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Chapter 2761: Recruitment

Duan Ling Tian was not stupid. He, naturally, knew Long Fei Yun intended to obtain a prominent pill cauldron for him by giving up on the Duke Grade Celestial Weapon.

"Brother Duan, there's still some time before the Wasteland Grand Contest... Don't try to talk me out of it, I've made up my mind." Long Fei Yun shook his head. Then, he turned to Long Dong Ping and said in a clear voice, "Father, I've made up my mind to exchange the Duke Grade Celestial Weapon for a prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron."

"Since you've made up your mind, I'll grant you your wish!" Long Dong Ping agreed and did not say anything to dissuade Long Fei Yun since Long Fei Yun had made up his mind. Moreover, he had been quite reluctant to reward this son of his with a Duke Grade Celestial Weapon anyway. However, since he had publicly made that promise, he had no choice to reward Long Fei Yun with the Duke Grade Celestial Weapon. As an emperor, he could not go back on his words after all. He was, naturally, more than happy to grant his son's request and swap the Duke Grade Celestial Weapon for a prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron. In fact, even if his son had requested for two prominent Celestial Pill Cauldrons, he would still happily obliged.

In Long Dong Ping's opinion, although a prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron was valuable, it could not compare to a Duke Grade Celestial Weapon. Most importantly, prominent Celestial Pill Cauldrons were just a display in the hands of the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom's Imperial family. They had no use for it at all. The Duke Grade Celestial Weapon, on the other hand, was a different story.

When Long Dong Ping passed down his decree to reward Long Fei Yun with a prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron instead of a Duke Grade Celestial Weapon, the crowd in Xu Rong Palace broke out in a commotion again.

"Heavens! The thirteenth prince really swapped a Duke Grade Celestial Weapon for a prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron!"

"I didn't think he was serious. I was certain he would change his mind. Who knew he's so determined to swap a Duke Grade Celestial Weapon for a prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron?"

"I don't know what he's thinking... The prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron is of no use to him, right?"

"Does he plan to use a prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron to attract a prominent Celestial Alchemist to his service?"

"You really let your imagination run wild, didn't you? What kind of person do you think a prominent Celestial Alchemist is? How could a prominent Celestial Alchemist be tempted by a mere prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron?"

"That's true! A prominent Celestial Alchemist would not be tempted by a mere prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron. Not even a Celestial Alchemist who has just obtained a prominent Celestial Fire would be

tempted. It's easy for a prominent Celestial Alchemist to obtain a prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron after all."

The people in the main hall of Xu Rong Palace could not understand Long Fei Yun's actions. They thought he must have lost his mind. No prominent Celestial Alchemist would be tempted by a prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron. After all, prominent Celestial Alchemists could easily obtain prominent Celestial Pill Cauldrons. They could easily join any one of the Three Major Sects in the Wasteland and become an elder. Why would they covet a prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron when there was an abundance of prominent Celestial Pill Cauldrons in the three major Celestial Sects?

Similarly, Long Xiang Yun and Long Qing Yun thought Long Fei Yun was foolish.

"I don't understand him at all... How can he be so stupid?"

"Does he think he'll be able to gain father's favor by doing this and obtain father's approval to contend for the throne? Naive!"

Naturally, Long Xiang Yun and Long Qing Yun had no intention of dissuading Long Fei Yun as well. They were pleased to see Long Fei Yun commit what they thought was a big mistake.

'Why does he want a prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron?' If there was anyone who was clear-headed in the main hall, it was Zhou Shu Qiu, the third miss of the Zhou clan. She looked at Long Fei Yun skeptically. Based on her understanding of Long Fei Yun, she knew he was not a reckless person and would not make such a foolish mistake. 'He must have a use for the prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron..." Although she did not know the reason, she was certain Long Fei Yun had a reason for doing this.

Long Fei Yun remained unbothered when faced with everyone's skeptical and ridiculing gazes. Naturally, he knew would suffer a loss, but he did not regret it. First, he had promised to help Duan Ling Tian obtain a prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron. Second, by helping Duan Ling Tian, he could further deepen his relationship with Duan Ling Tian. In his opinion, it was far more beneficial for him to have a good relationship with Duan Ling Tian than to possess a Duke Grade Celestial Weapon.

"Thirteenth prince..." Although Duan Ling Tian knew about Long Fei Yun's intention, he was still moved. As Long Fei Yun said earlier, there was still some time before the Wasteland Grand Contest. It would take a while for him to get his hands on a prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron unless he revealed himself as a prominent Celestial Alchemist to the Martial Dragon Celestial Sect.

'Did I choose the longer path? In fact, I don't have to join today's selection or the Wasteland Grand Contest, I can easily join the Martial Dragon Celestial Sect as long as I reveal that I'm a prominent Celestial Alchemist... As long as I ask for it, let alone a prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron, I can probably obtain a Duke Grade Martial weapon from the Martial Dragon Celestial Sect as well. Moreover, even if I don't participate in the Wasteland Grand Contest, I can still fulfill my promise to Brother Pei and enter the small world left by a Celestial King.' Duan Ling Tian did not think of this earlier because he did not expect to become a prominent Celestial Alchemist so soon.

In the end, Duan Ling Tian decided to stop dwelling on the matter. 'Let it be... Since I've chosen to participate in the Wasteland Grand Contest, I'll continue down this path. Meanwhile, I can start refining prominent Celestial Pills now that I possess a prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron.'

The selection for the winning Mansion continued after the winning prince had been decided.

The winning Mansion was the Sky Song King's Mansion. The representative who helped them win was an Indigo Sun Golden Celestial younger than 100 years old even though he was weaker than Feng Wu Ji Guang.

The King of Grand Prestige Mansion muttered under his breath, "Damn it! If I knew the thirteenth prince had a hidden trump card, I wouldn't have sent Feng Wu Ji Guang to the seventh prince. Not only did I fail to help him become the winning prince, but I lost the chance to become the winning mansion as well!"

The King of Grand Prestige Mansion was a middle-aged man with a face full of beard. His expression was as dark as coals at this moment. He had sent Feng Wu Ji Guang to represent the seventh prince to curry favor. Who knew the plan would backfire on him? Not only did he fail to curry favor with the seventh prince and paved the way to the throne for him, but he had also lost the chance of becoming the winning mansion by doing so. How could he not feel gloomy and aggrieved?

After the winning prince and winning mansion were chosen, the selection soon ended.

Before leaving Xu Rong Palace, Long Fei Yun handed the prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron to Duan Ling Tian.

"Thank you, thirteenth prince." Duan Ling Tian thanked Long Fei Yun as he put the prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron away. After obtaining the prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron, he no longer wanted to waste time in Xu Rong Palace. He wanted to return to Long Fei Yun's residence so he could try to refine prominent Celestial Pills. However, before he could leave, he was stopped by someone.

"Oh, so you're the reason why the thirteenth prince gave up a Duke Grade Celestial Weapon in exchange for a prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron." The person who stopped Duan Ling Tian was none other than Zhou Shu Qiu, the third miss of the Zhou clan.

Duan Ling Tian calmly said, "Why are you paying so much attention to me? Do you have the same hobby as your younger sister and intend to bring me back to the Zhou clan or the Thousand Spiders Celestial Sect to become your boy toy?"

"D*mn you! What nonsense are you spouting?" Zhou Shu Qiu stared at Duan Ling Tian with blushing cheeks. Her indifferent expression had vanished as she glared at him fiercely. After she calmed down, she said, "Duan Ling Tian, I hope you'll consider joining the Thousand Spiders Celestial Sect after the Wasteland Grand Contest." She did not beat around the bush and instantly tried to recruit Duan Ling Tian.

Chapter 2762: The Incident in Xia Clan

The moment Zhou Shu Qiu spoke, Long Fei Yun, the thirteenth prince, frowned. He did not expect the junior sister of the current Sect Leader of the Thousand Spiders Celestial Sect would recruit a talent so

soon. However, knowing Duan Ling Tian's character, he knew Duan Ling Tian would not go back on his promise. It did not change the fact that he was uncomfortable with her blatantly trying to recruit Duan Ling Tian under his nose. Although he was upset, he did not dare to offend Zhou Shu Qiu.

"I'm not interested," Duan Ling Tian replied calmly. Then, he took Huan'er's hand and walked past Zhou Shu Qiu, leaving Xu Rong Palace before Zhou Shu Qiu even had time to react.

Long Fei Yun felt smug when he saw this. Naturally, he hid it well. He calmly left Xu Rong Palace with Qiu Ling, leaving Zhou Shu Qiu standing there with a sour expression on her face.

As Zhou Shu Qiu looked at Duan Ling Tian's retreating back, she could not help but feel this man could not tell chalk from cheese.

'Regardless of your plans, I'll make sure you join the Thousand Spiders Celestial Sect... After the Wasteland Grand Contest is over, I'll ask my master to come forward and bring you over to our sect even if you choose the Martial Dragon Celestial Sect.' In Zhou Shu Qiu's opinion, as long as her master, the former Sect Leader of the Thousand Spiders Celestial Sect, spoke up, the Martial Dragon Celestial Sect would definitely do him a special favor and hand over Duan Ling Tian, the Great Overarching Golden Celestial who was younger than 100 years old. Naturally, she was confident because she was unaware that Duan Ling Tian was also a prominent Celestial Alchemist.

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Meanwhile, after returning to Long Fei Yun's residence in the Imperial palace, Duan Ling Tian did not waste any time and began to refine the prominent Celestial Pill, the Weaving Overarching Pill.

However, as the saying went, 'Everything is difficult at the beginning'. The process of refining the Weaving Overarching Pill was arduous. After wasting a lot of medicinal ingredients, Duan Ling Tian finally somewhat figured it out. He was not particularly frustrated since he had already expected this.

In the past, he could only refine primitive Celestial Pills. Later on, before he had a chance to refine mediocre Celestial Pills, the Chaos Divine Flame in his body entered the third form, bringing it to a level comparable to a prominent Celestial Fire. That was how he became a prominent Celestial Alchemist.

"The third form of the Chaos Divine Flame is much stronger than ordinary prominent Celestial Fires... It heated the cauldron much faster than ordinary prominent Celestial Fires could. Even the extraordinary prominent Celestial Fires only possess half the speed of the third form of the Chaos Divine Flame."

Duan Ling Tian sat alone on a bed in a quiet room. In front of him, the prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron was suspended in the air with gray flames under it.

In Devata Realms, Celestial Alchemists had to heat up cauldrons to refine Celestial Pills. Before refining pills, one needed to use Celestial Fires to heat up the cauldron to the maximum. Based on the speed, one could roughly tell the grade of Celestial Fires.

The heating speed of Duan Ling Tian's Chaos Divine Flame was several times faster than the speed of extraordinary prominent Celestial Fires. There was an insurmountable difference between them.

'Even the best prominent Celestial Fire would be overshadowed by the third form of the Chaos Divine Flame... After I master refining prominent Celestial Pills, it'd be easy for me to refine the extraordinary Prominent Celestial Pill, the Overarching Heaven Pill.' Duan Ling Tian was confident about this. He was delighted. He did not expect the third form of the Chaos Divine Flame to be superior to prominent Celestial Fires in the Devata Realms.

'But... What's a Chaos Divine Flame? This is only the third form. What would it be like when it enters the fourth form, the fifth form, the sixth form, or the seventh form in the future? How powerful would it be?' Duan Ling Tian inhaled sharply when he thought about this.

'There's also the Profound Divine Metal. It seems to have some similarities with the Chaos Divine Flame... The Profound Divine Metal in my body seems to be in the second form. Previously, I thought the Profound Divine Metal's only function was to protect my soul and make it invulnerable to soul attacks.' Duan Ling Tian, naturally, thought about the defective metal piece, the Profound Divine Metal, near his soul when he thought about the Chaos Divine Flame.

'The Profound Divine Metal is the product of the fusion of what was given to me by Ke'er's third uncle, Xia Jie, and the weird stone I found in my hometown on the Cloud Continent...' After a moment, realization dawned on Duan Ling Tian. 'Wait... The second form of the Profound Divine Metal? Is it possible... that the weird stone in my hometown and the thing Xia Jie gave me are each the first form of a Profound Divine Metal?"

The idea excited him. However, he was not 100% sure.

Duan Ling Tian was unaware that he had hit the nail on the head. The thing Xia Jie gave him and the stone he found in his hometown in the mundane realm were first form Profound Divine Metals. When they merged, they became the second form of the Profound Divine Metal.

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While Duan Ling Tian was focused on refining pills, trouble was brewing on the horizon in the Divine Offering Land.

The Xia clan was the strongest force in the Divine Offering Land. Therefore, the clan's territory was extremely vast. Under normal circumstances, the Xia clan's territory was usually peaceful.

However, today, dark clouds that loomed over thousands of miles in the Xia clan's territory had suddenly appeared. The clouds obscured the sky, plunging the Xia clan's territory into endless darkness in just an instant.

At this moment, a thunderous voice rang in the air. "Who dares to stir up trouble in the Xia clan?!"

With that, a shining blade appeared and rose into the sky.

Swoosh!

The blade was gigantic.

As soon as it appeared, it dispersed the dark clouds, bringing light back to the Xia clan's territory. The people from the Xia clan were relieved when they saw this.

"The patriarch has taken action!"

"I wonder who's the intruder... I don't think the intruder is from the Divine Offering Land."

"If they're not from the Divine Offering Land, then, they must be the powerhouses from the parallel realms that have conflicts with our Divine Offering Land..."

"Hmph! No matter what grudges the intruder has with the Xia clan, he'll definitely lose a layer of skin even if doesn't die now that the patriarch has made a move!"

"It's hard to say... Since the person dares to openly provoke the Xia clan, it means that he's not afraid of the patriarch."

While the members of the Xia clan discussed among themselves, the dark clouds that were just dispersed gathered at lightning speed, plunging the territory of the Xia clan into darkness again.

"Reveal yourself!" The thunderous and rough voice sounded again. A hint of anger could be heard in the tone.

A sharp but hoarse voice rang in the air in response. "Patriarch of the Xia family, do you remember how you wronged me back then?" The soundwave rolled out and killed many members of the Xia clan with a weak cultivation base. Even those with an average cultivation base were injured. Meanwhile, the stronger members were focused on resisting the soundwave.

"You're... Ke Wan Jun?!" The thunderous and rough voice sounded again. It was clear the owner of the voice was thoroughly infuriated now. Another bright and flaming blade rose into the sky. It was clearly much stronger than the previous blade. After dispersing the dark clouds, it slashed in all directions like a frenzied beast.

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At the same time, in a vast mansion at a remote corner of the Xia clan's territory, many figures appeared and assembled in just a blink of an eye. An elderly man in gray robes cried out with a dark expression on his face, "This is bad! The people whom the patriarch has ordered to be imprisoned are all gone!"

"The patriarch specially asked us to be extra careful while guarding these people... and now, they're all gone! If the patriarch knows about this, we're done for!"

"What the hell is going on? Is it possible that the intruder released them?"

"Impossible! These are mere mortals from the Mundane Realme, how could they have connections to such powerful people? And, didn't you hear? The patriarch addressed the intruder as Ke Wan Jun?"

"Ke Wan Jun? The name sounds familiar..."

"Ke Wan Jun... Isn't that the fifth strongest powerhouse in the Sanction Land, the realm created by strong powerhouses, that's parallel to our Divine Offering Land? W-Why did he come to the Divine Offering Land? ?"

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At this moment, a sloppy figure appeared in a place far from the Xia clan's territory. "I rescued all of them. If Xue'er knows about this, she'll definitely be relieved."

Chapter 2763: Ke'er in the Realm Battlefield

If Duan Ling Tian were here, he would definitely recognize the sloppy figure. It was none other than Xia Jie, Ke'er's third uncle in her previous left, whom he had met in the mundane realm.

"Everyone, the spatial passage between the Divine Offering Land and the Devata Realm has been closed so I can't personally send you back... However, with my strength, I can still open a passage in a Devata Realm that leads to the mundane realms. The passage can only accommodate those weaker than a Great Overarching Golden Celestial. I'll open the passage for you now... You may encounter black holes, but with my ability, I can still safely send you to the mundane realms. As for which mundane realm you would be sent to, that's not within my control. I'm in a hurry to send you away because I'm worried my elder brother will discover your whereabouts after he deals with the powerhouse from the Sanction Land. As long as you remain in the Divine Offering Land, you won't be able to hide from my elder brother."

Xia Jie looked at an exquisite palace-shaped stamp seal in his hand. He spoke to the stamp seal as though it could understand him. Then, he raised his hand and moved them across the air horizontally.

Suddenly...

Rip!

In the void, a passage leading to God-knows-where appeared.

Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

Xia Jie shook his hand that was holding onto the stamp seal. Suddenly, a group of people flew out of the stamp seal. Their figures grew from small to normal size in just a blink of an eye. As soon as these people appeared, they were shrouded in a layer of mysterious light. Then, they entered the tear in the void and disappeared.

If Duan Ling Tian were here, he would definitely recognize these people. They were his father, Duan Ru Feng, his mother, Li Rou, his wife, Li Fei, his son, Duan Nian Tian, his daughter, Duan Si Ling, Han Xue Nai whom he regarded as his sister, his senior brother, Bai Li Hong, his father-in-law, Feng Wu Dao, and a few others.

These people, without exception, were all imprisoned by the Yun Qing Yan, the Young Master of the Yun clan in the Divine Offering Land, so that he could threaten Ke'er to return to Divine Offering Land with him. They were all Duan Ling Tian's family and friends.

Previously, after Yun Qing Yan brought them back to the Divine Offering Land, they were taken and imprisoned by the Patriarch of the Xia clan. The Patriarch of the Xia clan was also Ke'er's father in her previous life. He had planned to use these people to threaten Ke'er into marrying Yun Qing Yan. However, due to the conflict between the Divine Offering Land and the other realms created by strong

powerhouses, and the opening of the Realm Battlefield for 1,000 years that caused the closing of the passages that lead to Devata Realms, he had no choice but to postpone the marriage.

Ke'er was unwilling to submit to fate and wanted to gain the strength to change her destiny after 1,000 years. For this reason, she ignored Xia Jie's advice and decided to enter the perilous Realm Battlefield.

"Without these people around, things will be easier for Xue'er in the future... Well, that's if she's able to come out of the battlefield alive." Xia Jie sighed after the last person entered the spatial tear. As the spatial tear began to close, he put the stamp seal away.

The stamp seal in Xia Jie's hand was an Emperor Grade Celestial Weapon that was similar to the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda. Both of them could accommodate living beings.

"I only managed to save them thanks to the distraction from Ke Wan Jun of the Sanction Land. If he didn't come to the Xia clan, I wouldn't have the opportunity to rescue them and send them away from the Divine Offering Land." Xia Jie knew very well if it were not for Ke Wan Jun distracting his elder brother, he would not have been able to rescue the imprisoned people.

Soon after, Xia Jie vanished into thin air, returning to the Xia clan's territory. A powerful enemy was attacking the Xia clan after all, as a member of the Xia clan, he could not just stay idle and watch

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After entering the spatial passage, Duan Ru Feng, Li Rou, Li Fei, Duan Nian Tian, Duan Si Ling, and others traveled through the passage easily thanks to Xia Jie's help.

Originally, they were supposed to be sent to the same mundane realm. Even Xia Jie was sure of it. However, unexpectedly, when Duan Ru Feng and the others were traveling, a rare turbulent storm occurred. For this reason, Duan Ru Feng and others were split into several groups and sent to different mundane realms. Fortunately, due to the protection from Xia Jie's power, all of them safely entered the mundane realms.

Duan Ling Tian and Ke'er were, naturally, unaware of all these things.

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In the Realm Battlefield.

The Realm Battlefield would open every 10,000 years and would stay open for 1,000 years. It could be considered as a hub that connected several parallel realms on the same level as the Divine Offering Land.

The people in Divine Offering Land who wanted to go to other parallel realms or people from other realms who wanted to travel to the Divine Offering Land needed to pass through the Realm Battlefield.

Ke Wan Jun, the man from the Ke clan in Sanction Land, who had gone to the Xia clan had to pass through the Realm Battlefield as well to come to the Divine Offering Land.

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At this moment, many people from different realms were fighting. Before entering the Realm Battlefield, each person would be issued a token before they entered. People with different cultivation bases were given different tokens, and the tokens showed which realm they were from.

In the Realm Battlefield, people from the same realm would not kill each other unless they had personal grudges. This was because when one killed someone from the same realm, when the defeated person's token merged with the winner's token, the winner would not obtain any battle points. One could only gain battle points by killing people from other realms.

The battle points that were given depended on the level of the token. Killing a person with a high cultivation base would give one more battle points. If one had 100 battle points and killed another person with the same cultivation base, one would only gain 100 battle points.

There were also Secret Zones in the Realm Battlefield that contained various treasures. One would need battle points to enter a Secret Zone. Secret Zones that contained valuable and precious treasures and legacies required more battle points for entry.

Due to all these reasons, the people who entered the Realm Battlefield would desperately fight and kill people from other realms, stealing merit points, so they could enter the Secret Zones once they had enough battle points.

The Secret Zones in the Realm Battlefield were said to be left by the immensely strong powerhouses who created the realms. The treasures and legacies in the Secret Zones could be life-changing. Therefore, there was no shortage of people entering the dangerous battlefield to try their luck. As the saying went, 'Nothing ventured, nothing gained'.

In a corner of the Realm Battlefield, a loud explosion rang in the air.

A beautiful figure raised her hand and seriously injured a young man. When the opponent was on the verge of death, she dealt a fatal blow to him.

Swoosh!

After the young man died, a light blue token flew out from his body and merged with the token in the beautiful woman's hand. The pale gray light from her token seemed to darken slightly after it had merged with the young man's token. Tokens with gray lights indicated that one was from the Divine Offering Land. On the other hand, tokens with blue light represented people from the Sanction Land.

"I still don't have enough battle points... What I have now isn't even enough to grant me access into a low-level Secret Zone." The woman who was as beautiful as a fairy was dressed in a white robe. She sighed as she looked at the token that was shrouded in gray light.

She seemed to recall something as her eyes were filled with longing. 'I wonder how's Brother Ling Tian... Has he already ascended to a Devata Realm?"

This woman was none other than Ke'er.

Since Ke'er had entered the Realm Battlefield, she had been wandering around. Since her strength had not returned to the level in her previous life, she could only proceed with caution. Even so, she had encountered many life-or-death situations in the short time since she entered the Realm Battlefield.

However, she did not regret coming to this perilous place. "I should go now... I hope my next target will give me more battle points..."

Chapter 2764: Gold Medal Killer, Celestial Duke!

In Long Fei Yun's residence in the Imperial palace of the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom in the Wasteland of Spirit Overarching Heaven.

"I've successfully refined it!" A burst of laughter rang from a room in a guest courtyard. However, due to the noise-canceling Formation, the laughter was contained within the room. The person who laughed was a purple-clad young man who was currently sitting on a bed.

The purple-clad young man raised his hand and put away the pill cauldron that was suspended in the air. After that, he opened his hand, revealing three dark green Celestial Pills in the center of his palm. The dark green Celestial Pills were shrouded by a thin green mist.

"Fortunately, I refined many Prominent Celestial Pills before this... Otherwise, I won't be able to successfully refine these Overarching Heaven Pills."

The purple-clad young man was none other than Duan Ling Tian. After returning from Xu Rong Palace, he had dedicated his time to refining pills. He had begun with refining simple prominent Celestial Pills such as the Weaving Overarching Pill. Since its ingredients were common, and the process was simpler, he had decided to practice by refining Weaving Overarching Celestial Pills. Naturally, it took him a while before he successfully mastered refining the Weaving Overarching Pill. The first time he succeeded, he only managed to refine two Weaving Overarching Pills. Although the success rate was quite low, he continued to patiently refine Weaving Overarching Pills. After that, he continued to practice by refining other prominent Celestial Pills with common ingredients that were slightly more difficult to refine. Then, he progressed to refining more difficult-to-refine prominent Celestial Pills. From there, he gained a lot of experience.

When Duan Ling Tian was more confident, he asked Long Fei Yun to help him obtain the ingredients needed to refine the prominent Celestial Pill, the Overarching Heaven Pill.

It took Long Fei Yun a long time and a lot of effort to collect ingredients just enough to refine one Overarching Heaven Pill. If the refining failed, Duan Ling Tian would have to wait before he could refine Overarching Heaven Pills again. After all, the ingredients to refine Overarching Heaven Pills were very rare and difficult to find in the Wasteland, let alone the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom.

The Three Major Celestial Sects of the Wasteland monopolized most of the ingredients needed to refine Overarching Heaven Pills in the Wasteland. Needless to say, it would be nigh impossible to obtain the ingredients from the three major Celestial Sects.

"Although the success rate of forming a pill is a little lower, I'm quite satisfied. After all, this is my first time refining the Overarching Heaven Celestial Pill. The fact that I managed to refine three pills can be considered a great feat."

Duan Ling Tian got up from the bed and left the room to look for Huan'er with the three Overarching Heaven Pills in hand. 'I'll let Huan'er try an Overarching Heaven Pill... Let's see if the medicinal efficacy of the pill would have any effect on her. Since she's an earth-rank Overarching Heaven Supreme Celestial, logically, the pill would be useful to her. The pills would be useless to heaven-rank Overarching Heaven Supreme Celestials.'

When Duan Ling Tian walked to the backyard, he discovered Huan'er was not cultivating in her room. Instead, she was in the backyard, trying to master her Celestial Methods and Divine Abilities.

Although Huan'er was concentrating on comprehending her Celestial Methods and Divine Abilities, she instantly noticed Duan Ling Tian as soon as he arrived. She stopped what she was doing and greeted him excitedly. "Brother Ling Tian! Brother Ling Tian, did you manage to refine the prominent Celestial Pill, the Overarching Heaven Pill?' She knew he was focused on refining the prominent Celestial Pill, the Overarching Heaven Pill, over the past few days.

Faced with the expectant expression on Huan'er face, Duan Ling Tian sighed.

When she heard him sigh, she assumed he had failed to refine Overarching Heaven Pill. For this reason, she quickly consoled him. She confidently said, "Brother Ling Tian, it's okay if you fail... After all, everyone knows it's difficult to refine Overarching Heaven Pills. Although you failed this time, you can always try again. I'm sure you'll be able to successfully refine them in the future."

"Huan'er, look at this!" Duan Ling Tian shook his head and smiled. He stopped teasing her and revealed the three Overarching Heaven Pills in his hand.

"This is... the Overarching Heaven Pills?" Huan'er's eyes lit up when she saw the Overarching Heaven Pills. She was no longer ignorant like before. During her time in the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom, she had used many Memory Celestial Talismans sent by Long Fei Yun in her spare time. There were all kinds of information recorded in the Memory Celestial Talismans. From the Memory Celestial Talismans, she had learned about the prominent Celestial Pill, the Overarching Heaven Pill. as well. For this reason, she recognized the pills as soon as Duan Ling Tian showed them to her.

"Yes." Duan Ling Tian smiled and nodded. "However, this is the first time I refined the Overarching Heaven Pills so the success rate of forming these pills is a little low... I only managed to refine three."

Before Huan'er could respond, a voice rang from the sky. "You refined Overarching Heaven Pills?!"

The duo's expressions darkened immediately.

"Who's there?!"

"Who is it?!"

Both of them simultaneously looked in the direction where the voice came from.

Swoosh!

In the sky above their courtyard, a black ghost-like figure could be seen. It was a man dressed in black robes with golden trimmings. His body was burly. At this moment, he was slowly descending from the

sky. After a while, he finally landed in front of Duan Ling Tian and Huan'er. His face was hidden by a golden mask. Apart from that, a golden token with the word, 'Kill', could be seen hanging from his waist. The token was stained with red dye in such a way that it looked like blood was dripping from the token.

"A gold-medal assassin?!" Duan Ling Tian's expression changed drastically when he saw the man's clothes and gold token

Huan'er's expression changed as well.

Duan Ling Tian knew about black-market assassins in the three cities controlled by the Three Major Celestial Sects of the Wasteland. Black-market assassins were divided into gold-medal assassins, silver-medal assassins, and bronze-medal assassins. Bronze-medal assassins were the weakest among the three. They comprised of Great Overarching Golden Celestials, and the strongest among them was only a peak Great Overarching Golden Celestial. Silver-medal assassins were all heaven-rank Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestials. The strongest was a peak heaven-rank Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestial. Finally, there were only a few gold-medal assassins. All of them were Celestial Dukes!

Duan Ling Tian and Huan'er had learned about black-market assassins in the Wasteland through a Memory Celestial Talisman. Therefore, they recognized the clothes of a black-market assassin.

There was a possibility that the man before them was just an impostor, but Duan Ling Tian and Huan'er did not think it was likely. After all, if the person was not a Celestial Duke, he would not have been able to easily infiltrate the Imperial palace of the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom since the palace was constantly guarded by a peak Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestial who shrouded the palace with his Divine Consciousness.

"You know I'm a gold-medal assassin? It seems like you know quite a fair bit about black-market assassins." The burly man dressed in a black robe with gold trimmings looked at Duan Ling Tian before his eyes fell on Huan'er.

At this moment, Huan'er was not wearing her veil and hat. Her appearance and figure were fully on display.

The burly man was stunned by her beauty as his eyes brightened. "What a perfect woman! What a pity that I'm not interested in females. Otherwise, I would bring you away with me." After saying that, he looked away, clearly uninterested as though he lived an ascetic life like a monk.

"You're really a gold-medal assassin!" Duan Ling Tian felt his heart skip a beat. He looked at the burly man solemnly and asked in a low voice, "Is your target both of us?"

"My target is her!" The gold-medal assassin looked at Duan Ling Tian as he pointed at Huan'er.

Duan Ling Tian's expression changed immediately. Then, he instinctively moved to stand in front of Huan'er, shielding her as he stared at the gold-medal assassin warily.

Upon seeing this, the gold-medal assassin scoffed. "Do you really think you can stop me from killing her?"

Chapter 2765: Tai Yi Celestial Sect's Left Guardian

"Do you really think you can stop me from killing her?" The gold-medal assassin sneered as a powerful surged toward Duan Ling Tian like a flood and landed squarely on his chest.

Boom!

Duan Ling Tian staggered a few steps back before spitting out a mouthful of blood spurted, looking miserable.

Huan'er who was being shielded by Duan Ling Tian cried out, "Brother Ling Tian!" Her expression darkened, and her beautiful limpid eyes turned cold. A cold energy rippled out of her body into the surroundings. In just an instant, the entire backyard seemed to turn silver due to the frost.

"Huan'er." Upon seeing Huan'er's anger, Duan Ling Tian took two steps to her. He reached out and held her slightly raised hand. "You... are not his opponent." His expression was grave and his emotions were turbulent as he looked at the gold-medal assassin.

'My current cultivation base is much stronger... Even the Celestial Duke from the Compassionate Celestial Traveler Sect wouldn't be able to reduce me to this state with her aura alone. Moreover, this person had withdrawn his aura at the last second. Otherwise, I would've been in an even more wretched state!' Duan Ling Tian knew the gold-medal assassin had shown mercy. Based on this, he could tell the gold-medal assassin was even stronger than the Celestial Duke from the Compassionate Celestial Traveler Sect whom he had met in King Qin's Mansion in Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom.

'Rumor has it that 90% of the powerful gold-medal assassins are the high-ranking officials from the Three Major Celestial Sects of the Wasteland. They're doing it for the money.' Duan Ling Tian also knew the gold-medal assassin in front of him was from one of the Three Major Celestial Sects of the Wasteland. Moreover, based on the gold-medal assassin's strength, his position in the sect had to be high as well

At this point, Duan Ling Tian further guessed that the gold medal killer in front of him was a high-ranking official in one of The Three Major Celestial Sects of the Wasteland.

'Something's not right!' After a while, Duan Ling Tian discovered something was amiss. 'It seems like he has no intention of harming Huan'er... He's targeting me... To be precise, he seems to be targeting the three Overarching Heaven Pills in my hand.' With these thoughts in mind, he heaved a sigh of relief, and his expression eased. After regaining his composure, he asked the gold-medal assassin, "Since you have no intention of killing Huan'er, what do you want?"

"You're very smart." The gold-medal assassin looked at Duan Ling Tian indifferently. "As long as you promise me one thing, I won't kill this girl... If you promise me this, I'll protect her from all the blackmarket assassins. I'll even kill the person who put a bounty on her and destroy his whole family!" His tone was casual as though he was talking about the weather.

"What is it?" Duan Ling Tian asked even though he had a vague idea of what the gold-medal assassin wanted. If he was right in his assumption that the person in front of him was from one of the Three Major Celestial Sects of the Wasteland and had a high position in the sect, the person must want him to

join his sect after discovering he was a prominent Celestial Alchemist who could refine Overarching Heaven Pills.

The gold-medal assassin stared at Duan Ling Tian and bluntly said, "Join the Tai Yi Celestial Sect!"

Tai Yi Celestial Sect!

Duan Ling Tian was taken aback upon hearing this even though he had prepared himself for it. He looked at the gold-medal assassin and said, "So you're a member of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect... With your strength, your position is definitely not low. What position do you hold in the Tai Yi Celestial Sect?"

"You're very smart," the gold medal killer said calmly, "However, there's no need for you to know what position I hold or who I am... People who know about it, generally, don't have a good ending." Killing intent flashed in his eyes as he spoke.

"What if I disagree?" Duan Ling Tian asked.

"You're smart so you should know." The gold-medal assassin's eyes narrowed and his tone was dark. It was clear he would kill Duan Ling Tian if Duan Ling Tian disagreed.

"If you're sincere about recruiting me, please take off your mask and talk to me," Duan Ling Tian said calmly.

"Take off the mask?" The gold medal killer's eyes swept over Duan Ling Tian coldly. "You mean... as long as I take off my mask, you will join the Tai Yi Celestial Sect?"

"Maybe," Duan Ling Tian replied noncommittally.

"You're fooling around with me!" The gold-medal assassin was clearly angered. His energy surged out again, knocking Duan Ling Tian back against the stone table.

Duan Ling Tian spat out blood again.

"Brother Ling Tian!" Huan'er's expression was grave, and her eyes were brimming with concern as she caught Duan Ling Tian.

"Huan'er, I'm fine." Duan Ling Tian regained his footing with Huan'er's support before he wiped the blood off the corners of his mouth. He said with a smile to the gold-medal assassin, "So... are you willing to take a bet? If you don't take off your mask, there's no chance of me joining the Tai Yi Celestial Sect at all. However, there's a chance I might join the Tai Yi Celestial Sect if you take off your mask." He put the ball in the gold-medal assassin's court.

Huan'er supported Duan Ling Tian as she glared at the gold-medal assassin with killing intent. She wished she could kill the gold-medal assassin at this moment. However, she knew even if she used the techniques she had inherited, she still would not be an opponent to the gold-medal assassin. Apart from her mother, the gold-medal assassin was the strongest person she had met.

"Are you seeking death?" The gold-medal assassin's voice was cold and impatient.

Upon hearing the threat, Duan Ling Tian only smiled and remained silent. It was as though he was confident the gold-medal assassin would not kill him.

After a moment, just as Duan Ling Tian expected, the gold-medal assassin took a deep breath and reached out to touch his mask when he saw Duan Ling Tian was not going to give in. However, he did not immediately take his mask off. "If you dare to fool around with me... Not only will I kill the girl, but I'll smash your body and bones and turn them into ashes after I kill you!"

As soon as the gold-medal assassin finished speaking, he took off his golden mask, revealing a middle-aged and burly man with a square face full of stubbles. A crimson cinnabar mole could be seen on his glabella.

Upon seeing the gold-medal assassin's face, Duan Ling Tian could roughly guess his identity. He had heard about the high-ranking officials in the Three Major Celestial Sects of the Wasteland. He knew that the supreme elder and the sect leader were the strongest in the Tai Yi Celestial Sect. Below them were the two Great Guardians of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect. He asked, "If I'm not mistaken, you should be Tie Tai He, the Left Guardian of Tai Yi Celestial Sect, right?"

"Yes!" the middle-aged burly man replied calmly. He was not surprised that Duan Ling Tian recognized him. As a high-ranking official of the Tai Yi Sect, his portraits were widely circulated in the Wasteland.

"I have long heard that gold-medal assassins have powerful backgrounds... It's said that even the sect leaders of the major Celestial Sects are gold-medal assassins. Although I haven't encountered a sect leader who moonlights as an assassin, I count myself lucky for being able to meet the Left Guardian of Tai Yi Celestial Sect," Duan Ling Tian said with a sigh.

"Don't change the subject!" Tie Tai He said threateningly and impatiently, "I've taken off my mask. Give me an answer now. Are you going to join the Tai Yi Celestial Sect or not? Think it through... If you refuse, both you and the girl will die!"

"I've thought it over," Duan Ling Tian replied, "First of all, I'm very grateful that you're willing to give up the mission for me... However, I've already made up my mind to join the Martial Dragon Celestial Sect. It's impossible for me to join the Tai Yi Celestial Sect..."

"You've already decided to join the Martial Dragon Celestial Sect?" Tie Tai He's expression changed drastically. His Celestial Origin Energy surged out like a raging flame as his thunderous voice reverberated in the air. "Boy, how dare you fool me?!"

Chapter 2766: Utterly Destroyed

As soon as Tie Tai He roared...

Boom!

The vast and majestic Celestial Origin Energy in Tie Tai He's body surged out, looking like six bolts of lightning. They made a terrifying sight.

'Six Combination Celestial Duke!' Duan Ling Tian thought to himself.

The six lightning bolts formed from Celestial Origin Energy surrounded Tie Tai He.

Duan Ling Tian's eyes widened when he saw the lightning bolts. Although he was mentally prepared, he was still taken aback. He had heard that the Sect Leader and Supreme Elder of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect were Seven Star Celestial Dukes while the two guardians were Six Combination Celestial Dukes. Moreover, he also knew, thanks to Brother Pei, that there was an Eight Trigrams Celestial Duke in one of the Three Major Celestial Sects of the Wasteland. It was possible that the Sect Leader or the Supreme Elder had hidden the fact that one of them was an Eight Trigrams Celestial Duke.

"Left Guardian!" Duan Ling Tian still remained calm when faced with the furious Tie Tai He. "If you kill me and Huan'er, the only thing you'll gain is a completed mission. However, you'll lose the chance of someone helping you to refine the Prominent Celestial Pill, the Overarching Heaven Pill."

Upon hearing Duan Ling Tian's words, Tie Tai He, who was originally furious, halted his movements. He asked with a sneer, "Didn't you say you're not going to join the Tai Yi Celestial Sect?"

"Yes, I can't join the Tai Yi Celestial Sect... However, even if I don't join the sect, it doesn't mean I can't help you to refine the Overarching Heaven Pill. As long as you provide me with the ingredients needed, I'll refine the Overarching Heaven Pill for you even after I join the Martial Dragon Celestial Sect. I will not go back on my words," Duan Ling Tian said, "Of course, that would require you to trust me."

Tie Tai He stared at Duan Ling Tian intently as he mulled over Duan Ling Tian's words. He studied Duan Ling Tian's face as though he was looking for signs that Duan Ling Tian was lying. After all, once Duan Ling Tian joined the Martial Dragon Celestial Sect, it would be difficult for him to kill or threaten Duan Ling Tian. Unless he could be completely sure that Duan Ling Tian would not renege on the deal, it was much more beneficial for him to kill Duan Ling Tian and Huan'er.

Duan Ling Tian remained calm with no trace of guilt under Tie Tai He's intense scrutiny. He would never go back on his words.

"I hope you don't let me down." In the end, Tie Tai He chose to trust Duan Ling Tian. Apart from his instinct that told him Duan Ling Tian was not a dishonest person, he felt there were much more benefits if he did not kill Duan Ling Tian. Moreover, there were no consequences even if he did not complete his mission. He was the Left Guardian of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect after all. If his gamble on Duan Ling Tian paid off, he would be able to obtain many Overarching Heaven Pill.

Whoosh!

Before Duan Ling Tian and Huan'er could react, Tie Tai He's body flickered, and he disappeared before their eyes like a ghost as his voice resounded in the air. "The person who put a bounty on the girl is the Golden Light King, the Golden Tiger of the Golden Light Mansion... After I leave, I'll help you kill him and his family!"

"The Golden Light King, the Golden Tiger?" Duan Ling Tian's expression turned cold when he heard this. He did not expect the Golden Light King was so desperate for revenge that he would hire a black-market assassin to kill Huan'er.

Previously, Duan Ling Tian and the Golden Light King's father had gotten into a conflict due to both of them possessing second form Chaos Divine Flames. In the end, Duan Ling Tian had absorbed the opponent's Chaos Divine Flame after Huan'er killed the opponent. However, it was the Golden Light King's father who had attacked him first. Huan'er only killed the Golden Light King's father to protect him.

'Fortunately, I'm a Prominent Celestial Alchemist now and can refine the Prominent Celestial Pill, the Overarching Heaven Pill... Otherwise, Huan'er would've died for sure.' Duan Ling Tian felt a jolt of fear when he thought about this. If Huan'er was harmed because of him, he would never be able to forgive himself.

"The Golden King Light? The Golden Tiger? Why did he put a bounty on me? What did I do to him?" Contrary to Duan Ling Tian, Huan'er who had always been a carefree and cheerful person, had long forgotten the past.

"Huan'er, do you still remember the old fellow who wanted to kill me? He's the Old Prince of the Golden Light Mansion. At that time, I asked you and Qiu Ling to protect me, and you used your Celestial Origin Energy to form ice walls to protect me," Duan Ling Tian reminded her.

Upon hearing this, Huan'er finally remembered what happened. Her eyes were cold as she said, "So it was that guy... If I knew this was going to happen, I would've killed him there and then!"

"Well, there's no need for you to do anything now. The Left Guardian of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect will kill him on our behalf," Duan Ling Tian said.

"Brother Ling Tian, why is helping us even though you're not joining the Tai Yi Celestial Sect... Why is he helping us like this?" Huan'er asked in confusion.

"Huan'er, he's a smart man after all." Duan Ling Tian smiled faintly as his eyes flashed. "Yes, it's a gamble for him to choose to trust me. However, he knows that the pros outweigh the cons. Moreover, if he does me the favor of killing the Golden Light King, I'll be even less likely to renege on our deal. It'd be embarrassing for a prominent Celestial Alchemist like me to do so."

Huan'er nodded, vaguely understanding the situation.

Long Fei Yun, the Thirteenth Prince of the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom, had set up Formation in the guest courtyard so no one noticed Tie Tai He's presence. With Tie Tai He's strength, Qiu Ling, the most powerful person in Long Fei Yun's residence, naturally, did not discover him as well.

After Tie Tai He left, Duan Ling Tian shifted his attention to Huan'er. "Huan'er, take this Overarching Heaven Pill and see if it's compatible with the medicinal efficacy in your body." He was eager to find out if the pill would have any effect on Huan'er and if it would improve her cultivation base. This was one of the reasons he had been trying so hard to refine Overarching Heaven Pills. He watched excitedly and expectantly as Huan'er took the pill.

However, Huan'er following words wiped the excited and expectant expression off his face. A hint of disappointment could be seen on his face as he smiled bitterly.

Huan'er said, "Brother Ling Tian, the medicinal efficacy of the pill my mother had given me cancels of the medicinal efficacy of the Overarching Heaven Pill."

Based on this, Duan Ling Tian realized how extraordinary the pill that Huan'er's mother had given her was. Not only were ordinary pills useless to Huan'er, but even extraordinary pills like the Overarching Heaven Pill were useless.

"Brother Ling Tian, it's okay... Although the Overarching Heaven Pill doesn't work on me, my cultivation speed is quite fast," Huan'er said in an attempt to console Duan Ling Tian when she saw the disappointment on his face.

When she smiled, she looked as refreshing as the spring breeze to Duan Ling Tian. His mood, naturally, improved after he saw her smile. He fell into a daze as he looked at her beautiful face. It took him a while before he finally looked away.

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About ten days later, a message arrived at the thirteenth prince's residence in the Imperial palace.

"The Golden Light King, the Golden Tiger, of the Golden Light Mansion was killed... The Golden Light Mansion was utterly destroyed!"

Duan Ling Tian learned about this from Long Fei Yun.

Upon receiving the news, Long Fei Yun had instantly come to look for Duan Ling Tian to inform Duan Ling Tian about it. After all, he was aware of the conflict between Duan Ling Tian and the Golden Light Mansion.

"Even the people from the Golden Light Mansion who were in the Imperial palace are dead. Based on this, the assassin has to be an extremely strong Celestial Duke," Long Fei Yun said animatedly as he sat across Duan Ling Tian at the stone table.

"The Golden Light Mansion... actually dared to provoke a Celestial Duke?" Duan Ling Tian cocked an eyebrow, slightly surprised. Although he knew Tie Tai He was going to kill the Golden Light King and the Golden Light Mansion, he did not expect Tie Tai He to be so thorough with his annihilation of the Golden Light Mansion. Even the people from the Golden Light Mansion who were in the Imperial palace were not spared.

Chapter 2767: The Evolution of the Golden Pill

"Logically, the people from the Golden Light Mansion would never provoke Celestial Dukes. Unless they had unknowingly provoked someone with a powerful background or a Celestial Duke..." Long Fei Yun looked at Duan Ling Tian meaningfully. It was as though he knew Duan Ling Tian was one of the people who had a powerful background or the support of a Celestial Duke. After all, he was certain the Golden Light Mansion would not knowingly provoke a Celestial Duke. Celestial Dukes were incredibly powerful. The Golden Tiger, the King of the Golden Light Mansion, would have lowered his head in obeisance if he had met a Celestial Duke, let alone provoke one. For this reason, he suspected Duan Ling Tian had something to do with the annihilation of the Golden Light King and the Golden Light Mansion. Duan Ling

Tian was a Great Overarching Golden Celestial who had not even reached 100 years old. Moreover, his companion was an earth-rank Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestial who was also younger than 100 years ago. He found it difficult to believe that such people were without the support of powerful people.

Previously, Long Fei Yun had thought Duan Ling Tian was from a powerful sect outside the Wasteland. However, based on how willing Duan Ling Tian had agreed to his request to join the Martial Dragon Celestial Sect, he had quickly dismissed that idea. After all, if Duan Ling Tian belonged to a powerful sect outside the Wasteland, he would not be so quick to agree to join the Martial Dragon Celestial Sect. When he discovered Duan Ling Tian was also a prominent Celestial Alchemist, he had to dismiss his previous idea again. After all, without the support of a powerful force, it would be difficult to obtain a prominent Celestial Fire. For all these reasons, he concluded that Duan Ling Tian must have come from a powerful clan outside the Wasteland. After all, if he came from a powerful clan, there were no rules preventing him from joining a Celestial Sect.

"Thirteenth prince, do you think I have the support of a powerful Celestial Duke, and the Celestial Duke annihilated Golden Light Mansion on my behalf?" Upon seeing Long Fei Yun's expression, it was not difficult for Duan Ling Tian to guess Long Fei Yun's thoughts. He was slightly surprised that Long Fei Yun had arrived at that conclusion.

"Yes, that thought did come to mind." Long Fei Yun nodded. He did not deny Duan Ling Tian's words.

"All I can say is that, indeed, I have something to do with the annihilation of the Golden Light Mansion. However, I wouldn't say I have the support of that Celestial Duke. The person who annihilated the Golden Light Mansion is the Left Guardian of Tai Yi Celestial Sect, Tie Tai He," Duan Ling Tian answered honestly.

Previously, when Long Fei Yun had given up the chance to obtain a Duke Grade Celestial Weapon in order to obtain a prominent Celestial Pill Cauldron for Duan Ling Tian, Duan Ling Tian's regard for him had risen. Although he did not trust Long Fei Yun completely, to a certain level, he considered Long Fei Yun as a friend.

"Tie Tai He?" Long Fei Yun's eyes widened when he heard Duan Ling Tian's words. He asked with a grave expression on his face, "Brother Duan, how do you know he's the one responsible for the annihilation of the Golden Light Mansion?" As the Thirteenth Prince of the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom, Long Fei Yun, naturally, knew who Tie Tai He was. Tie Tai He was one of the strongest powerhouses in the Tai Yi Celestial Sect, and he was a Six Combination Celestial Duke!

Celestial Dukes were divided into ten categories based on their strength. The weakest of the Celestial Dukes, a One Basic Celestial Duke, was more than enough to wreak havoc in the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom, let alone a Six Combination Celestial Duke.

Although Long Fei Yun had some sort of prestige as the Thirteenth Prince of the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom, in comparison to someone like Tie Tai He, he was just like an ant. Moreover, he was just a prince who was not favored by his father. Even if the fourth or seventh princes who were favored by his father were killed by Tie Tai He, there was nothing his father, the emperor, could do. In fact, his father would probably apologize and say that his son deserved to be killed by Tie Tai He.

Tie Tai He's position was too high, and he was too strong. Even if Long Fei Yun became the emperor in the future, he would still have to look up to Tie Tai He.

"Yes, he came looking for me..." Duan Ling Tian said as he recounted what had happened without hiding anything.

"What?! The Golden Light King hired a black-market assassin to kill Huan'er?" Long Fei Yun exclaimed in shock as his expression changed drastically. Hints of killing intent could be seen in his eyes as he said, "Impudent! He deserves to die! If I had known about this, even if Tie Tai He didn't make a move, I would've made sure he wouldn't get away with it!"

After a few moments, Long Fei Yun seemed to have recalled something. The killing intent in his eyes vanished, replaced with an excited and expectant expression "Brother Ling Tian... did... did you successfully refine the prominent Celestial Pill, the Overarching Heaven Pill?"

"Yes." Duan Ling Tian nodded. He lifted his hand and revealed the remaining Overarching Heaven Pills in his hand before handing it over to Long Fei Yun. "I had refined three pills this time. I had given one to Huan'er. I have no use for the two remaining pills so I'll give them to you."

Two Overarching Heaven Pills!

Long Fei Yun's heart raced and his breathing quickened when he saw Duan Ling Tian casually handed the two Overarching Heaven Pills to him. The way he looked at the pills was as though he was looking at some precious treasure. After all, two Overarching Heaven Pills would be able to make two people an Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestials!

There were many peak Great Overarching Golden Celestials who were stuck and could not break through to the next stage. However, with the Overarching Heaven Pill, they would definitely be able to break through and become an Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestial.

With these pills, Duan Ling Tian could have demanded anything he wanted, and people would still jump to fulfill his wish.

Although Long Fei Yun desired the two pills greatly, he still held his emotions in check. "Brother Duan, I... I think it's better for you to give these two Overarching Heaven Pills to Lady Huan'er... If you refine more in the future, you can give it to me then."

"Just take them." Duan Ling Tian shook his head. "Huan'er's not able to absorb the medicinal efficacy of the pill. These pills are useless to her. Since I'm still quite far from becoming a peak Great Overarching Golden Celestial, I have no use for them now as well."

"These pills are useless on Lady Huan'er?" Long Fei Yun was taken aback. Previously, he was also shocked when he learned that the Weaving Overarching Pill had no effects on Huan'er. With this knowledge, he could not help but wonder about her. She was not even a heaven-rank Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestial, but the Overarching Heaven Pill already did not work for her. In the end, he graciously accepted the pills.

After a short pause, Long Fei Yun asked, "Brother Duan, do you really plan to refine Overarching Heaven Pills for Tie Tai He?"

"Of course." Duan Ling Tian nodded. "I've already given him my word, and I'm not the kind of person who would go back on my words. Moreover, although it was cruel to kill every single person from the Golden Light Mansion, he had done it because of me."

"Brother Duan, you're, indeed, an honorable person." Long Fei Yun praised.

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Time passed by in just a blink of an eye. Soon, it was already time for the Wasteland Grand Contest.

On that day, a huge throng of people walked out of the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom ostentatiously. The person in the lead was a middle-aged with a square face who was sitting in a topless carriage. He wore a golden robe with a dragon embroidered on it. He had a majestic air about him. He was none other than Long Dong Ping, the Emperor of the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom!

The topless carriage was drawn by nine lion-like Celestial Beasts with thick and shiny fur.

Long Fei Yun who was standing among the throng of people pointed at the nine Celestial Beasts and said to Duan Ling Tian, "Those are the Lion Tiger Beasts. Their speed is very fast. It's comparable to a heavenrank Great Overarching Golden Celestial. The Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom had obtained them at a high price due to their rarity."

Huan'er who was standing next to Duan Ling Tian. As usual, she wore a white veil and a hat to conceal her appearance.

On this day, Long Dong Ping, the Emperor of the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom, would be traveling with the 50 selected candidates to the Wasteland to participate in the Wasteland Grand Contest. The contest would be held in the center of Tai Yi City this time around. The venue of the contest would rotate between the Three Major Celestial Sects of the Wasteland. As it happened, it was Tai Yi Sect's turn to host the Wasteland Grand Contest. Since Tai Yi City was quite a distance away from the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom, they had to leave a little earlier.

For example, the intermediate-rank Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom, was located even further away from Tai Yi City, so they had to leave a day before the contest.

"Their speed is comparable to a Great Overarching Golden Celestial?" Duan Ling Tian was shocked upon hearing Long Fei Yun's words. This was his first time seeing a powerful Celestial Beast without sentience since he had ascended to Spirit Overarching Heaven. Moreover, they were kept in captivity and had the speed of a heaven-rank Great Overarching Golden Celestial.

Duan Ling Tian looked at Long Fei Yun and asked, "Raising beasts like this...must've cost a lot of Great Overarching Pills, right?"

"Yes." Long Fei Yun nodded. "However, this is the limit of how strong the Imperial family of the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom could make them. If we want to make them stronger, Great Overarching Pills would no longer be enough. We would need the Golden Evolution Pill to increase their strength comparable to peak Great Overarching Golden Celestial. After that, we'll need the Overarching Golden Celestial Pill and the Overarching Heaven Pill to further improve their strength."

Long Fei Yun continued to say as he shook his head, "All the subsequent pills needed are not something we can afford."

"The Golden Evolution Pill!" Duan Ling Tian's eyes brightened. "So the Golden Evolution Pill is somewhat similar to the Golden Gilded Pill that Golden Celestials use to raise their strength a level, right?"

Chapter 2768: Tai Yi City

Duan Ling Tian knew about the Golden Evolution Pill as well. The pill was a mediocre Celestial Pill that was mainly used by Great Overarching Golden Celestials. Ordinary Great Overarching Golden Celestials would be able to improve their strength by a level immediately after taking the pill. This, naturally, did not apply to peak Great Overarching Golden Celestials. Since the next stage of peak Great Overarching Golden Celestial was to become an Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestial, it would render the pill useless. A heaven-rank Great Great Overarching Golden Celestial could quickly become a peak Great Overarching Golden Celestial after taking the pill. To reach the next level, the peak Great Overarching Golden Celestial would then have to take the prominent Celestial Pill, the Overarching Heaven Pill.

'To transform the mindless Celestial Beasts from a heaven-rank Great Golden Overarching Golden Celestial to a peak Great Overarching Celestial, one would need a Golden Evolution Pill. To make it even stronger, one would need the Overarching Heaven Pill. However, the Golden Evolution isn't easy to obtain. It's considered as one of the rarest mediocre Celestial Pills. In fact, its price is far more than some prominent Celestial Pills. To use the Golden Evolution Pill on Celestial Beasts is a luxury. Let alone the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom, even the Three Major Celestial Sects of the Wasteland can't afford to do something like that...' Duan Ling Tian thought to himself. 'To raise the strength of a Celestial Beast to the level of an Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestial would be extremely difficult since it requires a lot of Overarching Heaven Pills. The pills are difficult to obtain even for the Three Major Celestial Sects of the Wasteland.' With these thoughts in mind, Duan Ling Tian was certain that the Three Major Celestial Sects of the Wasteland might not even have a Celestial Beast with the strength of an Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestial. Even if they did, the number would not be high.

The entourage from the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom led by the Emperor of the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom to Tai Yi City consisted of high-ranking officials, the fifty participants, and a few attendants of the emperor and high-ranking officials. Needless to say, the fourth prince and the seventh prince were part of the entourage as well.

Duan Ling Tian, Long Fei Yun, and Huan'er kept their distance from the group. They were traveling at high speed with Qiu Ling's help. Since Qiu Ling was a heaven-rank Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestial, it was not difficult for him to carry a few people with him and match the speed of the nine Lion Tiger Celestial Beasts

"Thirteenth brother is truly lucky," Long Xiang Yun, the fourth prince, said with a sour expression on his face as he looked at Long Fei Yun. Although he had representatives among the fifty participants of the Wasteland Grand Contest, none of them was comparable to Duan Ling Tian and Feng Wu Ji Guang. He was, naturally, jealous of Long Fei Yun for having a strong contender like Duan Ling Tian to represent him in the Wasteland Grand Contest.

Meanwhile, Long Qing Yun, the seventh prince, who was also looking at Long Fei Yun thought to himself, "Fortunately, father doesn't favor thirteenth brother. Otherwise, he would be another obstacle in my way to ascend the throne." Even then he did not feel completely at ease, after all, there was a chance Duan Ling Tian might be able to help his thirteenth brother ascend the throne. Although Duan Ling Tian might not be able to do so now, with Duan Ling Tian's potential, it was possible for him to do so.

The group made their way to one of the top three cities in the center of the Wasteland. So far, the journey was proceeding smoothly. It seemed like no one was foolish enough to stop this group of people. It was only natural after all considering the large number of people in the group. One would have to be foolish to make trouble for the group of people. However, if their opponent was a Celestial Duke or stronger, they, naturally, had no hope of winning. Regardless, there was no Celestial Duke who would obstruct them. After all with Celestial Dukes' strength, they had no need to stoop to such a low level.

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After half a month on the road, Long Fei Yun said to Duan Ling Tian, "Brother Duan, we'll be arriving in Tai Yi City in another three days."

Duan Ling Tian nodded, not affected by this piece of information. He did not care about the Wasteland Grand Contest that was about to take place. After all, his participation was just a formality. Even if he did not join the contest, he would still be able to easily join the Martial Dragon Celestial Sect. That said, he still planned to participate in the contest.

Three days flew by in just a wink of an eye. The people from the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom finally arrived in Tai Yi City. Under the lead of Long Dong Ping, they descended outside the city.

At this moment, nobody could be seen coming out or entering the city. It was obvious a rule had been implemented, forbidding people to come in and out.

"This is Tai Yi City?" Duan Ling Tian's eyes brightened when he saw Tai Yi City for the first time. Since he was in the mundane realm to the time he had ascended to the Spirit Overarching Heaven, a Devata Realm, this was the biggest city he had ever seen. Even the high-rank Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom could not compare to it. However, he was not surprised. After all, Tai Yi City was controlled by Tai Yi Celestial Sect, one of the Three Major Celestial Sects of the Wasteland.

As the group from Soaring Dragon Celestial City walked into Tai Yi City, the pedestrians on the streets began to discuss among themselves.

"These people should be here to participate in the Wasteland Grand Contest in three months, right?"

"It seems like they have 50 participants with them. They must be from a high-rank Celestial Kingdom."

"There are 39 high-rank Celestial Kingdoms in the Wasteland... I wonder which high-rank Celestial Kingdoms are they from?"

"Well, high-rank Celestial Kingdoms or not, they're nothing in our Tai Yi City."

"Indeed. Many of the high-rank Celestial Kingdoms that are coming are led by their emperors."

Everywhere the group went, they would inadvertently attract people's attention.

Since the Wasteland Grand Contest was held in Tai Yi City, the Tai Yi Sect had prepared accommodation for the participating Celestial Kingdoms. Naturally, there was A difference in accommodation for the Celestial Kingdoms. Needless to say, high-rank Celestial Kingdoms had the best accommodation, intermediate-rank Celestial Kingdoms were given mediocre accommodations, and low-rank Celestial Kingdoms were given accommodations that were not the best.

Since the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom was a high-rank Celestial Kingdom, they were given a big mansion to stay in. Each person had their own individual courtyard and room.

Huan'er was also given a courtyard and room of her own. However, she clearly had no intention to stay there as she followed Duan Ling Tian to his courtyard and room. She did not want to be separated from Duan Ling Tian.

Before the duo had time to settle down, Long Fei Yun, the thirteenth prince, had come knocking on their door. He asked with a smile, "Brother Duan, Miss Huan'er...This is your first time in Tai Yi city, right?"

"Yes." Duan Ling Tian nodded.

"Do you both of you want to join me for a meal in one of the restaurants here?" Long Fei Yun asked.

Duan Ling Tian looked at Huan'er immediately. He discovered she had already turned to look at him as well. A hint of excitement could be seen in her eyes, she was clearly eager and excited to go out. Therefore, he accepted Long Fei Yun's invitation. In truth, he did not particularly care for a city tour even though he had never been to Tai Yi City. However, since Huan'er was keen, he decided to accompany her.

"Brother Ling Tian, do you like shopping?" Huan'er asked Duan Ling Tian.

"Well, as long as you like it, then, I like it as well," Duan Ling Tian said affectionately. He was not lying. After all, seeing how happy Huan'er was when she was walking around and shopping made him feel relaxed as well. However, he did not have any extraneous thoughts about her. He only treated her like his little sister. It was nothing more than that. It was because he did not find Huan'er unattractive. He was just not in the mood to have another romantic entanglement. After all, his wives and partner's whereabouts were still unknown. Even their safety was unknown.

"Let's go!" Long Fei Yun said before bringing the duo around the city.

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"Hm?" As they were walking down the main road, Duan Ling Tian felt someone staring at him. He looked into the distance and discovered a young man wearing an embroidered uniform staring at him. However, the young man quickly turned away upon being discovered and walked away immediately as though nothing had happened.

'He seems to know me?' Duan Ling Tian frowned, perplexed. He was certain he had not met the young man before.

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After the young man walked away, his eyes brightened. "That purple-clad young man... Isn't he the one in the Floating Image Pearl that the Sixth Prince of the Cloudy Rock Kingdom showed us?"

Chapter 2769: Acquaintance

The young man in embroidered robes was from the intermediate-rank Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom. He was from a powerful clan in the capital of Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom and was fairly close to the Sixth Prince of the Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom. The young man had seen the images from the Floating Image Pearl that Nangong Li, the young master of the Nangong clan that was a third-rate clan, had shown the sixth prince.

Although quite some time had passed, the young man could not forget the peerless beauty he had seen in the Floating Mirror Image. The beauty had a pair of delicate brows that complimented her big bright eyes. The thin white robes she wore hinted at her perfect figure. She was cold countenance like an immortal fairy. Her features were flawless. All in all, it seemed as though God had personally sculpted her. His heart had raced too fast when he saw her. However, he knew he had no chance with the girl since the sixth prince was intent on obtaining her.

'At that time, I remember seeing the purple-clad young man as well. He looks identical to the man I saw earlier. That man earlier is also wearing a purple robe. Moreover, a white-clad woman was standing next to him as well. However, I couldn't see her face since it's concealed by a hat and a veil. Regardless, her figure was similar to the woman in the Floating Mirror Image... She must be the beauty that the sixth prince has been searching all over the Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom for! What a coincidence! The sixth prince is here as well... He will definitely reward me if I tell him about it!' The young man's eyes brightened as he thought about this.

The Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom was an intermediate-rank celestial kingdom so they only had to bring 30 participants to join Wasteland Grand Contest. The Emperor of the Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom had brought along his 30 most outstanding powerhouses who were younger than 100 years old. Apart from that, the emperor brought his personal guards, his princes, and some of the more powerful Mansion under his rule. The sixth prince was, naturally, present as well.

Although Duan Ling Tian was suspicious about the young man who was dressed in embroidered robes, he did not dwell on it. He was quick to forget the matter. He continued accompanying Huan'er as he and Long Fei Yin strolled around the streets of Tai Yi City.

All of a sudden, Long Fei Yun sent a Voice Transmission to Duan Ling Tian. "Brother Duan, since the Left Guardian of Tai Yi Celestial Sect, Tie Tai He, left, did he come looking for you again?".

"No." Duan Ling Tian shook his head. Initially, he had expected Tie Tia He to send him the necessary ingredients as quickly as he could so he could refine the prominent Celestial Pill, the Overarching Heaven Pill. Strangely, although the Wasteland Grand Contest was about to commence, Tie Tai He had yet to contact him.

'That's strange...' Long Fei Yun said in confusion. If he were Tie Tai He, he would definitely send all the ingredients needed to refine Overarching Heaven Pills before Duan Ling Tian joined the Martial Dragon Celestial Sect.

"Maybe he's just busy," Duan Ling Tian replied.

"Well, that's the only explanation for now." Long Fei Yun nodded.

As soon as Long Fei Yun finished speaking, Duan Ling Tian and his attention was caught by a discussion in their surroundings.

"Hey! Did you hear? Tie Tai He, the Left Guardian of Tai Yi Celestial Sect, has successfully broken through and became a Seven Stars Celestial Duke a few days ago! The Tai Yi Celestial Sect currently has three Seven Star Celestial Dukes."

Both Duan Ling Tian and Long Fei Yun looked at each other simultaneously, realization dawned on them immediately.

"I didn't expect this. Seems like Tie Tai He had gone into closed-door cultivation and successfully became a Seven Star Celestial Duke recently!" Long Fei Yun said with a sigh.

'Seven Stars Celestial Duke...' Duan Ling Tian who was always calm could not help but feel a wave of emotions when he heard the news. Tie Tai He whom he had met through a twist of fate had become a Seven Star Celestial Duke from a Six Combination Celestial Duke. Although a Seven Star Celestial Duke was only a level higher than a Six Combination Celestial Duke, the difference between their strengths was like a huge chasm. Previously, the were only two Seven Star Celestial Dukes in the Tai Yi Sect, they were the sect leader and the supreme elder. However, with Tie Tai He's recent breakthrough, the Tai Yi Sect currently had three Seven Star Celestial Dukes. This meant an increase in the Tai Yi Sect's strength as well.

"Prior to this, the Tai Yi Celestial Sect were already slightly stronger than the Thousand Spiders Celestial Sect and the Martial Dragon Celestial Sect since they possess a King Grade Celestial Weapon... Now that they have gained another Seven Star Celestial Duke, there's no doubt it's stronger than the other two Celestial Sects!"

"Looks like the situation in the Wasteland will be changing soon... The Thousand Spiders Celestial Sect and the Martial Dragon Celestial Sect won't just stay idle."

"The Three Major Celestial Sects of the Wasteland's strength has always been almost the same. Now that the Tai Yi Celestial Sect has another Seven Stars Celestial Duke, the other two Celestial Sects are going to fear the Tai Yi Celestial Sect."

"I think the Thousand Spiders Celestial Sect and Martial Dragon Celestial Sect might form an alliance in the future to suppress the Tai Yi Celestial Sect... Otherwise, it won't be difficult for the Tai Yi Celestial Sect to dominate the Wasteland in the future!"

The people on the street discussed this fervently.

However, it did not matter to Duan Ling Tian that Tie Tai He had become a Seven Star Celestial Duke. The Martial Dragon Celestial Sect, vast Wasteland, and Spirit Overarching Heaven was just a stepping stone for him to go to the Divine Offering Land.

'Even Long Fei Yun, the Thirteenth Prince of the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom, hasn't heard of the Divine Offering Land. I'll need to leave the Wasteland and travel to obtain information on the Divine Offering Land.'

Previously, Duan Ling Tian had asked Long Fei Yun about the Divine Offering Land. However, Long Fei Yun knew nothing at all. Long Fei Yun had even spoken to knowledgeable people in the Imperial palace about it, but it yielded no results as well. Although they pored through many ancient books, there was no mention of the Divine Offering Land.

Chapter 2770: Qiu Ling Makes A Move

The Sixth Prince of the Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom was an arrogant young man who was dressed in a long golden robe. Imperial Highness was a prideful skinny young man dressed in a gold long robe. A hint of a frown in between his eyebrows made him look fierce. "Are you sure it's them?" The golden-clad young man glanced at Duan Ling Tian and Huan'er before his eyes settled on Huan'er. His eyes were brimming with unrestrained lust as he blatantly sized her up.

Huan'er's eyes turned cold as she felt the golden-clad young man blatantly checking her out. The temperature in the surroundings suddenly plunged as her body emitted cold air.

"Your Highness, the Sixth Prince, I guarantee with my life that it's them... However, previously, the woman wasn't wearing a hat and a veil. She's obviously trying to hide something. Otherwise, why would she wear a hat and a veil?" Nangong Li managed to convince the golden-clad young man with his words.

Duan Ling Tian and Long Fei Yun's expressions darkened when they felt Huan'er's chilling aura. Naturally, they were also aware of the golden-clad young man staring at her unscrupulously.

In just a moment, led by the golden-clad young man, Nangong Li and his golden-clad young man's men appeared in front of the quartet and blocked their path.

The golden-clad young man looked at them indifferently as he said in a cold voice, "The girl stays... As for the three of you, scram!" He acted as though he was an emperor giving orders to his subject.

Nangong Li, a young man dressed in embroidered robes whom Duan Ling Tian had met earlier, and two old men stood behind him. It was clear the golden-clad young man was not an ordinary person.

Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh!

Duan Ling Tian, Long Fei Yun, and Qiu Ling's expressions changed drastically. They were clearly displeased by the golden-clad young man.

At this moment, Nangong Li said to the trio condescendingly, "Three of you better scram if you know what's good for you! This is the Sixth Prince of the Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom! If you provoke His Highness, you will..."

Long Fei Yun stepped forward and looked at Nangong Li indifferently as he interjected, "What's going to happen if we provoke him?"

"You!" Nangong Li cried out, clearly upset. However, he felt the stifling aura from Long Fei Yun so he did not dare to act recklessly.

Long Fei Yun was the Thirteenth Prince of the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom, a high-rank Celestial Kingdom. Regardless if he was favored by his father or not, he had the air of royalty. How could Nangong Li, who was merely a young master from a third-rate clan in an intermediate-rank Celestial Kingdom, compare to Long Fei Yun? His aura alone easily suppressed Nangong Li, causing Nangong Li to turn pale.

"Who are you?!" The Sixth Prince of the Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom might be arrogant and prideful, but he was not stupid. A hint of fear could be seen in his eyes as he felt Long Fei Yun's stifling aura.

Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian who could sense Huan'er's anger said, "Huan'er, there's no need for you to act... Leave it to the thirteenth prince." He held her hand and squeezed it lightly to comfort her.

Huan'er nodded obediently. She trusted Duan Ling Tian unconditionally so she quickly calmed down.

"The Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom is only an intermediate-rank Celestial Kingdom, right?" Long Fei Yun glanced indifferently at the Sixth Prince of the Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom as he said, "If I'm not mistaken... The Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom is located near the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom."

Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom! When the Sixth Prince of the Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom heard Long Fei Yun mentioned the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom, his eyes widened as a frightened expression appeared on his face. The Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom was a high-rank Celestial Kingdom. The Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom could not compare to it. In the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom, there were many peak Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestials while the strongest powerhouses in the Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom were only heaven-rank Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestials. He looked at Long Fei Yun and asked fearfully, "You're from the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom?"

Currently, many people from the Wasteland had come to Tai Yi City because of the Wasteland Grand Contest. Therefore, the Sixth Prince of the Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom did not think it was impossible for Long Fei Yun to come from the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom.

At this moment, the confrontation between Duan Ling Tian's group and the people from the Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom had drawn the attention of the passersby. All of them gathered to watch as they whispered among themselves.

"So, the golden-clad young man is the Sixth Prince of the Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom?"

"Well, it seems like he has met his match... Based on his bearing, the young man from the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom seems to have an extraordinary background."

"The noble air he exudes is even more superior compared to the Sixth Prince of the Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom."

"Still, no one knows who he is..."

As soon as the Sixth Prince of the Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom finished speaking, Qiu Ling scoffed and said, "You're the Sixth Prince of the Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom? How dare you act so impudently before the Thirteenth Prince of the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom... Are you seeking death?!" His Celestial Origin Energy surged out of his body like a roaring flame as soon as he finished speaking and shot toward the Sixth Prince of the Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom.

Boom! Boom! Boom!

Before anyone could react, the two old men standing behind the Sixth Prince of the Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom fell to the ground with a loud thud. They lay on the ground motionlessly, and their chests were caved in.

The onlooker gasped in unison when they saw how quickly the two old men were killed. They shifted their eyes to Qiu Ling who had returned to his spot behind Long Fei Yun. They were shocked by his strength. Nobody expected Qiu Ling to suddenly attack and kill the two old men with just a strike. Realization dawned on them when they recalled Qiu Ling's words before he killed the two old men.

"It's obvious the two old men were the bodyguards of the Sixth Prince of the Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom... They must be Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestials, at least. In fact, they might even be profound-rank Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestials. And yet, these two profound-rank Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestials died in just a blink of an eye! When they regained their senses again, they continued to whisper among themselves.

"So that person is the Thirteenth Prince of the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom... Rumor has it that he's not favored by the Emperor of Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom, but his strength and capabilities are peerless among the princes."

"I've also heard that there's a heaven-rank Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestial who stays by his side to protect him. Moreover, the heaven-rank Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestial isn't given to him by the Imperial family. The thirteenth prince had personally recruited that heaven-rank Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestial outside of the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom."

"The fact that the Thirteenth Prince of the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom is able to get a heaven-rank Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestial to work for him shows that he's not an ordinary person."

"Then, there's no doubt that the person who killed those two old men is the heaven-rank Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestial by the thirteenth prince's side?!"

On the other hand, the Sixth Prince of the Cloudy Rock Celestial Kingdom seemed to realize he had bitten off more than he could chew when he heard Qiu Ling's words and saw the quick deaths of his two profound-rank Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestials bodyguards. 'The Thirteenth Prince of the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom?! A heaven-rank Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestial!'

The young man dressed in embroidered robes trembled when he learned of Long Fei Yun's identity.

As for Nangong Li, he was so frightened that he had fallen on the ground, sitting in a puddle of his urine

'The 13th Prince of the Soaring Dragon Celestial Kingdom?!'

The young man dressed in embroidery trembled intensely as he learned about Long Fei Yun's true identity.

As for Nangong Li, he was so frightened until fell to the ground, sitting on a puddle of his urine.

Long Fei Yun looked at Duan Ling Tian and asked, "Brother Duan... How would you like me to deal with them?" Long Fei Yun looked at Duan Ling Tian and asked with a grin.

Duan Ling Tian remained silent. However, a hint of killing intent could be seen in his eyes.

Naturally, this did not escape Long Fei Yun's notice. He nodded and said, "I get it." Then, he signaled Qiu Ling with just a look.

Qiu Ling nodded, preparing to kill the remaining two men

"Stop!" an ancient voice cried out. In just a blink of an eye, an old figure appeared before the trio. His aura seemed comparable to Qiu Ling's aura.

The old man shielded the Sixth Prince of the Cloudy Rock Kingdom as a handsome young man dressed in a fine robe emerged from the crowd. "Long Fei Yun, Shi Lei didn't do anything to you... Don't you think it's unnecessary to kill him?"