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Afterward, Mo Shan followed the same method and began to capture the Qian family's array masters.

The Qian family guards were not weak, but they had to deal with the demon hunters and prevent Mo Shan from capturing people, leaving them exhausted and running for their lives.

In this critical situation, the array masters of the Qian family, who usually maintained a composed and dignified demeanor, now threw everything aside and ran desperately, wishing they could grow an extra pair of legs.

In the end, Mo Shan only managed to capture three array masters, while the rest escaped.

The battlefield was chaotic after the skirmish. Some demon hunters were injured, and several Qian family cultivators lay on the ground, wailing.

Mo Shan, along with the other demon hunters, tied up the array masters and the remaining Qian family cultivators and took them back to the artifact crafting shop.

The demon hunters threw the Qian family cultivators to the ground, and Mo Shan waved to Mo Hua, who was perched on the high wall. Mo Hua nodded, leaped down gracefully, and landed lightly on the ground.

He had just climbed to the high gate wall of the artifact crafting shop using the Passing Water Step, sitting atop the wall and watching everything outside.

Although the Qian family cultivators avoided the Earth Fire Array, once they entered the artifact crafting shop, any use of spiritual power would trigger the array, alerting the patrolling demon hunter squads with their main array compass, which would respond to the sub-array's reaction and rush to assist.

The Qian family's apparent tactic of feinting an attack was actually a ruse; their position had already been fully exposed.

Thus, the Qian family cultivators who infiltrated were quickly subdued.

Mo Hua was curious about how they had avoided the Earth Fire Array he had set up.

He had specifically consulted Uncle Chu.

When it came to setting traps, demon hunters excelled, and Uncle Chu was the best among them.

Mo Hua, having studied and practiced extensively, was also highly skilled in trap-setting among the demon hunters.

He had checked the Earth Fire Array outside and found no issues, so how had the Qian family discovered it?

Mo Hua then climbed onto the wall and scanned the area with his spiritual sense.

With Elder Yu absent, Mo Hua's spiritual sense was the strongest among the present cultivators. Ordinary ninth-layer Qi cultivators couldn't compare to him.

Mo Hua soon discovered the Qian family's array masters and realized what had happened.

Immediately, Mo Hua was delighted.

These were fish delivered to his door, and he wasn't going to miss the opportunity to catch them.

Mo Hua found Mo Shan and explained the situation, adding, "Focus on capturing the array masters alive!"

Mo Shan nodded and led a team of skilled demon hunters to pursue the array masters. After a battle, they finally captured a few array masters.

"Unfortunately, we only caught three; the rest escaped," Mo Shan lamented.

Mo Hua nodded repeatedly, "It's enough, it's enough!"

"What are we going to do with these array masters?" Mo Shan asked curiously.

"Leave them to Elder Yu. Everyone will have meat to eat for the next month," Mo Hua said with a smile.

The next day, Elder Yu arrived at the artifact crafting shop and was surprised to see the captured Qian family array masters. He asked, "How did you capture them?"

"They came right to us," Mo Hua replied.

Elder Yu was slightly stunned, "Is Qian Hong an idiot?"

"They tried to break my Earth Fire Array but ended up failing miserably."

The Qian family array masters, who had thought they were safe from danger by staying far away, hadn't expected Mo Hua's spiritual sense to be so strong that he could discover them even from a distance.

After learning the details, Elder Yu couldn't help but praise Mo Hua for his meticulousness and skillful use of spiritual sense.

Even though his own spiritual sense was stronger, he might not have noticed these people with just a sweep, nor connected them to the array masters.

Elder Yu nodded, "You've all worked hard. Leave the rest to me. Tonight, we'll feast!"

Elder Yu then took the array masters to the Qian family.

These array masters couldn't be killed; otherwise, the Qian family wouldn't let it go. After all, training an array master required a lot of resources and wasn't guaranteed to succeed.

Moreover, even if they were killed, the Dao Court wouldn't be pleased. The rules needed to be followed in Tongxian City; unless absolutely necessary, it was best to avoid fatalities.

Since they couldn't be killed or kept, they could only be used for extortion.

And the array masters were valuable chips that Elder Yu intended to leverage heavily!

Qian Hong was so furious he spat blood. He had investigated and knew Elder Yu wouldn't be at the artifact crafting shop that night, and he had stationed guards far away, believing that with their spiritual sense at the Qi refining stage, they wouldn't be discovered.

He even sent guards to follow, being extremely cautious, yet they were still captured.

How on earth were they caught?

Qian Hong couldn't figure it out.

Meanwhile, Elder Yu had already arrived with the array masters. This time, he didn't curse; instead, he was in a good mood, looking pleased.

He looked like a gambler who had won, holding chips, waiting for the dealer to exchange for spirit stones.

And they were the losers, the dealer was them, they had to pay with spirit stones, and even these chips were delivered by them!

Qian Hong was furious but kept a straight face, sneering first, "Elder Yu, you, a Foundation Building cultivator, dare to kidnap my Qian family's array masters and come to extort us?"

Elder Yu waved his hand, "Stop with the nonsense. We both know what's going on. Why pretend?"

Qian Hong sneered, "I will report this to the Dao Court's superintendent."

“Go ahead,” Elder Yu was unafraid, “and mention how your Qian family caused trouble at the artifact crafting shop, injured our people, damaged things, ruined arrays, and delayed our projects...”

“So you, a Foundation Building cultivator, bully juniors?”

Elder Yu laughed, “I didn’t do anything this time. I didn’t know anything from beginning to end. You caused trouble and got caught. I just found out this morning and came to discuss it.”

Qian Hong glared at him, “What do you want?”

“Show some sincerity, and I’ll return your people. This way, we can save face and avoid hurting our relationship.”

Qian Hong’s eyelid twitched at these words. What face-saving? What relationship? Elder Yu didn’t care about these things!

“What sincerity do you want?”

Elder Yu asked back, “What kind of sincerity?”

Qian Hong suppressed his anger, “Five hundred spirit stones per person!”

Elder Yu shook his head, “Not enough sincerity.”

“What do you want?”

“These are array masters, you need to pay more!” Elder Yu said.

“How much?”

Elder Yu immediately said, “Ten thousand per person!”

Qian Hong stood up in rage, “Don’t push it!”

Elder Yu advised, “You’re the family head, stay calm. We can negotiate...”

Qian Hong suppressed his anger, “How much do you want?”

Elder Yu began haggling over each spirit stone, as if Qian Hong wasn’t the family head but an old man selling vegetables at the market.

Finally, after a negotiation, Elder Yu took the spirit stones and left satisfied.

Qian Hong’s face was ashen. He slammed his hand on the table, turning it to dust.

“Yu Changlin, I will kill you!”