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Chapter 861: I Can Also Wear a Mask Part 1

After Shen Qiu's order, a unified group of people suddenly appeared in the alleys and streets of Soul City's city center!

These people quickly gathered together, forming an enormous army, before rapidly moving towards the destroyed plaza!

"What is that!!" Lu Yun's expression instantly paled, as he looked in on fear at the gathering figures!!

The other two Thirty Two Scar experts looked around them, and shockingly discovered that at some point they had been surrounded by three different colored devil flames!!

Cyan colored devil flames, blue colored devil flames, and white colored devil flames. They resembled an ocean wave that was engulfing the center plaza!!

"Army, it's Nightmare Palace's Nightmare Army!!!"

"Where did the army come from! Nightmare Palace could not still have an army!!!" Yang Que was incomparably shocked as he watched the Nightmare Army flood in.

As the city lord, Yang Que knew very clearly what the strength of Nightmare Palace's army that was stationed in Soul City was. However, the enormous Nightmare Army charging at them right now from all directions hadn't been detected by him!!

How on earth did such a force enter his Soul City!

"Senior Zhu Chao... we're... we're surrounded!" Tang Shang was trembling as he spoke.

Soul Alliance strength was lead by Zhu Chao. After all of Soul Alliance's members discovered Nightmare Palace's army crushing their way over, their faces were filled with fear!

Even Zhu Chao's face contorted!

It was no wonder the three great palaces had not moved at all just now. Shen Qiu had also swallowed his anger. Indeed, the three great palaces had earlier plotted to attack Soul Alliance after the soul ability competition!

In Soul City, Zhu Chao's strength was sufficient to deal with Shen Qiu and he even had a peak emperor rank Zhu Haoting as a subordinate. Moreover, City Lord Yang Que was biased towards them. Therefore, Zhu Chao hadn't been afraid of the three great palaces making any rash actions.

However, Zhu Chao never expected that he would be pinned down by a young man and forced to use one of his trump cards. Even more embarrassing and angering was that Nightmare Palace's large army had entered Soul City without him realizing!!

"Senior Zhu Chao. Hurry and give the order, otherwise we'll be unable to escape!"

Chu Mu, alone, had killed one high class emperor rank elder and fifteen high class emperors. Therefore, in terms of high class emperors, the three great palaces had the absolute advantage. Zhu Chao himself had also exhausted three peak emperors, and didn't fully have confidence in suppressing that extremely powerful White Nightmare.

Zhu Chao had been careless. Too careless!

If Yang Que wanted to hold onto his Soul City Lord position, he had to muster the strength and protect his city. He could not help Soul Alliance.

Therefore, without Yang Que holding down Shen Qiu and a group of elders from the three great palaces, Zhu Chao's subordinates could not contend with the three great palaces.

The momentum had shifted! Zhu Chao had originally thought that after the soul ability competition, the three great palaces would no longer be able to stay in Soul City. Yet, the complete reverse happened. and it ended up with him being unable to stand here!

"Kill!!"

Senior Elder Shen Qiu concentrated his soul remembrance voice, and let out a majestic and imposing order to kill!

A great battle was on the verge of breaking out. The restless spirit emperors from the three great palaces all summoned their soul pets once Senior Elder Shen Qiu gave his order.

Immediately, the entire plaza was occupied by savage and violent soul pets from the three great palaces!

The Soul Alliance members had evidently been frozen by the enormous legion, and the three palace alliance that had suddenly issued war. Their summoning speeds were clearly much slower.

However, being slower meant that countless heads would roll on the head with fresh blood spurting. There were human heads and soul pet heads!

Zhu Chao's face was flushed red as he surveyed the number of people falling in this chaotic battlefield filled with wanton energy!

"Retreat, everyone retreat!!" Zhu Chao used soul remembrance to yell!

Zhu Chao had all of Soul Alliance's members gather next to him, as he began to break out of the siege towards the east.

"Long long long long!!!!!!!"

The force of an army and the force of emperors. These were both truly destructive forces. The enormous plaza had been instantly reduced to rubble and the flames of war had spread through the center of the city, continuously destroying!!

The fight that had erupted in the city had been the most miserable.

However, neither side could stop and care about the city. The central faction of Yang Que could not add oil to the fire in the situation. They could only quickly leave the fight between the two great forces and set up layers of protection, defending the center of the city, using plant world soul pets.

Many of the constructs there were sturdily built, and if they were adequately protected, the entire city would not be wiped out.

The fight was chaotic. The three different colored devil flames burning in the very center of the city were continuously spreading out. The streets were trampled and destroyed due to the collision of soul pet energy and various different attributes of strength soared in the air, also covering the sky in chaos!

Loud rumbling sounds were pervasive and amidst the surging smoke, a white clothed Chu Mu silently stood on the demolished honor platform.

Chu Mu no longer had to participate in this fight. With Shen Mo and Shen Qiu heading this enormous Nightmare Palace army and leading the three great palace alliance as they swept through Soul City, all of Soul Alliance's forces were lifted from their roots. From today, Soul City would become a vital base for them!!

What Chu Mu had to do was have the White Nightmare take back the Soul Vessel from Zhu Chao. Then, he could allow White 2, White 4, and White Nightmare have a taste of the enemy's blood!

Chu Mu had known about the three great palace's plan a month ago.

The infiltration of Nightmare Palace's large army had occurred not long after Nightmare Palace's Crown Prince, Shen Mo, had entered Soul City. Indeed, it had been Shen MO that had quietly snuck a portion of the force into the center of Soul City in wait of today in order to unleash a huge slaughter!

Nightmare Palace was cruel and ruthless when they did things. They wouldn't care about the consequences of launching a huge battle.

As Zhu Chao fled with a group of Soul Alliance experts, the city center chaotic battle gradually moved away to the outer city, and then outside the city.

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Ye Wansheng stared in shock as the center of the city was reduced to rubble, and the destruction spread to outside the city. It was a while before he came back to his senses.

"Chu... Chu Mu, next time if you have a plan, tell me first!!" Ye Wansheng had been flabbergasted.

Indeed, this was the first time he had seen such a shocking chaotic soul pet trainer fight where all spirit emperors had participated!!

"I only knew that Nightmare Palace had a trump card, and that they were planning on attacking Soul Alliance today. I didn't know that Nightmare Palace's Shen Qiu and Shen Mo had this kind of method in store." responded Chu Mu.

"I'm going to kill the bastard subordinates of Zhu Chao!" Ye Wansheng swept his eyes over Chu Mu and Ye Qingzi. Promptly, he turned around and flew away to the chaotic fight spreading eastwards.

"Young Master Chu, hurry and come back with me to Soul Palace. City Lord Yang Que definitely knows now that the tides of the battle have changed. Perhaps he may do something extreme and attack you." Princess Wan Ning walked up to Chu Mu with two elders.

"I won't have any problems. You guys take back Maner. Be careful on the way." Chu Mu nodded his head.

Although everything had been decided, City Lord Yang Que was a wildcard. Chu Mu himself wasn't worried about him, but there was a high chance Yang Que could take advantage of the fight between the three great palaces and Soul Alliance and uproot some of the three great palace's members. Therefore, they had no choice but to be wary of him.

"Then... then Young Master Chu needs to be extra careful." Princess Wan Ning didn't stay any longer in the chaotic fight. She brought Ning Maner with her as the two elders as well as a few Holy Guards from Soul Palace quickly returned to Soul Palace.

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The plaza was already destroyed. Fire was everywhere and the air was pervaded with a burning and bloody stench.

During the day, this center plaza was filled with seas of people.

After night fell, the plaza no longer remained and the balance between the two factions had been broken. Most of the things buried in the rubble of the plaza were the corpses of humans and soul pets.

A long robe was wrapped around Ye Qingzi's skinny figure as it fluttered in the wind. Ye Qingzi stood there in the bloody battlefield, making her seem poignant and with melancholy.

A mask was covering her face. However, because she felt flustered while wearing it, her hair was in a bit of disarray.

She stood in place and stared at the back of the familiar yet unfamiliar man.

For some reason, everything was so far away from her, and everything was so quiet. Yet, she still didn't take a step towards him.

Chu Mu's back was faced to Ye Qingzi, as he stared at the enormous thunder snake in the distance.

Suddenly, a smile rose on Chu Mu's face. He slowly opened his palm and grabbed the air!

Space began to ripple and immediately after, an ancient tool slowly appeared in his palm.

Finally, Chu Mu turned around and walked towards Ye Qingzi.

"One month ago, Ye Wansheng told me about the Soul Vessel. I didn't want to disturb your success in the competition so I waited until now to see you..."

Chu Mu walked up to Ye Qingzi and placed the Soul Vessel into her hand.

Through the mask, Chu Mu stared at her eyes. Those cold eyes gradually filled with a sliver of warmth:

"Qingzi... I'm sorry. I made you wait so long for me."

Ye Qingzi hadn't finished crying yet today. Even with a mask on, it was impossible to hide it.

When she touched the Soul Vessel, she also touched Chu Mu's warm hand...

In this moment, her heart began to stir.

It wasn't because the Soul Vessel had returned to her hands, but instead because she had felt true warmth in his hands.

He had gotten mad because of her, and had turned the honor platform into an executioner's stage because of her. He had fought against Medicine Desolation Zhu Chao because of her... for the sole purpose of helping her take back the Soul Vessel.

He would always appear when she was most helpless, and help heal her bruised and injured heart.

She really wanted to throw herself into this man's arms and allow herself to completely blend into his body's heat.

However, when she remembered her terrifying face under her mask, she no longer had the courage to do so.

This time, the recoil on her body had been much more severe than previously. Her face had been completely destroyed...

"Qingzi, what's the matter." Chu Mu extended his hand. It had nearly been four years since they had last seen each other, and Chu Mu didn't want to have a mask in between them.

Thus, he attempted to take off her mask.

"No!" suddenly, Ye Qingzi's body quivered, and she frantically blocked his hand.

If Chu Mu were to see her like this, she would have rather allowed Zhu Chao to kill her.

Ye Qingzi still remembered the looks of horror and fear from everyone when she took off her mask earlier. If she appeared like that in front of the person she liked, her mind would instantly crumble.

"Chu... Chu Mu, don't come close to me right now, ok?" begged Ye Qingzi.

Chu Mu really wanted to hold Ye Qingzi close. However, when he saw her intense reaction, he understood that she was worried about her face. She didn't want to reveal her distorted face in front of him...

"Qingzi, don't worry. It won't be long before you return to normal." consoled Chu Mu.

Ye Qingzi looked at Chu Mu and hesitated a while. She struggled to tell him: "Chu Mu... if I can't recover, will I have to wear this cold cold mask forever?"

Unable to recover?

Chu Mu was stunned!

For a moment, Chu Mu was unable to respond. He could only stare blankly at Ye Qingzi.

"Chu Mu..." Ye Qingzi looked at the speechless Chu Mu, and her heart felt like it had been fiercely pricked.

Ye Wansheng's joking voice suddenly rang through her head again: "If you forever keep this ghostly appearance, who would want you..."

In this instant, she felt that she had been struck by lightning. She didn't dare continue the memory and despondently began to chant an incantation...

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Chu Mu stood there and blankly watched Ye Qingzi ride her Purple Robe Dream Beast out of the city, disappearing from his sight.

The rumbling sounds from outside the eastern part of the city could be heart, but the only thing in his head right now were the final "What if I can't recover" words from Ye Qingzi. Thus, the white clothed Chu Mu stood on the demolished city in solitude, searching his heart for an honest answer...

As Ye Qingzi sped off, Chu Mu had been unable to respond. Thus, she didn't dare turn back and face him.

The further Ye Qingzi left, the more her head was filled with her own terrifying appearance.

The city was slowly left behind and the speeding Purple Robe Dream Beast grew tired like its master. It eventually stopped in a faraway creek in between mountains.

Ye Qingzi jumped off of the Purple Robe Dream Beast. She took off her mask and slowly walked up to the flowing creek.

The creek water was clear and was able to reflect her face. It caused Ye Qingzi to want to rip the reflection apart!

"No matter what, I must recover! I must!!!" Ye Qingzi couldn't let go of Chu Mu.

She wanted to find a method to recover her looks. It didn't matter how long or how hard, but she had to recover. She couldn't keep wearing this loathsome mask!!

"Hui~~~~"

Suddenly, the Purple Robe Dream Beast let out a noise.

Ye Qingzi's body lightly trembled, and she frantically put back on her mask.

It was Chu Mu. Even without turning around, she knew that Chu Mu had followed her over.

"Qingzi, you know that I won't lie to you." Chu Mu's voice came from behind her.

Ye Qingzi didn't turn around. Only, her heart was violently beating as she stared at her own masked reflection.

"A long time ago, there was a face that was as beautiful as a fairy's. However, the person behind this face caused enormous damage to my heart. It was something I am unable to forget even now. Therefore, having devastating beauty, to me, brings me some ineffable fear..." Chu Mu slowly walked up to Ye Qingzi from behind.

"Qingzi, I really do like you. However, I can't say that I truly don't care about the way you look..." honestly said Chu Mu.

Hearing this, Ye Qingzi's delicate figure lightly trembled. She didn't want to hear the rest.

However, in the next instant, Ye Qingzi was stunned.

What appeared in the reflection was another mask!

Ye Qingzi abruptly turned around and stared in shock at Chu Mu, who was also wearing a mask.

"If you don't recover, then wear the mask. I will also wear the mask too..."

After speaking, Chu Mu suddenly hugged Ye Qingzi. He didn't give her a chance to struggle as he tightly held her, making it hard for her to break free.

Chu Mu lowered his head and placed his ice cold mask against her's. On the ice cold material, he gave her a deep kiss.

Ye Qingzi couldn't feel Chu Mu's lips...

However, his words had thoroughly thawed her heart, thawing it into several tears that spilled out of the window of her heart. They ceaselessly rolled down her poisoned face, rolling one drop at a time from her mask...

Chapter 862: Allow me to reintroduce myself, I am Zhu Chao

Outside soul city

The massive mountain-like snake completely collapsed.

Facing the many attackers of nightmare palace including Shen Qiu, Zhu Chao's Empress Heavenly Thunder Snake finally fell down. All sorts of colors of fire burned on its body, extending many kilometers. Zhu Chao looked pale faced at the soul pet army that all were above emperor rank, their faces extremely ugly.

"Relax, Zhu Chao, your life is still valuable. I, Shen Qiu, will at most make you five souls wounded." Shen Qiu rode his blood winged ice tiger.

Zhu Chao's subordinates were almost all destroyed by the three palaces. The rest were all remainders. With a full army of nightmares, even soul alliance's spirit emperors couldn't last long.

Zhu Chao glanced at all the wounded soul pets. The remaining few spirit emperors could only escape partially.

Maybe his disciples could escape, but Zhu Chao himself will definitely be heavily watched. Him escaping would be impossible.

"Hahaha, Shen Qiu, you truly think I, Zhu Chao, will stay and let you beat me?" Suddenly, Zhu Chao laughed.

"Oh, so you have another trump card." Shen Qiu said slowly.

Zhu Chao has already lost three soul pets to Chu Mu, so Shen Qiu had no problem dealing with him.

If Zhu Chao wanted to use medicines to forcefully bring up the soul pets' strengths, Shen Qiu still had a large group of high class emperor rank experts. If they left Zhu Chao's disciples away and turned around to fight Zhu Chao, they could take him down.

"Shen Qiu, your methods are quite advanced. However, you know why my strength always goes up and down?" Zhu Chao said to Shen Qiu, slowly becoming calmer.

This fight caught Zhu Chao completely unaware.

However, was it really that easy to kill Zhu Chao?

Shen Qiu didn't speak, only watching Zhu Chao.

In reality, even Shen Qiu felt it was strange because Zhu Chao was much easier to deal with than he expected.

Shen Qiu meticulously planned this assault, meaning he was certain he would take soul city down and destroy soul alliance. However, many of the problems that Shen Qiu considered didn't appear, making Shen Qiu feel that everything was going too smoothly.

"Shen Qiu, you truly are being too careless. Have you never thought about the differences between when I'm powerful and when I'm average?" Zhu Chao said.

Hearing this, Shen Qiu suddenly furrowed his brows.

After a moment, SHen Qiu's face suddenly became very grave, and he said in a low voice, "You're two people!"

"Hahahaha, you finally understand! It doesn't matter if I tell you now, but he's the real Zhu Chao!!" Zhu Chao laughed wildly!

"Then.....then who are you?" Shen Qiu couldn't help but feel a slight shiver!

Thinking back to Zhu Chao's different strength and different species soul pets, Shen Qiu felt an apprehension like never before!

"Me? I'm just a puppet he used to avoid getting his mouth sealed. However, alliance master didn't put Zhu Chao on the list so I managed to live too, and from then on I was always Zhu Chao....." Zhu Chao smiled sinisterly!

"You're his brother Zhu Yi!" Shen Qiu finally remembered!

Shen Qiu still remembered that twenty years ago, Zhu chao's brother Zhu Yi was avidly chasing soul palace's noble woman Liu Binglan and was rumored to have been killed by Chu Tianmang outside of Wanxiang City.

Before, with what Zhu Chao told Chu Mu, he mentioned that Chu Tianmang had once gone against him. Shen Qiu originally thought Zhu chao was referring to the event where his brother was killed by Chu Tianmang. He never expected that Zhu Chao was just Zhu Yi himself, and the real Zhu Chao had disappeared from everyone's eyes twenty years ago by using his brother as a puppet.

This realization caused Zhu Zizhan who was standing aside Zhu Chao to be stunned.

Zhu Zizhan suddenly thought of a person. This person often appeared in the city master fort and Zhu Chao's house. He was like a ghost that always existed, and even Zhu Chao had to be respectful when he appeared.

Zhu Zizhan could never understand who this mysterious old mister Ruan was, nor could he understand why his godfather Zhu Chao had to be so respectful. He never would have expected that this vampire-like old man beside medicine desolation Zhu Chao was actually the real Zhu Chao!!

"Don't you want to know what the real Zhu Chao is doing?" Zhu Chao stared at Shen Qiu and the pale faced elders.

Zhu Yi indeed lost horribly, but three palace couldn't be too well off either!

Shen Qiu turned around and gazed at the palace from far away.

If there really were two Zhu chaos, then the real Zhu Chao must definitely have entered three palaces and started a slaughter with all the remaining members, possibly affecting relatives!

Hurting the enemy just as much as himself. Shen Qiu clenched his jaw. He was already organizing everything extremely carefully, yet he never would have expected Zhu Chao to be this crafty, using his brother as a decoy for the last twenty years. No wonder his strength often fluctuated, and this battle went so smoothly!

"Elder, he's definitely lying!"

"Elder, what should we do?"

The nearby three palace elders all showed signs of panic.

Though many of the three palace members' family were settled in rather peaceful cities, there were always people like Wanning, Shen Mo, Qian Qing, and Princess Xiang Nan, who were talented young generation members helping their respective factions. If the real Zhu Chao were combined with Yang Que's strength, the defending forces in three palace couldn't possibly defeat them.

And, Shen Qiu knew very well that the person in front of him was Zhu Yi and was clearly weaker than himself, but the real Zhu Chao could most likely match the last hero Mo Ling in strength!!

"Don't worry, Zhu Chao has to kill a person first before he goes to defeat your palaces. As to who that person is, I think you all already know!" Zhu Yi laughed viciously.

"Chu Fangchen!!!"

Shen Qiu again was shaken!

Chu Fangchen fought against three of Zhu Yi's soul pets and didn't have much fighting strength left, so Shen Qiu didn't let Chu Fangchen come in the ranks of the battle.

This meant that if the real Zhu Chao was going to kill Chu Fangchen, no one could stop him.

After witnessing Chu Mu's real strength today, Shen Qiu knew clearly that this young man may very likely surpass Li Hong some day!

So, they had to ensure his safety no matter what. If Chu Fangchen were ended by Zhu Chao now, it would be an immeasurable loss to the three palaces!!

Even if all three palaces were rendered to rubble in three palaces, that young man couldn't be harmed!!

"Four great elders go back with me! The rest, continue to kill!!" Finally, Shen Qiu gave a command!

Shen Qiu knew very clearly that if he wasn't there, Zhu Yi may escape successfully.

However, Zhu Yi was nothing compared to the life of a true prodigy.

"Senior elder, this might just be a random word from Zhu Chao!" The great elder quickly said.

"Go back!" Shen Qiu's chest was heaving with anger, yet he'd rather believe him than not because the young man was just too too important for the three palaces!!

"Hahaha, now you know what fear is. Even if you go back, you'll only get there in time to collect the corpses of Chu Fangchen and the defenders of your factions!" Zhu Yi saw the strongest five poeple leave and laughed loudly.

"Shen Mo, leader of the nightmare army, was full of anger as he said coldly to Zhu Chao, "Don't even try to escape from me!"

"Shen Mo, once your father leaves, I can take your life and then leave easily!!" Zhu Chao laughed coldly.

Without Shen Qiu, without the three elders, who could stop him?

"You truly thought I, Shen Mo, was just high class emperor rank?" Shen Mo humphed.

As nightmare palace young prince, he was put at the same level as soul palace young prince not just because of his status.

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The green maple forest outside of the city slightly wavered with the breeze. The mess within the city couldn't affect the peace, quiet, and the gentle yet touching moment between two tightly hugging people.

"Qingzi, remember western kingdom's Heaven Boundary Monument?" Chu Mu whispered into Ye Qingzi's ear.

"En." Ye Qingzi nodded.

"If you didn't tell me to collect that tear well and preserve it, I may still be walking around like a corpse, lost within southern forbidden realm......" Chu Mu said.

"Monument tear? It was the monument tear that woke up your soul?" Ye Qingzi said astonished.

Chu Mu nodded and described the process in which he found the second heaven boundary monument and used the genuine tear to wash his devilized soul.

"The energy within a monument tear had always been mysterious, but I didn't expect it could actually awaken souls....." Ye Qingzi's heart was full of gratitude, gratitude for the mysterious powers of the monument tear as well as her timely reminder for Chu Mu to keep his tear well.

"I still have your tear crystal here. Here, give me your hand." Chu Mu took out the tear made between Ye Qingzi and him..

Ye QIngzi extended her hand with her hand facing upwards, slightly unconvinced.

Chu Mu put the tear crystal in her palm and gripped her hand tightly, using the heat at their palms to slowly melt this tear of sincerity.

The crystal became a crystalline fluid that slowly seeped into Chu Mu and Ye Qingzi's palms, sending a warm yet wet feeling that extended throughout their entire bodies and even to their souls.

At this moment, Chu Mu felt that he touched Ye Qingzi's heart.

Ye Qingzi also felt Chu Mu's heart, yet she was pained to find that Chu Mu's heart was one full of suffering and wear, a heart that had to endure too many pains and experiences, yet still determined and extremely fervent.....

"Such a heart warming scene, I almost didn't want to interrupt you."

Suddenly, a cold and piercing voice crashed into the two people's quiet world!

Chu Mu was immersed in the special moment where Ye QIngzi and his heart was connected, so he immediately furrowed his brow when it was interrupted by this voice.

Chu Mu turned around and saw that under a tree shadow, an extremely skinny and bony man slowly walked out.

"Chu Fangchen, Ye Qingzi, those are your names, right?" The grey robed old man let out a crowlike voice, his gaunt face stretched into a fake smile, "Allow me to reintroduce myself, I am Zhu Chao!!"

Chapter 863: I am Half Devil Chu Mu!

Chu Mu pulled Ye Qingzi over behind him, and glanced beside the person that called himself Zhu Chao, where there was a nearly invisible organism!

The grass slightly sank down and showed signs of a claw. When Chu Mu gazed at this area, he clearly felt like he was being watched!

"Chu Mu, your white devil....." Ye Qingzi grabbed Chu Mu's hand nervously.

Ye Qingzi remembered that Chu Mu's white devil hadn't come back yet after stealing the spirit vessel from Zhu Chao. Chu Mu had no power left to fight this seemingly extremely dangerous old man.

Chu Mu signaled for Ye Qingzi to not worry. His eyes slowly moved to the sharp chinned Zhu Chao and asked, "You're two people?"

"He's my brother Zhu Yi....." the old man said with an easy smile.

Zhu Chao's snake-like eyes gazed at ye Qingzi and said in a cold voice, "Looks like you already found what Ying Rong left for you. That soul ability is very dangerous; you must prepare to face the same consequences as Ying Rong."

Zhu Chao's words caused Ye Qingzi to feel even more uneasy.

Chu Mu's eyes didn't move as he gazed at Zhu Chao. This old fellow seemed to always have lived in the dark. His body full of cold and darkness seemed like an old vampire that hadn't had blood for a while.

This ugly appearance was complete opposite from the previous Zhu Chao. At least the other Zhu Chao had some semblance of dignity of authority when he tried.

"If he's your brother, why are you, the real Zhu Chao, like an old devil living in the crevasses of the earth?" Chu Mu asked calmly.

"That's something from a while ago....." Zhu Chao said.

"You've been to the other end of Dark Sky Ocean World?" Chu Mu continued to ask.

Zhu Chao's pupils suddenly dilated and his emotionless face turned to surprise and anger, "How would you know!!"

"You committed quite some crimes on the other side!" With Zhu Chao's reaction, Chu Mu was sure that the enemy of Ning Maner's was the real Zhu Chao!

"You.....you truly are part of Hidden Pupil Royalty!" Zhu Chao looked at Chu Mu and was incredibly unsettled.

Chu Mu didn't know anything about hidden pupil royalty. Maybe this royalty had a lot to do with Ning Maner. However, learning that Zhu Chao reached the other side of the Dark Sky Ocean World. This caused Chu Mu to be very surprised as well.

To pass straight through forbidden realm was impossible unless you reach dominator rank. Could Zhu Chao really step into dominator rank?

However, Chu Mu quickly denied this possibility.

If Zhu Chao reached dominator rank, when the three palaces attacked, he would definitely have intervened and turned the situation around, not letting so many of his subordinates die. This means that Zhu Chao definitely used some special method to reach the other end of Dark Sky Sea World.

"Since this is the case, I can't leave you alive!!" Zhu Chao's gaze turned frigid.

Chu Mu wanted to get information about the sealed mouth event from the real Zhu Chao, but clearly he didn't want to say anything. His two pupils that looked possessed by dark ghosts showed icy killing intent!

"Kill them!" Zhu Chao said to the completely invisible creature beside him.

A pair of eyes suddenly appeared, its killing intent able to freeze over the entire green maple forest.

Being watched by the pupils, Ye Qingzi felt like her entire body was going stiff, unable to move even a finger, as if she was already a corpse!

Chu Mu stood in place and slowly chanted a soul technique.

"Can you still move? Very rare. If I guess correctly, you're currently reading out the soul technique to summon your soul pet back, the type that can recall from far away, something only the Mu family knows.

"You want to summon your white nightmare to fight? It's useless. You at most have the time to retract it. Even if you summon it, it won't be a match for my demon!"

The moment Zhu Chao spoke, the demon that restricted their minds appeared!

"Sou!!!!!"

This demon's speed was hard to imagine. The previous moment it disappeared and the very next moment it appeared in front of Chu Mu!

This demon didn't have claws, yet two massive bone spikes extended from its arms. When it moved, these two terrifying weapons easily broke through space and sliced twoards Chu Mu's head!!

This attack seemed calm and nondestructive, but countless top tier emperor ranks have died under this attack without expecting it, instantly being killed by this single attack!!

Ye Qingzi was completely mentally restricted, unable to even read an incantation. When she saw the poisonous blade quietly swipe over, her pupils dilated and her vision went purely black, leaving only the cold glint that would soon take her life!

Chu Mu and Ye Qingzi both saw the same hallucination, and their pupils lost their color.

However, Chu Mu's pupil didn't enlargen. When the strange technique affected him, his pupils slowly turned an evil silver!!

"Shua!!!!!!!"

In the darkness, when the reaping scythe passed through, Zhu Chao didn't even need another glance to know that the next moment, the two people's skulls will fall, their faces locked in disbelief and confusion.....

He turned around subconsciously, because other than having to kill Chu Fangchen, there were many others he had to kill himself. These two lives were just the beginning.

However, when the confusing darkness disappeared, Zhu Chao's leaving motion suddenly went stiff.

He slowly turned around, and saw a scene that would shock him for the rest of his life! He stared wide eyed at the young man whose head should have fallen off!!

"If you didn't appear, your brother indeed would have protected your life." Chu Mu slowly said.

Holding the poisonous demon blade with one hand, white devil flames suddenly sprouted from his arm and went along the blade into the demon's body!

"Huhuhuhu~~~~"

The silver devil flames grew stronger and stronger, almost completely engulfing Zhu Chao's demon!

"Si!!!!!Si!!!!!!""

Zhu Chao's prized demon let out painful cries as its nimble body frenziedly struggled, trying to pull its arm blade out of Chu Mu's hands!

As the devil flames burned, its already skinny demon body was pressured by some spatial force!!

"Beng!!"

Suddenly, the arm blade demon's body exploded!!

Broken bones, blood, organs, and fluids splattered towards Zhu Chao, plastering his feet!!

Seeing the gory scene, Zhu Chao went stiff as his face twisted into a grimace!!

This corpse, this was the corpse of his arm blade demon!!!

Zhu Chao's arm blade demon could break through even the thick armor of Empress Heavenly Thunder Snake, while its speed could utterly confuse the snake. This was an emperor way stronger than the Empress Heavenly Thunder Snake, where even Mo Ling's Tai Mountain Giant would have issues killing it!

Yet, this demon's remains were just splattered in front of him!!

A soul chill caused Zhu Chao to start shaking. Zhu Chao lifted his head stiffly and gazed at the young man covered in silver devil flames, his eyes going from initial confusion to the deepest terror!!

Devil man!! Silver devil man!!!

It was supposed to be a young man he could do whatever with, yet why was he now a silver devil man with an aura even Zhu Chao was shaken at!

Zhu Chao passed through Dark Sky Sea World and saw true dominator rank organisms from afar. He even rode his Arm Blade Demon and escaped from a dominator rank organism before!

That unforgettable experience caused Zhu Chao to know the true gap between dominator rank and emperor rank!!

"Dominator rank!!! How is this possible!!! This is impossible!!!!" Zhu Chao was near mental collapse at this sight!

Silver face, evil body, silver devil flames that struck fear into all souls!

"Who.....who are you, who!! Why.....why do you have dominator rank power!!!!" Zhu Chao pointed at Chu Mu and went crazy.

This past few decades, to avoid dominator rank experts from sealing his mouth, he lived in the darkness and never dared to show himself.

To escape this life, he spent all his time figuring out a way to reach the other side of the Dark Sky Sea World and reach dominator rank there, yet he failed.....

If he never got into dominator rank, he would forever live in darkness!

He yearned for that rank all his life, like a prisoner locked in darkness craving for a power that allowed him to shatter all shackles.

Yet, why was the dominator rank strength that he spent all his life pursuing appearing on the body of a young man!!!!

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Chu Mu slowly stepped forth and walked up to this man who lived in fear and darkness.

His silver face opened up into an evil yet mocking smile as he said lightly, "Allow me to reintroduce myself, I'm half devil Chu Mu!!"

Chapter 864: Monument Tear, The Appearance of Time

The evil silver devil flames burned silently, and filled the place with a feeling of death.

Zhu Chao's sunken eyes were about to pop out of his sockets. The fear in his soul caused him to lose the ability to summon another soul pet!

A real dominator rank and near dominator was still a large difference. Zhu Chao knew this clearly. Even if he summoned all his soul pets, he won't be able to stop this half devil dominator rank!

"Chu Mu.....Chu Mu, you.....You're the person that soul alliance wanted to kill, the person able to go half devil voluntarily, the king of Tianxia realm!!!!" Zhu Chao suddenly remembered the name!

No matter Tianxia Realm or Wanxiang realm, no one didn't know Chu Mu's name!

That was truly an abnormality that scared all of soul pet trainer realm!

Seeing the silver half devil, to Zhu Chao's shock, was even more unbelievable because he knew clearly that if the half devil Chu Mu was still alive, then the world would have another god-like presence much like soul alliance master!

Chu Mu extended a hand and slowly grabbed Zhu Chao's skull, lifting him into the skies.

"There was a few questions I wanted to ask you. You reply as truthfully as possible, and you could die less painfully." Chu Mu smiled evilly and his voice started multiplying as if it echoed through countless spaces."

Zhu Chao was like a defenseless old man, pale and weak, not having any ability to resist.

"Just why did alliance master wanted to seal the mouth of others" Chu Mu asked.

Zhu Chao's pupil shrunk and quickly dimmed down.

"Ican't answer that." Zhu Chao couldn't reply quickly because that soul pledge shrouded over him like a ghost, causing Zhu Chao to live in darkness for the rest of his life.

"You can reply in a way you are able to." Chu Mu knew that even soul pledges had loopholes, so he was sure to be able to learn something from Zhu Chao at least.

"I can't reply, I can't reply!" Zhu Chao shook his head in fear. Nearly twenty years had passed since he dared to live under the sun because of this fear. This fear had already become the sturdiest mental barrier. He'd rather Chu Mu kill him right now than to say anything because he knew that man was far scarier than the half devil in front of him!

Chu Mu's palm slowly started burning with silver devil flames. These devil flames passed through Zhu Chao's body and went to his soul.

Zhu Chao's soul was curled up in a ball and shaking. Through the seeping of soul devil flames, Chu Mu could feel that this fellow's soul had a terror that had slowly grown under the past twenty years, becoming a shadow that engulfed his soul whenever certain things were mentioned.

"You truly are a pathetic person. What's the meaning of continuing to live like this?" Chu Mu glanced through Zhu Chao's soul and smiled.

Chu Mu knew that he couldn't possibly get information from a person who lived in fear of it for nearly twenty years.

If so, there was no point for Zhu Chao to continue living.

Chu Mu turned around and looked at Ye Qingzi who hadn't recovered in a while and asked, "He is your real enemy....."

"Kill......kill him." Ye Qingzi said in a low voice.

Though Zhu Chao revealed nothing, Ye Qingzi knew that the real Zhu Chao, after having betrayed her teacher Ying Rong, couldn't get anything he wanted, and instead lived in utter terror.

This terror only came from one person, who was the soul alliance master, the strongest person in the world!

It was hard to imagine that because of a fear of him, Zhu Chao lived in darkness for nearly twenty years!

Chu Mu nodded, and the devil flames in Zhu Chao soul started burning up.

Chu Mu didn't intentionally torture Zhu Chao because Zhu Chao already lived in a state where his soul was full of suffering. In fact, when the real pain started burning the soul drenched in fear, Zhu Chao's bony face didn't even show much pain.

"Don't dare defy that man.....don't even dare...."

Devil flames spurted out of Zhu Chao's throat, and slowly cut off his words.

Ye Qingzi stood behind Chu Mu and silently watched her greatest enemy burnt away by devil flames. For some reason, Ye Qingzi didn't feel the relief of her grudge being ended, instead she could only think back to the last words of Zhu Chao that were still echoing through her mind.

Just how powerful was the soul alliance master, able to cause such utter fear in a man already at the peak of soul pet trainers.

Zhu Chao was only a helper. The real person who killed Ying Rong was the powerful and almost legendary soul alliance master. If she truly wanted to get vengeance, this mountain would cause her to be pressured immensely.

Chu Mu's thoughts were very similar to Ye Qingzi's. Seeing Zhu Chao's dazed appearance, he could only imagine that Zhu Chao's fear in the person was extremely terrifying!

Devil flames slowly left Chu Mu's body as Chu Mu split off his soul from white nightmare's soul.....

Slowly walking before Ye Qingzi, Chu Mu saw her use her beautiful eyes to watch him and smiled, "What's up?"

"You can already become half devil and human at will? Without the worry of a high temperature soul?" Ye Qingzi asked.

Chu Mu didn't want to tell Ye Qingzi about what Ning Maner told him, so he shook his head, "It was fixed by monument tear."

In reality, the monument tear only woke up Chu Mu's soul. As for half devil's high temperature problem, it no longer would be an issue.

Because Chu Mu was now a half devil.

"En? Qingzi, your face....." Chu Mu looked at Ye Qingzi and noticed that her blackened skin at the edge of her mask had at some point turned white as jade, so delicate one didn't dare touch it!

Ye Qingzi quickly fumbled to tidy her mask back up. Before she was recovered, there was no way Ye Qingzi could let Chu Mu see even a bit of her skin.

"What I mean is, I think your face is recovered, I saw normal skin there." Chu Mu said earnestly.

"You.....don't lie to me." Ye QIngzi shook her head.

She knew that if she wanted to get rid of the poison, not only did she have to make a rare medicine, she also needed a long time of healing. It couldn't possibly disappear on its own.

"I didn't lie, you can try taking off your mask and walk by the water." chu Mu said.

Ye Qingzi paused and thought about it. She reasoned that Chu Mu indeed had no motivation to lie to her, since seeing her ugly face didn't help him at all.

"You turn around." Ye Qingzi pushed Chu Mu aside and ran to the creek beside.

"It's not like you're taking off clothes, why would I turn around?" Chu Mu didn't turn around and remained staring at Ye Qingzi.

Ye Qingzi herself was really hurried. Seeing that Chu Mu was adamant in staying there, she ran upstream a little further and hid behind a tree.

The creek water was clear to the bottom, and the reflection itself was somewhat transparent.

However, the tree's shadow gave Ye Qingzi created a passable mirror in the water that lightly reflected Ye Qingzi's appearance.

"I.....am I dreaming?" After a while, Ye Qingzi let ou ta shout!

This day, too many things have happened. If not for the throbbing of her heart still there, Ye Qingzi could barely believe anything she was witnessing.

In the water, a pale yet intricate face was reflected back into Ye QIngzi's eyes.

Ye Qingzi hadn't used a mirror in a while, to the point where the face looking back at her seemed almost unfamiliar.....

Was this soft yet glowing skin really hers? Even before, her skin didn't seem this delicate.

Ye Qingzi lightly touched her face. After the poison invaded it, her face became incredibly coarse, yet the smoothness she felt right now meant that all she saw in the water was real.

The running creek water, green and dense trees, a girl sitting by the water- all this painted an elegant scene.....

A few falling leaves fell lightly by her. With a light breeze, her hair caressed her beautiful face.

"It's the monument tear, it remembers how you looked when you first shed that tear....." Chu Mu's voice sounded by Ye Qingzi's ear.

Monument tear was the purest tear crystal. Chu Mu couldn't explain it, but Chu Mu knew it could cause everything to go back to the initial touching moment.....

Ye Qingzi's heart strings were pulled. She slowly stood up and turned around to watch Chu Mu, who had taken off his mask as well.

At this moment, the man's gentle smile and fiery emotions in his eyes eroded all resistance in Ye Qingzi.

Seeing him open his arms, Ye Qingzi finally fell into his warm embrace without any worry, even going on her toes to print her lips upon Chu Mu's.

Feeling the heat from the lips, Chu Mu seemed to forget that he was holding her, passionately kissing back.

There was no other noise in their world other than Ye Qingzi's soft gasps.

This long kiss was not like the fiery desire and burning passion between him and Mu Qingyi within the ice mirror world. Instead, they were both slowly feeling each other out.

Chu Mu went from Ye Qingzi's soft mouth corner, slowly to her upper lip and lightly enjoyed it, like tasting fine wine, then moved to her lower lip......

After, Chu Mu's lips conquered Ye Qingzi's, and his impatient tongue found its way into her mouth, like a nervous boy holding a girl's hand for the first time, lightly attempting before gaining the courage to go deeper.

When their tongues started intermingling, both of them clearly were getting into the heat of things. Chu Mu's firm and built body started pressing against Ye Qingzi's soft skin even harder.....

Chapter 865: Who Killed Him? How About You Go Down and Ask?

"Chu Mu... don't..." the aroused Ye Qingzi coquettishly placed her cheek on Chu Mu's shoulder. She embarrassedly felt Chu Mu do naughty things.

The red blush on Ye Qingzi's face was alluring and cute. However, she was still conservative at the end of the day and even if she was more aroused, she would not continue in this kind of a serene forest. That would be too embarrassing.

Chu Mu bitterly laughed. His hand that he was originally unable to restrain retracted from the inside of Ye Qingzi's clothes and moved so that it was now holding onto Ye Qingzi's soft waist.

Back at the Great Chu Family's banquet, Chu Mu had been bewildered as to how those people had made love to each other in the forest. Now, he finally understood. When the emotions were hard to repress, as long as it was a place that rarely saw people and wouldn't be disturbed, who cared about whether the environment was too fresh and clean.

Right now, Chu Mu didn't care about the environment at all. Indeed, he was used to sleeping and living outdoors. However, Ye Qingzi was a good girl. Her face was flushed red right now, and she buried it in Chu Mu's embrace. She didn't really want to look at Chu Mu in the eyes and furtively rearranged her clothes.

Of course, the main problem was that Shen Qiu seemed to be coming with a group of people. Ignoring the fact of how this fellow managed to find him, Chu Mu was grumbling that he had come at a very inconvenient time!

Having a period to be affectionate with Qingzi was already so hard to come by. First, he was disturbed by that old thing Zhu Chao and now Shen Qiu was coming. If they were in the ice mirror world, this problem would not have occurred.

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"Chu Fangchen, you... you're alright?" Shen Qiu stared with wide eyes at the man and women pressed close together and unwilling to part.

"Why do you always seem to be disappointed..." Chu Mu bitterly laughed. Shen Qiu's words were too laughable!

"Did you not encounter Zhu Chao?" a Nightmare Palace great elder urgently asked.

"Aren't you still chasing Zhu Chao?" responded Chu Mu with a serious face.

To his side, Ye Qingzi threw a furtive glance at the pile of scorched grass to the side, and quickly understood Chu Mu's intentions.

It seemed that Chu Mu wouldn't admit that he killed the true Zhu Chao.

As for how the true Zhu Chao died, these old fellows from the three great palaces could only guess themselves. After all, there was no evidence.

"We were tricked!" another great elder angrily said!

"This Zhu Chao is too crafty!" a few great elders were extremely annoyed.

Seeing Chu Fangchen safe and sound, Shen Qiu was much more relieved. However, he was full of suspicion right now because according to his conjecture, there really were two Zhu Chaos. Otherwise, the Zhu Chao that was being pursued would not have not summoned another more powerful soul pet when he reached the end of the road.

After pondering this for a while, Shen Qiu was ultimately unable to reach an answer and could only leave it.

"You two youngsters are truly something. You completely ignored what kind of a situation it is right now and ran off here to fool around. Come back with us to the palaces!" lectured Shen Qiu without a shred of politeness.

The red blush that Ye Qingzi managed to get rid of with great difficulty came back. She clearly was a bit flustered.

Chu Mu let out an embarrassed laugh. Shen Qiu's eyes were too venomous, and he could even see through this. He had only shared a long kiss with Ye Qingzi and then felt up a bit of Ye Qingzi's soft body. He didn't do anything else, eh.

Shen Qiu and the four elders were worried about Chu Mu's safety and escorted him back to Soul Palace.

Upon returning to Soul Palace, Shen Qiu discovered that the three great palaces were unharmed and that Yang Que was obediently staying in place. He hadn't made any rash actions.

Thus, even Shen Qiu now believed that he had been tricked.

With safety as a priority, Shen Qiu left the four great elders in the palaces while he flew east to ensure that Zhu Yi and the others were completely eradicated.

Before leaving, Shen Qiu threw a strange look at Chu Mu. He hesitated whether to ask that young man about the patch of grass burned by devil flames in the forest.

However, after thinking it over, even if Chu Fangchen still had a trump card and truly killed Zhu Chao, looking at how this young man wasn't giving away anything with his expressions, he probably wouldn't tell him.

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A hundred meters outside the city.

Numerous high class emperors had surrounded Zhu Yi and his soul pets.

Most of Zhu Yi's subordinates had run away. Those fellows who feared death would not loyally protect their master in this sort of a situation.

Right now, Zhu Yi's expression was twisted and malevolent. His eyes seemed like they were going to pop out of their sockets as he glared at Shen Mo!

Nightmare Palace's Shen Mo. Zhu Yi had underestimated this fellow's strength. He never expected that Nightmare Palace's Crown Prince had broken through the high class emperor rank and reached the peak emperor rank!

Indeed, it was Shen Mo's vine type peak emperor that had greatly inhibited Zhu Yi's soul pets. It precluded him from being able to break free of this predicament.

Soul Alliance had always been haughty and proud. They believed that their strength was capable of commanding everything. However, they never expected that in the past 20 years, the three great palaces hadn't remained quiet. Instead, countless new experts had sprung out of them and they had deeply hidden their strengths!

Shen Mo was one of these deeply hidden experts!

This time in uprooting Soul Alliance from Soul City, Shen Mo's contributions hadn't been any less than Chu Fangchen because the ambition to uproot Soul Alliance from Soul City hadn't come from Shen Qiu, but rather from this unassuming Nightmare Palace Crown Prince!

When Zhu Yi and Yang Que knew that Nightmare Palace's Crown Prince was entering Soul City, they never expected that he hadn't come purely for travels, but instead to bring an enormous Nightmare Palace army into the city without warning. When had he and how had he managed to sneak such a force into the city? Nobody knew.

Zhu Yi was angry because of this defeat. He hadn't lost to Nightmare Palace's second ranked expert, Shen Qiu, nor to some senior elder from the three great palaces, but rather to two young men who he had never paid attention to before - Chu Fangchen and Shen Mo!

"Senior Elder Shen has arrived. He has come back!" from afar suddenly rang out the excited cries of Nightmare Palace members.

The elders who had Zhu Yi in a deadlock but were unable to take him down immediately let out pleased expressions.

Shen Mo turned around and saw his father ride a Blood Winged Ice Tiger over with his incomparably tyrannical White Nightmares behind. His face revealed a smile.

Since his father had returned so quickly, this meant that nothing had happened to the three great palaces and Chu Fangchen.

"Zhu Yi, you still haven't left yet? Could you have been waiting for me, your senior, to come back and break your bones?" Shen Qiu's mood was very good. Although he couldn't be certain that Zhu Chao had been disposed of by Chu Fangchen, that brat, at least the situation in Soul City was completely in his grasp now.

"Hmph, in order to kill me, you gave up on the palaces!" seeing Shen Qiu come, Zhu Yi gave up all hope.

"Your older brother, Zhu Chao, has already taken a step ahead of you. He's watching you from the path to hell." coolly said Shen Qiu.

"He's dead? That's impossible! Absolutely impossible!! Nobody here can kill him!!!" roared Zhu Yi!

"You can use soul remembrance to look at Soul City and see if our palaces are unharmed." said Shen Qiu.

Zhu Yi didn't believe it. He didn't believe that his older brother, Zhu Chao would die like that.

He used his soul remembrance and peered into Soul City from a hundred kilometers away, looking into the three magnificent palaces in Soul City...

The roofs three great palaces were still ostentatious and the palaces were mighty and imposing. There was no sign of destruction.

"Who... who killed him..." Zhu Yi was dazed and had completely lost all hope.

"Even I don't know." Shen Qiu had at some point ridden his Blood Winged Ice Tiger in front of Zhu Yi. Suddenly, his eyes flickered with a ruthless intent and in a mocking tone he said:

"How about you go down and ask your brother?"

Zhu Yi wasn't able to react as Shen Qiu's two White Nightmares created a flame that covered the sky. It shrouded everything from the tip of the heavens and down. By the time Zhu Yi reacted, he had already died in the white devil flames.

"Hu hu hu hu hu~~~~~"

Zhu Yi couldn't even let out a cry as his body was wrapped in devil flames. Under Shen Qiu's cold gaze, he burned to ashes. Not even his soul remained.

Watching Zhu Yi slowly disappear in the devil flames, Shen Mo glanced at his father and used soul remembrance to ask: "Chu Fangchen and our three great palaces are really unharmed?"

"Yes." nodded Shen Qiu.

"So there was no second Zhu Chao?"

"There was. If it was a trap, Zhu Yi could not have had such a look of disbelief before death." seriously said Shen Qiu.

"Could it be..." Shen Mo showed an expression of shock.

"It was probably some absolute expert who killed him, but I'm not sure who it is." said Shen Qiu in a low voice.

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In a courtyard where a flowery aroma was everywhere and birds happily sang.

Falling leaves were drifting in the air and lightly landing on the pond, transforming into soft leaf boats that left ripples on the water...

After Shen Qiu had left, Chu Mu returned to his distinct courtyard.

After opening the door, what entered Chu Mu's eyes was a palpitating beautiful woman. She was already lying on his bed, peacefully asleep. Her alluring lips were even curved in a warm smile.

When Chu Mu walked up to Ye Qingzi, she woke up. Her rosy allure couldn't help but make people want to touch her face that was blossomed in a bewitchingly warm smile.

"You must be tired. Have a good sleep." said Chu Mu.

Ye Qingzi extended her slim arm and like a cute and helpless bird, burrowed herself into Chu Mu's embrace. It was as if this man's body heat could heal the coldness in her heart. For a while, she didn't want to leave his embrace.

Her emotions had been in a rollercoaster today. Ye QIngzi indeed was very tired. After cuddling in Chu Mu's embrace, she lay against his chest and quietly fell into a sleep.

Chu Mu originally had his own intentions, but upon seeing her in such a pitiful state, he couldn't bear to disturb her. What Chu Mu felt towards Ye Qingzi was moreso pure love and affection than anything else.

In truth, Chu Mu himself was very tired as well. His heart was no longer like the heart of the young man who had desperately clutched onto survival on Nightmare Island. Too many memories affected his heart now, would emotionally move him and would make his eyes fill with warm tears...

He had finally reunited with Ye Qingzi, and when he saw her beautiful smile as if she had been freed of a huge burden, the gap in Chu Mu's heart was finally filled.

He had been wandering for too long and been alone for too long. When he held the person he loved in his arms, his bruised and battered heart was instantly healed.

Unknowingly, Chu Mu also fell into a deep sleep.

It had been so many years since Chu Mu had last laid down his tensed mental state. Even in those two hours he would catch a sleep before the sun rose, he would always be wary of his surroundings.

However, today, Chu Mu didn't want anything to disturb him. He only wanted to hold on tightly to Ye Qingzi and to truly allow his heart to peacefully rest...

Chapter 866: As if Separated for a Lifetime, Unfamiliarity After 20 Years

"Big brother, did you help Maner kill that big enemy of mine..."

Ning Maner wore a smile as she opened the door to the room. She had the fragrance of a woman, and her beautiful eyes were limpid as she searched for Chu Mu.

However, when she saw Chu Mu holding on to a woman with an incomparably envious body while he slept, Ning Maner's expression became one of shock and curiosity.

She tilted her head and looked at the adjacent Princess Wan Ning. She asked in a soft voice: "Why is brother holding a woman while he sleeps? And he's sleeping so comfortably too."

After Princess Wan Ning saw this scene, she pretty much understood what was happening. She pulled Ning Maner out of the room and quietly closed the door.

"Big sister, what's the matter?" Ning Maner clearly didn't understand much about love, and she looked inquisitively at Princess Wan Ning whose expression had slightly changed.

A warm smile rose on Princess Wan Ning's face as she said: "Nothing, I just was thinking too much."

Ning Maner nodded her head as if she understood.

"Don't disturb them." Princess Wan Ning pulled Ning Waner away from the courtyard. In her mind surfaced the peaceful faces of that man and woman. Her heart seemed a bit disappointed, mixed with a tinge of jealousy and well wishes for them.

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Outside Wanxiang City.

A vast snow white sea of forest stretched east. The autumn leaves swayed in the wind making the white sea seem like it was rippling. It was beautiful and bewitching.

Above the white sea of trees, a man stood alone atop the trees. His body moved along with the trees as they undulated.

"Yuan Sui." the man looked down through the dense forest, staring at a man leisure making his way over.

"Bai Yu." the man on the ground raised his head and stared at the other man who used to be so glorious that others didn't dare directly look at him.

Twenty years ago, this man had swept through the world and had defeated all of the incomparably arrogant experts in Wanxiang Realm. That included himself.

His appearance hadn't changed, but his hair had turned white and his eyes seemed to have been aged through two life times. They couldn't be seen through.

"This person is..." the man on the ground called Yuan Sui glanced at the young woman lying peacefully next to him.

This woman's face was covered, but the wind would lift it up, revealing her beauty, capable of causing cities to fall, and preventing others from looking away. She lay quietly on the ground full of fallen white flower petals. She was so beautiful that it didn't seem natural.

"How is she?" asked Bai Yu, insipidly.

"Very similar, very similar. Is she the daughter of the two of you?" Yuan Sui stared at the woman, who was as beautiful as a fairy, and absent mindedly asked a question.

"Yes." Bai Yu nodded his head.

Yuan Sui was silent. He could tell that no matter how breathtaking or moving this woman was, there was no longer any signs of life in her. She was just a beautiful corpse.

"Who was it that awoke me from the glacier nearly twenty years later? Who was it that caused her to sacrifice her young life for me? I, Bai Yu, don't want to investigate. I only want you to tell me how to traverse through the eastern forbidden region." Bai Yu's tone was calm.

Yuan Sui was silent. A while later he said: "You only want to save her?"

"If I wanted to kill people, I wouldn't come see you, the current Hero Chief!" Bai Yu's gaze was profound, carrying an imposing feeling. It made others feel as though Wanxiang City was tiny.

Yuan Sui's staunch face carried traces of bitterness.

It was had nearly been twenty years. This man in front of him had been frozen in ice for nearly twenty years. But now how great of a chance did he have of defeating him?

"I can tell you, but it's best if you don't return because that person..." Hero Chief Yuan Sui sighed.

"I will decide that, not him." after speaking, Bai Yu looked down.

Yuan Sui looked at this Nightmare Emperor that previously stood at the very summit of Nightmare Palace...

Time had flown by. This man whose ambitions had been deep and passion like an ocean had now become a heart broken and aged father. As for himself...

"Regardless if the next time we meet we clash blades, you will still be my most respected older brother." slowly said Yuan Sui.

Bai Yu glanced at this familiar yet unfamiliar man. Just yesterday, he was but a stubborn young man whose goal was defeating him. After a long sleep, today he had become the chief of the Four Heroes. It really was like he had awakened from a sleep. His own daughter that had seemed like a porcelain doll was now a great beauty. She was like her mother with heartbreaking beauty capable of causing cities to fall. Everything had changed; it was now so unfamiliar, as if it was a lifetime apart...

"I'm leaving." calmly said Bai Yu.

"Ok, this place can no longer hold you." Yuan Sui turned around and waved his hand. He disappeared in the snowy white colored forest.

Yuan Sui walked slowly, alone in this bewitching forest.

Bai Yu's arrival had been expected yet unexpected. It was expected because Yuan Sui didn't believe that Bai Yu would easily let off the person that summoned him. What was unexpected was that in

Bai Yu's eyes, the only thing he truly loved and the only thing he cared for was to revive his daughter.

Yuan Sui understood that that girl not only carried Nightmare Emperor Bai Yu's guilty conscience from a father to a daughter, but even more so she was the spirit entrusted to her by the woman who had died many years ago...

Perhaps only Yuan Sui himself knew why Nightmare Emperor Bai Yu had challenged the Nightmare Ancestor.

"How is he?" a spirited voice that sounded like nature rang out in Yuan Sui's ear. However, no matter how moving and heart wrenching this voice was, there was no other emotion.

"He only wants to save his daughter." Yuan Sui looked up at the woman wearing a golden mask in front of him.

"Did he lie?" asked the golden masked woman.

Yuan Sui shook his head. Those eyes wouldn't deceive, especially when they were looking at her.

"We have one less hidden danger now." indifferently said the golden masked woman.

After speaking, she turned around. Her luxurious and charming long robe proudly dragged along the ground. As she took graceful steps, she seemed like a woman taking supple steps and that she was gracefully dancing.

"Did you know? Zhu Chao is dead." the masked woman didn't turn around. Her purple rose-like hair casually swayed by her soft hips.

"Oh? Who killed him?" Hero Chief Yuan Sui raised his eyebrows.

"I remember that Soul City shouldn't have had someone capable of killing him." said the golden masked woman.

"Since Bai Yu was here, he didn't kill Zhu Chao." said Yuan Sui.

During this chaotic period, it wasn't strange if someone died. However, Yuan Sui understood Zhu Chao's strength. Besides Li Hong, it would be extremely difficult for anyone else in the three great palaces to take his life.

I've heard that most recently a young expert has appeared in the three great palaces."

"Yes, Chu Fangchen. However, we don't need to be afraid for now."

Chapter 867: What do you mean they were close?

In the faraway western sea realm, it was boundless.

Purple fog covered the blue sea, creating a beautiful gradient of colors.

The fog was like a dragon or phoenix, constantly changing shape with the sea wind.

However, this fog couldn't be blown apart or blown thinner, always pervading the faintly discernible ground.

On the calm sea surface, a completely black and handsome creature stood, its pupils shining with joy as it stared at the fog in the distance.

It's here!

Spending so long, running around the infinite eternal ocean, he finally found it here.

This was the kingdom of demons, the sacred grounds of all demons, and the final resting grounds for the strongest demons. Their destination was this - Demonic Burial Mound!

Standing at the sea realm, Ye could already feel the powerful demon aura hitting him. This sacred ground has existed for countless years, an unknown amount, yet it was like a mark that was deeply imprinted in every rogue demon's soul, knowing that one was destined to look for it from birth.....

At this moment, Ye's dark eyes constantly blinked.

King- to Little Night was a phrase that he never thought about nor attempted to think about.

However, ever since that human left prison island and stepped on the journey to become stronger, the word King became deeply imprinted into it. It was so deep that whenever the human used his black eyes to look upwards and persevere, Night felt its blood boiling too.

The blood in its body and its restless soul meant for it to leave prison island, and it was destined to one day look for the place that was marked as "home"

That was the true home of rogue demons, the real ending for them.

"Next time I see you, you need to become the kings of your hearts!"

Night and Chu Mu were connected by heart. When they initially split, Night ran crazily. At the same time it was running, Night heard the words that caused it to tear up as it ran.

Now, Night finally found the Demonic Burial Mound. When it turned around and gazed back at the endless sea, its eyes slowly moistened again because it truly took another step towards being the true king in its heart.

Night faced forward again, and gazed at the purple fog enshrouded land. Stepping on sea water, it walked towards this long awaited sacred land.

Night still hadn't relaxed just because it reached the Demonic Burial Mound, because it knew clearly that regardless of any demon home or the utmost Demonic Burial Mound, before it entered, it had to get the recognition of demons at the territory.

Before it came here, Night met countless old demons that could only laid weakly in their lairs, needing young demons to keep them alive. Their eyes were lost, yet when the Demonic Burial Mound was mentioned, the regret in their eyes was easily seen.

Countless powerful demons stepped onto this sacred land, but were then expelled by the protectors of the place. Countless more demons, trying to find a place in this demon land, died in cruel combat and were buried at the cliff of this sacred land.

This was the true home of all rogue demons, but it was also the burial ground of them!

In this place, powerful demons were everywhere. Night, who was already high class emperor rank, knew clearly that it may not even have the chance to enter the island because the old demons that told it where to go were also middle and high class emperor ranks!

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Two months later, the soul city that saw a bloodbath finally returned to peace.

This city was gifted. It had been destroyed many times in history, yet it would always get rebuilt by countless people, and still stood as the most authoritative city for soul teachers.

This war mainly destroyed all the eastward streets in the plaza, so it was a hefty loss. However, due to the massive and sturdy foundation of soul city, it wasn't completely unsalvageable.

City Master was still Yang Que.

However, this city wasn't just led by Yang Que.

"Brother, are you really leaving?" Outside soul palace, Ye QIngzi looked at Ye Wansheng, who was packed and ready to leave, saying worriedly.

Ye Wansheng walked by Ye Qingzi and rubbed her hair, saying dotingly, "Don't want me to go still? Just go with your man, brother has his own path to walk."

As he said, Ye Wansheng added in a small voice, "Walking alongside your man hurts my pride as well."

With Ye Wansheng's "Your man" every other sentence, Ye Qingzi's face turned red.

The brother and sister pair were truly with each other their entire lives, and were never apart for long. This split was Ye Wansheng decision. After all, they finally finished their teacher's last will, so they could now live their own lives.

"Let's leave and meet in Wanxiang City." Ye Wansheng didn't stick around for longer, waving his hand, and easily riding away on his Star Wilderness Devil Colt.

Ye Qingzi saw her brother leave, and felt somewhat bad. However, she quickly noticed Ye Wansehng meeting up with a woman just as he turned the corner and left together.....

"That asshole, he's just leaving to travel with Shen Yue, not to train alone." Ye Qingzi bit her lip, losing the meager amounts of sadness she felt before.

"Shen Mo, are you really just selling your sister over to him?" Chu Mu stood aside and found it funny, glancing at Shen Mo.

"They like each other, so its not really selling. I'm not blind, how could I not see that the girl says she hates the guy but secretly liked him already. She's just doing it because she's a little ashamed of the guy's flashy personality." Shen Mo smiled. Just as he finished, he added another sentence, "However, if that kid treats my sister poorly, I'll rip him apart."

Hearing this, Chu Mu laughed and shook his head, "Why are all brothers the same."

Shen Mo paused, looked at Ye Qingzi, and then quickly understood Chu Mu's grumbling and laughed, "He still needs the power to do so though, since young master Chu is basically invincible now."

Invincible? Chu Mu didn't think so. At least, without going half devil, he couldn't even beat a single soul pet of Mu Qingyi.

Speaking of which, Chu Mu truly had to thank Mu Qingyi. If she didn't give him the retracting soul technique to him in the ice mirror world, when Zhu Chao came to kill him, he truly would have had trouble. After all, White Nightmare wasn't there yet.

Without White Nightmare, Chu Mu would only have the defense of a dominator rank but wouldn't have any dominator rank techniques. Though he would be fine, he probably couldn't save Ye Qingzi.

"What are you doing next?" Shen Mo looked at the hotly loving couples, and raised an eyebrow.

"Our destination is Wanxiang City. We'll train along the way, but we don't have a destined direction." Chu Mu looked at ye Qingzi and said.

"Do you know Emperor Concubine?" Shen Mo said.

"I've heard." Chu Mu nodded.

The two concubines were Heavenly Concubine and Emperor Concubine. Heavenly Concubine Mu Qingyi was someone Chu Mu knew. The wild kiss they shared in the ice mirror world still came into his mind once in a while, but it was just a mere thought and nothing more.

As for Emperor Concubine, Chu Mu didn't know much. He only knew she seemed to be a goddess of wanxiang realm, someone who earned the hearts of everyone in wanxiang realm. Even Mu Qingyi was lackluster compared to her.

"This woman will perform a Nature's Praise in Xiangrong City. Didn't you want to raise your wood type soul pets' strengths? You can go towards Xiangrong city." Shen Mo said.

"Raising the wood type soul pet's strength, what does that have to do with the Nature's Praise? Chu Mu said questioningly.

"She's the city master of Xiangrong City yet she rarely goes back, and also Xiangrong City is the heaven of all plant world soul pets. I heard Teng Lang say you are close with Heavenly Concubine, so she probably could help give a recommendation for you. If you could get any tips from emperor concubine, it would be great for your wood type soul pets. Our Nightmare Palace elder Han's Thousand Eyed Devil Tree reached top tier emperor rank because of her." Shen Mo said as he showed signs of admiration. Chu Mu's face instantly blackened. Teng Lang indeed had a big mouth. Chu Mu was secretly also wondering why a nightmare palace young master was this close to soul palace third young master. Weren't they sworn enemies a few years back?

However, Chu Mu quickly found another problem and asked, "What, is Emperor Concubine also neutral?"

Both of these authoritative females of soul alliance seemed to be neutral, even helping nightmare palace elders break through in strength.

"En. She doesn't like conflict and sometimes even helps us three palace out. I met her once and truly understood what it meant for a person to be above mortals....." Speaking of that, Shen Mo showed some signs of infatuation, presumably admiring this emperor concubine as well.

With Shen Mo's words, Chu Mu suddenly remembered Chu lang saying every man's second dream was to conquer the two female goddesses.

Soul alliance two concubines were probably both incredibly beautiful or else how could so many men be attracted to them.

Too bad both of them were equally impossible to reach.

Since Shen Mo suggested he could go towards Xiangrong City, Chu Mu could train his devil tree battle soldier. Chu Mu talked with Ye Qingzi and discussed with her to make the next destination Xiangrong City.

"Chu Mu, let me ask you a question." Ye QIngzi hugged Chu Mu's arm and lifted her face up slightly, her luscious lips lifting up into a smile that almost invited one to sample them further.

"En, ask." Chu Mu didn't care, instead lowering his head to try to kiss Ye Qingzi.

Ye Qingzi calmly avoided him and smiled gently, "What did he mean by you're close with Heavenly Concubine?"

Chu Mu reacted swiftly and replied without breaking a sweat, "We just recognize each other."

"Oh." Ye Qingzi nodded and didn't continue.

Chu Mu finally didn't dare to continue to kiss Ye Qingzi in public, feeling a little guilty. Secretly, he was sweating and wondering why women had such sharp instincts. How could she tell something was off just with a casual mention from Shen Mo?

Chapter 868: A Lithe Appearance, Mysterious Wing Type Organism

Chu Mu didn't stay in soul city for too long. After Ye Wansheng and Shen Yue left, Chu Mu also brought Ye Qingzi and Ning Maner towards Xiangrong City.

Xiangrong city is near Wanxiang City. If they didn't stay for too long in Xiangrong City, it wouldn't take long for them to reach Wanxiang from there.

Chu Mu had somehow gained a sticky little girl which got Ye Qingzi curious as to where he met her.

Chu Mu replied that he picked her up off the road.

This wasn't even wrong. Ning Maner indeed was picked up along the way, yet she was as sticky as a piece of gum now.

The wild little fellow was the type that everyone liked, quickly getting close with Ye Qingzi. Whenever Chu Mu gave the wild little girl a menacing stare, Ning Maner would always hide behind Ye Qingzi and complain, making Ye Qingzi return the stare back at Chu Mu.

Ye Qingzi really liked Ning Maner, especially because of her talent that could grow soul items. To Ye Qingzi, this meant she had an infinite moving soul item ingredient generator, which was incredible for her soul abilities.

Ye Qingzi's current maximum was around middle class emperor rank. After the spirit ability competition, Ye Qingzi already tried to make high class emperor rank soul items. At this time, she needed a vast amount of resources to practice with.

When soul teachers practiced, it burned through money incredibly fast. Ye Qingzi didn't have any powerful background, so all her practice ingredients she had to gather herself, which took up a long time.

With Ning Maner, Ye Qingzi could just buy seeds of some soul items and she could have endless practice materials. It won't be long before she successfully makes a top tier emperor rank soul item.

Chu Mu's devil tree, Qin, and ghost monarch king were all still middle class emperor rank, and they definitely couldn't all complete their strengthening themselves, so a high class emperor rank soul item was extremely necessary. Presumably after Xiangrong City, with another complete training, all of Chu Mu's soul pets could reach high class emperor rank.

If anyone else knew how Chu Mu was progressing in emperor rank as easily as he was in monarch rank, probably even the senior elders would be jealous.

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"Wuwuwu~~~~~~"

Little Mo Xie laid on chu Mu's shoulder, yawning cutely and had eyes full of boredom.

Chu Mu turned his head around to look at little Mo Xie and laughed, "There aren't many opportunities for you in the human realm anymore."

As he spoke, Chu Mu pulled little Mo Xie off his shoulder, and slowly helped her tidy up the fur that was messed up by Ning Maner.

Little Mo Xie flicked her nine tails around satisfyingly and half-closed her eyes, letting out a low purr.

"I wonder how Night, Zhan Ye, and little hidden dragon are doing." Chu Mu seemed to speak to Mo Xie, but also seemed to be talking to himself.

"Wuwuwu~~~~~" Little Mo Xie lifted his head, her bright eyes gazing into the distance as she seemed to remember Night who always tried to act cold and cool, Zhan Ye who never spoke more

than a sentence, and little hidden dragon who would always grab onto her tails and swing around when it was young.....

"Chu Mu, Xiangrong city is a tenth rank kingdom capital that belongs to soul alliance. It has no three palace factions." Ye QIngzi pulled out her map and walked by Chu Mu.

Before Chu Mu could even look over, little Mo Xie tilted her head and stared at where Ye Qingzi pointed, looking as if she understood everything.

"Are there any bewildering worlds around?" Chu Mu asked. This was what Chu Mu was more worried about. Without bewildering worlds, his soul pets won't be able to get any training and this city will lose all attraction to him.

"South of it is the famous Xiangrong Forest Sea. The Xiangrong Forest Sea extends straight to the south forbidden realm. It's extremely broad and even a few years won't be enough to explore it fully." Ye Qingzi spoke and saw little Mo Xie's eyes light up. Smiling, she rubbed her furry ears and continued, "Don't even think about it, even deep in the forbidden realm we won't be able to find many enemies for you to train against."

There weren't that many top tier emperor ranks, so the fight-loving Mo Xie was napping all day, utterly bored from everything.

The higher the rank, the less fighting chances one got. Maybe this was why emperor ranks found it so hard to raise their strength. After all, once they were at that rank, it was hard to meet opponents everywhere they went. Without battle, the raising of strength became much harder. Adding on the scarcity of resources......

With Ye Qingzi's words, Mo Xie had to shrink her head back and put her eyes on White NIghtmare Emperor instead, looking to fight it to get some challenge.

White Nightmare Emperor smiled and pointed at the sky, signaling that it was going to be dark soon so it didn't want to fight.

Once night time came and moonlight fell, little fox would become abnormally powerful, so white nightmare emperor clearly wouldn't ask for trouble himself.

White nightmare emperor didn't want to fight so Mo Xie, so it started looking at fourth white nightmare .a

White four stared into the sky and acted like it didn't see little Mo Xie at all.

When little Mo Xie played with white four, usually she only used a single type. Even so, white four still was bullied by Mo Xie.

"Brother, white one should be back by now, he's left for so long." Ning Maner asked.

"En. should be." Chu Mu said.

Chu Mu was meeting stronger and stronger enemies now, and many times he couldn't protect ye QIngzi and Ning Maner well with only one soul pet. Nightmare dominator was the best bodyguard. After all, they liked being around the wild little girl anyways. With some materials, Ye Qingzi could also make some soul items that slightly strengthened white four to white ten, they could improve their strength too. Wild soul pet strength's raising can't be as swift as humans signing soul pacts with soul pets. After all, humans have a full civilization built on understanding soul pets, while wild soul pets don't have that knowledge to build upon.

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As Chu Mu and the other three get closer to Xiangrong City, the nearby forests became denser. In fact, after going past the mountain, the scene coming into view was another cyan and autumn colored forest sea, seeing no end.

Going into the night, the two girls pitched a tent. Liking cleanliness, they couldn't always sleep on the branches.

On the hundred year old branches, Chu Mu laid against it and closed his eyes to enter meditation.

After reaching high remembrance soul emperor, Chu Mu found it incredibly difficult to reach the eighth remembrance. In fact, after this long, his soul remembrance still felt as if it just broke through, seeing no improvement.

"Looks like meditation no longer works." chu Mu laughed bitterly and slowly closed his eyes, gazing at the stars that dotted the night like sand.

After a while, Chu Mu heard the light footsteps under him.

Without turning around Chu Mu knew it was Ye QIngzi who had just finished putting Ning Maner to sleep.

"What's up, looking so troubled?" ye QIngzi lightly leaped onto the branch and sat down beside Chu Mu, lightly swinging her attractive legs.

The first time he saw Ye QIngzi, Chu Mu was attracted by Ye Qingzi's elegant long legs.

The branch was very thick and provided enough space for the both of them. Chu Mu laid against the trunk and let Ye Qingzi lay in his arms. His arm naturally fell on ye Qingzi's alluring legs and started rubbing them slightly.

Ye Qingzi feigned anger and pressed down on Chu Mu's arm, blushing slightly as she said, "Don't be dirty."

How could Chu Mu listen? At other times, Ning Maner would always be in the way. Everytime Chu Mu smelled the special scent Ye QIngzi had after making soul items, he was always a little eager for more.

"Pupupupupu~~~~~~"

Suddenly, a wave of black shadows whooshed through the starlit skies with a fluttering of wings.

The dark shadow was extremely dense, like a black cloud that blotted out the sky. They flew past from Chu Mu and Ye QIngzi's vision, looking like they were scared or receiving orders.....

Chu Mu was rubbing Ye Qingzi's leg, but feeling the powerful auras, he slightly creased his brows.

"That group of organisms didn't seem simple." Ye Qingzi looked at the slowly distant organsims and said.

"En, they flew towards Xiangrong City. It's very rare to see such high level wing type organisms get into groups in the human realm." Chu Mu nodded.

"We are a little off the track. This should be near the deep end of a bewildering world." ye Qingzi said.

The world was huge and had everything. Chu Mu would often run into these advanced organisms in the past fly over, leaving behind them a shock as well as a sliver of hope of standing at the same height as them.

In the past, it was always envy. Now, Chu Mu was more rueful because he was already standing above all these organisms he used to look up to.

However, for some reason, all these organisms that seemed like they were running or receiving orders reminded Chu Mu of the high class emperor rank heavenly devil insect that was red-eyed and controlled.....

"Chu Mu? What are you thinking about?" Ye QIngzi said a few sentences to Chu Mu but noticed him spacing out.

Chu Mu came back to his senses and saw Ye Qingzi curiously looking up, breathing her question out.

Chu Mu naturally thought it was nothing to worry about. Seeing Ye Qingzi already coming so close, he pulled his arm in and made ye Qingzi lose her balance, allowing him to enjoy the soft and wet little mouth of hers.

Ye Qingzi at first struggled a little, wriggling her hips, but she quickly got into the mood and hugged Chu Mu's neck with her arm.

"Let's make another tent?" Chu Mu said to ye QIngzi in his embrace softly.

Ye Qingzi's face went red and nodded shyly, "En."

Couples in deep love often missed their surroundings.

Just as Chu Mu was kissing Ye Qingzi and grabbing her legs, Chu Mu failed to notice that, not long after the huge group of advanced wing type soul pets flew by, another wing type organism flitted across, alone- outstanding, and gorgeous.

Chapter 869: Fairy Butterfly, Long Fragrant Dance

Xiang Rong City was named after its thriving wood.

TL: Play on words. Xiang Rong = thriving

The most unique characteristic of this city was that the entire city seemed like a forest. The green jade colored style and flowery decoration. Regardless if it was the wide and straight streets, the quiet and small alleys, or even the individuals houses, a myriad of different plants could be seen growing.

This city was home to a unique soul pet called the Accompanying Fairy Butterfly.

This Accompanying Fairy Butterfly was considered a soul pet with a special bloodline. It was an organism that 100 years ago couldn't be considered a soul pet to have evolved into one in Xiang Rong City out of the unique spiritual environment.

The Fairy Butterfly appeared every household and door. Its body was slim, and its wings were lithe. At a certain season of the year, it could be seen soaring inside and outside of courtyards. No matter where one went, one could always see its figure.

During the night when sleeping, if the window was left open, the fragrance left from the Fairy Butterfly while it was dancing around would seep in. Not only would it help with sleep, but it could also heal a few ailes of the sleeper. The citizens of this city practically would never get sick, and even the older men and women were full of vitality; one would never see them cough.

There were two types of Fairy Butterflies in Xiang Rong City. One was raised by the masters of courtyards inside their courtyards. Even without signing a soul pact, it would accompany the courtyard's master like a child as it grew older. The other type was nurtured somewhere in the city. The latter of these Fairy Butterflies were full of the novel beauty of the city and would wander this thriving city. They would help the fresh flowers blossom, young sprouts grow and vines interweave...

"Big brother, this place is truly beautiful. It's as if we've entered a forest in a fantasy." Ning Maner was excited tas she ran back and forth on the streets, stepping on the soft ground formed by interweaving branches. She resembled a rabbit returning home.

Nine Maner was holding Chu Mu's arm as they walked behind, slightly smiling as he watched this young girl who was without any worry.

"Pu pu pu pu pu pu~~~~~"

The sound of wings lightly beating could be heard in the soft, fragrant wind. Ning Maner stood next to the pond of water and pretended she was a Fairy Butterfly. She bent her waist and her small, graceful body performed a gentle arc.

This was a charming dancing pose. It not only attracted the praise from the surrounding people, but also attracted countless Fairy Butterflies. They surrounded Ning Maner and became her dancing partner.

There were multiple colors in the air, as if several different colored shimmering stars were circling this lithely moving girl. In an instant, Ning Maner had become the focal point of the people of this street. The young men watched this graceful and elegant young girl with intoxication while the women were attracted by this aesthetic scene. It was hard to move one's eyes away.

"This young girl can surprisingly attract Fairy Butterflies."

"How beautiful."

The city's Fairy Butterflies were free, elegant but also somewhat proud. They would rarely approach humans and would always live their own lives.

This city had written laws that killing a Fairy Butterfly was equivalent to killing a person. Therefore, people wouldn't go disturb them. The Fairy Butterflies and Accompanying Fairy Butterflies in this city were different. Many people hoped to obtain the attention from these unique creatures, but aside from a few genuine flower teachers, medicine teachers and soul teachers, others were rarely surrounded by Fairy Butterflies.

Ning Maner didn't use any powder to attract them, nor did she use some communication method. Instead, purely through her casual dancing and laughter, she was able to become a princess that seemed to be protected by these Fairy Butterflies...

"This girl you picked up is truly special." Ye Qingzi laughed and looked at Chu Mu. But she discovered that Chu Mu was a bit absent minded as he watched this young dancing fairy. Her hand subconsciously moved up Chu Mu's arm, and pinched him to cause him to come back to his senses.

Chu Mu's body had been tempered a thousand times. This young woman's actions could not harm him, and he continued to be a bit absent minded.

The adjacent Ye Qingzi was upset, but she couldn't do anything about Chu Mu.

Increasingly many Fairy Butterflies gathered around Ning Maner. These special organisms came from originally just the street but then started unknowingly gathering from the surrounding streets and eventually the entire city...

"Look!!"

Suddenly, someone pointed at the sky.

People abruptly discovered that the sky above the street was now covered in a multi-colored mist that was floating towards them!

"So many... so many Fairy Butterflies!!!"

People began to shout out in exclamation and disbelief.

Only flower emperor teachers and the noble Empress Concubine could cause so many Fairy Butterflies to gather. Yet, a mysterious young girl with unknown origins was able to continuously attract Fairy Butterflies to her.

"Big brother, quickly look. They all like to play with me!" Ning Maner was full of smiles and she lithely made her way over to Chu Mu as if she wanted to share some of the fun with him.

Chu Mu knew of Ning Maner's ability. Even White Nightmares, these savage creatures, would do their utmost to protect her. Clearly, there didn't need to be anything said about these Fairy Butterflies that were innately pure and friendly. She was a natural favorite, a favorite of myriad creatures.

"Pu pui pu pu pu!!!!!!"

Suddenly, just as Ning Maner approached Chu Mu, all of the Fairy Butterflies seemed to have been frightened. They beat their wings and abruptly dispersed from Ning Maner's side..

Ning Maner looked at them in shock. She surveyed the surroundings and discovered that these Fairy Butterflies were no longer flying over. Instead, they were flying away.

"Fairy Butterflies are the most sensitive creatures and can sense the heart of a person. They will maintain a respectful distance from those with an evil heart. Younger brother is truly outlandish. This woman with natural beauty and who resembles fairies and saintess is able to attract Fairy Butterflies. Yet, the moment she approaches you, they are immediately repelled by the evil in your heart." at this moment, an adjacent middle aged man slowly spoke.

This middle aged man was probably older. His hair was white and while his body looked healthy, he probably had numerous illnesses. Most particularly, this man was wearing black eyepatches. He was probably blind.

"Big brother is truly repulsive." blamed Ning Maner. It had taken her much effort to summon so many Fairy Butterflies. Yet, the moment they approached her, they were all scared away.

Chu Mu stood there, and bitterly laughed while he shook his head. He hadn't done anything.

"Old mister, you seem to understand Fairy Butterflies very well." as a soul pet trainer, Chu Mu naturally was very interested in all kinds of soul pets. Moreover, he was able to remember that not long ago when he spent the night on the tree with Ye Qingzi, he seemed to have seen a group of high ranking Fairy Butterflies.

"Haha, I've lived here for many many years. Young man, you should be someone from Nightmare Palace, right?" wisely asked the blind man.

Chu Mu was a bit astonished as he looked at him. He was able to guess that he was a Nightmare Palace person, meaning that this old man knew that he had a White Nightmare.

TL: No idea why he called him 'middle aged' first.

"Old mister's judgement abilities are very good." Chu Mu didn't deny it as he could be considered a Nightmare Palace member.

"This city isn't very welcoming to Nightmare Palace members. Don't stir up trouble." after speaking, the old blind man turned around and left, disappearing in the slowly dispersing crowd.

A while after the old man left, Ye Qingzi softly said: "That old man is blind, yet why is he able to move so smoothly."

"His soul remembrance is higher than mine. He is a hidden expert, and was attracted here by Ning Maner's uniqueness." said Chu Mu.

"Oh? We were able to encounter an expert just like that?" astonishedly said Ye Qingzi.

"This city is probably home to the most hidden experts. Older soul pet trainers after completing their life's ambitions will peacefully enjoy the rest of their life here. Even those who haven't completed their ambition will come here in pity or to hopefully entrust it to the next generation..." said Chu Mu.

Ye Qingzi looked profoundly at Chu Mu before giving him a cute eye roll: "Why is a young and vigorous man speaking such mature and decrepit things. It sounds so weird."

Chu Mu earnestly nodded his head: "That's right, young and vigorous."

Ye Qingzi initially didn't react to Chu Mu repeating "young and vigorous" again. However, when she saw his expression and how he was looking at her rather cunningly and sniggering, she immediately understood his flirtatious words.

Ye Qingzi's face was instantly filled with red clouds and she pinched the flesh on his arm before softly scolding: "Rascal, no wonder those Fairy Butterflies were dispersed by you. Not only is your heart evil, but your thoughts are extremely unhealthy!"

Ye Qingzi discovered that everytime this fellow did something immoral, he would do so without batting an eyelid. People who didn't understand would think that Chu Mu was being proper and serious, incapable of thinking of something so disgusting.

"Haven't you discovered that I'm only evil to you?" Chu Mu enjoyed flirting with Ye Qingzi and when he saw this girl, who was normally as calm as a demon, charmingly get angry, Chu Mu felt very accomplished.

"Hmph, who knows..." Ye Qingzi wouldn't play along with his games. She didn't know where this fellow who used to be so proper had learned all of these arbitrary bad thoughts. She angrily said: "I'm going on a stroll with Maner. You aren't allowed to come."

"Ok, go." Chu Mu knew that Ye Qingzi wasn't playing around. Instead, as a woman, she had things to buy that weren't convenient for men to buy with. Naturally, they would go for a stroll themselves.

With second white and fourth white following them, Chu Mu didn't need to worry that something would happen to them. After all, at that rank, unless they intentionally met up with a few experts, the chances of them casually encountering an expert with intentions against them were nearly zero.

As for them encountering trouble, there was less to worry about. Ye Qingzi herself was a high class emperor and the small troubles that she would have to deal with would be considered as huge matters that alarmed the whole city in the eyes of others.

This city didn't have the three great palaces. Chu Mu knew that Ye Qingzi wanted to refine things, so he planned on first renting a medicine teacher's courtyard and then plan out how to increase the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's strength.

Chapter 870: A Rank That Cannot Be Dealt With?

"This place is good. All you have to do is follow the main street, and you'll reach the city center. The loft in the courtyard can see Xiang Rong Plaza's nature platform. There are high ranking Accompanying Fairy Butterflies that live in these courtyards. These Accompanying Fairy Butterflies release an aroma with a special soul charm. People in poor health will be reinvigorated... eh? Normally these Accompanying Fairy Butterflies will fly around the courtyard. Why have they all suddenly run away. Oh, they could be going to gather pollen..." the old servant surveyed the surroundings and spoke with an awkward expression.

The awkwardness was naturally because Accompanying Fairy Butterflies which were normally obedient had suddenly kept their distance. This was very rare.

"Yes, this place is fine. You can give this money to the courtyard master. If there's nothing, don't bother me normally." Chu Mu threw a bag of money to the old servant.

The old servant didn't expect this young man to be so straightforward. He took the money from Chu Mu and gave him a bow before leaving.

This large courtyard had various equipment for soul abilities and the location wasn't bad as it allowed Ning Maner to go to lively places to have fun. As for the Accompanying Fairy Butterflies that suddenly disappeared, this was definitely because Chu Mu's inner heart was evil. "Wu wu wu~~~~"

Mo Xie jumped off of Chu Mu's shoulder onto the interweaving vines on the courtyard walls. She ran around the area, but ostensibly didn't find anything interesting and jumped back onto Chu Mu's shoulder.

"Let's go to Hunting Association." Chu Mu said to the Mo Xie on his shoulder.

"Wu wu~~" Mo Xie nodded her head.

Hunting Association was like Soul Church, and was a loose organization. Most of their experts only had a position in Hunting Association in name while actually having a position in Soul Alliance.

If Chu Mu was to join Hunting Association, he would definitely join the top ranks.

Presumably in this enormous tenth rank kingdom city, Hunting Association was able to provide a lot of valuable information to middle class emperor rank experts.

After stepping into Hunting Association, Chu Mu discovered there were spirit emperor rank missions. However, none of them were of any interest to him.

Chu Mu's main goal was to strengthen the Devil Tree Battle Soldier. Among the information available, there were both false and true things. Chu Mu didn't want to waste his time to find non existent emperor rank child pets.

After walking around with nothing catching his attention, Chu Mu left and went to Xiang Rong City's library.

Before training, he had to select a direction to move in. Chu Mu's knowledge of Xiang Rong city was extremely limited so if he wanted a comprehensive understanding, he had to go there.

Of course, Chu Mu had another reason in going.

Senior Elder Shen, upon knowing that Chu Mu was going to Xiang Rong City, entrusted Chu Mu to pay respects to a senior at Xiang Rong City's library.

Shen Qiu said that going to the Empress Concubine for "guidance" was just a joke. How could Chu Mu just go to the Empress Concubine for guidance if he had no clue about Xiang Rong City. It was best if he went to that old senior instead for guidance.

After asking around, Chu Mu made his way to the back courtyard of the library.

In the back courtyard was a cute young girl squatting by the flowers and carefully watering the flowers with medicine water.

Not far away from this girl were a few gardeners. They were tidying up the flowers and vines in the back courtyard of this library. There were also a few older fellows seriously reading books on stone chairs and in small wooden pavilions.

"What rubbish. I've pursued it for nearly 30 years. It's definitely not a demon butterfly species!" suddenly yelled an old man.

The man with a white beard combed into a whip sitting opposite of him wasn't happy either. Confidently he asserted: "You haven't seen it yourself. Why are you saying it isn't possible? What proof do you have?!"

"If I say it isn't, it isn't!" the man with a long beard spoke with his face and ears all red.

"Grandfather, Elder Duan, you're so old already, so why are you guys arguing like children?" the girl watering the plants to the side turned around and spoke unhappily to the two old men.

The two old men seemed to really dote on this girl. They had just been very angry, but immediately became amiable and pleasant.

"Senior Duan." Chu Mu walked up to the white whip bearded man called Senior Duan by the young girl. He gave a slight bow out of politeness.

"You want to ask about that again? Go away. How many times do I have to tell you, I won't tell you anything about the Butterfly Emperor!" Elder Duan impatiently waved his hand.

Chu Mu was immediately in an awkward position. He hastily explained: "My name is Chu Fangchen, and I was told by Senior Elder Shen Qiu to come and pay my respects."

"It doesn't matter who you are..." Elder Duan didn't want to listen to Chu Mu. His tone had turned peremptory before he suddenly realized that something wasn't right.

"You said you were referred by Shen Qiu, that brat?" Elder Duan's tone quickly changed, and he raised his white eyebrows.

Chu Mu nodded his head, but was shocked in his heart. Nightmare Palace's second ranked expert Shen Qiu had transformed into a brat according to this old man. It seemed that this Elder Duan was extremely old!

"Tell me, what did you come find me for?" Elder Duan's tone turned warmer, but it was possible to see that he wasn't particularly poite towards Chu Mu. Moreover, Chu Mu heard this Elder Duan mutter: "If I had known that young people would come and find me for guidance, I wouldn't have become an honorary guest at Nightmare Palace twenty years ago."

After Elder Duan said that, Chu Mu really didn't know what to say.

If he came here and said there was something, he would obviously be asking this old man about a suitable way to train his Devil Tree Battle Soldier. However, if he were to say that there was nothing, he really would be doing as Shen Qiu intended and just paying his respects.

However, Chu Mu never expected that Elder Duan wasn't really giving Shen Qiu any face, nor did he really like others coming to pay respects to him. Most troublesome was that Chu Mu originally thought that the name "Chu Fangchen" was very famous now. However, the people here didn't seem to have heard of it before. Only the girl who had now begun to pick the flowers would occasionally examin Chu Mu, but she didn't have any other expression...

Chu Mu didn't know, however, that because Soul Alliance didn't want his reputation to sweep the nation, they didn't publicize the matter about Soul City. Obviously, they wouldn't spread the news that a peerless genius, Chu Fangchen, had appeared in the three great palaces.

Moreover, within the three great palaces, Chu Mu enjoyed staying low key and only let the higher ups know of him. Although a few people would receive news of him, there was no way everyone in Wanxiang Realm would know of him in such a short period of time. Especially since Xiang Rong CIty was called a hidden city. In terms of news spreading, it was clearly inferior to other places.

"Elder Duan, someone else is sending a greeting on behalf of another senior. Why are you still like this." that girl turned around and spoke to the old man.

"Girl, you don't know about this. Shen Qiu, that brat, is really troublesome... whatever. I'll do it because of Ying Ying..." Elder Duan helplessly moved his gaze to Chu Mu and calmly said: "Speak. If there's something I can help you with, I will try my best."

"This is my first time in Xiang Rong City, and I am not too familiar with this place. I'm searching for a suitable place to train." Chu Mu didn't really care about this old man's attitude so he spoke frankly.

Elder Duan immediately creased his eyebrows and said: "You've come to me for such a small matter. I'm not some treasure of Xiang Rong City. Just go to Hunter Association and ask people there."

"Eh, I went already. There was nothing that I wanted there. My rank is a bit higher." said Chu Mu.

"Higher rank? Pseudo emperor or low class emperor?" when Elder Duan heard Chu Mu say that, his attitude became more proper.

If it was above the emperor rank, finding him was probably right. If it was under the emperor rank, he couldn't be bothered to waste words with a brat that had yet to reach the spirit emperor rank.

"Middle class emperor. I am hoping for my wood type soul pet to break into the high class emperor rank." truthfully said Chu Mu.

"Oh! Kid, you're incredible!" the grandfather of the girl let out a shocked cry first, and immediately began to carefully examine him.

Elder Duan's eyes flashed with an expression of astonishment, and his impatient attitude completely vanished!

Breaking through from the middle class emperor rank to the high class emperor rank was something difficult. Elder Duan truly never expected that Shen Qiu would send him a young man with such shocking strength this time.

The girl next to him stopped her movements and gracefully walked up next to the two old men. Her spirit and limpid eyes examined Chu Mu.

"At this rank, it's best if you don't go to Hunting Association, that shoddy place, for a suitable training ground. You coming to find me was correct. However, breaking through from the middle class emperor rank to the high class emperor rank won't just be done because you said it." said Elder Duan with a serious tone.

After hesitating a moment, Elder Duan glanced at the long bearded grandfather of the girl and said: "Li Yan. In your opinion, where is a suitable place for this brat?"

The old man called Li Yan didn't immediately respond. He first asked Chu Mu: "How are your training abilities? Can you deal with forbidden regions?"

"Yes, I often enter them." said Chu Mu.

"Big words. You even often enter them. But if the person you're speaking to were to reveal his identity, it would shock you to death. It's good that a young man is an outstanding talent, but by no means must you be arrogant." Elder Duan saw that Chu Mu was full of confidence and promptly spoke debasingly.

Forbidden regions, regardless of the outer, middle or inner region, were all called forbidden regions. Elder Duan understood very well that many young fellows believed that just because they had the strength of a spirit emperor and could easily enter the outer region or the outskirts of the middle region, they would say they could enter a forbidden region. However, they didn't know that the area they had stepped into was just the beach of an ocean. This was too shallowed to be considered part of the true forbidden region.

"Whatever, don't rely on your age to bully others. You're at what age, and you still don't know what you're doing. What qualifications do you have to speak of others like that?" Li Yan turned it around and debased Elder Duan.

Chu Mu silently laughed when he saw the two old men bickering. This was a rare pair of clowns.

However, he could see that these two old men truly had qualifications!

"Go to Yang Feng Ridge. A group of Thousand Eyed Devil Trees live there. It should be a very fitting place for a middle class emperor rank wood type soul pet to train. If your luck is good, you'll be able to obtain a few thousand year wood crystals. Perhaps your soul pet will even reach the high class emperor." said Li Yan.

"How is it that easy? Do you think that thousand year wood crystals are everywhere on the mountain? But with that being said, this place really is suitable for you to train at your rank. In a bit, I'll fetch a map for you from the library. You'll be able to take it away. Don't go the wrong way, otherwise you'll be unable to return." said Elder Duan.

"Yang Feng Ridge. Thank you two seniors for your guidance." courteously said Chu Mu.

"After all you're full of youth. It shouldn't be a problem for you to run around more. Fifty meters south of Yang Feng Ridge is Jade Forest. Many high ranking Fairy Butterflies have died there. Help me head over there. If you see anything strange, be a bit careful. That probably isn't a rank you can deal with. Just search around." said Elder Duan.

"A rank he couldn't deal with? Was there any rank in the human domain that he couldn't deal with?" thought Chu Mu.