

Immortality Cultivation: I Farm in the System Space

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Chapter 861: Chapter 384 Holy Maiden of Cloud Sky Immortal Sect_2 Chapter 861: Chapter 384 Holy Maiden of Cloud Sky Immortal Sect_2 Yan Wanfei nodded, then continued,

“The Holy Maiden of Yunxian Sect is truly incredible” a genius among geniuses.

In the previous two contests, she completely overshadowed the son of the Ziyun Pill Sect Sect Master and the Seventh Grade Pill Master Loose Cultivator, securing first place in the competitions.”

“If there are no surprises this time, she is bound to be the first-place winner of this contest.”

Hearing this, Holaw Three Rivers curled his lip and then turned to ask Yan Wanfei,

“If the Holy Maiden of Yunxian Sect is a genius among geniuses, then what about Brother Lin?”

“You must know that Brother Lin is also under three hundred years old, yet he is already an Eighth Grade Alchemist.

If not for the fact that he has already joined the Elixir Alliance, he would be eligible to participate in this Alchemy Competition.”

“Moreover, Brother Lin is not only an Eighth Grade Alchemist, but also a powerhouse at the Transcendence Tribulation Stage before the age of three hundred.

What do you say to that?”

Yan Wanfei was taken aback upon hearing this.

After a while, Yan Wanfei glanced at Lin Jing beside him and then said with a bitter face,

“That’s entirely different, isn’t it!”

“She’s merely a genius among geniuses, but Brother Lin is a freak among freaks.

How can they be compared?”

“Think back to when we were in the Southern Outer Sea, we were all just at the Golden Core stage of cultivation...”

“How long has it been since then?”

“I’ve only just entered the Divinity Transformation Stage, while Brother Lin has already become a Transcendence Tribulation Stage expert that we can only look up to.”

“Who can compare to him?”

Who dares to compare with Brother Lin?”

With that, Yan Wanfei changed the subject and said to Holaw Three Rivers,

“You should be extremely grateful now, it’s because of my simple and honest nature that I was able to hit it off with Brother Lin from the first meeting and become friends.”

“Otherwise, with your straightforward and stubborn temperament, you would’ve offended countless people by now.”

Holaw Three Rivers, upon hearing this, pursed his lips, offering no rebuttal.

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When he first met Lin Jing, Holaw Three Rivers was indeed wary of him.

After all, it was their first meeting and they were strangers; it was natural to be cautious.

Furthermore, afterward, Holaw Three Rivers had specifically apologized for that incident, and it was already a thing of the past.

In contrast, Yan Wanfei’s honest nature was indeed rare in the Cultivation World.

However, having bickered for many years, Holaw Three Rivers rarely lost out and was not one to be suppressed by Yan Wanfei’s words, which was clearly not his style.

So,

Holaw Three Rivers looked at Yan Wanfei and spoke in a deep voice,

“I remember someone always wanting to ask Brother Lin for a sparring match...”

Upon hearing this, Yan Wanfei shook his head frantically,

“No...”

“I dare not, I’ve learned my lesson, please have mercy.”

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The two enjoyed their banter, while Lin Jing and Lu Youjiu exchanged glances before helplessly shrugging.

Then, Lin Jing ignored the two of them and continued to watch the center of the arena.

At this moment, the distribution of the Alchemy Ingredients required by everyone for the contest was nearly complete, and the competition was about to truly begin.

But just then, Lin Jing suddenly felt a gaze on him.

Lin Jing followed the gaze and discovered that the person looking at him was none other than the Alliance Hierarch of the Elixir Alliance.

At this time...

The Alliance Hierarch was motioning for Lin Jing to come over.

Seeing this, Lin Jing nodded,

And after explaining to Lu Youjiu and the others, he rose to his feet and stepped forward.

The next moment...

Lin Jing appeared not far behind the Alliance Hierarch.

Seeing Lin Jing’s arrival, the Alliance Hierarch turned and said to him,

“Come...”

“Have a seat next to me.”

Lin Jing looked at the seats beside the Alliance Hierarch; they were arranged for the Elixir Alliance Elders serving as judges.

Since he was not yet an Elder, it seemed rather inappropriate to join them.

Thus, Lin Jing spoke up,

“Alliance Hierarchy, I am currently just a disciple within the Elixir Alliance, this seems somewhat improper.”

The Alliance Hierarchy was unperturbed and replied,

“There’s nothing wrong with that.”

After all, you are now an Eighth Grade Alchemist and are about to participate in the Eighth Grade Alchemist assessment.

As long as you pass, you will be the ninth Elder of the Elixir Alliance.”

“Sitting with us, there’s nothing inappropriate about it.”

“Moreover...”

“I plan to let you participate in the judging of the upcoming event, so naturally, you’ll need to sit here.”

At this moment, the materials required for the Alchemy Competition had already been distributed, and several Elders had returned.

Seeing the Elders return, the Elixir Alliance Hierarchy said to them:

“This is Lin Jing, who was previously under Elder Qi; I assume you’ve all met him before.”

“Now Lin Jing has been promoted to an Eighth Grade Alchemist and is about to undergo assessment.

If he passes, he will be our Elixir Alliance’s ninth Elder.”

“I would like to have him join us in judging this competition, what do you all think?”

Among the Elders present, other than the Grand Elder, Elder Bai, and Elder Qi, the rest were all there.

During his decades at the Elixir Alliance, though Lin Jing seldom ventured out, he had encountered and become acquainted with the others.

However, not many knew about Lin Jing’s promotion to Eighth Grade Alchemist, as the notice for this assessment was not issued long ago.

Moreover, due to the preparations for the Alchemy Competition, everyone had been too busy to take much notice of Lin Jing’s recent advancement.

Hearing this, the Elders all turned their gaze towards Lin Jing.

One of the white-bearded Elders even expressed his surprise:

“You’ve advanced to an Eighth Grade Alchemist so quickly.”

This Elder with the white beard was Elder Lei.

He too was an Alchemist from Yunxian Sect, and apart from being an Elder of the Elixir Alliance,

he was also the head of Yunxian Sect’s Elixir Hall.

At that moment, Lin Jing gave a respectful bow and said to the Elders:

“Greetings to the seniors...”

“It was really by chance that I managed to break through to the Eighth Grade not long ago.”

Another Elder, Elder Wen, nodded slightly at Lin Jing:

“The path of the Alchemy Dao grows ever more difficult the higher one ascends.”

“Especially the last two stages, advancing is incredibly tough, and there are many who remain stuck there, never able to make further progress for the rest of their lives.”

“Since you were able to break through, it surely wasn’t just luck.

Aside from diligence, your innate and exceptional Alchemic Talent must have played a significant role.”

After Elder Wen finished speaking, the others also voiced their agreement.

Especially the previously mentioned Elder Lei, who slapped his forehead and said with a laugh:

“I almost forgot, you come from an extraordinary background, and your Alchemic Talent is astounding.

Advancing to Eighth Grade Alchemist really isn’t a difficult task for you.”

With that said, Elder Lei directly addressed the Alliance Hierarchy:

“I have no objections!”

“If this young man has already reached the Eighth Grade, then let him join us in the judging.”

Following Elder Lei’s remarks, the other Elders also expressed their agreement.

Subsequently,

Lin Jing no longer demurred and walked forward to take his place in the seats reserved for the judging panel of Elixir Alliance Elders.

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Lin Jing’s action immediately caused a stir, as the seat he took was almost equivalent to that of an Elixir Alliance Elder.

People observed that Lin Jing seemed quite young and were surprised, speculating about his background.

Of course,

There were others who knew Lin Jing, such as Lu Youjiu and his companions, who were aware of Lin Jing’s status as an Eighth Grade Alchemist and were not too astonished that he took that seat.

Even other disciples within the Elixir Alliance were shocked to see Lin Jing sitting there, secretly wondering

if the Elixir Alliance was about to gain another Elder...

And it wasn’t just the audience watching the Alchemy Competition; even the participants in the arena turned their gazes towards the scene.

Feeling their eyes on him, Lin Jing then looked down at the crowd.

In most of their eyes, there was bewilderment.

Of course, some people didn’t care and were planning their strategies for the upcoming alchemy process while looking at the Alchemy Ingredients in front of them.

Lin Jing also saw Lin Jue.

When Lin Jue noticed Lin Jing looking over, he smiled and waved.

Lin Jing smiled back and nodded slightly.

Then, Lin Jing shifted his gaze to the forefront, where the most likely contenders for the top three spots were.

They seemed not to be paying much attention to what was happening here.

Except for one...

It was the masked Holy Maiden from Yunxian Sect, who was now looking in his direction...

Chapter 862: Chapter 385: The End of the Third Contest Chapter 862: Chapter 385: The End of the Third Contest However, when Lin Jing turned his head to look at her, she quickly turned away as if she dared not meet his gaze.

This action by the Holy Maiden of the Tianyun Holy Sect left Lin Jing perplexed.

Could it be that she knew him?

Just as Lin Jing was puzzled, Elder Lei, who sat next to him, stood up and announced the start of the third Alchemy Conference.

As soon as Elder Lei finished speaking, the Pill Masters participating in the conference below began to take action.

And the Cultivators watching the conference in the stands were also drawn in, turning their attention to the events unfolding.

Elder Lei looked around and then sat down.

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As soon as he sat down, Elder Lei leaned close to Lin Jing and said,

"Lin lad..."

"Earlier, I saw you looking at our Tianyun Holy Sect's Holy Maiden, do you perhaps know her?"

As soon as Elder Lei finished speaking, Lin Jing quickly responded,

"Senior misunderstands, we have never met face-to-face, I am just a bit curious."

Elder Lei nodded upon hearing this and then looked towards the Holy Maiden,

"This young girl has lived in our Tianyun Holy Sect since childhood and is dearly loved by everyone in the sect."

“To tell you the truth, she is also an exceptionally talented in Alchemy Dao.

If nothing unexpected occurs, she is certainly expected to place in the top three of this competition, and might even win the championship.”

However, just at that moment, Elder Lei suddenly changed his tone,

“Initially...”

“This young lady’s talent is astonishing, and she is the pride of everyone in our Tianyun Holy Sect.

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Even I have high hopes for her.”

As he said this, Elder Lei looked at Lin Jing as if he were seeing some incredible creature, sizing him up and down before sighing deeply,

“But compared to you, her Alchemic Talent seems rather insignificant.”

“I truly don’t know what kind of monstrous talent you are to have advanced so quickly.”

After saying this, without waiting for Lin Jing to respond, Elder Lei continued talking and asked Lin Jing,

“Speaking of which...”

“I remember you’re also not yet three hundred years old, right?”

As Elder Lei spoke these words, the other Elders also looked over.

Facing the Elders’ gazes, Lin Jing felt somewhat uneasy and could only give a forced smile, saying to Elder Lei,

“Yes, senior...”

Elder Lei, undeterred, nodded slightly,

“Under three hundred years old, an Eighth Grade Pill Master, and also Cultivation...”

“Cough...”

Elder Lei was saying this when the Elixir Alliance Hierarch, sitting in the middle, coughed lightly and then spoke,

“Regarding Lin Jing’s real age and Cultivation, Elder Bai informed you a few days ago, do not forget it.”

Hearing this, Elder Lei hastily fell silent and then gave an embarrassed smile,

“A slip of the tongue, my apologies...”

“Alliance Hierarchy, please rest assured, this matter will not be disclosed.”

After this reminder from the Alliance Hierarchy, the other Elders no longer continued to focus on Lin Jing, instead turning their heads to watch the events in the pavilion.

Only Elder Lei, at this moment, leaned close to Lin Jing and whispered,

“Lin lad, what do you think of our Tianyun Holy Sect’s Holy Maiden?

Are you interested in becoming our Tianyun Holy Sect’s son-in-law?”

Elder Lei’s words were so sudden that Lin Jing, caught off guard, even choked on his breath.

“Cough...cough...”

Lin Jing had to cough twice and tried to ease the awkwardness,

“Senior jests...”

But hearing this, another Elder named Li beside Elder Lei turned his head, looking towards Elder Lei teasingly,

“With your entire Tianyun Holy Sect treasuring this young maiden so much, are you really willing to give her away?”

Elder Lei responded,

“How is it giving her away?

Didn’t I just say, we’d take Lin lad as our Tianyun Holy Sect’s son-in-law.”

“With Lin lad’s talent, he is more than a match for our Holy Maiden.”

Upon hearing this, Elder Li rolled his eyes,

“You really know how to wish for the best...”

“With Lin lad’s talent, not to mention your Tianyun Holy Sect, which force in the entire Cultivation World wouldn’t scramble to have him?”

“If Lin lad is willing to come to our Qinglin Daoist Institute, we would immediately regard him as our Daoist Disciple, and even directly groom him as the next leader.”

As the two spoke freely, Lin Jing, caught in the middle, once again attracted the attention of the other Elders.

However, their conversation also prompted another reminder from the Alliance Hierarch,

“Both of you, that’s enough...”

“Lin Jing has his legacy, and won’t join any of your Sects.

Right now, the competition is underway; let’s focus on the contest and drop the matter of Lin Jing.

No further discussion is needed.”

Following the Alliance Hierarch’s remarks, the two immediately behaved and turned their attention back to the pavilion.

Lin Jing also breathed a sigh of relief and directed his attention to the pavilion.

At this point, the competition had just begun; everyone was engaged in the first step of Alchemy, performing initial Refinement on the materials they had just received.

Among the competitors, their Cultivation varied widely, and even the flames they wielded differed.

Some participants used only the flames controlled by Cultivators themselves and began Alchemy with at most one Art of Fire Control.

Others, backed by powerful forces, had obtained special flames, enhancing the strength of their fire.

Consequently, their Refinement speeds also varied.

Soon...

Someone completed the Refinement of materials, and this individual was none other than the Holy Maiden of the Tianyun Holy Sect.

Following her completion of Refinement, the Sect Master’s son from Ziyun Pill Sect and the Loose Cultivator also quickly finished their Refinement.

Chapter 863: Chapter 385: The End of the Third Match_2 Chapter 863: Chapter 385: The End of the Third Match_2 The three individuals, whether in terms of controlling the flame or their cultivation, were fairly similar; hence, naturally, the time it took to complete the refinement was also nearly the same.

Almost immediately after each other, all three had completed the initial refinement of their ingredients.

After completing the initial refinement, the real alchemy began.

Once all three were prepared and had started the alchemy process, other participants gradually finished refining their ingredients.

After the refinement was completed, no one dared to delay further; they immediately placed the ingredients into the Pill Furnace and began crafting the elixirs.

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The competitors were all in the same square, and although everyone's position was protected by a small Formation,

having so many people conducting alchemy in the same area was bound to cause some interference.

Initially, when the alchemy began, the differences among the participants were not significant, and everyone looked competent.

But after some time, the gaps began to emerge.

Those positioned at the front appeared more stable, each methodically following their usual steps to craft the Elixir Medicine.

However, towards the back of the venue, some Pill Masters, whether due to nerves or something else, began to panic.

Not long after, with a loud "bang,"

someone failed to control the temperature and accidentally caused their furnace to explode.

The ingredients provided by the Alchemy Dao Assembly were limited to one batch per person; a furnace explosion meant elimination.

The Cultivator whose furnace had exploded stood frozen on the spot until after a while before he finally snapped out of it.

Then, a disciple from the Elixir Alliance, who had been prepared for such incidents, stepped forward and escorted him out of the competition venue.

That loud bang, as if it were a signal,

was followed by a few more explosions, with several more Cultivators causing their furnaces to explode during the process.

In just an hour, more than a dozen people had left the competition venue.

After all, it was an alchemy competition hosted by the Elixir Alliance, attracting most of the young, talented Pill Masters from the East Continent, so the competitors' strength was naturally much stronger than that of other Pill Masters.

After these individuals had left, the situation quickly stabilized, and there were no more explosions.

Then, time continued to slowly pass...

During this process, some individuals encountered various issues that led to failed alchemy attempts and subsequently left the venue.

Until the first whiff of Elixir Fragrance emerged in the venue, by then, more than thirty people had left the venue, leaving over one hundred and sixty people remaining.

Once the Elixir Fragrance spread, people's attention shifted toward the front, where the fragrance was emanating from.

That was the location of the Holy Maiden of Yunxian Sect, who had already completed crafting her concoction and was in the final steps of Solidifying the Pill.

Just as everyone redirected their focus, a similar scent of Elixir Fragrance emerged from the Pill Furnace of a Loose Cultivator adjacent to the Holy Maiden.

Simultaneously, the son of the Sect Master of Ziyun Pill Sect and the Loose Cultivator almost at the same moment finished crafting their Elixir Medicine and began the subsequent steps of Solidifying the Pill.

Some time after these three, others in the venue began to emit the Elixir Fragrance from their Pill Furnaces.

Lin Jing particularly noticed that Lin Jue and Changyun Yuanshuang were also beginning their Solidifying Pill steps at this time.

As the final moments approached, several Elders also focused their attention on the actions of every Pill Master in the competition.

Soon, before news of any completed pills could spread, another participant failed to control the temperature, causing another explosion.

And at this critical moment, the explosion affected not just one person but everyone in the venue.

Even though there were Formations isolating the competition area, such a huge commotion still caused disturbances that affected others.

This, in fact, was intentional by the Elixir Alliance; they could use the Formations to minimize the impact of an explosion but did not completely isolate it.

It also served as a type of test.

If a slight disturbance could cause a Pill Master to fail in their alchemy, it meant the Pill Master's mental state was still unstable and required further training.

Finally, after another dozen or so failures, the first batch of Elixir Medicine successfully came out of the furnace.

Needless to say, the first one to finish was the Holy Maiden of the Yunxian Sect.

As the Pill Furnace opened, the Elixir Fragrance wafted out, soon spreading across the entire alchemy assembly venue.

When the Holy Maiden of the Yunxian Sect extracted her Elixir Medicines, Lin Jing clearly saw that among them, at least three were of Supreme Grade.

Following the Holy Maiden, the Elixir Medicines crafted by the Loose Cultivator and the son of the Sect Master of Ziyun Pill Sect were also swiftly completed.

After these three, the Elixir Medicines of other participants were successively crafted.

During this period, a few people accidentally exploded their furnaces at the decisive moment, causing all their efforts to go to waste.

There were others who, upon inspecting the Elixir Medicine that emerged from the furnace, had a bitter expression on their faces.

Clearly, they had not succeeded in producing the designated Elixir Medicine; although their alchemy was successful, they were also eliminated.

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All participants had finished their production, and the Elders were also prepared; then, under the indication of the Elixir Alliance Hierarchy, the Formation was activated.

“Alright, it’s your turn now.”

After the Formation was activated, the Elixir Alliance Hierarchy said to several people.

After speaking, he looked at Lin Jing and spoke again:

“You should also take a look and evaluate.”

Lin Jing nodded, “Yes, senior.”

Then, Lin Jing and several Elders went to the venue.

Seeing them arrive, the Pill Masters in the venue hurriedly bowed:

“Greetings to the Elders!”

The Elders nodded and moved to the front, where the Holy Maiden of the Yunxian Sect was.

Then, Elder Changyun, smiling gently, said to his Sect’s Holy Maiden:

“My dear niece...”

“Come, bring us the Elixir Medicine you just produced, let’s have a look.”

Facing the Holy Maiden of the Yunxian Sect, Elder Changyun’s tone was so gentle it was almost uncharacteristic compared to his usual demeanor, making Elder Li click his tongue in wonder.

However, Elder Changyun simply glanced at Elder Li and ignored him.

Upon hearing this, the Holy Maiden of the Yunxian Sect took out a Jade Vial, handed it to Elder Changyun, and then her gaze swept over the Elders in front, pausing momentarily on Lin Jing.

Following...

The Holy Maiden of the Yunxian Sect shifted her gaze back to Elder Changyun and said:

“Then I’ll trouble you, Uncle Master Changyun and the Elders.”

“Not trouble at all, not at all...”

Elder Changyun said with a smile, and upon finishing, he immediately opened the Jade Vial and poured out several Elixir Pills.

Seeing the Elixir Medicine, the Elders immediately gathered around.

Upon seeing the Elixir Medicine, the Elders nodded in approval, and one of them couldn't help but exclaim:

“One furnace, three Supreme Grade...”

“This quality, this color, truly extraordinary.”

Hearing this, Elder Changyun looked as pleased as if he himself had been complimented, joyfully uttering:

“Since she started cultivating at a young age, my niece has shown great interest in the Alchemy Dao and, coupled with her good Alchemic Talent, producing this Elixir Medicine naturally isn't difficult.”

After speaking, he looked around and eventually spotted Lin Jing standing in the back, hurriedly waving to him:

“Lin, young brother, come here...”

“Come take a look and evaluate the Elixir Medicine my niece has produced.”

At the moment when the Holy Maiden of the Yunxian Sect took out the Elixir Medicine from the Pill Furnace, Lin Jing had already seen those three Supreme Grade Elixir Pills.

He knew that she would definitely pass this third competition.

Therefore,

When the Elders had gathered forward just now, Lin Jing had not joined them.

Initially, Lin Jing no longer wanted to join the crowd, but now that Elder Changyun had called him, he felt obliged to step forward.

Just as Lin Jing approached, the Holy Maiden of Yunxian Sect watching him couldn't help but ask in confusion:

“May I ask if this is Elder Lin?”

Her voice, crisp and pleasing, seemed somewhat familiar, yet very strange.

Lin Jing unconsciously looked at the Holy Maiden of the Yunxian Sect, who was also looking at him, their eyes meeting.

Looking into the eyes of the Holy Maiden, that feeling of familiarity became even more apparent.

Yet Lin Jing couldn't seem to remember when exactly he had encountered this woman...

Chapter 864: Chapter 386: Immortal Yuan, Appears Chapter 864: Chapter 386: Immortal Yuan, Appears As Lin Jing pondered, Elder Lei spoke first, explaining,

"The lad Lin has not yet started the assessment, so he is not an Elder currently, but I reckon he will be very soon."

"I see..."

The Holy Maiden of Tianyun Holy Sect exclaimed in enlightenment.

After a moment of contemplation, unable to recall anything, Lin Jing decided to temporarily put the matter aside and started to inspect the elixir medicines that Elder Lei held in his hand.

Upon closer examination, the elixir medicines became even clearer.

Among them, three elixir medicines had not a speck of impurity and faint brilliance emanated from them; they were undoubtedly Supreme Elixirs, and the quality of the elixir was also quite exceptional.

If luck had been a little more favorable, this batch could have even produced Pure Elixirs.

Besides the three Supreme Elixirs, there were two more remaining.

One Superior and one Medium Grade.

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After examining them, Lin Jing nodded and then spoke,

"This batch of elixir medicines is indeed impressive, one can see that her Alchemy Technique is very steady, and I'm sure you must have expended considerable effort in cultivating her."

"Moreover, if I'm not mistaken, she must also possess a special Alchemy Dao Technique."

Upon hearing this, Elder Lei said with considerable pride,

“Of course...”

“This niece of mine is a treasure to our Yunxian Sect, deeply loved by the entire Sect.

She indeed cultivates a special Alchemy Dao Technique and it was I who gave it to her.”

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Afterward, Lin Jing inspected the elixir medicines.

Then the other Elders did the same, and after all of them had inspected the medicines, the assessment of results began.

The Holy Maiden of Yunxian Sect’s Elixir Furnace Medicine had unquestionably passed the competition, and there wasn’t much to say about that.

After recording her results, they moved on to the Loose Cultivator in the second position to start checking...

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In this manner, one by one, they continued to inspect the elixir medicines of the other famous participants hopeful of entering the top three.

After inspecting these individuals, the Elders split up to start inspecting the Elixir Furnace Medicines produced by other participants.

With so many Elders moving at once, the inspection was quite swift, and in less than half an hour, all contestants had been assessed.

Subsequently, the Elders totaled the scores of all the competitors and handed them over to the Alliance Hierarchy of the Elixir Alliance.

After which, the Alliance Hierarchy announced the results of this third competition.

Aside from those whose furnaces had exploded and those who did not meet the standards, the number of those who eventually passed the test was less than one hundred.

Only ninety-six.

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Thus, the Alliance Hierarchy declared directly that in this round, the remaining ninety-six individuals were victorious and would advance to the next round.

After announcing the results, the Alliance Hierarchy also announced the date for the next round of competition before departing.

This marked the complete end of the third contest.

After the Alliance Hierarchy departed, the Elders also left.

Elder Lei, however, lingered a step to approach Lin Jing with a smile and said,

“Brother Lin...”

“If you’re ever free and looking for leisure, you’re welcome to visit us at Yunxian Sect.

Even if you do not become our sect’s son-in-law, you are always welcome.”

After mulling it over, Lin Jing then asked,

“Elder Lei...”

“There is something I don’t quite understand and I’d like to inquire about it.”

“What is it?”

Speak,” Elder Lei replied, slightly taken aback.

Lin Jing paused, then spoke up,

“Just now, Elder Lei mentioned that the Saintess of your sect has been cultivated by you since she was young.”

“Does that mean she has always been with Yunxian Sect?”

Her Alchemy Dao cultivation is solid and firm, and it is not something that can be tempered overnight.”

“I suppose she rarely leaves Yunxian Sect, right?”

Upon hearing this, Elder Lei nodded and said,

“Of course.”

“Once my niece entered the Sect, she has virtually never left.”

After speaking, Elder Lei looked at Lin Jing with some puzzlement and asked,

“Why the sudden interest in this?”

Could it be that you truly have an interest in my niece?”

“Otherwise...”

“Shall I mediate for the two of you?”

Lin Jing quickly clarified,

“Elder Lei has misunderstood.

I simply found her familiar and thought I might have seen her somewhere before.”

“Since she has not left Yunxian Sect, then it’s impossible for us to have met; perhaps I am mistaken.”

Having listened, Elder Lei suddenly understood,

“I see...”

“I was wondering why you would suddenly ask me about this; I thought you truly had intentions toward her...”

“But indeed, since my niece has been with the Sect, she has neither been practicing cultivation nor alchemy, and she really hasn’t left the Sect.”

“It must have been a mistaken impression on your part.”

Lin Jing nodded and said,

“Perhaps...!”

After asking the questions he wanted, Lin Jing bid farewell to Elder Lei and went to meet up with Lu Youjiu and the others.

Upon Lin Jing’s return, Lin Jue and Changyun Yuanshuang were also present, and they were currently discussing something together.

This time, both Lin Jue and Changyun Yuanshuang had successfully passed the competition, and Lin Jue was lucky enough to have concocted two Supreme Elixirs, securing a spot within the top fifteen of the competition.

When Lin Jing joined them, they all left together and returned to their cave dwellings.

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Shortly after their return, Lin Jing suddenly received a message from Elder Bai, asking him to come and visit.

After informing the others, Lin Jing left the cave dwelling.

Elder Bai was still at the top level of the tower-like building.

Upon reaching the top level and seeing Elder Bai, Lin Jing greeted him with a cupped-fist salute:

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“May I know why you were looking for me?”

Elder Bai began,

“I’ve called you here to get you prepared.

In a few days, I want you to take the assessment for Eighth Grade Pill Master.”

At this point, Elder Bai paused before looking at Lin Jing and continued,

“The reason I’ve arranged it this way is because I’m planning to hold your Eighth Grade Pill Master assessment on the eve of the end of the Alchemy Conference.”

“Once you pass the assessment, you will be able to take advantage of the last day of the Alchemy Conference to publicly announce your appointment as the ninth elder of the Elixir Alliance.”

“What do you think?”

Serving as an elder is indeed the true core of the entire Elixir Alliance.

Each appointment of an elder is always a grand event, intended to inform other forces immediately.

Right now is precisely during the Alchemy Conference, which is why Elder Bai wanted to make the announcement at the final moment of the event.

Although Lin Jing wasn’t very fond of such pompous ceremonies, the appointment of an Elixir Alliance elder concerns not just himself, but the entire alliance.

Therefore, after a brief contemplation, Lin Jing nodded and said,

“I will leave it to Elder Bai’s discretion.”

Elder Bai nodded, “Alright, then it’s settled for now.”

“Elder Bai...”

As Elder Bai finished speaking, Lin Jing spoke up again, inquiring,

“What if I fail the assessment?”

Elder Bai looked up at Lin Jing, smiling, and said,

“If you truly fail the assessment, then wait for next time.

What else can be done?”

Elder Bai then looked at Lin Jing intensely, with a smile, and added,

“But...”

“Do you really have so little confidence in yourself?”

Lin Jing hurriedly replied,

“Not at all!”

“It’s just that alchemy is not solely about one’s own alchemic strength; luck is also very important.

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No one dares claim with certainty that they will succeed, and I am no exception.”

“Moreover, this is an Elixir Alliance assessment, which is different from ordinary alchemy, and naturally, I can’t claim with absolute certainty that I’ll succeed.”

Elder Bai nodded at this,

“What you said is correct, no one can guarantee absolute success in alchemy.”

“If you do fail this time, then continue to practice for a while.

After you pass the assessment next time, a separate ceremony to appoint you as an elder will be held.”

“Understood, Elder Bai,” Lin Jing nodded and said.

Elder Bai nodded as well and then took out a small Storage Bag and handed it to Lin Jing,

“This contains materials for refining two Eighth Grade Elixir Medicines.

Over the next few days, go ahead and practice with them to prepare yourself for the assessment.”

After speaking, Elder Bai waved his hand, and the Storage Bag flew into Lin Jing’s hands.

Lin Jing received the Storage Bag and then gave a bow to Elder Bai,

“Thank you, Elder Bai.”

Elder Bai smiled and then said,

“You’re a descendant of the Lin Family, and it’s natural for me to look after you.

If you encounter other matters in the future, don’t bear them alone; you can come to me.”

“Or you could go to Elder Hong; we will both find ways to help you.”

Elder Bai and the Patriarch of the Changyun Clan were both people who valued loyalty greatly.

Even though the Lin Family had declined and the patriarch of the Lin Family had passed away,

they still cared deeply for the descendants of the Lin Family.

Upon hearing Elder Bai’s words, Lin Jing was also very touched.

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Following that,

Lin Jing bid farewell to Elder Bai, ready to leave.

Just then, someone approached where Elder Bai was.

This person was none other than the Patriarch of the Changyun Clan.

When the Patriarch of the Changyun Clan saw Lin Jing, he expressed surprise,
“Oh?”

“You are here too.”

Lin Jing nodded and said,

“Elder Bai wanted to discuss the matter of the Eighth Grade Pill Master assessment with me.”

Hearing this, the Patriarch of the Changyun Clan looked at Lin Jing and nodded approvingly,

“Your alchemic talent is astonishing, and you’ve reached Eighth Grade Pill Master so quickly; that’s indeed commendable.”

After finishing, the ancestor of the Changyun Clan asked Lin Jing, “The assessment is about to begin, do you want me to prepare some materials for you to practice with beforehand?”

As soon as the ancestor of the Changyun Clan finished speaking, Elder Bai interjected, “Old Hong, you don’t need to bother.”

“I’ve already given him some, exactly two sets of materials.

Once those are used up, we can start the assessment.”

“Oh, is that so…” the ancestor of the Changyun Clan said.

Elder Bai continued to speak to the ancestor of the Changyun Clan, “Weren’t you going to find an old friend to search for Ascension Pill materials?

How come you’ve returned so soon?”

The ancestor of the Changyun Clan sighed, “Alas…!”

“Don’t mention it, I was too late.”

“By the time I got there, the Spirit Plant had already been used up by that old guy.”

Having finished, the ancestor of the Changyun Clan sighed again and then furrowed his brows as he spoke, “The materials required for this Ascension Pill are really hard to find.

Even if you and I work together, it’s likely to take a long time to gather everything.”

Listening to their conversation, Lin Jing immediately understood that they were preparing to collect materials to refine the Ascension Pill again.

Just as the ancestor of the Changyun Clan finished speaking, Elder Bai followed up, "The materials themselves are actually not too difficult to handle."

"This matter affects the entire Cultivation World.

If we want to get this done, certainly more than just the two of us will be involved.

In time, I can contact others and we can collect them together."

"The matter of the materials is not a difficult one to solve."

After hearing this, the ancestor of the Changyun Clan stroked his chin and gave a slight nod, saying, "If that's the case, it's not impossible..."

"The only difficult thing now is the Immortal Yuan.

After all, without Immortal Yuan, we cannot refine a real Ascension Pill."

As he spoke, the ancestor of the Changyun Clan suddenly looked up at Elder Bai, "Elder Bai..."

"You said you had news of Immortal Yuan.

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Are you sure about that?"

Elder Bai nodded, "Of course.

When I went to the Outer Spatial Void, I personally visited that special space and saw that strand of Immortal Yuan."

"It's just that the Immortal Yuan moves so fast in that space, it's very difficult to capture, and capturing it is likely to take a lot of effort."

"And..."

"This time in the Outer Spatial Void, I also saw that mysterious Empress from the Demon Clan that has been rumored about recently.

She is indeed terrifying."

“Although her displayed cultivation seems to be the same as ours, at the peak of Mahayana, when it comes to real strength, I feel as if she alone could suppress all the Mahayana cultivators in our entire Eastern Spirit Realm.”

“When it comes time to open the barrier to the Immortal Realm after refining the Ascension Pill, we will need the help of someone with incredibly strong combat ability.”

“I think she would be suitable, so I’ve been trying to make contact with her, to ask for her help in breaking through the barrier to the Immortal Realm.”

“That Empress from the Demon Clan is actually that terrifying?”

Why has she remained unnoticed until now?”

Upon hearing this, Elder Bai replied, “I’m not sure about that.”

“Some speculate that she might come from a special world unknown to anyone, emerging only after her cultivation reached its peak and broke through that world.”

“Therefore, she remained unnoticed until now.”

“Others say she might actually come from the Immortal Realm before the cataclysm, only to have fallen into a deep sleep due to the upheaval in the Immortal Realm, awakening only recently.”

“But these are all guesses; no one knows the specifics.”

Hearing the two discuss, Lin Jing was also stunned by the surprise.

For her alone to suppress all the Mahayana cultivators in the entire Eastern Spirit Realm, what kind of terrifying power that must be.

Who exactly is this Empress they mentioned, to be that fearsome.

And the Immortal Yuan needed for the Ascension Pill refining...

Lin Jing had a strand of it on him.

Unfortunately, that Immortal Yuan was now inside the System Space, and Lin Jing was not in a position to enter the System Space to retrieve it.

Otherwise, he could just take it out and give it to Elder Bai and the others directly, sparing all the trouble.

Just as Lin Jing was pondering about the Immortal Yuan, a sudden change occurred.

The strand of Immortal Yuan that should have been in the System Space inexplicably appeared from Lin Jing's sea of consciousness, charging out of his sea of consciousness and appearing outside Lin Jing's body...

Caught off guard by this sudden change, Lin Jing was left stunned.

At this moment, Elder Bai and the ancestor of the Changyun Clan both felt a different kind of aura and turned their heads, looking towards Lin Jing, "Is this...Immortal Yuan?"

Chapter 866: Chapter 387 Alchemy Success Chapter 866: Chapter 387 Alchemy Success Upon seeing an Immortal Yuan suddenly appear from within Lin Jing and continuously circle around him, Elder Bai and the Elder of the Changyun Clan couldn't help but be dumbfounded.

"This..."

After regaining their senses, the two immediately flashed over to Lin Jing's side, intently observing the Immortal Yuan that was circling around him.

After observing, Elder Bai and the Elder of the Changyun Clan exchanged glances, then spoke,

"It is indeed Immortal Yuan, no doubt."

Having said this, they looked towards Lin Jing and quickly asked,

"Why do you have Immortal Yuan on you?"

From the moment the Immortal Yuan had appeared, apart from the initial moment of stupefaction, Lin Jing had also quickly come to his senses.

He then hurriedly began to think about how to explain this matter to the two elders.

Also...

He was very puzzled about why the Immortal Yuan could leave the System Space on its own and suddenly appear.

Just now, it was only because Elder Bai and the Elder of the Changyun Clan had started discussing the Immortal Yuan that he too had remembered the Immortal Yuan he obtained during the Tribulation.

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Who knew that just by a thought, this Immortal Yuan would voluntarily appear...

“Could it be...”

“This Immortal Yuan can recognize its master and obey my commands?”

Lin Jing couldn't help but think to himself.

Soon after,

Lin Jing looked at the Immortal Yuan circulating around his body and, with a thought, the Immortal Yuan flew onto his hand.

Indeed.

For some reason, this Immortal Yuan seemed to have its own intelligence, listening to Lin Jing's commands.

Seeing Lin Jing extend his hand, and the Immortal Yuan running to it on its own, Elder Bai and the Changyun Clan Elder were both dumbstruck.

They had never heard of anyone being able to control Immortal Yuan.

This was their first time seeing this.

Had they not known Lin Jing well and been aware of his identity, they might have suspected that Lin Jing came from the Immortal Realm.

“Where did you get this Immortal Yuan?”

“It seems you can also command it.”

Lin Jing then looked up and said to the two,

“This Immortal Yuan should have appeared during my Tribulation.

As for why I can command it, I am not very clear.”

“Tribulation?” Both Elder Bai and the Changyun Clan Elder looked puzzled after hearing this.

Lin Jing nodded then continued,

“Yes, Tribulation...”

After speaking, Lin Jing then recounted to them the events that had occurred during his advancement to the Transcendence Tribulation Stage.

During the initial Tribulation, a void crack appeared and the Immortal Yuan flew out, with Grandfather Shi Tian from the Shi Family and several Mahayana Cultivators, as well as Elder Xian Duan all present; there was no need to hide this fact.

As for the later part, where the Immortal Yuan disappeared...

After finishing his story, Lin Jing continued,

“When the spatial crack appeared at that time, I was at the most critical ninth step of my Tribulation and did not notice anything until after the Tribulation had ended.

It was then that Elder Shi Yuan and Elder Xian Duan reminded me.”

“By then, the Immortal Yuan had already vanished, and I initially thought it had dissipated along with the Tribulation Lightning.

However, it turned out that it had been hidden within my body until today.”

The two elders, after hearing this, also expressed their surprise, indicating that it was their first time hearing of such a situation, and they did not doubt Lin Jing’s words.

After all, Immortal Yuan was only recorded in the Ancient Era, and much information had been lost over time.

To be able to recognize Immortal Yuan and know a few of its distinctive features was already quite remarkable.

As for other characteristics of Immortal Yuan, since no one had truly obtained it before, naturally, they could not know them.

Lin Jing then extended his hand, and with a thought, the Immortal Yuan left his hand and moved in front of Elder Bai and the Changyun Clan Elder.

Then, Lin Jing said,

“Elder Bai...”

“Elder Changyun...”

“For your cultivation of the Ascension Pill, don’t you need an Immortal Yuan?

Since keeping this Immortal Yuan serves no purpose for me, why not take it to use?

It would also save you the effort of searching for another Immortal Yuan as you mentioned earlier.”

Both listened and first looked at the Immortal Yuan in front of them.

Elder Bai pondered for a moment, and after thinking, he said to Lin Jing,

“We do need an Immortal Yuan to cultivate the Ascension Pill.”

“However, your Immortal Yuan seems quite extraordinary.

I’ve never heard of anyone being able to control Immortal Yuan or make it obey commands.

Perhaps this Immortal Yuan might be of great use to you.”

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Although Elder Bai said this, he was still somewhat hesitant about whether to take Lin Jing’s Immortal Yuan.

After all.

Although he knew of the appearance of Immortal Yuan, capturing that Immortal Yuan would be extremely difficult, and he wasn’t absolutely confident.

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And since Lin Jing’s Immortal Yuan had appeared directly from Lin Jing and was highly compatible with him, he wasn’t sure whether taking it would affect Lin Jing.

After all, Lin Jing was one of the last remaining members of his dear friend’s family and the most promising person to rejuvenate their family.

If Lin Jing were to encounter any mishaps because of this, even if Elder Bai could cultivate the Ascension Pill, he would likely feel guilty for the rest of his life.

Therefore, regarding whether to take Lin Jing’s Immortal Yuan or not, Elder Bai found it difficult to decide.

However...

Lin Jing seemed to sense what Elder Bai was thinking and directly spoke up,

“This Immortal Yuan, I don’t find anything unusual about it; perhaps because it has been hidden in my body all this while, that’s why it obeys my control.”

“Other than for cultivating the Ascension Pill, I really don’t know what use this Immortal Yuan has.

Having this Immortal Yuan would save you the immense effort in searching for other Immortal Yuans.”

“Besides...”

Chapter 867: Chapter 387: Successful Alchemy_2 Chapter 867: Chapter 387: Successful Alchemy_2 “Refining the Ascension Pill is not only the concern of Elder Bai and Elder Changyun, but it was also the final wish of our great ancestor.”

“Elder Bai, there’s no need for hesitation.”

Upon hearing this, Elder Bai and the Changyun Clan’s ancestor exchanged a glance and then nodded:

“Alright”

“Since that is the case, I will accept it for the time being.”

Having said that, Elder Bai extended his Divine Sense, enveloping the Immortal Yuan, and the wrapped Immortal Yuan was drawn close to him.

It was evident that the Immortal Yuan indeed lacked consciousness and would not resist, letting anyone take it away.

Next,

Elder Bai said to Lin Jing,

“I will hold on to this Immortal Yuan.”

“We have not yet gathered all the other materials needed for refining the Ascension Pill.

During this time, I’ll think of a way to see if I can capture the Immortal Yuan I discovered in the outer space domain.”

“If I can capture it, I will return this Immortal Yuan to you.

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If all the materials are collected and I still haven’t successfully captured that Immortal Yuan, then I will directly use yours.

How does that sound?”

Lin Jing nodded, “That works for me”

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After Elder Bai took the Immortal Yuan, Lin Jing said goodbye to the two of them and then left.

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After leaving, Lin Jing returned to his cave dwelling, informed Lu Youjiu and Lin Jue, and then began to retreat in the Alchemy Room to prepare for the upcoming assessment.

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Several days quickly passed, and during the time Lin Jing was in seclusion, the Alchemy Competition was vigorously underway.

The process of the Alchemy Competition proceeded very quickly; after the previous match, fewer than a hundred contestants remained.

And in the next match, literally half were eliminated, leaving fewer than fifty.

Then came the fifth and sixth roundsâ€¦

After the sixth round, only the final ten remained in the entire Alchemy Competition.

These last ten would compete in the final round the next day.

At that time, this last round would determine the ranking of these final ten contenders.

Although only the top three finishers in the Alchemy Competition could join the Elixir Alliance, anyone who made it into the top ten would receive special rewards.

And the higher the rank, the more generous the reward.

It was on the day before the Alchemy Competition that Elder Bai came to notify Lin Jing to prepare for the assessment, and Lin Jing then emerged from the Alchemy Room, ready to participate in the assessment.

Upon exiting the Alchemy Room, Lin Jing said farewell to his companions and alone, made his way to the Inner City of the Elixir Alliance, a place exclusively for elder-level assessments.

The assessment site was a grand hall, and surrounding the hall, and indeed covering the whole of the hall, were intricate Formation Patterns.

When Lin Jing arrived there, Elder Bai had also just arrived, accompanied by Lin Jing's own Master, Elder Qi.

He hadn't expected Elder Qi to come as well.

Upon seeing Lin Jing, Elder Bai spoke up,

"During your assessment, the Alliance Hierarchy and the other elders are all occupied with the matters of the Alchemy Competition and will not come over."

"This time it will just be Elder Qi and myself overseeing your assessment."

"Are you ready?"

Lin Jing nodded, "I'm ready."

Elder Bai nodded, then led Lin Jing into the grand hall.

Upon entering the hall, the scene suddenly opened up before him.

Apart from the place where the three of them had just entered, there was a huge Tai Chi Diagram in the center of the hall, and at the edge of the Tai Chi Diagram were three overlapping Formations extending from the inside out.

Clearly, this was where Lin Jing was to perform his Alchemy, but the Formation Patterns beyond the Tai Chi Diagram greatly piqued Lin Jing's curiosity.

After glancing around the hall, Lin Jing turned and asked Elder Bai:

"Elder Bai—"

"From the outside just now, to the inside here, I've passed no fewer than five or six Formations.

The protection here seems to be especially tight."

"This is merely a place for assessment; why such stringent security?"

Elder Bai looked at Lin Jing and replied,

"There's something you might not know."

"Our Elixir Alliance was once invaded by Demon Cultivators from the Northern Devil Region—"

“At that time, they first became elders of the Elixir Alliance; then they took advantage of their status as elders to act, bringing not insignificant losses to our Elixir Alliance.”

“It is precisely because of this matter that we will have strict monitoring in future assessments of the Elixir Alliance Elders,”

“Should we discover anything inappropriate, we will immediately halt the assessment.”

“Although our Elixir Alliance maintains neutrality and does not initiate conflicts with any power, we also do not tolerate other forces causing trouble within our Elixir Alliance.”

“These formations not only prevent the individual being assessed from being disturbed, but another function is to monitor the individual to prevent any accidents from happening.”

Upon hearing this, Lin Jing suddenly understood: “So, that’s how it is…”

Elder Bai continued:

“Your assessment this time is to concoct a batch of Eighth Grade Elixir Medicine, the Tai Xu Jade Soul Pill, and in this batch, there must be no fewer than one superior elixir.”

“If you succeed in concocting, you pass the assessment; otherwise, it’s a failure.”

Having said this, Elder Bai handed over the prepared Alchemy Ingredients to Lin Jing.

Lin Jing nodded and then took over the materials.

At this time, Elder Bai added:

“There is no time limit for this assessment.

Remember not to rush, try to maintain your peak condition before starting the alchemy.”

Lin Jing nodded again and then walked towards the center of the great hall.

As Lin Jing entered the center of the Tai Chi Diagram, Elder Bai also activated the Formation at that moment, instantly enveloping Lin Jing within the direct coverage of the triple Formation.

The Formation was activated, marking the beginning of the Alchemy.

Next, Lin Jing brought out the Jinghong Furnace, and as it was summoned, it quickly expanded before landing on the center of the Tai Chi Diagram with a “bang”.

After summoning the Jinghong Furnace, Lin Jing did not pay it any further attention but instead took out the Alchemy Ingredients that Elder Bai had just given him and began to inspect them.

After checking the materials and confirming there were no issues, Lin Jing then operated the Divine Fire Triple Realm, gathering the terrifying invisible fire, and began the initial Refinement of the materials.

The higher the Rank of the material, the more difficult the Refinement, and the more time and effort it would take.

Lin Jing took almost six hours to completely refine all the ingredients for the Eighth Grade Elixir Medicine.

Refining these Alchemy Ingredients inevitably caused some consumption of his Divine Sense.

Subsequently, Lin Jing did not immediately start the process of Alchemy but instead stored the preliminarily refined materials and began meditating to recover.

This assessment was different from the last; this time, there were Formations monitoring, making it impractical for Lin Jing to use the Bonus Attachment feature.

Using Bonus Attachment would cause a sudden surge in Divine Sense, definitely attracting attention under the scrutiny of the Formation.

Therefore,

Lin Jing had to rely on his true skill for this Alchemy, and since there were specific requirements, he needed to ensure his condition was fully recovered to optimal before starting to concoct the Tai Xu Jade Soul Pill.

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Time quickly passed, and after almost six to eight hours, Lin Jing's Divine Sense had recovered and he adjusted it to optimal before reopening his eyes.

Upon opening his eyes, Lin Jing didn't delay in the slightest but immediately gathered the invisible flames and then placed the initially refined materials inside the Pill Furnace to begin Alchemy...

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This round of Alchemy was for a genuine Eighth Grade Elixir Medicine, more complex than the Soul-Returning Pill Lin Jing concocted last time.

Therefore, even after twelve hours, Lin Jing had beads of sweat on his forehead, yet there was still hardly any major movement.

However, Lin Jing's expression was extremely calm, devoid of any signs of anxiety.

Even Elder Bai and Elder Qi, who were watching Lin Jing's Alchemy, were equally composed.

At that moment...

The Pill Furnace began to change and emit Elixir Fragrance, with wisps of white smoke drifting from the gaps in the furnace.

Upon smelling the Elixir Fragrance, Lin Jing immediately became spirited and continued to push the Divine Fire Triple Realm, increasing the Spiritual Power to intensify the flames.

At this stage, it was time for the final Solidifying Pill step, and Lin Jing had to be even more careful.

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Finally, after an hour, the Solidifying Pill was completed, and the batch of Elixir Medicine was reckoned to have been successfully concocted.

Having completed the Elixir Medicine, Lin Jing couldn't wait and hurriedly opened the Jinghong Furnace.

Upon opening the Jinghong Furnace, several pills rose slowly from inside, and the moment Lin Jing saw these Elixir Medicines, he immediately breathed a sigh of relief.

Superior elixir, he had succeeded...

Chapter 868: Chapter 388: Becoming a Disciple Chapter 868: Chapter 388: Becoming a Disciple This batch of Elixir Medicine did not produce any Supreme Grade.

Instead, there were two Superior, two Medium Grade, and one Low Grade Elixir Medicine.

Although he did not manage to create any Supreme Grade, he had passed the examination.

Afterward, Lin Jing gathered the Elixir Medicines, and upon seeing this, Elder Bai immediately opened the Formation and walked over with Elder Qi.

Seeing Elder Bai approaching, Lin Jing handed over the Elixir Medicine he held.

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Elder Bai took the Elixir Medicine and then began to inspect them.

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“Two Superior Elixir Medicines, unsurprisingly, he has passed the examination,” Elder Qi commented upon seeing the Elixir Medicines.

Elder Bai nodded in agreement.

Then, Elder Bai spoke to Lin Jing, “You have passed the examination.

You are now the ninth Elder of the Elixir Alliance.”

After he finished speaking, Elder Bai took out an Elder’s Identity Token from his person and handed it to Lin Jing, saying at the same time, “Here...”

“Give me your Identity Token.”

“This is the Elder’s Identity Token I had prepared for you.

From now on, you are an Elder of the Elixir Alliance and you will use this new token.”

Lin Jing nodded, took the Elder’s Identity Token, and then took off his Elixir Alliance Identity Token and handed it to Elder Bai.

After the tokens were exchanged, Elder Bai spoke to Lin Jing again, “The final contest of the Alchemy Conference should be ending soon.

Let us head there now, and once the Alchemy Conference concludes, we will announce your promotion to Elder.”

Lin Jing bowed his hands and replied, “Yes.”

Then, under the guidance of Elder Bai, they left the area and headed towards the venue of the Alchemy Conference.

When the trio arrived at the venue of the Alchemy Conference, the contest was still ongoing, and the venue was still bustling with activity.

Upon Elder Bai's arrival, the other Elders hurriedly stood up and greeted him.

The Alliance Hierarchy of the Elixir Alliance also quickly rose to his feet and asked Elder Bai, "How did the examination go?"

Elder Bai glanced at Lin Jing and nodded slightly, "With two Superior Elixir Medicines, he has passed the examination."

Upon hearing this, the Alliance Hierarchy also turned towards Lin Jing, a look of joy appearing on his face.

"Our ninth Elder of the Elixir Alliance, good..."

Upon hearing this, the other Elders understood that Lin Jing had passed the examination and had become an Elder of the Elixir Alliance like them, so they hurriedly offered their congratulations:

"Congratulations, Elder Lin..."

"Elder Lin, congratulations..."

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Lin Jing responded to each person with a smile.

Even an Elder took this opportunity to tease Elder Qi:

"Elder Qi, you really are lucky."

"When Elder Lin first came to the Elixir Alliance, he became your disciple.

I heard at the time you were somewhat reluctant."

Elder Qi, composed as always, replied, "Really?"

"You must have heard wrong!"

Unexpectedly, the usually forthright Elder Qi lied smoothly, without a hint of embarrassment.

The other Elder was instantly speechless.

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The group then took their seats again and turned their attention back to the ongoing contest in the arena.

After settling down, Lin Jing turned to the Elder Lei seated next to him and asked, "How long has this contest been running?"

Elder Lei explained to Lin Jing, "It has been about twelve hours already; it should soon enter the Solidifying Pill phase."

Lin Jing nodded and then turned his gaze back to the arena.

After several rounds of elimination, only the last ten contestants remained.

Among them, aside from the three whom Lin Jing had previously taken note of, Lin Jing was surprised to find that Lin Jue had also made it into the top ten.

Lin Jing had been preoccupied with the examination and hadn't paid attention, so it was a surprise that Lin Jue had advanced this far in the contest.

Lin Jue was positioned last among the ten, clearly being the tenth to enter the top ten.

Besides Lin Jue in last place, the first was still the Holy Maiden from Yunxian Sect.

Afterward, Lin Jing looked at the other competitors and saw little change among the rest of the top ten.

After scanning the individuals, Lin Jing finally focused his attention on Lin Jue, watching her practice Alchemy.

Compared to the others, it was obvious Lin Jue was having a harder time; the batch of Elixir Medicine she was currently crafting seemed to be challenging for her.

Among these top ten, aside from Lin Jue, the others either had incredible luck, acquiring Alchemy Dao heritage,

or had backing from powerful forces, lacking nothing whether it be Pill Furnaces, special flames, or Alchemy Dao Cultivation Techniques.

In comparison, both the Pill Furnace Lin Jue was using and the flame she controlled were significantly inferior to those of the others.

Seeing this, Lin Jing couldn't help feeling a bit ashamed.

He had been busy recently and had not paid much attention to Lin Jue; he hadn't realized that she had grown to this level without him noticing.

It was time for him to help Lin Jue improve as well.

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Not much time had passed before a fragrance of Elixir spread through the air in the arena.

Lin Jing looked towards the center of the arena and saw that the Holy Maiden from Yunxian Sect had already completed her Refinement and had moved on to the final Solidifying Pill phase.

Seeing this, Elder Lei immediately perked up, his face showing delight as he watched the Holy Maiden from Yunxian Sect.

Shortly after the Holy Maiden began the Solidifying Pill phase, the Loose Cultivator and the Sect Master's son from Ziyun Pill Sect also began their Solidifying Pill phases.

Later, others gradually started their Solidifying Pill phases, until finally, Lin Jue completed her Alchemy and began to solidify her pill.

When all ten contestants had started the Solidifying Pill phase, the fragrance of Elixir pervaded and drifted across the entire square.

Chapter 869: Chapter 388 Apprenticeship_2 Chapter 869: Chapter 388 Apprenticeship_2 At the moment when the observers of the competition fell silent and all eyes were turned to the center, waiting for the final results.

Soon...

The Holy Maiden of the Yunxian Sect was the first to complete her alchemy.

Everyone quickly looked in the direction of the Holy Maiden of the Yunxian Sect.

Upon opening her Pill Furnace, several Elixir Medicines flew out; Lin Jing lifted his gaze and saw that what she had refined was the Seventh Grade Qingming Pill.

Among them, one Elixir Medicine was emerald green with very few impurities and was even a Supreme Grade Elixir.

This Holy Maiden of the Yunxian Sect was indeed extraordinary; she had never revealed her capability before, and it turned out she was also a Seventh Rank Alchemist.

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Elder Bai had mentioned to Lin Jing that she was not yet two hundred and thirty years old, a bit younger than Lin Jing himself, and at her age, she had already become a Seventh Rank Alchemist.

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Even though she did not match up to Lin Jing, it was still very impressive.

After the Holy Maiden of the Yunxian Sect had completed her alchemy, several others also finished their refinement.

Lin Jing inspected each one of them.

Following the Holy Maiden of the Yunxian Sect, the Loose Cultivator who was second to successfully refine Elixir Medicine, also refined a Seventh Grade Elixir Medicine.

Moreover, among his Elixir Medicines, there appeared two Medium Grade ones.

Being able to successfully refine Seventh Grade Elixir Medicine, and that too Medium Grade ones, it seemed the rumor of him being a Seventh Rank Alchemist was no falsehood.

Aside from these two, the third person to finish, the son of the Sect Master of the Ziyun Pill Sect, had also refined Seventh Grade Elixir Medicine.

However, what he had refined was slightly inferior to that of the Loose Cultivator, with only one Medium Grade.

Other than these three, everyone else had refined Sixth Rank Elixir Medicine.

The competition was judged by the final scoring, whether it involved Sixth Rank or Seventh Rank Elixir Medicine.

However, refining Seventh Grade Elixir Medicine scored higher.

Unless there were Flawless quality Sixth Rank Elixir Medicines produced, it would be difficult for the others to score higher than these three.

Regrettably, this competition did not produce any Flawless Elixir Medicine.

Even Lin Jue, who had practiced the Alchemy Techniques of the Lin Family, could not refine Flawless Elixir Medicine.

The chances of producing Flawless Elixir Medicine were naturally low, and even the Alchemy Techniques of the Lin Family only slightly increased this probability.

The occurrence of Flawless was naturally a surprise, but its absence was also nothing out of the ordinary.

All participants had completed their alchemy.

Following this, the Alliance Hierarchy of the Elixir Alliance opened the Formation in the center, and several people entered.

Next, the judgment of each person's refined Elixir Medicine was about to begin.

This time, several Elders participated in the judgment, Lin Jing included.

Soon, the results of their evaluations were available.

And after a discussion among the Alliance Hierarchy and various Elders, the rankings of the participants were determined.

However...

Just before announcing their rankings, Elder Bai suddenly stepped forward, surveyed the crowd, and then spoke:

"Ladies and gentlemen..."

"Before announcing their rankings, there is an important matter regarding the Elixir Alliance that I need to inform everyone."

As Elder Bai's words fell, the venue immediately buzzed with activity; some conversed among themselves, and others directly addressed Elder Bai.

"What is the matter, Elder Bai, please tell..."

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"I wonder what significant issue it is, just say it, Elder Bai."

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While some responded, many others looked towards Lin Jing...

Elder Bai then spoke to the crowd:

"Our disciple Lin Jing has been promoted to an Eighth Rank Alchemist today, and has passed the assessment to become the ninth Elder of the Elixir Alliance."

“We thought it fitting to announce this on this occasion.”

After speaking, Elder Bai signaled to Lin Jing, who understood and then stepped forward, bowing to the crowd.

As the people in the venue saw Lin Jing, their reactions varied; some whispered to their companions, others loudly congratulated him, while some with an unsurprised demeanor said to their companions:

“I knew this person was extraordinary, he had already taken a seat among the Elders last time, and this time he even directly participated in the judgement of the top ten performances.”

“Indeed, the Elixir Alliance has gained another Elder.”

And there were quite a few who felt this way.

After this, Lin Jing then stepped back.

Next...

The Alliance Hierarch announced the rankings of the participants.

Unsurprisingly, the top three were the Holy Maiden of the Yunxian Sect, the Seventh Grade Loose Cultivator Alchemist, and the son of the Sect Master of the Ziyun Pill Sect.

After announcing the rankings, the awards were distributed.

From the tenth to the fourth place, the rewards were distributed.

Lin Yue, ranking ninth, received the reward of a supreme grade Dao Artifact for defense, which was quite impressive.

After the rewards for the subsequent places were distributed, it came to the top three.

In addition to receiving rewards, the top three could also become disciples under an Elder and join the Elixir Alliance.

Then, the Alliance Hierarch stepped forward and approached the son of the Sect Master of Ziyun Pill Sect, who was third, and said,

“Things have been busy lately, and it’s been a while since I’ve visited your Ziyun Pill Sect.

How has your father been recently?”

The son of Ziyun Pill Sect's Sect Master bowed and replied to the Alliance Hierarchy,
"Thank you, Senior Shen, for your concern.

My father is doing quite well."

"And before I left, my father specifically asked me to send his regards."

The Alliance Hierarchy smiled and nodded, then continued,

"You probably know what comes next."

"Do you know whose disciple you would like to be?"

The son of Ziyun Pill Sect's Sect Master looked at Lin Jing and a few other Elders, sweeping his gaze over them, and finally settled on Elder Wen,

"Before coming here, I had learned about several Elders.

The Alchemy Techniques of our Ziyun Pill Sect have some similarities with the Elixir Technique practiced by Elder Wen.

Following Elder Wen should help me improve faster, so I would like to become Elder Wen's disciple."

The Alliance Hierarchy turned his head to look at Elder Wen.

Elder Wen looked at the son of Ziyun Pill Sect's Sect Master, nodded, and said,

"If that's the case, then follow me from now on."

Upon hearing this, the son of Ziyun Pill Sect's Sect Master quickly bowed and said,

"Yes, Master!"

After arranging for the third-place holder, the son of the Sect Master of Ziyun Pill Sect, it was the turn of the second-place Loose Cultivator.

Then, the Alliance Hierarchy approached the Loose Cultivator and directly asked,

"And you?"

"Whose disciple would you like to be?"

Although this man was a Loose Cultivator, he possessed great fortune, achieving the Solidifying Body Realm and the Seventh Grade Alchemist status in less than three hundred years.

Even when facing direct disciples cultivated by the top forces of Eastern Spirit Realm with countless resources, he was in no way inferior.

In fact, he might even surpass them.

Had it not been for encountering the Holy Maiden of Yunxian Sect, he might have claimed the championship of this Alchemy conference.

Moreover, this man was extremely composed, maintaining his dignity even in the presence of the Alliance Hierarch.

After the Alliance Hierarch finished speaking, he looked directly at Elder Lei without any hesitation and said,

“I would like to become a disciple of Elder Lei.”

Upon hearing this, the Alliance Hierarch immediately turned to look at Elder Lei.

Elder Lei was momentarily taken aback, first looking at the Holy Maiden of Yunxian Sect beside him, then turning back to the Alliance Hierarch,

“Ah?”

“Are you saying I have to take on two disciples?”

The Alliance Hierarch turned to glance at the Holy Maiden of Yunxian Sect, quickly understanding the situation—it seemed she had already been reserved in advance.

Then, the Alliance Hierarch turned back and asked the Loose Cultivator,

“Are you sure you want to become a disciple of Elder Lei?”

The man nodded, replying, “I am sure!”

Elder Lei looked at him, saw the determination in his eyes—which clearly indicated his mind was made up and unlikely to change—and didn’t say anything further.

Subsequently,

this person got what he wished for and became a disciple of Elder Lei.

After this man, only one person was left.

The Alliance Hierarch then turned and looked towards the Holy Maiden of Yunxian Sect and said,

“I suppose you also want to be a disciple of Elder Lei.”

As soon as the Alliance Hierarch finished speaking, Elder Lei, smiling, proudly said,

“Of course...”

“My niece will definitely become my disciple.”

However, just as Elder Lei finished speaking, the Holy Maiden of Yunxian Sect bowed towards the Alliance Hierarch and Elder Lei.

Then, she turned to Lin Jing and said,

“Elder...”

“Elder Lei...”

“I would like to become the disciple of Elder Lin!”

Chapter 870: Chapter 389: The True Face of the Yunxian Sect's Holy Maiden Chapter 870: Chapter 389: The True Face of the Yunxian Sect's Holy Maiden “The words of the Holy Maiden of the Yunxian Sect took everyone by surprise,”

“especially Elder Lei, who couldn't help but be stunned.”

Not until a good while later, did Elder Lei come to his senses.

He turned his head to glance at Lin Jing, then turned back, looking at the Holy Maiden of the Yunxian Sect with a puzzled face, and asked,

“Niece, what's come over you, thinking of taking that boy as your master?”

The Holy Maiden of the Yunxian Sect gave a bow to Elder Lei, and then said,

“Elder Uncle Lei...”

“Most of my Alchemy Techniques were taught by you, and if I were to take you as my master again, it would waste this opportunity.

Thus, I wish to seek another elder to take as my master.”

Upon hearing her explanation, Elder Lei was appeased.

After glancing at Lin Jing, Elder Lei put on a kind smile and said to the Holy Maiden of the Yunxian Sect,

“Niece...”

“Have you thought this through?

Within the Elixir Alliance, there are many elders, and taking any of them as your master could greatly assist you.”

“And Elder Lin has only recently ascended to an elder.

In terms of Alchemy Dao experience, he might be somewhat lacking compared to the other elders.”

“Even so, do you still wish to take Elder Lin as your master?”

Upon hearing these words, the Holy Maiden of the Yunxian Sect nodded,

“I am sure!”

Hearing her say this, Elder Lei no longer said anything and directly said to her,

“As long as you have considered it well, I have no objections.”

At this moment, the Alliance Hierarchy of the Elixir Alliance also spoke up,

“Since that is the case, from today onward, you are under Elder Lin, becoming his disciple.”

Upon hearing this, the Holy Maiden of the Yunxian Sect came before Lin Jing, bowed and then said,

“Greetings, Master!”

Lin Jing looked at the Holy Maiden from the Yunxian Sect and nodded.

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After the three apprentice ceremonies were completed, the Alchemy Conference was truly at an end.

As for the rewards of the top three, unlike those who placed behind, they had joined the Elixir Alliance and become disciples of the Elixir Alliance.

Their rewards would be given after they entered the Elixir Alliance.

After the Alliance Hierarchy of the Elixir Alliance announced the end of the Alchemy Conference and the crowd began to disperse, Elder Lei approached Lin Jing, intentionally put on a stern face, and warned,

“Lin boy, my niece is now your disciple, and you better not bully her, or I won’t let you off.”

Upon hearing this, Lin Jing couldn’t help but laugh and cry, quickly saying,

“Elder Lei, where did your thoughts wander off to?

How could I possibly bully her?”

“If I dared to bully her, not to mention you, I’m afraid the entire Yunxian Sect wouldn’t let me off.”

After hearing this, the sternness on Elder Lei’s face could no longer hold, and he revealed a smug expression,

“It’s good that you understand...”

Having said that, Elder Lei’s eyes turned craftily, he chuckled twice, and leaned in closer to Lin Jing to continue,

“Hehe...”

“Lin boy, look...”

“There’s a saying, ‘first come, first served.’”

“My niece herself is well-endowed and extremely beautiful, and calling her a nation’s downfall would not be an exaggeration.

She has always covered her face with a white veil precisely to avoid trouble.”

“I think that you two could truly try to develop a relationship.

If the two of you could become Dao Companions, I’d be the first to support it.”

“What do you say, want to give it a try?”

Lin Jing, upon hearing this, was also at a loss for words.

Although Elder Lei was very fond of his niece, he was equally fond of Lin Jing, who possessed even more extraordinary talent.

He always wanted to pull Lin Jing into the Yunxian Sect and this old man's skin was also extremely thick, without the slightest sense of embarrassment.

Previously, when the Holy Maiden of the Yunxian Sect chose Lin Jing as her master, Elder Lei did not stop her, probably because of this reason.

After all, with one more connection, the chances of pulling Lin Jing into the Yunxian Sect were just a bit higher.

After speaking his part, Elder Lei kept looking at Lin Jing, waiting for his answer.

However, Lin Jing at that moment, pointed behind Elder Lei, and then said,

"Elder Lei..."

"The Alliance Hierarch is calling us over."

Elder Lei was startled and quickly turned to look back.

What he saw, however, was the Alliance Hierarch and Elder Bai conversing, without glancing in their direction at all.

When Elder Lei turned back, he found that Lin Jing, previously in front of him, had vanished into thin air.

Clearly, Lin Jing had run off...

Upon seeing this, Elder Lei involuntarily cursed silently,

"This little rascal..."

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After the conference ended, everyone else dispersed, Elder Qi and a group of disciples of the Elixir Alliance stayed to handle matters relevant to the end of the conference.

And Lin Jing among a few other elders, were taken by the Alliance Hierarch and Elder Bai to the council hall of the Elixir Alliance.

At this moment inside the council hall, several people took their seats on either side, with the Alliance Hierarch of the Elixir Alliance sitting at the foremost position.

The Alliance Hierarchy of the Elixir Alliance was the first to speak,

“This conference is convened not for anything else but mainly because of one thing, the Ascension Pill.”

After the words of the Alliance Hierarchy, Elder Wen frowned and spoke first,

“The Ascension Pill...!”

“I have heard of this pill; legends say consuming the Ascension Pill allows one to ascend into immortality in broad daylight.”

“However, the pill is from the Ancient Era, and it’s extremely difficult to craft.”

“Nowadays, many Spirit Grasses and Immortal Treasures from the Ancient Era are extinct, and even if there’s an Elixir Recipe for the Ascension Pill, it might be impossible to create it.”

At this point, another elder added,

“I’ve also seen descriptions of the Ascension Pill in the Sect’s records, and it’s indeed as Elder Wen mentioned.”

“Now, even if we had the Elixir Recipe for the Ascension Pill, it would still be impossible to make the pill.”

“What’s more, the Elixir Recipe for the Ascension Pill has probably long been lost.”

After this elder’s words fell, the other elders also started speaking in turn, each with a stance quite similar to the first two.