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Chapter 471: Faceless Thief

After sensing the benefits of this space, Winter eagerly asked Ace this time and didn't dare to ignore him anymore. "I can cultivate here faster. But I need to recover first. Can it enter that house?"

Ace's voice sounded, "Yes, you should take one room for yourself."

She nodded and headed toward that dark house. The door was unlocked so she entered with great curiosity.

The interior was empty and despite the house exterior she could only see a fifty-squire meter space with three doors in the entire hall and there wasn't any trace of stairs that lead to the upper floors.

She suddenly noticed a golden nameplate on the dark blue door, "Faceless Thief: Winter Fox."

'This should be my room.' She moved toward the closed door.

Winter also try to see the name tags on the other two doors which were clearly for the other two members but failed to see anything.

'Could it be they haven't entered here yet and I'm the first?' She thought and opened the door of her cultivation chamber.

Ace on the outside could also clearly see the interior of the thief's house as long as he wished and he had also access to the cultivation rooms inside.

He saw Winter had entered her room and he was astounded when he saw that room.

It was three hundred square meters in size, the same as his thief's space, and completely empty. She could decorate it as she wished, there was more than enough space for her.

Winter was also quite satisfied with space, and suddenly a thought flashed past her mind. She suddenly circulated her Qi and this time it materialized and she attack the wall with full strength!

But to both Ace's and her surprise, her attack didn't leave any scratch or sound, as a matter of fact.

"Well, it seemed you can go wild here." Ace's voice rang with a hint of envy.

He always wanted such a place where he could practice his skills in peace but it was a pipe dream for now so he could only get envious of his house members.

Winter's eyes narrowed, "You can see me here? Will you peep, Scoundrel?"

Ace's expression changed, and he defended himself, "Do you think I'm this kind of person? Besides, there isn't anything to peep on you since you're naked already."

Winter's expression distorted when she heard it and angrily roar, "You dare to molest me? You are a pervert as well! Perverted Scoundrel, humph!"

"I won't argue with you since we both know the truth. You can rest and recover, but you have to tell me about the information after you catch your breath."

Ace completely ignore Winter's wary expression and stopped paying attention to that paranoid fox.

He looked around before he took out the map he had and after confirming the blade domain position, he moved toward it while he took another demon's appearance since Feng was already gone!

Winter also settle down in her new room, and mumbled with an excited expression on her face,

"House Shop!"

[House Shop: Faceless Thief]

-Treasures Section

-Knowledge Section

-Evolution & Pill Section

She opened the Knowledge Section first.

[Knowledge Section: Faceless Thief]

-Faceless Thief Secrets (1st Vol): Martial Cultivation Technique

-House Rank Required: Normal Member

Price: 100 House Points

-Myriad Beast Body Transformation Technique

-Requirement: Magic Beast Physique & Faceless Thief Secrets

-House Rank Required: Normal Member

-Price: 5,000 House Points

-Foxy Illusionary Charm: Martial Cultivation Art

-Requirement: Faceless Thief Secrets

-House Rank Required: Old Member

-Price: 5,000 House Points

-One with World: Martial Cultivation Stealth Art

-Requirement: Faceless Thief Secrets

-House Rank Required: Normal Member

-Price: 1,500 House Points

-Cold Steps: Martial Movement Skill
-Requirement: Faceless Thief Secrets
-House Rank Required: Normal Member
-Price: 250 House Points
-Faceless Art (Vol 1): Disguise Art
-Requirement: Faceless Thief Secrets & Faceless Thief Mask
-House Rank Required: Excellent Member
-Price: 20,000 House Points
[Note: Shop will update at 'Veteran Member' House Rank]

'So expensive.' She frowned as she looked through the techniques and skills; only the cultivation method was within her current price range.

Ace had already told her about the house ranks, so she wasn't surprised by them. But the house points were really a massive barrier.

Furthermore, her attention was greatly drawn by the Myriad Beast Body Transformation Technique.

'Can this technique help me get back my beast's transformation?' She was uncertain, but still very hopeful.

As a magic beast, she knew how difficult it was to achieve the beast's transformation without a royal bloodline.

After the system got rid of that hidden soul remnant, she also lost the ability to transform into her human form as her cultivation also plummeted.

But she knew it was just that soul remnant pulling the strings from the dark and making her soul compatible with it so it could possess her in the future. She was just too familiar with the process.

That was why she now felt grateful that she met Ace, or she would've died in the future.

She opened the bloodline section next since it can grant her a powerful bloodline.

[Evolution & Pill Section: Faceless Thief]

[Ice Illusion Fox Evolution: Four Available]

-Ice Illusion Fox Bloodline: Grade-6 Evolution

Price: 500,000 House Points

-Ice Illusion Fox Bloodline: Grade-7 Evolution

Price: 1,000,000 House Points

-Ice Illusion Fox Bloodline: Grade-8 Evolution
Price: 5,000,000 House Points
-Ice Illusion Fox Bloodline: Grade-9 Evolution
Price: 10,000,000 House Points
-Beast Healing Pill: 10 Available
Introduction: Grade-9 Pill, able to recover any injuries on the body & soul.
Requirement: Old Member
Price: 50,000 House Points (Per Pill)
[Note: Shop will update at 'Veteran Member' House Rank]

Winter's eyes shone like the sun when she looked at the grade of bloodlines available in her shop.

'Even the fabled, Legendary Grade-9 bloodline is here. If I can get that bloodline, won't I'll be far more powerful than Beast Ancestor?! At that time, I can kill those backstabbers with a breath!'

She wiggled her tails in excitement as she daydreams about her bright future!

After suppressing her happiness, she opened the last section,

[Treasure Section: Faceless Thief] -Faceless Thief Mask: Grade-9 (Upgradeable) House Rank Required: Excellent Member Price: 250,000 House Points -Soul Shattering Gauntlets: Grade-6 House Rank Required: Old Member Price: 25,000 House Point -Faceless Thief Robes: Grade-8 House Rank Required: Excellent Member Faceless Thief Rank Require: Trainee Faceless Thief Price: 150,000 House Points -Life Escape Coin: 3 House Rank Required: Normal Member

Price: 1,000 House Points

[Note: Shop will update at 'Veteran Member' House Rank]

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Chapter 472: Returning to Blade Domain

Right when the system extracted and destroyed the remnant soul from Winter's knowledge see.

A ghastly voice rang which shake heaven and earth, "NOOOOO... Who... who destroy my sister's soul?!"

The very next moment, a projection appeared within the dark space, but it only showed two blurs and a dark mist shrilling nothing else.

That voice rang again in alarm and fear. "I can't see the face of two killers?! Just who did she offend in that shithole?!

"But whoever destroyed her soul now has the Soul Resurrection Bead. I left behind in the hope of her resurrection. Even if this means war, I must take revenge!

"Hmph, so what, I can't deduce your location or see your face? I'll spread the news about the Soul Resurrection Bead. Let's see if those old ghosts will remain calm. I don't believe you two can hide from their divination as well!"

On the demon continent,

Ace had no idea he had escaped a catastrophe.

It has been five weeks since he and Winter fled from the ruin, and now he was on the periphery of the Blade Domain.

Furthermore, it would appear no one had any idea about the collective attack of the demons on that corpse demon tribe ruin since everything was normal.

There wasn't any news about the result as well. Someone might suppress it or they might still struggle against those corpses Winter released, especially that corpse king.

Anyhow, this situation was in Ace's favor since all the bigwigs of demons and their close aides were still absent and if he played well, he can easily complete his mission and then fled the blade domain.

Those soul manifestation realm demons wouldn't have seen it coming!

Ace enter the outer blade domain without any hitch and directly headed toward the inner domain. His destination was the lionheart shop, where Freya was waiting for him.

They had already made contact a few days ago. She was inquiring about if Ace had successfully escaped or not, and she sounded glad when she heard, he did.

After successfully evading the checkpoints, Ace was in the inner blade domain, but not as Feng anymore, which made him somewhat nostalgic.

Feng's identity was the first identity he used the longest and then discarded it properly.

He only smiled wryly and continue to move until he reached the lionheart shop and entered without alerting anyone.

Ace directly appeared on the top floor where he sensed Freya's presence and she was the only one in the room.

He knocked on the door, and her charming voice rang. "It's open."

Ace's eyes widened slightly but then he smiled and shook his head as he entered the room and saw Freya was in her icy demeanor sitting there while looking at him with a hint of irritation.

Freya shows a storage ring in her hand and said with narrow eyes, "It's empty?"

However, Ace also held a ring between his finger and grinned, "This one is not."

Freya's eyes widen slightly and looked at her hand, and just as she thought her storage ring was gone.

"YOU!"

"What? Only you are allowed to steal my storage ring, but I'm not?" Ace smirked and tosses the ring back.

"You won't receive any HP while stealing from me, nor can I. But you seemed to become more proficient in Thief's Charity. However, to be clear, I let you steal my empty storage ring." Ace grinned as he sat in front of her.

Freya was unhappy, but she knew the skills given to her were made by this man, so how could he not be more proficient than her in them?

Ace smiled and asked, "How have you been?"

Freya coolly replied, "If we're talking about the change in the plan you pull in the last minute and put the entire operation at risk, then I'm not fine. Do you have any idea they captured almost all of my messenger pawns?"

Ace sighed, "It was necessary, or trust me, I would've been here right now."

"I know. Those demon kings are still there and fighting something. Those mortal birds can't go within a five-mile radius of that area because of some barrier. But I have seen the heaven-shattering view from afar, and whatever they're fighting, it's not something we can imagine." Freya looked at Ace for further explanation.

Ace's eyes narrowed slightly, "So, they're still fighting? It seemed it was the right decision to flee from there."

"You were extremely lucky to have me or... heh." Freya mocked.

"I'm thankful for that as well. But I can still escape if push came to shove." Ace shrugged with a smirk.

"Fine, don't admit." Freya scoffed, "But tell me who you con in joining the house this time?"

Ace's expression changed ever so slightly, as he replied, "What do you mean, con? I have just shown a wanderer a correct path, nothing else."

Freya's eyes were filled with disdain. "Don't try to fool me. I know no one would be willing to join this thief path of yours unless they are as thievish as you. So, who it is? Is it stronger than me?"

Ace could sense the hostility in her voice, but he knew she was worried about the newcomer will surpass her.

He smiled, "Give me your hand for a moment." he held his hand toward her.

Freya coldly looked at him. "Want to take advantage of me, huh?" But she still took his hand.

Feeling the soft hand, Ace was unmoved and pursed his lips. "Why are you women always slandering me? Don't resist."

Freya suddenly felt a powerful suction force, but she didn't resist, and the next moment her vision blurred and she was standing in a dark space that was filled with storage rings!

Ace's expression changed when he saw Freya didn't appear in the thief's house space but his living thief's space!

He quickly sent her out before she could move toward where Eva was, and Freya appeared outside again with a bewildered expression on her face!

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Chapter 473: Mission Treasure Pagoda (1)

Freya looked at Ace with bewilderment, "Where did you just send me?"

Ace coolly replied, "I want to send you to the Thief's House which was created by the goddess for you guys, but it seemed only your main body can enter."

Freya's eyes opened wide, "A space that can contain living beings especially made for us?!"

Ace nodded, "Yes, the third member is there currently recovering and you can train in there far faster than outside."

Freya took a deep breath to calm down, but the excitement in her eyes was apparent and difficult to hide.

Suddenly, she looked at Ace in astonishment, "Only my main body was supposed to enter there, then how come my clone appeared in that place? T-that was a space that can contain living things, and all those storage rings were yours, right? Now it made sense why your storage ring was empty!"

Ace smiled wryly, this woman was very hard to fool. He nodded in the end; he was already planning to let her main body remain in the thief's space after this thievery, but then Winter appeared and the Living Thief House unlocked.

"Yes, I also have my personal space where I can store living things, but not unlimited. As for you guys, you will also have your personal cultivation chambers."

"Can we freely use it like yours, or do we need your permission to enter it?" She questioned.

Ace replied, "Only I can send you there and take you out because I'm the leader."

"Humph, unfair." She snorted, "But this way you'll be able to take us wherever you go, right?"

"Yep, I can take you anywhere as long as you remain in that space." Ace didn't hide.

"I want your position even more now. Just this storage space can cause storms in this world and you have control over two of them. How envious." She sighed in frustration.

Ace didn't continue on that topic and said, "Alright, enough of your sarcasm. Where's your main body?"

Freya also wanted to enter that space now, so she told, "I'm on the border between Mist and Spear province, the Misty Rain Forest."

"You're hiding quite far. It seemed the meeting have to wait then." Ace shook his head in some disappointment.

Freya also seemed frustrated. "After we're done here, we are going to leave, right?"

Ace smiled, "Yes, we'll head toward the mist domain and pick you up. You guys have to start cultivating in your new cultivation techniques."

"Then I'm relieved. But you have to take my clone with you as well. I have to recover my soul from it before I re-cultivate or I'll suffer backlash and won't be able to create another soul clone." She said grimly.

Ace knit his eyebrows, "So, you won't be able to control the syndicate?"

"Don't worry, Aliya can handle it. I can only make a soul clone in the soul realm so she can handle things in the meantime." She didn't seem worried.

"As long as you promise not to touch my things in my space. I'll give you a ride." Ace smiled meaningfully.

Although he can restrain her, he didn't want to use force on his house members so he asked nicely. She was just too curious for her own good and he can't let her get anywhere near Eva or she might disturb the process.

Freya merely chuckled, "Fine."

"Now, what's the situation with Mission Treasure Pagoda?" He asked with a serious tone.

Freya also become serious, and the treasure blueprint appeared in her hand, and she laid it on the table.

"I have found twenty-five openings in their security, but they were all on the first five floors. But an alchemist and his disciple were mysteriously assassinated over three months ago, which made the association furious and they tighten their defenses.

"That's why from the fourth floor I don't think we can sway anyone since we don't have enough allure to offer nor they are willing to take the risk since the association was still looking out for that mysterious assassin," Freya told.

A cold glint flashed past Ace's eyes, he said, "First five floors are enough. I just need to know about their routines and who had the master key that controls the entire pagoda's defenses and locks."

Freya looked at Ace and said, "The Master Control is naturally in the hands of Life Grandmaster, who is at the peak of the platinum soul embryo realm.

"Although you can steal his storage ring, the question is he lived deep in the Life Demon Guild, and infiltrating that place is even harder since all the knowledge of their technique and skills are held there. If you alerted them, I'm afraid they'll do everything to protect the treasure pagoda."

Truth be told, Freya was looking into the Life Demon Association all this time, and she was baffled by how Ace was going to complete this thievery since it was too hard.

Just their security measures were enough to leave the security in any demon castle in shame.

Ace suddenly smiled, "What if the Life Grandmaster appeared outside the life demon guild?"

Freya's eyes narrowed, "Even if by luck he appeared, the moment you took his storage ring they'll become alert and we still failed in the end."

Ace shook his head with a thievish smile, "You didn't think it, though, the moment I steal the storage ring of life grandmaster. Everyone will know I'm going after their treasures and the moment I opened that ring, the others will panic!"

Freya's eyes suddenly widen, "Since they know you have the master control in your hand, they'll collect every treasure in the pagoda and keep it on themselves or hide it somewhere where you won't be able to reach.

"They will also seek help, but right now all the soul manifestation experts are in the ruin and the soul manifestation of the association is in the Demon Tamer Province. It'll take at least two or three weeks for him to appear!"

Ace beamed, "Yep, we have three weeks to figure out where those treasures are hidden or we can just take those treasures when they were transported out of the treasure pagoda before they could reach their destination!"

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Chapter 474: Mission Treasure Pagoda (2)

"...we have three weeks to figure out where those treasures are hidden or we can just take those treasures when they were transported out of the treasure pagoda before they could reach their destination.

"I think you could tell what's simpler, right?" Ace meaningfully looked at Freya.

Freya's eye lit up after she heard this, but she still has her concerns, "But how do we know who had the storage ring with treasures and when they move it? They might not move it at all and, instead, take their chances to catch you."

Ace smiled, "Well, if they played it this way, then we still have three weeks to infiltrate that place and take everything. As long as I have the master key, I can take my time to steal from them.

"Besides, how many people do you think will remain on the same track when a colossal amount of wealth is on the line and they know about my reputation?

"Because after I manage to steal the storage ring of Life Grandmaster, they won't even trust each other, much less remain calm and take logical decisions. Moreover, they won't spread this news to the masses, or this will plummet their reputation and the credibility of the keepers."

Freya couldn't help but admire Ace's devious plan, "All in all, they had everything to lose while you have nothing and that's their biggest weakness."

Ace pretends to be shocked, "Oh, did I just hear the All-Knowing Parrot praise someone else?"

Perplexed, Freya's eyes turned cold, "Hmph, don't flatter yourself. But the question still remains, how are you going to lure that old ghost out of his safe haven?"

At this moment, Ace smiled mysteriously, "What if we steal his beloved disciple?"

The Life Demon Guild, inside a herbs garden,

Noa in her prodigal alchemist disguise, Lana, was tending to the herbs. It was her daily routine which she strictly followed.

As for how she reached this point, it was because of Ace's plan to help her increase her alchemy skills and also infiltrate the Life Demon Association's upper echelon.

But this wasn't as easy as it was seen, because Noa first had to find an identity who didn't possess any threat to their operation, and this identity had to be of no deep background ties.

She didn't have the ability to absorb the memories of others like Ace so she had to be even more careful.

In the end, she found this demoness face in a remote demon village in the wildness and the real owner of this face was on her deathbed at that time so she also put her out of her misery.

Afterward, she just had to impress those alchemists with her talent in soul alchemy and she easily completed it by drawing the attention of none other than the life grandmaster of this branch.

Now, she had ample resources at her disposal and most importantly, knowledge and guidance!

Even she was shocked by her talent in soul alchemy because she was already a Low-Grade-2 Alchemist and very close to entering the intermediate grade!

But this fact wasn't known by the others, not even the life grandmaster because it might put her in danger or some situation she didn't want in. The others only know she was a prodigy who reached 9-Star Alchemist Rank after joining the association.

She didn't have any deep ties with anyone nor did she feel any closeness to her teacher, she was only doing it for the mission, it was that simple.

'After this mission, I can start the body refinement technique and might be able to break into the soul river core realm as well.' She thought, 'But I still don't know when the theft would start. The leader didn't contact me after that last assassination mission.

'They all became extremely careful after that incident, and I think the Old Man (Life Grandmaster) has developed some suspicion since it all happened the day I went out.

'But he's only suspicious since I have already signed the loyalty contract with that fake conciseness provided to me by the goddess, or my cover would've blown up. However, the theft became more difficult.

'Then there are the two new additions in the house, I don't know in what circumstances Leader had recruited them. But I have to maintain my superiority as the first member or I'll let Leader down.'

Noa grimaced when she thought about the two newcomers and felt slightly threatened by them.

Suddenly, a notification rang in her head,

[New Chain Mission (2) has been added to Order China Missions!]

Her eyes brighten as she quickly opened the mission panel.

[Thief House Leader Mission]

[Order Chain Mission: Mission Treasure Pagoda!]

[Order Chain-Mission (1)]

-Mission: Infiltration!

-Reward: 10,000 House Points

-Status: Complete

[Order Chain-Mission (2)]

-Mission: Meeting!

-Description 1: Meet me in the Life Wine Pavilion in two days.

-Description 2: I'll be in private room 23.

-Description 3: No need to be low-key when you come!

-Reward: 100 House Points

-Time: 2 Days

- Punishment: None

[Note: Order Chain Mission(s) can be given (By House Leader) at any moment or reached completion at any moment.]

Noa couldn't help but read the mission again and incertitude shone in her eyes, 'Why he didn't want me to be careful? Did he want me to be seen by others when I enter the Life Wine Pavilion?'

She couldn't help but mull over it for a while, but in the end, she reached the same conclusion that Ace wanted her to be seen by the others. Because he won't put her in harm's way and it must be related to the upcoming theft.

So, she decided to trust him and close the mission panel.

'Last time, I was being followed by someone when I left. It was probably the old man's lackey. So, I won't need to worry about not being seen. But I still needed to inform him.'

Noa's mood was lifted after receiving Ace's mission and she quickly headed toward the Life Grandmaster's Cultivation Chamber!

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Chapter 475: Private Room: 23

Two days later,

The Life Wine Pavilion was a beautiful building in the business district of the inner domain and it was the most famous and crowded place in the inner domain because it offered the best beverages on the continent.

But the inner domain branch of the Life Wine Pavilion differed slightly from its normal branches.

Because in these branches only cultivators with river realm can enter and they had to pay ten low-grade 1 Qi stones for entry. Not even nobles can bypass this process, except for the association members, of course.

Anyhow, the business was booming in the night hours, as always.

Right at this moment, a beautiful demoness with an icy demeanor, wearing a black dress, entered the building, drawing some of the young scions' attention.

However, she moved right toward the counter, where another beautiful hostess was dealing with some flirtatious scions.

"Hey, beautiful, want to join us for drinks?" A green, fat demon appeared with an arrogant and lewd expression as he looked at this cold demoness's curvaceous body.

There were three more demons who were following behind that fat demon with the same look in their eyes.

However, this demoness completely ignored them and asked the hostess, "Where's Private Room 23? Someone is waiting for me."

The hostess looked at the demoness and then those demon scions, who had now ugly expressions on their faces as they were being ignored by this demoness.

"Please go to the west hallway. You'll find the private room 23."

This demoness was naturally Noa in her Lana disguise, who was here to meet with Ace.

After getting the confirmation, Noa moved toward the west hallway.

"Boss, it seemed that chick didn't know who you are." One of the demons behind the fat demon whispered.

The Fatty's lustful eyes were cold as he looked at that demoness's ample back. He knew he can't cause trouble here or he'll be banned after they broke his limbs. So, he didn't cause a scene just now.

He said, "Keep a watch on room 23. The moment that bitch leave, I'll let her know who she ignored!"

The other three smiled evilly, as they quickly agreed.

Right in the corner of the entrance lobby,

A demon was standing watching everything with his purple eye filled with coldness. The strange thing was that no one seemed to notice him as if he was invisible.

'Young Miss is meeting someone? But she didn't have any friends, nor did someone contact her in the guild. The last time she went to the treasure pagoda, two people were found dead.

'Master only thought it was a coincidence, but now she's meeting someone while she said she was going for a stroll. Something is going on. I have to see who she's meeting and what they're talking about.'

He crept toward the west hallway as well and approached the private room 23.

On the other hand,

Just as Noa opens the door with some anticipation to see Ace, to her surprise, the room was empty. Only an empty bottle and a wineglass were on the table.

However, a gentle voice entered her ear at this moment. "Don't resist."

The next moment, she felt a firm grip on her shoulder.

Her first reaction was to fight, but she suddenly recognized this voice, so she didn't resist anymore.

Suddenly a suction force appeared, before her vicious blurred and she appeared in front of a creepy dark house and dark space.

Noa was greatly alarmed at first, but then Ace's voice sounded again.

"Don't worry, it's a special space granted to you by the goddess. Just enter the Thief House and you'll find your room. I'll be back in a moment."

Noa was startled when she heard. Her eyes shimmered with elation as she moved toward the thief's house with great anticipation.

Outside,

Ace was naturally in his stealth when he took Noa in his thief's space and he also senses the presence of a soul realm demon moving in slowly.

His lips curled, and he moved toward the exit. He didn't alert anyone while leaving!

'First step is complete.' Ace smiled contently as he headed back.

The soul realm demon didn't notice Ace passing by and he continues to get close to the close private room number 23.

However, his expression suddenly changed when he used his martial sense to probe the room and found there was no one!

He quickly appeared in front of the room and kicked open the door, and his expression turned ashen when he saw it was empty!

"H-how?!" He was as if his soul had left him.

He clearly knew if Lana disappeared right under his nose, the Life Grandmaster would skin him alive.

So, he started to panic and quickly headed toward the registration counter and question the hostess, "Who was in Private Room 23?!"

They naturally kept a register for private rooms.

The hostess was shocked when she felt the murderous aura of this dark brown demon. She was frightened and looked around for help. She wasn't supposed to disclose this kind of information to anyone except the association's bigwigs.

"Just give me that!" He waved his hand and took the register. He had more important things to worry about than showing his identity.

He quickly found Private Room Number 23 and see today's entry.

'Private Room Number 23'

'Booked by Evil Blade Demon Clan's Eliezer Evil Blade.'

"Evil Blade Clan, you're courting death!" He threw the register back and quickly left.

But one thing which he didn't seem to understand was why they did it!

Nevertheless, he didn't have time to mull over it.

He was going toward the life demon guild to inform his master first, even though he wanted to head to the Evil Blade Estate first, but he knew the evil blade demon clan wasn't easy to push around by someone like him.

Only the Life Grandmaster can overpower them and demand something.

Even the Blade Demon King won't interfere as long as the Life Grandmaster moves personally!

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Chapter 476: Luring the Life Grandmaster

"What did you say?!"

The Life Grandmaster Gatlin's fossil-like face was filled with fury and instigation as he looked at the kneeling demon with thick, killing intent.

This demon was the same protector who followed Noa an hour ago when she suddenly vanished into thin air.

Gatlin's reaction was only natural after he heard the ridiculous explanation of the event that transpired in the Life Wine Pavilion. He knew the capability of this demon, so he was even more aghast when he thought about how his cherished disciple has vanished without a trace.

The demon replied with shame, "I've failed my duty as young miss protector. I'm ready to receive any punishment. But I think there's some kind of conspiracy going on against our association, and we need to be careful."

Gatlin inhales to calm himself down. He completely agreed with his servant about the conspiracy, especially after the mysterious assassinations.

He had been secretly searching for the assassin and even doubt Lana for a while, but he quickly brushed it off since it was impossible because of the loyalty contract, nor did she have any reason to betray him. Furthermore, he treated her like his daughter.

However, now, another incident happened, and it was again connected to Lana. This made him even more perplexed, and he didn't know if she was involved or not anymore.

But after he heard she was there to meet someone, he had his own theory on this now.

"She's a good girl. I think someone is threatening her with this. Her background is clean, and she only showed her alchemy talent after she encountered a fortuitous opportunity when she was traveling here.

"As for the Evil Blade Clan, they're likely framed, but I want to see myself. But if they're involved!" His eyes shimmered with murderous intent. "There's no demon king here to protect them right now, humph. We're going to the Evil Blade Demon Estate!"

Ace was sitting between a tree crown at this moment. He was wearing his hood and was completely invincible to the eye because of his stealth.

But his attention was on the thief's house.

Noa had already entered her room, which was the same as Winter's.

Winter seemed to have no clue that another house member has been entered the thief's house, as she was still in a hibernation-like state after she ate a pill. But Ace could feel she was recovering at an extremely fast pace with the thief's house space.

Noa was also quite happy about the room space and she had long found out that her cultivation technique had a special reason with this place and for some reason, she felt extremely safe and cozy here from the bottom of her heart.

"So, how's the room? Do you like it?" Ace's voice sounded.

Noa was startled for a moment before she looks around, but Ace wasn't there.

"I can only talk like a ghost here, but can't enter because of some annoying restriction." Ace's perplexed voice sounded again.

"Oh, did the goddess restrict you?" She couldn't help but questioned after she understood what Ace mean.

"Yeah, that damn goddess just won't let me live in peace." He snorted.

Noa couldn't help but covered her mouth. "I think you shouldn't talk like that, or she might punish you more." There was a hint of a smile on her lips.

Ace coolly replies, "I have other punishment to worry about. Anyhow, how were you in that association? Will you miss your master?"

Noa's expression turned completely cold as she replies, "That place is filled with pesky fellows who scheme all day and run after wealth. Only some of them are serious about cultivating and truly focused on alchemy.

"As for my teacher, although he's one of the latter and nice to me. But he wasn't qualified to be my teacher anymore. I had learned his technique and skills in the first month and then I have to pretend all the way and hid my true skills, which was quite irksome."

Ace couldn't help but smile wryly. 'She is quite cold, despite getting so much from her teacher. Sigh, she's really a coldhearted assassin.'

Noa didn't seem to be interested in that topic as she asked, "Is that room with the Faceless Thief Winter nameplate of a new member?"

"Yes, she's the third one and currently recovering from soul injuries. You'll meet her soon." Ace told truthfully.

He knew of all the house members, Noa was the most reliable one, nor did she question him all the time, so he didn't hide things from her.

That witch and fox were probably cut out from the same cloth, so he kept them in the dark unless it was necessary.

Noa's eyes shimmered coldly. "What about the second one?"

Ace's ambiguous voice sounded, "Heh, you'll be surprised since you know her."

'She's also a woman!' Noa's eyes turn colder. "Hmph, could it be one of your maids?"

Ace felt the unhappiness from her words, 'It seemed she didn't like Flora and Dolly.'

He replies, "Regretfully, no. Do you remember the first chain mission I have given you?"

Noa thought a moment before her eyes widen slightly, "All-Knowing Parrot?!"

"Yes. She's quite a piece of work." Ace smirked.

'Piece of work? Is she that beautiful?' She completely took Ace's phrase the other way.

"I can't wait to meet her. She once made me fail my mission. I have to test her capabilities!" Her eyes shone with cold intent.

Ace felt something was amiss, but he knew these three women had their personalities, so he just let the nature take its course and could only hope they get along.

"Why did you take me with you?" Noa changed the topic. She was quite curious about this move of Ace.

Ace replied, "It's related to my plan of emptying the treasure pagoda. I'm going to steal your teacher's storage ring."

Noa's eyes widen slightly, "But he's extremely powerful. Especially his soul sense. I heard he's very close to becoming a manifestation realm."

Although she didn't feel any belonging to her teacher, she still respects his strength!

Ace's nonchalant voice sounded again before he cut off his connection.

"Well, it's already too late!"

Eternal Thief

Chapter 477: WHO?!

When Ace was talking with Noa,

A reverberating voice sounded,

"Old Ghost, Melvin, come out for this old man!"

Ace was startled for a moment before his lips curled. He left a sentence for Noa and completely focus on the palace-like estate two hundred meters away from his current position.

Yes, he was hiding and waiting for Gatlin a few hundred meters away from the evil blade estate.

Because he knew after he found out about the name that was registered in the life wine pavilion, he would definitely come even if he felt something was amiss.

Furthermore, he wanted to cause trouble for the Evil Blade Clan because they never stop looking for an opportunity to capture Feng, even after Blade Demon King gave his protection.

Before, he planned to lure them into the ruin site with other blade clans and then told Mist Demon King about Santos's death. He would pin the blame on the Evil Blade Clan and she definitely wouldn't have let them live.

He had also planned to alert Blade Demon King afterward so they could clash with each other.

With this, Feng would've vanished, and the blame would then fall on the four-blade clans and Mist Demon King for his disappearance.

This was his first strategy to get rid of Feng's identity while also teaching four-blade demon clans a memorable lesson.

This was Freya and his previous plan.

However, everything fell apart when Winter appeared and he had to change his strategy. Which also renders his plans for the four-blade demon clans useless.

Now that he had another chance, he again chose to cause trouble for the Evil Blade Demon Clan, since they were the ones who enslaved Flora and Dolly.

He just simply had to use an evil demon face he had saved in the hunting competition to register a private room in the name of Eliezer Evil Blade and Gatlin would cause the trouble in his stead while he also took his chance to steal his storage ring!

After Gatlin's reverberating voice, the entire Evil Blade Demon Estate fell into turmoil.

Because everyone knows Melvin was the name of the old patriarch who was also the father of the current patriarch of the evil blade demon clan!

Although they don't know who was being so impudent but could tell it wasn't some random tom, dick, and harry.

Everyone knew in the blade domain the blade demon tribe were the rulers and there weren't many who would go against them in their territory.

Soon, a middle-aged evil blade demon appeared, followed by a bunch of old demons.

When they saw the appearance of the fossil-like demon standing at their door with a furious expression on his face, the anger in their eyes turned into shock and trepidation.

They all knew about the features of the life grandmaster and their patriarch had some deals with him in the past as well. So, they quickly guess Gatlin's identity.

The middle-aged demon couldn't help but bow slightly and said, "Life Grandmaster, I'm Ridge, the current patriarch of the evil blade demon clan. Please come in. I'll inform my father of your esteem arrival."

Ridge could tell Gatlin was furious, but he was confused about why he was angry at them. He suddenly thought if someone had offended any alchemist, but he then brushed this notion, since Gatlin won't be free enough to seek justice for some random association member.

Gatlin's expression remains the same as he said, "Is Eliezer Evil Blade your son?"

Ridge's heart palpitates when he heard his eldest son's name. He nodded, "Yes. What's the matter Grandmaster, Eliezer is an obedient child, but if he does anything wrong, I'll personally punish him."

"Where is he right now?" Gatlin's eye narrowed.

Ridge looked at an elder and asked coldly, "Where's Eliezer?"

The elder didn't dare to hide anything and said, "Young Lord is still recovering in his chamber. As Patriarch already knows, Young Lord returned wounded a week ago after his second phase mission completion. He was in recovery since."

An uncertain glint flashed past Gatlin's eyes, he could tell this person wasn't lying and from Ridge's expression, it becomes even more apparent.

He still told to clarify things, "My disciple has disappeared, probably kidnapped from the life wine pavilion and according to the entry register, Eliezer has booked the same room, from where my disciple disappeared.

"I have already checked with them. Even soul search the registrar and an evil blade demon was there this morning. So, what is going on?"

Now, Ridge's expression turned ugly because he can't say Gatlin was lying or the person who told him, since the name soul search clarifies everything. He knew this old ghost won't appear here without any solid evidence.

"If some junior is involved in this, then I'll hand him personally to Grandmaster." He vowed. He knew this was the only way out of this situation.

But he secretly prays that only a single person was involved in this or they won't be able to handle Gatlin if he decided to attack.

Although the public didn't know, they all know the Blade Demon King wasn't here to protect them at the moment.

"Summon everyone in the training field. Let's see which degenerate wanted to harm his kin." He sternly ordered the elders behind.

Gatlin didn't say anything. He was satisfied with Ridge's attitude on this and he didn't make things difficult for him if this kidnapping has nothing to do with the evil blade demon clan.

However, at this exact moment, Gatlin's expression suddenly changed as he instantly looked toward his right hand and he just happened to see his storage ring disappearing from his ring finger!

"WHO?!"

He couldn't help but screamed and turned around as he looked at the woods two hundred meters away and he bolted in that direction like his life was depending on it!

Everyone was gobsmacked by this sudden turn of events and looked at the other demon, who was standing behind Gatlin, all this time for some explanation.

But he looked just as bewildered as them.

"There's a thief there, quickly circle around!" Gatlin's aghast roar rang again!

Eternal Thief

Chapter 478: A Big Score!

Ace never expected Gatlin to notice the soul thread right when the pick-pocket was active and he also witnessed his storage ring disappearing.

This also gave him some idea of where the thief was and now he was coming right toward him.

But Ace didn't panic, he was already ready for this scenario, he knew stealing from a platinum soul embryo realm expert wouldn't be easy. Although he succeeded in the end, he was still noticed way before than expected.

'It was the right decision to set up decoys.' Ace's lips curled.

The very next moment,

'Boom... boom... boon...'

Blasting sounds rang from different directions in the evil blade demon territory and everyone was shocked by this.

Gatlin, who was moving in just a little bit further away from Ace's real position, was also startled. Although, he was using his soul sense. But he still couldn't find the thief or his trace.

He started to panic, 'This is a distraction, just where is he!' His eyes turned bloodshot, but he didn't change his direction.

Suddenly, the brown fiery Qi gushed out from his body and it suddenly turned into a fifty-member long fiery blade, and without any hesitation, he sent it toward the same direction where he thought the thief was hiding or escaping.

Ace's heart throbbed when he sensed that fiery soul aura, even from this direction he felt like he was in the middle of an active volcano.

'This old man!' He cussed and finally ran at full speed. He knew fooling this old fossil wasn't easy and he can't remain in one place under that approaching fiery blade.

He was still confident in his heartless stealth so he ran without fear.

Gatlin's expression turned ashen when his vision and soul sense were destructed by his own skill.

"Use some formation?! What are you guys doing? If that bastard escape, I'll make sure you won't be able to redeem yourself!" He howled.

Ridge and other elders of the evil blade clan were already in dismay and shocked about what just happened and if they didn't do anything it will be over for them.

Ridge took out an array medium and activate it at full power, thereafter, the grounds of the entire evil blade state lit in runes and a barrier started to rose from the distance.

Gatlin continue to use his fiery blade as he charred the entire small forest down, but the thief was nowhere to be found.

'Could it be it was in a different direction?!' He was literally going mad with wrath.

Suddenly, his eyes fell on his right palm.

He saw a dark owl imprint cover his entire palm and there were some words, "I'm here!"

"Cough..." He coughed up some blood the moment he saw the mocking words and the symbol.

He then roared at the top of his lungs, "SKY STEALER, IT IS NOT OVER BETWEEN US!"

Everyone heard that deafening roar, filled with fury and abhorrence.

Ace who has already outside the barrier range couldn't help but sneered when he heard Gatlin's voice, 'Heh, rejoice old man I didn't imprint the symbol on your face because you take care of Noa or you won't be able to show your face in public.'

With that, Ace didn't stop and headed toward the lionheart shop.

While moving, he couldn't help but check what he stole from Gatlin, that guy was one of the heads of the continent's wealthiest organization so he couldn't be poor!

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[Stolen Treasure(s) List]

[Space Treasure(s)]

-High-Grade-4 Storage Space Treasures: 21

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[Alchemy Treasure(s)]

-Low-Grade-1 Soul Pills: 322,215

-Intermediate-Grade-1 Soul Pills: 232,128

-High-Grade-1 Soul Pills: 189,903

-Low-Grade-2 Soul Pills: 400,084

-Intermediate-Grade-2 Soul Pills: 322,490

-High-Grade-2 Soul Pills: 125,784

-Low-Grade-3 Soul Pills: 143,984

-Intermediate-Grade-3 Soul Pills: 98,245

-High-Grade-3 Soul Pills: 43,322

-Low-Grade-4 Soul Pills: 56,232

-Intermediate-Grade-4 Soul Pills: 17,783

-High-Grade-4 Soul Pills: 8,320

-Low-Grade-5 Soul Pills: 893

-Medicinal Alcohol (Soul): 1.2 Million Barrels Grade-3 (Low, Intermediate, High)

-Medicinal Alcohol (Soul): 342,000 Barrels Grade-4 (Low, Intermediate, High)

-Medicinal Alcohol (Soul): 5,540 Barrels Grade-5 (Low)

-Raw Materials (Martial): 1.8 Billion (From 6-Star to 9-Star)

-Raw Materials (Marital): 562 Million (From Low-Grade-1 to High-Grade-1)

-Raw Materials (Marital): 122 Million (From Low-Grade-2 to High-Grade-2)

-Raw Materials (Marital): 43 Million (From Low-Grade-3 to High-Grade-3)

-Raw Materials (Marital): 19 Million (From Low-Grade-4 to High-Grade-4)

-Raw Materials (Marital): 3.9 Million (From Low-Grade-5 to Intermediate-Grade-5)

-Raw Materials (Soul): 983 Million (From 6-Star to 9-Star)

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-Raw Materials (Soul): 323 Million (From Low-Grade-1 to High-Grade-1)

-Raw Materials (Soul): 108 Million (From Low-Grade-2 to High-Grade-2)

-Raw Materials (Soul): 39 Million (From Low-Grade-3 to High-Grade-3)

-Raw Materials (Soul): 9.8 Million (From Low-Grade-4 to High-Grade-4)

-Raw Materials (Soul): 897,932 (From Low-Grade-5 to Intermediate-Grade-5)

[Smith Crafting Treasures]

-Low-Grade-3 Weapons: 23,228

-Low-Grade-3 Weapons (Soul): 32

-Intermediate-Grade-3 Weapons: 2,094

-Intermediate-Grade-3 Weapons (Soul): 4

-High-Grade-3 Weapons: 297

-High-Grade-3 Weapons (Soul): 1

-Low-Grade-4 Weapons: 13

-Intermediate-Grade-4 Weapons: 4

-High-Grade-4 Weapons: 2

-Low-Grade-5 Weapons (Soul): 1

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-Raw Materials: 55,739 (From Low-Grade-5 to Intermediate-Grade-5)
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-Raw Materials (Soul): 32,906 (From Low-Grade-5 to Intermediate-Grade-5)
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[Rune Crafting Treasure(s)]
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-Low-Grade-5 Array(s): 3
-Intermediate-Grade-5 Array(s): 1
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-Low-Grade-5 Formation(s): 2
-Intermediate-Grade-5 Formation(s): 1
-High-Grade-5 Formation(s): 1
-Low-Grade-1 Talisman(s): 43,904
-Intermediate-Grade-1 Talisman(s): 32,621
-High-Grade-1 Talisman(s): 19,442
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-Low-Grade-2 Talisman(s): 5,490
-Intermediate-Grade-2 Talisman(s): 1,265
-High-Grade-2 Talisman(s): 500
-Low-Grade-3 Talisman(s): 128
-Intermediate-Grade-3 Talisman(s): 101
-High-Grade-3 Talisman(s): 59
-Low-Grade-4 Talisman(s): 10
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-Low-Grade-5 Slave Contract: 38
-Intermediate-Grade-5 Slave Contract: 5
-High-Grade-5 Slave Contract: 2
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-Raw Materials: 23,739 (From Low-Grade-5 to Intermediate-Grade-5)

[Qi Stones]

-Low-Grade-1: 221 Billion

-Middle-Grade-1: 200 Billion

-High-Grade-1: 178 Billion

-Peak Grade-1: 145 Billion

-Low-Grade-2: 92 Billion

-Middle-Grade-2: 34 Billion

-High-Grade-2: 26 Billion
-Peak-Grade-2: 10 Billion
-Low-Grade-3: 983 Million
-Middle-Grade-3: 342 Million
-High-Grade-3: 129 Million
-Peak-Grade-3: 58 Million
-Low-Grade-4: 1.3 Million
[Knowledge Section]
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-Lower-Grade Sky Rank Technique(s): 23
-Lower-Grade Sky Rank Skill(s): 87
-Upper-Grade Sky Rank Skill(s): 1

[Thieveries Rank(s)]

-High-level Thievery

[Reward(s)]

-Total Rewards: 30 Million Thief Points

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[Thief Point(s): 31,342,100]

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Eternal Thief

Chapter 479: Next Move & Approaching Danger!

Ace almost clashed with a building when he saw the massive number of soul-type pills and materials in the space ring and then 30 Million TP at once. He hit a jackpot this time.

'Could it be that the guy had the real treasury of the treasure pagoda?!'

But he clearly didn't hear any notification.

It could only mean it was the wealth of a Life Grandmaster, and now he didn't dare to imagine just how affluent will the treasury inside the treasure pagoda be!

Ace has the system removed the Soul Mark from the storage ring and saw the contents of the ring.

This ring has a startling 5,000 Cubic Meter storage space, and it was filled with herbs and pills!

Ace had to admit that this Old Man didn't have any low-grade things in this storage ring, and he only carried soul pills. It was likely because he was a soul alchemist and the martial pills were useless for him.

As for those martial materials, they were probably auxiliary materials for his soul pills. There were many pill receipts and other knowledge, all related to alchemy and some soul skills.

But he was looking for those array and formation mediums that were grade four and higher, and he finally found them in another separate storage ring.

He moved them to his thief's space where he could easily access them and stored Gatlin's storage ring away. He didn't need soul points at this moment, and there might be some material his house members could use. He won't use them wantonly like before.

Suddenly, Freya's communication cube started to blink. He stopped in a remote place and activated the receiver.

"Just tell me you're not inside that barrier?" Her subtle voice sounded.

Ace smiled. "What do you think?"

"Since you have time to spout gibberish. Then it means you're safe." She scoffed.

Ace suddenly turns back and looked at the dome-like barrier a mile away. His eyes suddenly glow with a thievish glint.

"I think we underestimated one thing and overestimated one thing." Ace suddenly said.

"What's that supposed to mean?" She questioned.

"We underestimated the wealth of a Life Grandmaster and how he might react after it got stolen, and we overestimated their reactions!

"Tell me if I stole your storage ring, which is filled with the kind of wealth that can rival an entire demon king tribe, what will you think?"

Freya's sharp voice sounded, "I'll naturally hunt you down, no matter the cost."

Ace smiled deviously, "Exactly! You see, that old demon would never think I would go after anything else after I have his entire wealth. Because it's just too risky, and it will also expose me to danger.

"Any normal person's first reaction would be to flee the blade domain after stealing the entire wealth of the Life Grandmaster of Life Demon Association as soon as possible. Because they would set for life after this score, who would want to risk it?"

Freya's astonishing voice rang, "But you are not normal, and your actual object is the demon treasure pagoda! They would never think you were stealing the storage ring for those master controls, and even if they did, it would be too late..."

Ace grinned evilly, "Hehe, so, while they are still going mad and trying to find my whereabouts. I'll be where they least expected me to be!"

"Are you sure? There are still five peak diamond soul realm demons in the pagoda, and three of them are the soul embryo realm. The moment you alert even one of them, they won't hesitate to ask for help." There was a hint of concern in her voice.

"Don't forget, I have the primary control of the entire building right now. That Old Demon probably didn't notice his soul mark being removed with all that rush. I can easily restrain them.

"You should also leave the inner domain and meet me in the shadow mountain range east entrance. This place is going to be an enormous mess. We're going to finish here tonight." Ace sternly ordered.

"Fine. But don't get captured or I won't come to save your ass." She sneered before cutting off the connection.

Ace smiled faintly before he took a last glance at the barrier and blurred from the sight!

A few hundred miles away from the blade domain was the White Hill Plains,

A few figures were blurring toward the blade domain at an extremely fast speed. They were in an extremely sorry state as their complexions were pale, and small cuts were all over their robes.

Furthermore, one of them had lost his arm, and his gray robes were filled with blood.

"This is bad. We have to inform the royal zone, or this will turn into a huge calamity for our race!" One of the demons in the mask spoke with an aghast feminine voice.

Dark Hole, who had his armed rip-off nod with a pale face, "Even Council Minster was forced to use his innate ability to buy us time to seek reinforcement. The others also fled in different directions. We still didn't know the number of causalities!"

Earth Demon King look extremely gloomy as he spoke hoarsely, "I never thought those corpses would be so hard to deal with. They continued to grow as they killed our people and ate their flesh!

"I can't believe we're facing this crisis because of our own ancestry. That beast wasn't joking when it said we don't know what we're getting into."

Grim Jade sighed helplessly, "Look at the bright side. We can still deal with this. It's far better than being too late. That beast was up to no good, and we just spoiled its plane in the midst of it.

"Now we have to hurry and report this situation and then have to hold that corpse-army until the help arrives. We also have to reinforce the border of the moon province!"

"We still don't know how much longer can Council Minister hold back that thing. It absorbed that gray entity and turned the whole situation around. We have little time." Killer gravely stated. He was carrying the masked demon, who seemed to be unconscious, on his shoulder. They were all wounded, but they knew the situation didn't allow them to rest because it might shake the foundation of their entire race if it was too late!

Eternal Thief

Chapter 480: Start of Second Chain Mission!

The Life Treasure Pagoda stood tall and majestic in multiple lights, even though it was nighttime.

The Life Treasure Pagoda never closed for business, and there were always customers to entertain.

However, an invisible hooded figure just entered the building without altering anyone, nor did he trigger any array or the formation.

There was a golden formation plate in this hooded person's hand, which was shimmering with dark runes.

If Gatlin was here, he would instantly recognize this formation plate because it was the Core Formation Control of the entire Life Treasure Pagoda and anyone can control every formation and array with this Core Formation Plate!

That was why the Ghost Monitor Formation and Alarm formation didn't active just now because Ace was using the core formation plate, and those formations and arrays won't trigger, as long as he had his core formation plate active.

Now, even those overseers of this life treasure pagoda can't detect Ace, as long as it was a question of skills and prowess.

Ace was already going toward the Floor Manager's secret meeting room. He knew where the treasuries were from the treasure blueprint, and he was also using the live fate map to detect enemies.

He was most familiar with the first floor since he had already been there and it was the deceased floor master who wanted to trick him into handing over the Nether Paradise Bird's egg, which he thought was the Nether Flame Alloy.

Then, Ace had Noa assassinate him and his disciple so they won't spread this news. This move also created some waves in the association, and they madly searched for the killer, but to no avail.

Anyhow, now there was naturally a new floor master.

He instantly detects two white fate points in the private meeting room while they're two more hidden rooms, on the west and east, empty. Ace's target was the hidden room on the east side!

Ace easily opened the lock, but he didn't enter because those two fate points were close.

'I have to create a distraction,' Ace thought before he did something crazy.

He pushed the door using powerful force, and it clashed with the wall, revealing the inside.

There was a young demon with blue skin and a middle-aged demon with yellow skin, discussing something when they were startled by the sudden door opening and yelped in surprise!

"Who dares to barge in?!" The middle-aged demon's face shone with fury.

However, to their surprise, there was no one standing there, and some of the guests and alchemists were now looking in their direction with confused looks on their faces.

"Master, it seemed the door opened on its own." The young demon frowned.

"I shouldn't be possible. Let me see." The middle-aged demon know it was close to impossible for this door to open on its own.

Although it was just a random lock, it was a nine-star lock, and this was the rank of any random lock in this entire building!

So, the chances of it malfunctioning were once in a million and even if it remained open somehow, it shouldn't be open like that. There wasn't any strong wind inside the building.

That was why he didn't believe it so quickly and stood up from his place to check what happened. The young demon naturally followed behind.

However, they both fail to notice the moment they moved toward the opened door. The east wall suddenly turned into a door, and before anyone could notice, the secret door opened and closed before it turned back to its wall appearance.

If that middle-aged demon saw this scene, he would panic and rush toward the wall right now because it was a secret passage door that led toward the first-floor treasury!

It wasn't supposed to be opened like this because the lock key on him and only the life grandmaster can unlock any hidden passage or treasury with no floor manager's key.

Not even the Life Masters have such a privilege. If they want to enter the treasuries, they have to contact the floor manager and seek permission from the Life Grandmaster.

Now, no one knows yet that the storage ring of the life grandmaster has been stolen, and they were still searching the evil blade demon estate for him.

That's why Ace hit the iron while it was hot because no one know he was there, so it was the perfect opportunity for him to clean this place. By the time anyone noticed, it would be too late!

Ace entered a dimly lit hallway, and when he was at the wall at the end of this hallway, his life curled and moved toward it. He activated the core formation again and opened the first floor's treasury!

Suddenly, a clicking sound rang in the hallway before a gap appeared between the wall.

'This might be the most dangerous and the easier thievery that I have done. With this formation, I don't need to worry about anything and can open anything even if my skill is not high enough.' Ace grinned as he pushed the wall and entered a 20 X 20 space.

Ace instantly noticed rows of storage rings neatly arranged on shelves.

'They probably didn't have large enough space to put their goods in opened, and this is the more convenient way for them and me as well.'

Ace didn't wait and started to take the storage rings into his own thief's space. There were names on each shelf, like pills, herbs, Qi stones, and their ranks.

He knew the first five floors only had alchemy treasures and the first floor only had herbs and pills from rank 1-star to 9-star. So, if anything that interests him here was the Qi stones and soul pills from 6-star and 9-star.

Ace clean the entire room in two minutes!

Unexpectedly, the system's voice sounded at this moment.

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[First Floor of the Target has been theft successfully!]

[Total Rewards: 500,000 TP]

[Thief Point(s): 31,842,100]

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Ace was momentarily startled before he closed the notification panel. He knew these were only lowlevel goods, so these thief points were expected.

'Now, how should I leave this place without alerting those two? I can't do the same with the hidden passage door. That old demon won't be foolish enough to ignore this,' Ace mused while. he reached the end of the exit.

He activated the fate mapping and was started when he saw the outside room was empty. There was a soundproof array here, so he couldn't hear anything.

Elated, he quickly opened the door and exited the passage.

But when he appeared outside, he heard a commotion outside and looked there.

"Life Grandmaster has been robbed by the Sky Stealer! He's summoning the floor managers and the entire staff to look for him. Only the five protectors are ordered to stay here! Please inform the others and close the business or we all be punished!" A demon in alchemist clothes was clamoring.

The crowds were shocked, and so does the floor manager.

Sky Stealer was like the enigma of thievery in the eight provinces and whenever he was mentioned, no matter if it was poor or rich, they all feared if he would appear and take their wealth.

Now, the same thief appeared again, and this time it appeared in the supposedly most secure place on the entire continent. How could the crowd remain calm?

The first-floor manager's expression was hideous. "Are you sure?!"

He was completely gobsmacked by this news because the Life Grandmaster wasn't someone that anyone could steal from. That thief had to infiltrate deep into the life alchemy guild first before reaching where Life Grandmaster lives.

Furthermore, even if they summon them, they would never reveal this to the public since it will defame their reputation!

That was why it was so hard to believe!

The demon's face was filled with panic as he nodded. "Yes! The Grandmaster's disciple was kidnapped by the evil blade demon clan, and he went there personally to investigate, and that's when it all happened.

"The thief is now trapped there, but it's extremely cunning, and they didn't have the manpower. That's why the Grandmaster summons everyone to help and get rid of the wicked thief!"

"What? Something like happened?"

"So, that furtive thief first kidnapped Grandmaster's disciple to lure him out? How bold of him!"

"We are also ready to help! We can't let this criminal roam around the continent and destroy peace. Brothers and sisters, let's find this evildoer and help the Grandmaster!"

The customers here weren't typical demons, and now that they got the chance to get on the Life Grandmaster's good side, how could they let it go so easily?

Furthermore, there was a massive bounty on Sky Stealer's head. Whoever can capture him will be set for life!

The first Floor Manager hesitates to decide since this order should come from the Life Masters, not some random alchemist.

However, an aged voice sounded in the entire treasure pagoda at this moment,

"Bring him to me!"