news outside is two months. In reality, the princess’s guards, subordinates, and female servants hadn’t seen her for five months.” Qian Qing said to Chu Mu.

The princess went missing for this long, yet nightmare palace never noticed. This was a mistake on the higher levels of nightmare palace. They didn’t dare announce that the princess had been gone for five months, so after confirming the absence of the princess and setting the bounty, they said two months, even though no one has seen her for around five months.

“This long.....” Chu Mu immediately furrowed his brows.

If it were five months back, then he had only left Tianxia City for around four to five months. The defector young woman’s influence should have been undermined by Palace master Yu after Chu Mu killed the defector young woman puppet.

The defector young woman couldn’t possibly have regathered her forces this quickly and stolen princess Jin Rou unless there was someone the defector young woman hid in tianxia city.....

No matter what, if it were five months back, with Palace master Yu actively blocking any attempts for the puppet to regather forces, the chances the princess was taken by the defector young woman was much lower.

However, eliminating the possibility that it was the defector young woman, then where did the little princess go?

“Why did nightmare palace only notice after three months? At least she’s a princess. If she didn’t appear in any public setting for this long, wouldn’t you realize something is wrong?” Chu Mu asked.

“This.....” Qian Qing hesitated, and stole a glance at her senior male fellow student and said in a lower voice, “Our generation may see her as the golden branch, a princess high up, protected with many experts and have many loyal followers and admirers. In reality, this is all just on the surface.”

“All just on the surface? What does this mean? Is she not as outstanding as we all think?” Chu Mu raised an eyebrow.

Qian Qing’s words confused Chu Mu. Princess Jin Rou’s fame was uncontested. At any occasion, she was the spotlight. The mysterious face under the veil, the gentle yet refined mannerisms, all could leave a very deep impression on people. After this many years, in young generation females, her influence was almost immovable.

It was this faint, noble, gorgeous quality that caused Chu Mu to be wary of her, as he had a poor impression of perfect looking women since a young age. He lumped her with the defector young woman. Of course, now Chu Mu knew they were completely different people.

“Princess Jin Rou is our symbolic female goddess. Of course, this is just the euphemistic way of saying it.” At this moment, the person drinking tea beside Qian Qing slowly opened his mouth.

He specially glanced at Qian Qing and laughed apologetically, signaling that he didn’t eavesdrop intentionally.

However, he walked over himself and sat down beside Qian Qing, smiling very officially while continuing, “More colloquially, she’s just a pretty decoration. It’s just like how some churches have a sacred lady to make followers feel the church is pure and sacred. In reality, the church high level people all know that the sacred lady is just a flower pot. Without her, they could just find a prettier flower pot; it is that simple. Only fools believe that the sacred lady is holy and uncontaminated.....”

Qian Qing’s senior male fellow student clearly saw the nightmare palace seventh level title on Chu Mu’s waist. Seeing Qian Qing not stopping him, he continued to explain.

“You are also a member of Nightmare Palace, and should know that we nightmare palace have a lot of shady sections. Our name in the past hasn’t been great, and it is detrimental to the growth of our organization. So, we indeed had to build up someone who could win the people’s hearts and remove the misunderstanding people have of nightmare palace. Princess Jin Rou was raised for this position.

Chu Mu gazed at Qian Qing's senior male fellow student. Though this man seemed to just be relaying a reality, if you listened closely, one could hear a little bit of belittlement of little princess, along with an even more complicated emotion tied within.

"Princess Jin Rou is the daughter of the last generation Nightmare Emperor. With Emperor Jiang having taken over, her identity as a princess was indeed only in name....." Qian Qing actually didn't want to reveal the tragedy of princess Jin Rou's identity like this, but since her fellow student said it, she could only clarify.

Qian Qing and her fellow student's words caused a large ripple in Chu Mu's heart. He indeed didn't know that under the countless dazzling halos, princess Jin Rou was, in reality, powerless and only had the name.

"So, you're saying the nightmare palace high level people didn't care at all when no one saw here for three months....." Chu Mu slowly said.

Qian Qing could only nod carefully. She knew Chu Mu and Princess Jin Rou had some relationship, or else they wouldn't team up in the seventh and ninth realm.

"Then who issued the bounty?" Chu Mu continued.

"Elder Ye Tao. Elder Ye Tao was little princess's uncle and her only reliance. I thought Princess Jin Rou would have told you about her identity before....." Qian Qing said.

Chu Mu shook his head. Princess Jin Rou indeed had never mentioned this to Chu Mu. In a moment, Chu Mu felt a little helpless. He still had some misunderstandings with her.

Maybe, the calm and refined yet depressed girl staring at the water is her true self.

"Do you know where she is?" Qian Qing asked in a low voice.

Chu Mu shook her head. He wasn't sure it was the defector young woman's actions anymore.

"Maybe she couldn't handle the pressure and left herself." Qian Qing's follower said lightly.

Chu Mu didn't mind the fellow student's mocking towards Princess Jin Rou and instead started asking for more details on princess Jin Rou's missing from Qian Qing.

It was a pity that with such an early event, even princess Jin Rou's closest servants didn't have any accurate information.

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Chu Mu had nowhere to start. If no one could find princess Jin Rou, then this woman may truly evaporate from mankind. When people spoke of her, they would only speak of regrets of not being able to see her true appearance under the veil.

The princess's absence was something Chu Mu had no power to change. Only in Wanxiang City could he confirm with the defector young girl whether the princess was in her hands.

If the princess wasn't, then such a strange disappearance for over five months could mean a later story for the princess.....

Chapter 679: Four Month Seclusion, Reach Spirit Emperor!

Very quickly, fourth months had passed.

These four months, Chu Mu successfully strengthened Ghost King, Binding Wind Spirit, and Zhan Ye to top tier monarch rank, in the process spending almost all 200 billion gold coins.

This time, other than strengthening his soul pets, Chu Mu just secluded himself and meditated.

Chu Mu had two emperor rank soul pets already and also had half devil blood, meaning he almost had no bottlenecks.

Breaking through to spirit emperor mainly was a problem of just time and silent meditation. So, over these four months, he meditated nonstop as he tried to break through.

The reason he wanted to break through spirit emperor this bad, was because he really needed to strengthen devil tree battle soldier to emperor rank. On the other hand, little hidden dragon was rapidly growing, and was nearly sixth phase seventh stage.

If Chu Mu couldn't reach soul emperor, once little hidden emperor reached seventh phase, little hidden dragon could overmature and fly off by itself.

So, it was very important whether Chu Mu could break through spirit emperor.

“Young master, after four months of silent meditation, your soul remembrance is probably around soul master peak. You should try to use the soul item Ye Qingzi left you and enter into spirit emperor.” Old Li felt that Chu Mu had already completely prepared himself to enter spirit emperor rank.

Chu Mu spent a long four months in seclusion training, and he also had Ye Qingzi's soul item that raised a soul pet trainer remembrance. Breaking through successfully was very likely.

That night, when Chu Mu had the fullest soul power, he started the breakthrough process.

“Bless me to succeed.” Holding the medicine that Ye Qingzi left Chu Mu, he silently muttered.

Last time Chu Mu thought of Ye Qingzi, he accidentally went from eighth remembrance to ninth remembrance. This time, Chu Mu did the same thing, and hoped that Ye Qingzi would continue to bring him good luck.

Thinking that his strength was about to step into the ranks of true experts, Chu Mu couldn't help but get excited. Especially once he reached spirit emperor, his devil tree battle soldier and binding wind spirit would quickly reach emperor rank, causing Chu Mu's heart to palpitate with excitement.

Taking a deep breath in, finally, Chu Mu took the soul item and immediately closed his eyes to enter meditation.

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“You sure it’s here?” Outside the courtyard, elder Tu of great chu family and another middle aged man slowly walked over. The man lifted an eyebrow and looked at what seemed to be an extremely normal courtyard.

“He’s training in seclusion, I’m not sure if he will come to see us.” Elder Tu said.

“Heng, this Chu Chen truly has too much of an ego. Last month, we came three or four times. What was the result? He doesn’t care for us at all. Elder Tu, if I don’t get to see him again, I’m forcefully entering. Even if he has emperor rank soul pets, he at least is a young generation. How can he have this little regard for us? Additionally, I heard from others that there’s a suspicion of cheating for his final honor win. After all, the emperor rank soul pet appeared too coincidentally.” The middle aged man said angrily.

“Chu Tianxing, don’t be rash. Soul pet trainers’ biggest taboo is being interrupted while being in silent meditation.” Elder Tu said in a low voice.

“I don’t care, just count how many times we’ve come!” Chu Tianxing said without much regard.

Last month, Chu Tianxing came multiple times and was always stopped at the gate. He had a limit to his patience.

“Let me go ahead and ask, there is no hurry.” Elder Tu naturally knew that they couldn’t afford to anger Chu Mu so he quickly walked ahead.

“Heng, wait again.” Chu Tianxing was a brash person. This time, he truly was angry and didn’t care about elder Tu’s blocking, walking directly into the courtyard that Chu Mu bought in Wogu City.

This courtyard was where Chu Mu and Chu Tianren lived. From morning to night, Chu Tianren went to events that he needed to be at, while Chu Mu stayed and meditated. In the room, other than a female servant cleaning and making food, there was no one else.

Seeing Chu Tianxing come in with so much anger, the little female servant was quickly scared away into hiding, not daring to walk out.

Chu Tianxing quickly found Chu Mu’s room and muttered while walking, “Isn’t it just silent meditation, would it kill him to pause for a second? Let me see just how arrogant this battle of the realm first place winner is!”

After speaking Chu Tianxing walked in front of Chu Mu's door and pushed hard. The door creaked loudly and was pushed open!

"You can't, you can't!" Elder Tu quickly ran forward and pulled Chu tianxing back.

However, as he pushed to door open, Chu Tianxing didn't step forward, instead staring astonished at the young man sitting cross legged on the cold floor.

Elder Tu was dazed. Staring at Chu Mu, he was surprised to find that Chu Mu's body was shrouded by a strange energy. This energy was like the shadows of a flame, but also like the scattered light of stars. It caused Chu Mu's body to seem ephemeral almost.

"This....." Chu Tianxing was shocked. He could feel that the person's soul remembrance encompassed the entire room.

As a ninth remembrance spirit master, Chu Tianxing could clearly feel the immense pressure from this soul remembrance that stopped him from taking another step!

Spirit emperor rank mental strength!!

Chu Tianxing was already ninth remembrance. If the soul remembrance could easily pressure his, it could only be that of a spirit emperor!

What he never would have thought was this powerful spirit emperor level soul remembrance came from a young man that only looked in his twenties!!

At this moment, Chu Mu slowly opened his eyes and stared at Chu Tianxing who suddenly barged into his room.

Chu Tianxing immediately felt himself get locked on. If a ninth remembrance soul master were locked on, he at most would feel great mental pressure. However, what caused Chu Tianxing to immediately sweat profusely was in the corner of this room, a cold and emotionless evil fox monarch opened its demonic eyes and also locked onto Chu Tianxing!

Chu Tianxing knew very clearly that as long as he took another step forward, the emperor rank fox monarch would leap forward and claw his throat out. And, being locked on by a spirit emperor, he wouldn't even have the time to summon a soul pet before getting killed instantly!

"Young master, young master, I'm elder Tu, this is..... This is great chu family's vice family master - Chu Tianxing, who specially came forth to visit." Elder Tu's heart was also overcome with shock. After all, a few months back, he could still tell that Chu Mu was just a spirit master. However, at this point, he saw that Chu Mu was now in the realm of spirit emperors!

Seeing elder tu's voice, Chu Mu nodded at elder Tu and shook his hand to tell Mo Xie to remove her hostility.

Mo Xie's two demonic eyes slowly dimmed away, as she stepped forth beside Chu Mu and lightly licked Chu Mu's palm.

After Mo Xie removed her enmity, Chu Tianxing shuddered and almost fell down.

The feeling of being stared at by an emperor rank was truly too terrifying, causing him to feel so insignificant he didn't even dare to fight back, feeling only infinite fear.

Taking many deep breaths and finally, after all the pressure was relieved, Chu Tianxing finally calmed down a little and stared in disbelief as he asked quietly, "You.....you're now a spirit emperor?"

"En, I just succeeded. If you came a few minutes earlier, you would be lying dead outside in the courtyard." Chu Mu said lightly.

A few minutes ago, Chu Mu was in the key phases of breakthrough. At that time, Mo Xie extended her detection to the few hundred meters around the region. Everything that held hostility towards Chu Mu and tried to bother him would have died for sure!

Chu Tianxing's face was dirt colored, and he dared not say another word.

The person was now truly a spirit emperor. Facing such an expert, how would he dare to be disrespectful again, especially after barely escaping death the first time.

“What’s the matter?” Chu Mu asked.

“Oh, oh, its this.” Elder Tu immediately came back to his senses and quickly asked, “We, great chu family, receive a lot of noble guests from soul palace. Hearing that young master Chu was in wogu city, family master would like to see young master and act as host. In a few days, great chu family will hold a large banquet, and we wish for young master to attend. If young master can attend, it would be an honor for great chu family.”

“En, I’ll come.” Chu Mu nodded, respecting elder Tu. As for the Chu Tianxing, Chu Mu truly had no good feelings for him.

Chu Mu didn’t have any good feelings for Chu Tianxing, because the person dared to barge into his room, but also because of his father Chu Tianmang. Clearly, Chu Tianxing must be his father’s brother, but if even Chu Tianmang didn’t wish to see this person as family, why would Chu Mu treat them with respect?

“Then.....then I won’t bother young master any further.....and also, also, congratulations for reaching a new level.” Elder tu quickly said.

“Congratulations, congratulations.....” Chu Tianxing said with a stiff smile too.

After speaking, elder Tu quickly pulled Chu Tianxing out of there, in case Chu Mu felt like finding trouble with Chu Tianxing. After all, Chu Tianxing had committed the great taboo of interrupting a silent meditation.

After leaving the courtyard, Chu Tianxing was still slightly shaky with fear, not even walking properly.

He lowered his voice and said to elder Tu, “Spirit emperor! The people previously all said Chu Chen’s only reliance was his one emperor rank soul pet!!”

Most Of tianxia city people knew that Chu Mu was a spirit master with middle class monarch rank strength. However, with the appearance of his emperor rank soul pet, he reached all the way to first tier and became the winner of final honor.

So, many people in other factions still thought Chu Mu had somehow cheated, and his real strength wasn’t at the spirit emperor level.

It was only with this information that he dared to be this disrespectful.

Yet, this one brash action had almost caused him to lose his life. He had already cursed the person who gave him the information thousands of times over. Chu Chen was now a true spirit emperor.

That emperor rank soul pet was also a true emperor ranks soul pet. Even if he summoned his soul pet, Chu Tianxing would get instantly killed along with his soul pets, let alone not having any soul pets when he entered!

Chapter 680: Great Banquet, Fang Li's Provocation

Since he had reached the spirit emperor rank, Chu Mu decided to strike while the iron was hot. He took the emperor first rank wood type soul crystal he obtained from Tian Ting, and used it to strengthen the Devil Tree Battle Soldier to the emperor rank.

Chu Mu's soul remembrance was abundant, and due to just breaking into the spirit emperor level, this abundance lasted for an especially long time. Chu Mu no longer consumed soul remembrance as fast.

Promptly, Chu Mu had Mo Xie guard him as he began to strengthen the Devil Tree Battle Soldier.

A spirit emperor's soul remembrance was strong. Chu Mu was able to easily guide the energy inside the wood type soul crystal. Moreover, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier was only a single attribute soul pet which made strengthening much easier.

It was nearly midnight when Chu Mu had imbued all of the energy in the wood type crystal into the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's body. Its body had completely changed, now wrapped by fifth rank pavilion wood while its arms, shoulders and other limbs manifested imposing pavilion wood weapons!

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier automatically stuck its roots into the ground. The strength of a wood type soul pet could always be determined from its attack range. In the past, its roots were only able to cover a range of about 500 meters.

After evolving to the emperor rank, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's roots reached a range of over 1000 meters. This meant that it could stand in place and attack enemies 1000 meters away in a group fight!

"Another emperor!" watching the imposing Devil Tree Battle Soldier that had a slightly taut and desolate aura, Chu Mu revealed a satisfied smile.

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There were two meanings to the Great Chu Family's great banquet. On the surface, the Great Chu Family was inviting the experts from various factions to welcome them. But in reality, this banquet would serve as an exchange between spirit emperors.

The great banquet lasted from dusk until midnight. After midnight, normal guests would disperse while the spirit emperors would remain and engage in a rare spirit emperor exchange. Therefore, Chu Mu was definitely going to participate in this great banquet.

Chu Tianren was a spirit emperor, and would naturally attend the great banquet as well. Before leaving, he had his female servant dress him up so that he no longer looked like a wandering uncle. Instead, he looked like an elegant and handsome older man.

Using Chu Tianren's words to describe it, this wasn't dressing up for the spirit emperors, but rather so he could dazzle the eyes of the beautiful women of the great banquet. It would be best if he could stir some feelings of love in a few women who were cold and elegant on the outside, but sexy and hot on the inside.

Chu Mu had witnessed Chu Tianren's romantic nature before. Thus, Chu Mu had nothing to say towards this.

When it came to dressing up, Chu Mu mainly cared about being tidy and relaxed. As for the grandeur of this occasion, Chu Mu still maintained his usual style.

"What? You aren't smartening yourself up a bit?" Chu Tianren raised his eyebrows and asked a question. He saw that Chu Mu was as calm as normal.

"I'm not very sociable." Chu Mu indifferently replied.

“Haha, experts are always lonely. But you’re already like an eunuch at your age... you have none of the recklessness or brashness of a young man. That’s not good. As a young man, you should be more arrogant and unbridled. If you don’t like looking at someone, then just trample him to death..” laughed Chu Tianren.

“I normally don’t provoke people.” said Chu Mu.

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Chu Mu maintained his normal style. To the proper nobles who deeply cared about dressing up and would even ensure not a single strand of hair was out of order, he looked a bit slovenly dressed, especially for a young man.

A young generation in this type of a great banquet needed to dress properly. He wasn’t like spirit emperors who didn’t need clothes to illustrate their prestige, and thus could wear whatever they wanted. After all, the young generation belonged to the underaged category in this type of a group setting and had to adhere to their etiquette.

Chu Mu indeed was an unsociable person. He calmly sat in his seat, and silently waited for the midnight spirit emperor exchange to arrive. As for the handsome and dressed up young men in the great banquet who were wandering around the noble young ladies, Chu Mu just ignored them.

Of course, this great banquet wasn’t normal. A large portion of the people were experts from Tianxia City. Among the young generation, Chu Mu even saw many familiar people. Some of them were opponents from the Battle of the Realm, while others were famous people he had heard of in Tianxia City.

“I wonder if that great beauty will appear tonight. If I’m able to just speak a few words to her, that would be enough.” said a young man from Yuan Kingdom somewhat hopefully.

“Which great beauty are you speaking of?” asked Qi Xin.

“Nightmare Palace’s young princess. Numerous experts from the second grade have arrived. Wasn’t she one of the top experts from the second grade as well? I think she’ll appear as well. I remember a few years ago she brought her team to our Yuan Kingdom and challenged the young experts from

our kingdom. Back then I was fortunate enough to witness it...” said the Yuan Kingdom young man like was reminiscing.

Qi Xin looked speechless before asking: “How long did you train in the wild for?”

“About half a year. Why?” asked the Yuan Kingdom young man.

“She’s gone missing. No one has heard from her in half a year. This has caused quite a bit of commotion in the various large cities. There have even been some admirers who created teams to search for her...”

“Huh? Missing. But how?” the young man was shocked.

Indeed, at this type of occasion, the young princess would have been the focal point of all the young men. However, when he remembered what Jian Qin had told him, Chu Mu couldn’t help but sigh.

Missing for half a year and not a single message. Chu Mu couldn’t help but be a bit worried.

“Last month, I obtained the head of four Eight Winged Heavenly Devil Insects and have now been promoted to the leader of a thousand manned soul pet trainer legion. Next month if those Heavenly Devil Insects still dare invade, I’ll slaughter them!” said Qi Xin.

Qi Xin and that young man quickly changed the topic from Princess Jin Rou to the Heavenly Devil Insect invasion.

Two months ago, the Heavenly Devil Insects were already restless. The human experts gathered in Wugo Region had already had a few light clashes against the Heavenly Devil Insects. Of course, most of it was young generation members showing off.

Chu Mu remembered that two months ago, there were a few people from the Tianxia competition authority who had come in hopes that he would be able to become a leader of the young generation and fight against the onslaughting Heavenly Devil Insects.

Chu Mu’s present reputation was very high. With him as a leader, countless young generation admirers would be willing to enter this fight. Moreover, the enormous young generation legion really needed such a person to be a key figure.

However, Chu Mu had no interest in this. Instead, he continued to cultivate.

As for who took over this position from the young generation, Chu Mu wasn't clear.

"So it was you." Qi Xin discovered Chu Mu and slowly walked over. He had a pleased smile.

Qi Xin was now the leader of a thousand manned squad in the young generation legion. In these two months he had racked up battle accomplishments, and had quite a bit of a reputation in the young generation.

Qi Xin still remembered the fight half a year ago with Chu Mu on the Great Chu Family's main peak's battlefield. Back then, they had only single controlled and he had summoned his secondary soul pet among secondary soul pets. He ended up losing to Chu Mu, so this time when he saw Chu Mu at the great banquet, he naturally went to flaunt.

To these sorts of people, Chu Mu chose to ignore them. Instead his eyes fell on the middle aged man on one of the main seats.

The person on the main seats wasn't a family member from the Chu Family. Instead, it was Yuan Kingdom's Kingdom Lord, Lu Zideng.

Lu Zideng was all smiles as he greeted the other spirit emperor rank experts. Not far away from him was Fang Li and Zheng Kuang. These two wore insincere smiles, and had strange expressions as they softly spoke about something.

Chu Tianren had warned Chu Mu that not long ago there were people following him. He figured it could be Lu Zideng and the others, because they had guessed that the person who had stolen their treasure was linked to him. If they knew that Chu Tianren and Chu Mu lived together, they would guess that it was Chu Mu who did it.

Even if it was someone else, the grievance from a magic stone worth 50 thousand spirits being stolen like that couldn't just be swallowed. These fellows probably wanted to find retribution from Chu Mu.

Indeed, not long after, Fang Li walked towards Chu Mu.

Next to Fang Li followed a rather beautiful woman. She was probably his wife. But this time he had her nastily wait to the side as he walked to Chu Mu.

“If I haven’t recognized you incorrectly, you should be the famous Soul Palace Chu Chen?” asked Fang Li.

“Yes.” Chu Mu wasn’t surprised. Of the young generation who possessed emperor rank soul pets, there was only Chu Mu in the entire Tianxia Realm.

“I wonder if this piece of paper came from Young Master Chu?” in Fang Li’s hand was a piece of paper as he insincerely smiled.

Chu Mu glanced at it before looking at Fang Li.

“It did not.” Chu Mu was calm as normal. Even while lying, he didn’t bat an eyelid.

There would often be battles under the table amongst spirit emperors. However, factions would try to implement justice. While it was Chu Mu who had outsmarted them in the main peak, he had used an underhanded method and if they wanted to seek retribution, Chu Mu would be in the wrong. Therefore, Chu Mu wouldn’t admit to it.

Fang Li sneered. Everyone knew that Soul Palace Chu Chen had a Nine Tailed Sin Fox Fox Monarch, and the small fox Fang Li had seen was definitely a transformation of the Seven Sins Fox. Moreover, among numerous spirit emperors, only Soul Palace’s Chu Cheen had a fox species emperor. Therefore, if it wasn’t Chu Chen who committed the main peak matters, who else could it be?!

“Everyone is well aware of it. We have nothing to say about your techniques being a level higher than ours. However, we spent a long time investigating the Moonlight Magic Stone. Yet, you then schemed against us in the dark and stole it for yourself.” Fang Li stared at Chu Mu, but when he saw that Chu Mu’s expression hadn’t changed, he was silently angry. However, he pretended to be amiable and continued, “according to what you said on the piece of paper, hand over the spatial ring you agreed to. We’ll split 25k spirits to each of us, and then we’ll forget the matter...”

Chu Mu glanced at Fang Li and said: “I don’t know what you’re talking about.”

Fang Li saw that Chu Mu was unwilling to admit it, and a trace of darkness flashed through his eyes and he said: “Don’t think that just because you have Soul Palace’s backing, we won’t dare do anything to you. I advise you to hand it over, otherwise don’t blame us for being impolite. Just relying on one pseudo emperor, do you really think you are on equal terms with us?”

Chu Mu languidly raised his eyes. Then, he grabbed a grape and in front of Fang Li, fed it to the adorable and gluttonous small Mo Xie.

Chu Mu didn’t only have one emperor now. Thus, he had no need to even place Fang Li in his eyes.