

# The Immortal's Wine Store

## Chapter 421: Fierce Xiao Hua

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When Yue Bo heard Balmond's exclamation, he also sent out his spiritual vision and when he saw the succubus together with Yang Zenke, he understood why Balmond suddenly became solemn.

As he chuckled, Yue Bo said. "Brother, it looks like your daughter has finally found the man of her dreams. Hahaha!"

Balmond helplessly glanced at Yue Bo and asked him. "Brother Yue, do you perhaps know who that human is?"

Yue Bo nodded his head and smiled. "Yes, that young man is a Division Head of the sect created by Wine Master Jiu Shen. His name is Yang Zenke. His progress in cultivation is very astounding! Now he's already an Origin God Realm expert! He might be the greatest prodigy of the Human Race!"

"Division Head of Wine Master Jiu Shen's sect? Wait... This young man's true essence and physical body have both reached the Origin God Realm! Cornelia is truly mediocre

compared to him..." Balmond's eyes twinkled as a random thought suddenly came into his mind.

'Wine Master Jiu Shen would definitely not fall for that stupid girl, so this young human is the best husband for her. I'll just let nature take its course...'

"By the way, how old is he?" Balmond asked.

Yue Bo laughed as he replied. "That little guy isn't even twenty yet. What do you think? He's an absolute genius, right?"

"What?! Not yet twenty, but already at the Origin God Realm?!" Balmond's mouth gaped open after hearing that.

'It looks like I have to put her punishment on hold...'

"Just let her be, Brother. How about you announce her ascension to the throne just as we discussed?" Yue Bo sent the Demon Emperor a serious look.

Balmond nodded his head. "You're right. I'll go to the palace and inform the elders of the Bloodfallen Family about our plan. Brother Yue, I hope you can inform Lady Ice and the others about this as well."

"Of course! I'll be on my way then!" Yue Bo's figure turned into a blur as he disappeared.

Balmond also went to the imperial palace to discuss the matter of Cornelia's ascension to the throne.

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'Why does this succubus keep on following me? Is she interested in our training routine?' Yang Zenke frowned as he took a sidelong glance at Cornelia who was behind him. She smiled seductively when she saw Yang Zenke looking at her.

"Sister Xiao, look at that succubus. I think she is interested in Brother Yang. Hehe." Han Sen chuckled with a lewd smile as he stared at Cornelia's busty figure. Han Sen is now a peak stage Nascent God Realm expert and is now serving as the Deputy Division Head of the Blood Sword Division.

Xiao Hua frowned when she heard this. Although her relationship with Yang Zenke was still not official, everyone already knew that there was something between them. However, someone else is actually trying to steal his man?

(Check Author's note at the end of the chapter for description about Han Sen and Xiao Hua)

When Han Sen saw the darkening expression of Xiao Hua, he immediately closed his mouth. From the looks of it, things might go out of hand...

"Ah... This... Sister Xiao- Wait! Where are you going?!" Han Sen nervously followed the fuming Xiao Hua.

'Brother Yang, I'll pray for your soul...' He muttered in his heart.

"Sister Xiao, do you have anything to say?" Yang Zenke stared at Xiao Hua with a confused look on his face. He wondered who irritated this girl when he saw her gloomy expression.

Xiao Hua ignored Yang Zenke and walked straight towards the succubus. She then stopped in front of her and put on a cold smile as she said. "Hello, Your Highness! I am Xiao Hua, Deputy Division Head of the Blood Sword Division and also Brother Yang's girlfriend."

Hearing the bold introduction, Yang Zenke, Han Sen, and the disciples of the Blood Sword Division were dumbstruck. Is this still the cold-faced Deputy Division Head Xiao that they knew? Why did she suddenly act like this? However, when they looked at the succubus, a look of realization dawned on them.

Cornelia was also surprised. She thought that Yang Zenke wasn't in a relationship. She could not help but stare at Xiao Hua from head to foot.

"Oh! So it's Sister Xiao Hua! It's nice to meet you!" Cornelia put on a smile as she extended her hand.

Xiao stared at the succubus and shook her hand in return.

Everyone could already see the clashing sparks of lightning between their gazes.

Han Sen glanced at this scene with a look of jealousy.

'Brother Yang is really impressive! Two beauties are actually fighting for his affection... Sigh. I suddenly lost motivation. Maybe I should take a nap to heal my wounded heart...'  
Han Sen sighed as he lifelessly went back to his tent.

Yang Zenke hurriedly came forward and gently grabbed Xiao Hua's waist.

"Sister Xiao, you shouldn't be like this in front of the disciples." Yang Zenke gently patted her shoulder before he turned to look at the succubus. He then said to her with an expressionless look.

"Your Highness, Xiao Hua is indeed my girlfriend. I apologize for her rudeness, but you shouldn't cause trouble as well while the disciples are training."

Cornelia pouted her lips, but soon she smiled. "Alright. I won't bother you guys then. Farewell."

The succubus left decisively. She wasn't in love with Yang Zenke. She only felt that this guy was slightly attractive, so when she heard that he already had someone in his heart, Cornelia immediately decided to stay away from them. She didn't want to ruin their relationship...

Xiao Hua stared at the back figure of the succubus as she harrumphed. "At least she is sensible enough! I would have smacked her if she remained here! Hmph!"

Hearing this, Yang Zenke hurriedly consoled her with a hug.

The disciples of the Blood Sword Division were embarrassed when they saw the affectionate couple, so they immediately left and start training on their own.

## Chapter 422: That Was Definitely Not The Emperor

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A week later, news about Cornelia's ascension to the throne was publicly announced by the emperor. This announcement surprised everyone since the Demon Emperor was still in his prime and there wasn't even anything wrong with his health. Despite the suddenness of this news, most of the citizens accepted Cornelia as the future ruler of the

Great Demon Empire. However, many among the noble families were strongly against this. It was especially true for the Torgrim Family and the Lycan Family.

Not long later, the imperial palace announced another information.

It was the date of Cornelia's enthronement!

"Her Highness Princess Cornelia Bloodfallen will be enthroned in a month's time! All experts under the heavens are invited to her enthronement ceremony!"

"What the hell is Balmond thinking?! He's actually planning to pass his throne to that succubus in a month! Preposterous!" Stormhoof smashed the wall of his room in a fit of rage. The Torgrim Castle shook, making everyone feel anxious.

Meanwhile, in a remote side of Morlon City, inside a new mansion.

"Balmond is truly decisive. He didn't even hesitate to pass the throne to his daughter. Your Majesty, what do you think about this?" Lou Baiqing stared at Demon Empress Ganda who was standing beside the window.

The Demon Empress stared at the sky as she answered. "You've seen it yourself that night. Jiu Shen has three savage beasts subordinates at the Origin God Realm. Not to mention those young human elites that they are nurturing and the few individuals who are still hidden in that lotus building. If you include Balmond and that man named Yue Bo,

the strength of Jiu Shen's faction is already strong enough to conquer this continent. And if Jiu Shen himself makes a move, then..."

Her words trailed off after that.

Lou Baiqing sighed upon hearing her words. He couldn't even utter a retort since even he was convinced about the might of Jiu Shen and his subordinates. The strength of that white-haired little girl in particular still gives him the shivers until now!

"Our Narda Principality will be present in Cornelia's enthronement and we will offer her our congratulations with gifts and precious resources." Demon Empress Ganda said with a look of defeat.

Swoosh!

Her figure vanished after she spoke those words.

Lou Baiqing was at loss for words.

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Inside the Spirit World, the sky was now enveloped with a dazzling radiance! If one was on land and stare at the sky, they would find themselves lost in this seemingly profound glow of light.

Seated cross-legged on top of the clouds, Jiu Shen's eyes were shut tight as he tried to peak into the secrets of the heavens. His Heavenly God Realm soul aura was in full display!

After a long time, his eyelashes fluttered before he slowly opened his eyes. A gold beam of light flashed before those golden pair of globes, penetrating the firmament!

"So it's still not enough... I thought I would reach the Fourth Heart Realm... In the end, I could only stare at the entrance without being able to enter..." Jiu Shen sighed as he shook his head. He received a flash of enlightenment, but there was still a small gap before he could reach the Fourth Heart Realm, the Heartless Void.

At this moment, Jiu Shen was already the very peak of Third Heart Realm: Heart Unmoved Like Mountain. He was just one step away from the final realm!

"What is missing?" Jiu Shen felt a bit vexed by this. However, he could still not find an answer to this question.

Jiu Shen examined his body and his dantian. He noticed that his physical body has now reached the Mystic God Realm! It was even stronger than his cultivation which was still stuck at the peak stage of the Void God Realm. Jiu Shen also discovered that his recent enlightenment boosted the recovery of his spiritual force!

True God Realm spiritual force! His spiritual power is now only two realms away from his past self!

"Now, I can use my Heavenly God Realm soul for more than a few minutes. Not bad! I thought it would take me months or even years to complete this secluded cultivation. I have underestimated the power of my Seamless Deity Physique..." Jiu Shen muttered to himself as he slowly stood up.

"By this time, Balmond should have already announced Cornelia's enthronement. I will let those kids play a little bit. For now, I should create new cultivation techniques and sword techniques for the Heavenly Sword Tower. I might as well use this time to refine high-rank pills that will be gifted to talented disciples and subordinates." And so, Jiu Shen took out a quill pen and a special parchment paper.

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Another week later, outside the lotus building.

While wearing the signature robes of a Heavenly Sword Tower's elder, Demon Emperor Balmond was cutting down the weeds in the garden using a hand hoe when a startled voice suddenly interrupted him.

"Your Majesty, why are you weeding Wine Master Jiu Shen's garden?!" A bulky ox demon was stunned when he saw the Demon Emperor of the Great Demon Empire squatting down while weeding Jiu Shen's garden.

Heck! What am I seeing? The emperor is weeding! I must be dreaming, right?

The ox demon slapped his face and he was startled to find himself in front of Jiu Shen's garden. "This... I'm not dreaming?"

"Hey! Keep your dirty foot out of the fucking grass you idiot!" Balmond pointed his hoe towards the ox demon when he saw him stepping on the pristine grass.

The ox demon hurriedly lifted off his feet while looking speechlessly at the Demon Emperor. Was this still the same emperor that he knew? What the hell!

"If I see you stepping on the grass one more time, I will cut your ox body into pieces and offer you as fertilizer to the soil! Youth these days! Can you not let this elder weed the garden in peace? Goddammit!"

The ox demon immediately ran away when he heard the emperor's words. 'That was definitely not the emperor!'

## Chapter 423: The Power Of Theia's Name

News about the emperor weeding Jiu Shen's garden soon spread throughout Morlon City. Even some neighboring cities heard of this rumor. However, everyone merely treated this as a joke.

"Brother Balmond, it looks like many people have already heard about your new occupation." Yue Bo chuckled as he stared at Balmond with a look of schadenfreude.

Hearing this, Balmond could only shake his head. "It doesn't matter. None of them knows about the true power of Wine Master Jiu Shen. I even feel proud just plucking the weeds off of his garden. They will eventually grow tired of talking about me. Besides, Cornelia's coronation is moving closer. Those people would soon shift their attention to her."

Yue Bo nodded his head in agreement, but he still had a light smile plastered on his face. "Let's just water these spiritual plants."

After that, the two went to the back of the lotus building. This was where the pond was located.

After the twelve fishes came out of the pond, many small creatures soon replaced them. The pond was now thriving with life and its surface glowed brilliantly.

Yue Bo and Balmond then took their watering cans and filled them with the pond's water. This was what Jiu Shen told Yue Bo and up until now, he was still using the pond's water

for the spiritual plants. He wondered what was special about this pond water that Jiu Shen even had to specifically tell him to water the spiritual plants using it. Perhaps this pond is a treasure in itself...

"Brother Yue, are you sure that we are using this pond water for the spiritual plants?" Balmond asked as he filled his watering can. This item was also a bit special since it could take in gallons of water despite its small appearance.

Hearing this, Yue Bo merely smiled at him.

Balmond was stunned and doubtful, but he still followed Yue Bo since he was more knowledgeable than him about this.

'We're actually using pond water for those precious spiritual plants? Wait... Wine Master Jiu Shen must have instructed Brother Yue to do this. If that's the case, there might be something unique about this pond.' Balmond thought to himself as he stared at his image on the pond's surface.

"Truthfully, I also have no idea about this, but it was Wine Master Jiu who told me to use it for the spiritual plants." Yue Bo chuckled while looking at the perplexed Demon Emperor.

"Anyway, we should get going and water those little guys. They might attack us if we dally any longer." Yue Bo added as he went to the garden with the watering can in his hand. Balmond trailed behind him with a blank look on his face.

When they reached the garden, they immediately watered the plants systematically. Balmond looked stiff since this was his first time doing this. On the other hand, Yue Bo looked relaxed as he held his watering can.

"Look! Is that His Majesty?"

"It looks like His Majesty, but why isn't he wearing his imperial robes and crown? And why the heck is he watering Wine Master Jiu Shen's garden?"

"Could it be those rumors about him are true?!"

"No way!"

Yue Bo suppressed his laughter when he heard their conversation.

Meanwhile, Balmond was already prepared about this, so he merely ignored the whispering crowd.

However, more and more people soon came to watch him which made Balmond's face twitch in annoyance.

Are these kids country bumpkins? Have they not seen someone watering plants?

Balmond gnashed his teeth in anger.

Seeing this, Yue Bo knew that he had to intervene this time or those poor people might die from the Demon Emperor's rage...

"Everyone, please leave if you are only going to block the gate. How can our customers go inside with you guys blocking the way? Do you want me to call Young Miss Theia to discuss this with you?" Yue Bo said with a kind smile.

Young Miss Theia?

Hearing that name, the crowd immediately dispersed as if afraid of a plague spreading through. Who doesn't know Young Miss Theia? She was the butt-kicking demon of the wine store! Although she had already gone to guard the second floor of the building, she would occasionally go down to kick a few troublemakers out of the store! There was even an Origin God Realm powerhouse who was burned to death after he tried to touch her ass. Recalling the powerhouse's bloodcurdling scream as his body was lit ablaze, everyone shivered as they ran with all their might.

Yue Bo laughed heartily as he watched the fleeing crowd. Young Miss Theia was truly a great deterrent factor. Just hearing her name was enough to scare those people!

Balmond also laughed when he saw this scene. 'Now, I know what to do if this happens again. Hehehe.'

Suddenly, the two stared in the same direction.

They saw a lithe figure dressed in golden robes with silver highlights. She had a thin veil that covered the lower portion of her face and only her starry eyes can be seen.

Yue Bo and Balmond were a bit surprised when they saw her, but they then ignored her and resume their work. They had already seen this woman visiting the store a few times, and every time she comes here, she would always ask if Jiu Shen was in the store.

"Greetings, Lord Yue Bo and Your Majesty Balmond! Is Wine Master here this time?" A soothing and angelic voice soon entered their ears.

Yue Bo and Balmond glanced at each other before they turned their gazes to this stunning demon.

"I apologize, Young Miss, but Wine Master Jiu Shen is yet to come out of seclusion." Yue Bo said with a helpless look. They knew that Jiu Shen was still in the Spirit World, but they couldn't tell this to this girl.

Demon Empress Ganda pouted beneath her veil. She then said. "In that case, I shall take my leave. Farewell, gentlemen."



Yue Bo and Balmond stared at her receding figure with curious gazes. Who might this woman be? And why is she looking for Wine Master Jiu?

## Chapter 424: Poison Valley And The Necromancer Emperor

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Inside the meeting hall of the Torgrim Castle, more than ten elders clad in shiny battle armor were seated before a round table with solemn expressions on their faces.

Stormhoof suddenly clapped his hands and said to the werewolf demon seated together with him on the most prominent seats. "Congratulations on your breakthrough, Brother Herald!"

The other elders were shocked but they also congratulated Herald when they heard Stormhoof's words.

Herald Lycan beamed upon hearing this. He was also quite pleased with his recent breakthrough. He was now at the late stage Void God Realm! "Thank you, everyone! But we should focus on more important matters now."

Stormhoof and the elders nodded their heads.

"I called everyone here so that we can begin with our preparations. There are only a few days left before Cornelia's enthronement! We shouldn't allow that succubus to ally with Narda Principality and other superpowers!" Stormhoof spoke with a grim tone.

Everyone knew why Stormhoof said this.

The moment Cornelia gained new allies, their plans to subjugate the throne would become difficult. It was necessary to weaken her military power before she ascends to the throne!

"Do you guys have any suggestions on what we can do?" Stormhoof eyed the elders.

"Why not ally ourselves with Poison Valley and the Necromancer Emperor?" Herald suddenly said with a hint of hesitation in his voice.

Hearing the two superpowers he mentioned, Stormhoof and the elders frowned as they contemplated deeply.

Poison Valley's territory was a bit far from their Great Demon Empire. It was where many deranged demons who specialized in poison arts gathered! They were also mortal enemies with Narda Principality who shared the same region as them.

On the other hand, the Necromancer Emperor was a wandering Void God Realm expert. However, no one dared to underestimate him since he was in control of an undead army that numbered over a million strong! His power alone was already equivalent to an empire!

"We can negotiate with the Poison Valley. I'm quite familiar with their Valley Master, so I can try to invite him to our alliance. As for the Necromancer Emperor..." Herald furrowed his eyebrows as he shook his head. This guy was quite a peculiar fellow and it was dangerous to provoke him, even Herald dared not fight with his undead army!

Stormhoof gritted his teeth and muttered. "Alright, I can visit that guy's territory and see if I could make him join us. I have the corpse of a Fire Wyvern Overlord. I can part with this if he can help us..."

Hearing this, everyone gasped in surprise. Even Herald gulped as he stared at Stormhoof's gloomy face. This guy was actually willing to give the corpse of Void God Realm savage beast! If he had something like this, he would definitely keep it to himself.

"In that case, I'll ask you guys to prepare your armies as well. As for that succubus, just let her be for now." Herald commanded the elders.

"Yes, Your Majesty!"

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Meanwhile, somewhere in the Divine Beast Continent, a few demons came out of a forest. They were covered in gruesome wounds and one of them even had his entire arm cut off!

"Lord Hanzo, are you sure that you're fine?" Demon Ancestor Jun held Hanzo's shoulder as he asked the latter with a worried look.

A month ago, they came here to search for spiritual herbs under Balmond's orders. They thought that everything would be easy since all the members of this expedition team were quite powerful. However, they were soon proven wrong!

They encountered many strong savage beasts along the way and they were forced to fight just to complete their objective. Even with their strength and teamwork, some of them were still killed by those ferocious savage beasts!

Hanzo took out a healing panacea from his space ring and quickly consumed it. After the pill entered his stomach, the pain he was feeling became a bit bearable. He then glanced at Demon Ancestor Jun and his remaining teammates. All of them looked haggard and weary.

"Brothers, I know we sacrificed a lot for this expedition, but we are soldiers of the Great Demon Empire! We will do anything that His Majesty commands! The fallen didn't die in vain! We have accomplished our goal here, so we should go home and receive our rewards!" Hanzo spoke in a loud voice while ignoring the pain in his internal organs. He could already feel his blood rising through his esophagus, but he quickly swallowed it back down.

Demon Ancestor Jun and the others nodded their heads, but their faces were still solemn.

Seeing that his words had no effect, Hanzo gritted his teeth and said. "You want to know what those spiritual herbs are for, right? Well, let me tell you. Those herbs are for Prince Artaurus! I don't know the specifics, but I do know that the herbs we gathered are meant for him."

"That means His Highness can recover with the help of those herbs?!" Everyone jolted in surprise when they heard this. They knew that Prince Artaurus was an absolute genius, but he suddenly fell ill when he turned eighteen. If he recovers... Just thinking about it made these injured experts excited!

The matters about Prince Artaurus were mostly confidential, but with their status, these experts still had some information about the ill prince. If he was healthy, he would have been the crown prince and the next ruler of the Great Demon Empire! His cultivation talent was many times greater than Princess Cornelia and even his wisdom was beyond the laidback succubus. From what they remembered, Prince Artaurus was already a Nascent God Realm expert when he just turned eighteen! His speed in cultivation could leave anyone in awe!

Hanzo heaved a sigh of relief when he saw their lifting moods. He then waved his remaining arm and signaled the group to follow him. "Alright, that's enough. Let's go back now!"

After that, Hanzo squatted down and activated the teleportation array formation beneath their feet.

The inscriptions of the array formation suddenly lit up and enveloped their bodies with a brilliant light. They then vanished in a blink of an eye!

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Hanzo and the others immediately went to the imperial palace to find the Demon Emperor, but when they arrived, they discovered he wasn't there. They then asked an imperial guard about the emperor's whereabouts, but when they heard the imperial guard's answer, Hanzo and the rest were taken aback.

"His Majesty is cleaning Wine Master Jiu Shen's garden?" Hanzo frowned, but he immediately went out of the imperial palace and headed straight to the lotus building. He was a bit skeptical about the imperial guard's words.

"Lord Hanzo, what do you think about this? I feel that the imperial guard isn't lying." Demon Ancestor Jun said with a blank look on his face.

Hanzo shook his head lightly. "I'm not sure, but those imperial guards wouldn't dare lie to us. There might be a reason why His Majesty is doing this, so let's go there and find things out on our own."

When the group arrived in front of the lotus building, they quickly entered the gates and went directly to the garden.

"Your Majesty?" Hanzo and the others called out with dumbfounded looks.

In front of them were two individuals cleaning the garden with wooden brooms. One was an average-looking human wearing a straw hat, while the other was a ferocious demon in similar attire.

At this moment, the two of them were happily chatting as they swept the fallen leaves on the ground.

When Balmond heard someone calling him out, he turned his gaze and saw Hanzo with a few others. He then frowned when he saw their current state.

After checking them using his spiritual vision, he realized that their injuries were quite severe! Hanzo in particular had it worst. His internal organs were in disarray and some of his bones were broken! One of his arms was even cut off!

Hanzo and the others abruptly kneeled in front of Balmond. Hanzo then reported what they had experienced in the Divine Beast Continent. He told the emperor about the sacrifice of the fallen and also everyone's achievements. After that, he emotionally took out the spiritual herbs that cost the lives of their comrades and passed them to the Demon Emperor.

"Here are the spiritual herbs, Your Majesty!"

Each herb was placed inside a special jade box that can preserve its herbal efficacy and true essence.

Balmond took the jade boxes with a heavy look. He was glad that he finally have the chance to heal his son, but he was also saddened by the deaths of his competent subordinates. "The families of those who died will receive compensation from the imperial palace. If you have their corpses, make sure that they will be buried gloriously."

"Yes, Your Majesty!" They answered in unison.

"As for you guys, I'll ask Wine Master Jiu Shen to create suitable cultivation techniques. If he agrees, it will be a great opportunity for all of you. If he doesn't agree, I can give you an ample amount of resources. With it, your chances of breaking through the Void God Realm in the future will slightly increase." Balmond said with a serious look.

Hanzo and the rest were a bit confused when they heard this.

Ask Wine Master Jiu Shen to create cultivation techniques for them? Despite their curiosity, no one dared to question the Demon Emperor.

Balmond merely smiled when he saw their confused expressions. He then took out a few high-level healing pills and gave them to the kneeling demons. "Leave and recuperate well. There will be war in a few days. I will need you guys to be with me in battle!"



Hearing this, the faces of Hanzo and the others turned grim. They knew about the dispute between the Bloodfallen Family and the other two founding families. However, they were a bit surprised that the battle between them would soon arrive. Even so, they all bowed at the Demon Emperor as they said. "Yes, Your Majesty!"

After seeing them leave, Balmond's expression became slightly melancholic. He couldn't help but tightly grip the jade boxes in his hands.

"You have such fine subordinates, Brother Balmond. You should treat them well..." Yue Bo stood beside him and patted the demon's shoulder.

Balmond nodded his head absentmindedly. "I know. Now, I only have to wait for Wine Master Jiu Shen. Hopefully, he will agree to my request. That way, those men can be properly rewarded."

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"Your Majesty, I've already taken the resources and treasures from our treasure vault. Everything is inside this storage ring." Lou Baiqing said as he handed a golden ring to Demon Empress Ganda. Inside this storage ring were numerous high-level spiritual plants and cultivation resources. The quantity and quality of the items here were even greater in overall value than what the Lycan Family and Torgrim Family gave them some time ago.

The red-haired beauty took the ring. "Baiqing, come with me to the lotus building. We will give this to Balmond and ask for his forgiveness. Our Narda Principality must ally

ourselves with the Bloodfallen Family. If we do things right, we might even receive Jiu Shen's recognition."

Demon Empress Ganda was a bit reluctant to do this. She was a prideful woman and she didn't want to lower her head to someone, but she had no choice. Standing behind Balmond and the Bloodfallen Family was a behemoth who could easily kill her and destroy the Narda Principality. She was afraid to make any careless move that might incite Jiu Shen's rage.

Meanwhile, Lou Baiqing's face twitched. 'Your Majesty, can you not let this lowly one have a moment of rest? I've been busy handling matters on your behalf that I didn't even have the time to eat and sleep...'

"Ah, this... Can I take a short rest- Haha! Of course! I'm not tired at all! How could I be tired? I will prepare a carriage for us, Your Majesty! Please wait for me." Lou Baiqing quickly left the mansion.

Demon Empress Ganda glanced at Lou Baiqing's fleeing silhouette with a smile. She then glanced at the golden ring in her hand and muttered. "Jiu Shen...."

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Demon Empress Ganda sat inside the carriage while gritting her teeth in exasperation. If you're asking why she was suddenly like this. The reason for that is that she suddenly remembered that Jiu Shen had taken her weapons when she was unconscious.

Those two weapons were passed down in her family for generations and according to her ancestors, the value of those weapons was inestimable! The only problem was that the inscriptions on the two weapons are severely damaged, making them significantly weaker.

"Jiu Shen... How long are you planning to hide from me?!" She muttered as she gnashed her teeth.

"Is there anything wrong, Your Majesty?" Lou Baiqing's worried voice sounded outside of the carriage.

Demon Empress Ganda frowned in irritation. "Shut the hell up and just bring me to the lotus building!"

The poor Lou Baiqing could only smile helplessly. He wondered why the Demon Empress was suddenly temperamental this morning. 'Maybe she's still angry about Wine Master Jiu Shen...'

Soon, their beast carriage stop in front of the gates of the lotus building.

Demon Empress Ganda gracefully stepped out of the carriage, while Lou Baiqing trailed behind her silently. When the two entered the gates, they noticed two figures who were sweeping in the garden with wooden brooms in their hands.

Lou Baiqing was stunned when he recognized these two people. Although they had already heard of rumors that the Demon Emperor was now working in Jiu Shen's store as a gardener, he still found it shocking to see it with his own eyes.

Demon Empress Ganda ignored Lou Baiqing and walked towards the two busy figures.

Balmond and Yue Bo stopped sweeping when they sensed someone moving towards them. They stared at the Demon Empress with a look of surprise, but they soon sighed with helpless looks.

'She must be here to look for Wine Master Jiu Shen again...' The two men thought to themselves.

"Greetings Lord Yue Bo and Your Majesty Balmond." Demon Empress Ganda greeted the two politely.

Balmond and Yue Bo merely smiled at her and waited for her question. They were already expecting her to ask about Jiu Shen's whereabouts, but they were soon proven wrong...

"Can I talk to you guys inside?" The Demon Empress asked while looking at the two.

Eh? This wasn't the script they knew about.

"Young Miss, if you're looking for Wine Master Jiu Shen... I'm sorry, but he's not yet out of seclusion..." Balmond forced out a smile as he stared at the young woman in front of him. She was very beautiful, but he didn't dare underestimate this woman since she had an aura that was at least as strong as his own!

The Demon Empress shook her head. "I didn't come here just to look for him. I'm also here to discuss matters with you, Your Majesty."

Balmond raised her eyebrows upon hearing this, but he still nodded his head. "Alright. We are done cleaning anyway, so I can spare a bit of time to talk with you."

Demon Empress Ganda smiled beneath her veil. "Thank you, Your Majesty. I hope Lord Yue Bo can join us as well. I also have matters to tell you."

There was a hint of pleading in her tone and Yue Bo didn't have the heart to reject her request, so he nodded his head albeit reluctantly. "Hm, okay."

Meanwhile, Lou Baiqing who was standing not far from them could only watch as the three Void God Realm experts went inside the store. 'Hey! What about me? I'm still here you know!'

When the three reached the second floor of the store, they saw Theia in her knight's armor standing at the entrance. She had a distant look on her face as she eyed the three of them. Those cold and expressionless eyes made the three powerhouses feel a sudden chill in their hearts!

They had an odd feeling that this cold-looking blonde beauty was capable of killing them!

"Don't exceed the time limit!" Theia muttered coldly before closing her eyes.

The three hurriedly nodded their heads. They then stepped inside the room with relieved faces. She was too scary!

The three quickly found their seats.

"Gentlemen, can I ask you guys who that woman is?" Demon Empress Ganda asked in a whispering tone. She also blocked the space around them using her spiritual power to prevent anyone from hearing their conversation.

Balmond and Yue Bo glanced at each other before they answered with serious faces.

"You might have heard of her name already. She is Young Miss Theia, the guardian of the store's second floor. From what we know, she is also Wine Master Jiu Shen's partner."

Hearing this, the Demon Empress was a bit surprised. 'Even his partner is so strong?!'

"Young Miss, I'm sure that you didn't approach us just to ask this, right?" Balmond smiled while looking at the Demon Empress who sat opposite him.

"Indeed. First, please allow me to introduce myself. My name is Ganda, the Demon Empress and the leader of Narda Principality. I apologize for the late introduction." The Demon Empress introduced herself directly.

Hearing this, Balmond's mouth gaped open, while Yue Bo also appeared to be stunned.

"So you're the hidden leader of Narda Principality!" Balmond exclaimed in shock. All this time, they never knew who was leading Narda Principality in secret. So it was actually this red-haired demon!

Demon Empress Ganda nodded her head and she felt a bit anxious when she sense the animosity in Balmond's tone. From the looks of it, it seemed like this guy was dissatisfied with Narda Principality's past actions. He couldn't be blamed though since the Great Demon Empire had been at odds with Narda Principality for many centuries!

"I know that Your Majesty Balmond is angry about the actions of Narda Principality. I came here to apologize and seek your forgiveness. I hope that you will be magnanimous enough to forgive us, Your Majesty..." She muttered in a soft voice.. Demon Empress Ganda felt a bit humiliated as she uttered those words, but she had to do it. This was for the survival of Narda Principality!

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Balmond was taken aback. He thought that the leader of Narda Principality was a prideful expert who wouldn't be willing to compromise.

"Sigh. It's all in the past. I just hope that Narda Principality will no longer attack our borders." In truth, after Balmond became Jiu Shen's subordinate, he cared less about Narda Principality. Now that their leader is willing to apologize to him, he was willing to take a step back. Besides, their Bloodfallen Family was still at war with the Lycan Family and the Torgrim Family. They didn't want more enemies coming at their doorstep at this moment.

Demon Empress Ganda heaved a sigh of relief. Although she was already expecting Balmond to accept her apology due to their circumstance, she still felt that massive burden was finally lifted off her chest.

After that, she took a golden ring and placed it on the table as she said. "Your Majesty Balmond, inside this ring are various resources. Take it as compensation for our Narda Principality's mistakes."

Balmond silently took the golden ring. He then used his spiritual vision to inspect what was inside. What he saw made him feel a bit surprised. 'This woman is actually willing to



take out so many resources at once just to make amends with us... Just why did they suddenly change in attitude?'

"I'll take this since we truly need resources right now. You might have already heard about the incoming war..." Balmond muttered as he kept the golden ring.

Demon Empress Ganda nodded her head. "Narda Principality is willing to offer our assistance to the Bloodfallen Family. We wish to ally with you. Narda Principality also hopes that the lotus building would be willing to become allies with our Narda Principality."

Hm?

Balmond was pleasantly surprised upon hearing this. Their Bloodfallen Family's strength was not strong enough to overpower the other two founding families. If Narda Principality is willing to offer their assistance, then they would have a higher chance of winning the war!

"On behalf of the Bloodfallen Family, I accept Narda Principality as our ally!" Balmond said as he extended his hand towards the Demon Empress who immediately shook it.

"I'm sorry, but my voice can't represent the lotus building. However, I'm certain that Wine Master Jiu Shen would not accept the alliance between Narda Principality and the lotus building. Knowing his personality, he might even ask for you to become his subordinate." Yue Bo said in a calm voice.

'Wine Master Jiu Shen is standing at the peak of this world, so why would he ally himself with others? Naive!' Yue Bo scoffed in his heart.

Hearing this, the Demon Empress became silent. She knew that what Yue Bo said was true. She had fought with Jiu Shen before and she knew that she had no chance of winning against him. That guy also asked her to become his gardener, so what Yue Bo said wasn't wrong.

In the end, Demon Empress Ganda sighed bitterly. "Once Wine Master Jiu Shen comes out of seclusion, I will discuss this with him. Thank you for your time, gentlemen. Farewell."

She then left right away, but before she could take a step down the stairway, she heard Theia's cold voice ringing beside her ears.

"The next time you come here, you must buy something first. Idling isn't allowed in this store. You've broken two rules already, but I won't ask for compensation since Yue Bo is with you. Leave."

Demon Empress Ganda stared at Theia's expressionless face for a short moment before she lightly bowed her head. She then left the lotus building without looking back.

Theia stared at Balmond and Yue Bo, making the two grown men unconsciously flinch. "You heard me, right? You can't bring people here just to talk. Leave."

She didn't even give them face, but the two men dared not utter a sound as they obediently left.

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Herald Lycan slowly descended before the iron gates of Poison Valley. He did not hide his aura, so he immediately attracted everyone's attention.

"Hahaha! Long time no see, Herald!" A middle-aged goat demon dressed in purple and black robes came out of the iron gates to greet him. This guy was the Valley Master of Poison Valley, Jiao Lei! He is an expert at the mid stage Void God Realm!

Herald Lycan stepped forward and cupped his fists towards the goat demon as he smiled. "It's good to see that you're doing well, my friend."

Valley Master Jiao Lei smiled, but his face suddenly turned stiff when he noticed the cultivation base of the werewolf demon in front of him. "Your cultivation..."

"Haha! I made a breakthrough just recently!" Herald Lycan proudly stated. Even so, he dared not act too excessively in the territory of Jiao Lei. This guy might be weaker than him in terms of cultivation, but his poison concoctions and poison arts could still threaten him!

Valley Master Jiao Lei warmly smiled as he said. "I'm sure that you're not just here to flaunt your recent breakthrough, Herald. Come. Let's talk inside my place."

Herald Lycan followed the Valley Master to his mansion while looking around the territory of Poison Valley. He was surprised when he noticed that the poison mist here had become stronger than his last visit. Even so, this amount of poison was nothing to the current him since he could just expel it out of his body using his true essence and anma.

"So you've noticed it, huh? Although I didn't achieve a breakthrough in my cultivation, I was able to discover a much stronger poison to upgrade the defense of our Poison Valley! Even Nascent God Realm experts would die in a few days if they don't have our antidote!" Valley Master Jiao wore a smug look when he saw the stunned Herald.

Herald Lycan felt a chill in his heart upon hearing this. Just the poison mist alone could actually kill Nascent God Realm experts in days if not treated?! That was absurd! Luckily, Valley Master Jiao was his long-time friend and comrade.. Making enemies with the Poison Valley was dangerous! He didn't even know how Narda Principality managed to repel these poison masters.

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"So what brings you here, Herald?" Valley Master Jiao smiled as he looked at the werewolf demon.

Herald Lycan put on a serious look as he began his pitch. "Old Jiao, everyone knows that your Poison Valley has been in conflict with Narda Principality for very long. However, the battle between the two superpowers has been at a stalemate. I have a proposal which would help you win against them."

Valley Master Jiao's smiling expression turned stern upon hearing his words. "You've made me curious, Herald. Alright. Tell me about your proposal."

Herald grinned as he said. "My Lycan Family is willing to help you fight against Narda Principality. Not just that... Our Lycan Family's long-time ally, the Torgrim Family has also expressed their desire to help the Poison Valley. We will also help you stabilize Narda Principality after you've conquered it."

Valley Master Jiao's eyes flashed with astonishment. This was a tempting proposal, but he knew that there was more to it. "This is indeed tempting, Herald, but I know that there is a catch. Just say it to me."

Herald's expression became grave as he replied with a righteous tone. "You've been busy dealing with the affairs of the Poison Valley and Narda Principality, so you might not know it. The absolute ruler of the Great Demon Empire, Demon Emperor Balmond has decided to pass the throne to his daughter, Princess Cornelia. However, my Lycan Family and the Torgrim Family are against her leadership! We believe that the Bloodfallen Family has become an incompetent leader! Thus, we decided to rebel against the Bloodfallen Imperial Family and nominate a new ruler! To do this, the strength of our two families alone wouldn't be enough. We need allies!"

Valley Master Jiao sneered in his heart when he saw the righteous look of the werewolf demon. However, he nodded his head as if he understood their plight. "I understand, but why should we help you? We can handle Narda Principality by ourselves."

The Valley Master was confident that they would eventually emerge as the final winner against Narda Principality. Though it might take time, at least they wouldn't have to join the war of others.

Hearing this, Herald put on a smile as he muttered. "What if I tell you that Narda Principality has allied with the Bloodfallen Family? Do you think your Poison Valley can handle them alone?"

Valley Master Jiao Lei frowned. 'So that's why Narda Principality has been pretty quiet in the last few weeks. They actually allied with the Bloodfallen Family in secret, but is Herald saying the truth?'

"Herald, do you have proof about this?" The Valley Master stared at the werewolf demon with a grave expression. If it was true, then defeating Narda Principality would be difficult!

"In truth, we've sent delegates to Narda Principality and signed an agreement to become their ally. We even sent them valuable resources to cement our alliance. We thought that everything would proceed smoothly. However, Narda Principality suddenly returned the items we've given them and they also revoked our agreement. This happened when they sent a delegate to the Bloodfallen Family. Is this proof enough, my friend?" Herald smiled at the goat demon.

Valley Master Jiao sighed with a look of defeat. "Fine! My Poison Valley will join your war against the Bloodfallen Family, but you have to make sure that the Lycan Family and the Torgrim Family will do as they promised!"

"Of course! I wouldn't dare renege against my words, Old Jiao. I will send my subordinates here to finalize our alliance. I hope you can bring your army to this location. The Lycan Family and the Torgrim Family have soldiers stationed there." Herald took out a map and pointed at an area near Morlon City. It was a mountainous region with no prominent family overseeing the place. It was the perfect place to hide their armies!

Looking at the location pointed in the map, Valley Master Jiao nodded his head. "Rest assured, Herald. I will bring an army of poison masters there soon."

Herald Lycan's eyes lit up as he stood up. "Great! It's a pleasure working with you, Old Jiao! I won't stay for long since I still have matters to do."

The werewolf demon soon left after shaking hands with the goat demon.

After Herald left, Valley Master Jiao chuckled to himself as he muttered. "It looks like I will be taking Narda Principality soon. Hahaha!"

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Meanwhile, Stormhoof Torgrim was now standing in front of an old and frail demon who was holding a thick old book.

"Good day, Elder Skull! We have met a long time ago, but I was still a junior at that time, so you might not know me. My name is Stormhoof Torgrim, the current leader of the Great Demon Empire's Torgrim Family." Stormhoof dared not act pretentiously in front of this old demon. This old guy was already famous in the Crimson Fiend Continent thousands of years ago. He rose to power without the help of anyone and he soon became an expert that everyone could only look up to. This old demon was the Necromancer Emperor!

Stormhoof was also stunned when he realized that he couldn't see through this old man's cultivation level. That means he was also a late stage Void God Realm expert or even higher!

'So this undying old demon has already reached this level! Hopefully, the wyvern corpse could move him...'

After discovering that the Necromancer Emperor was much stronger than he had anticipated, Stormhoof could only pray that the old demon would be interested in the Void God Realm wyvern corpse that he had in his possession.

"So you're the son of Markanen Torgrim. You do resemble him." The old demon's frail and soft voice echoed.

Stormhoof nodded his head with a smile. "Indeed. Is Elder Skull a friend of my father?"

The old demon stared deeply at Stormhoof and suddenly chuckled eerily as he muttered. "No. We are enemies."



"What?!" Stormhoof stood rooted on the ground.. He suddenly had an urge to leave this place.

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Stormhoof adjusted his posture so that he could flee if something goes wrong with the negotiations.

Elder Skull chuckled when he saw the wary look of the muscular demon. He then let out a sigh as he recalled a certain figure from his memories. "We are indeed enemies. He was even the reason why I've become a wanderer. Surpassing him was my lifelong dream, but I no longer have the hope to do that. Markanen Torgrim died during the continental war more than fifty thousand years ago. My dream was buried alongside his death. Now, I'm only an ordinary old man who is studying necromancy."

Stormhoof felt relieved in his heart when he realized that Elder Skull had no plans of attacking him. Although he was confident in his own skills, the old demon was giving him a dangerous vibe. He didn't dare think what would have happened if they ended up fighting.

"Whatever my father has done to Elder Skull, please allow me to apologize on his behalf." Stormhoof said carefully.

The old demon glanced at him with a smile, showing him two incomplete rows of blackened teeth. "I know you didn't come here just to say this. Just spit it out since I still have research to do."

Stormhoof quickly nodded his head as he wiped the sweat on his forehead. "In truth, I am here to ask for your assistance, Elder Skull."

Elder Skull frowned with a displeased look. "Do you think I wouldn't kill you just because you're Markanen's son!? Just spit everything out already!"

"Yes! Yes! Yes! I hope Elder Skull would help the Torgrim and the Lycan Family in usurping the throne from the Bloodfallen Imperial Family! In return, I will give you the corpse of a Void God Realm Fire Wyvern Overlord!" Stormhoof immediately said everything in his mind. Heck! This elder was too hot-blooded!

Hearing this, the murky eyes of the old demon suddenly flashed with a look of interest.

"You have the corpse of a Void God Realm Fire Wyvern Overlord?" Elder Skull stared at him doubtfully. This savage beast lives inside active volcanoes, and when it matures, it would reach the Void God Realm! Its corpse was a very attractive specimen to Necromancer like him!

Stormhoof nodded his head as he unhesitatingly took out the corpse of a huge dragon-like savage beast. A loud banging sound soon echoed in the surroundings when he dropped it on the ground.

This savage beast was more than a thousand meters long and its body was covered in red metal-like scales! Even in death, this creature still emitted a terrifying aura!

Elder Skull's eyes lit up when he saw the corpse. He then used his spiritual vision to scan it.

After three minutes, the old demon patted the corpse with his withered hand as he muttered. "This isn't just a simple Fire Wyvern Overlord. Although its outer appearance is in pristine condition, I noticed that its internal organs are severely damaged. This guy must've died from a high-level fist technique! When it was alive, this savage beast was at the peak stage of the Void God Realm... With your strength, you're not even capable of harming it, so this must have been given to you by Markanen Torgrim... Only that guy is strong enough to release such a high-level fist technique."

Stormhoof was stunned by the elder's deep insight. He was even able to recognize his father's fist aura that was lingering inside the beast's internal organs!

"That's right. This corpse was given to me by my father when I was young. He told me that I could use this corpse in crucial times. Initially, I planned to use it for my cultivation, but things suddenly went out of hand." Stormhoof sighed as he shook his head.

Elder Skull remained silent as he stared at the huge corpse in front of him. Stormhoof felt nervous as he waited at the side. If the old demon will steal it from him... that would be disastrous...

After a long while, Elder Skull turned his gaze to the anxious Stormhoof and opened his mouth. "I can help you, but I can't join personally."

Stormhoof's eyes lit up when he heard the first few words, but he then frowned when the elder continued. "Elder Skull, what do you mean?"

The old demon glared at him and scoffed. "Even if I can't go there, I can still send my most valued corpse puppet to help you with your war. Open your eyes and take a look yourself!"

The old demon then took out something huge from his space ring. It was a vicious-looking creature that seemed to be crafted from various savage beasts stitched together! This amalgamation of savagery emitted an overpowering aura of suppression that made Stormhoof's face turn grave.

Late stage Void God Realm!

This savage creature has an aura that was similar to his own!

"If you think that this isn't enough for the corpse of the Fire Wyvern Overlord, then I will add twenty thousand undead with cultivation bases between 6th-rank King and 9th-rank

Saint. What do you think?" Elder Skull smiled as he summoned a huge army of undead behind him. All of them were holding weapons and they emitted a dense deathly aura!

Stormhoof was shocked by the elder's offer. Although Elder Skull wouldn't fight in person, just the late stage Void God Realm chimera alone already made him happy. The addition of twenty thousand undead made him unable to contain his smile. "Elder Skull, this is enough! I'll accept this transaction!"

Elder Skull nodded his head calmly. "Good! But remember that I'm only letting you borrow them. Return them to me once your war is over."

Stormhoof was a bit disappointed, but he could only accept this. Although the Fire Wyvern Overlord's corpse was valuable, the treasure vault of the Bloodfallen Family could make up for his losses.

"You can rest assured, Elder Skull! I will bring them back after we take the throne!" Stormhoof patted his chest with a confident look. If Herald was also successful in his talks with the Poison Valley, their chances of winning is now higher! No! They would surely become the victor!

Just thinking about it made Stormhoof smile from ear to ear.

## Chapter 430: Jiu Shen, Return My Weapons!

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Within the Spirit World, Jiu Shen was seated cross-legged above the clouds with his eyes shut tight.

In front of him was the Heaven Trampling Cauldron.

At this moment, the cauldron emitted a draconic cry as a brilliant rainbow suddenly puffed out of the cauldron's opening.

Jiu Shen slowly opened his eyes. He then extended his hand towards the cauldron as he took the pills that were still covered in rainbow radiance. "Mystic Cloud Ascension Pellets, complete."

Jiu Shen smiled as he stared at the pills in his hand.

The Mystic Cloud Ascension Pellet was a type of pill that could increase the chances of breaking through the Mystic God Realm! With his True God Realm spiritual power, refining this pill was not difficult.

"Unfortunately, I can only make one batch of this pill since there is a lack of high-level ingredients in the Spirit World. Too bad..." He muttered to himself as he kept the pills inside his space earring.

"I've prepared everything now. It's time to go out and see what those little kids are doing..." He smiled as he summoned the door to exit the Spirit World.

He came out above the lotus building. It was still bustling and he could see many customers going in and out of the store.

Jiu Shen quickly scanned the lotus building with his spiritual perception.

"It looks like Yue Bo did a great job in teaching Balmond about gardening. I'll reward him later. Hmm, isn't that the little leader of Narda Principality? Is she perhaps looking for her weapons?" Jiu Shen chuckled as he spectated everyone through his spiritual vision. They didn't even notice that someone was watching them.

After observing everyone, Jiu Shen extended the range of his spiritual vision. He looked at the entire Great Demon Empire and then the vast Crimson Fiend Continent. Soon, his spiritual perception covered the whole of Nuar!

"I can now cover the entirety of Nuar with my spiritual perception." He saw many things in just a few seconds. This was the power of his True God Realm spiritual force!

When he observed Morlon City, he discovered that the city has new fortifications. Tens of thousands of demon soldiers were stationed in the city and there were even Nascent God Realm experts patrolling in every corner.

Seeing this, Jiu Shen revealed a look of interest. Although he didn't plan to join the coming war, he wouldn't allow his key subordinates to die prematurely. He still had plans for them and he needed them alive.

After that, Jiu Shen slowly descended on the garden, shocking the two figures who were weeding the garden with their hand hoes.

"Wine Master Jiu Shen!"

They exclaimed with wide eyes. They remembered that Jiu Shen told them that he might be gone for months or even years. From the looks of it, he came out of seclusion earlier than he planned! Did he succeed?

Yue Bo and Balmond couldn't help but feel a bit excited at the thought of it. If Wine Master Jiu Shen succeeded, how strong was he now?

Suddenly, a few figures came out of the lotus building.

A chubby white cat, a purple-haired man, a purple-haired beauty, a blonde wearing armor, and a few others.

All of them were looking at Jiu Shen with joyful smiles on their faces as they greeted him.



"Master!"

"Wine Master Jiu Shen!"

"Sect Master!"

But there was one voice that stood out among the rest.

"Jiu Shen, return my weapons!"

Everyone could not help but glance at the red-haired beauty. Although they couldn't see her expression since her face was covered by a veil, everyone could still sense the exasperation in her tone.

Demon Empress Ganda became anxious when she sensed everyone's gazes on her. 'Crap! I lost control of myself...'

Jiu Shen felt a bit embarrassed when he saw the pitiful Demon Empress Ganda. He coughed as he took out the two weapons from his space earring. "When we sparred, I noticed that your weapons' inscriptions are damaged, so I decided to bring them with me and see if I could repair them. If you want to get them. You can have them back..."

Of course, Jiu Shen was just lying. He didn't plan to repair her weapons at all! Not that he couldn't repair them, but he didn't have the necessary items to restore the weapons in their peak conditions. After all, these two were peak True God-rank weapons!

Hearing his words, Demon Empress Ganda was dumbstruck. Repair her weapons? According to her ancestors, those weapons were peak True God-rank weapons! That means only those True God-rank Blacksmiths could make them! Now, Jiu Shen is actually telling her that he wanted to see if he could repair them? Wait... Is it possible that he is telling the truth? If it's true, then his strength...

Demon Empress Ganda didn't dare think further. She feared that she might have a heart attack if she continued thinking about it.

Under everyone's watchful eyes, Demon Empress Ganda took her weapons from Jiu Shen's hands and immediately kept them inside her space ring. She was afraid that Jiu Shen might go back on his words if she hesitated longer.

"Alright. Since everyone is doing good, I'll go inside and rest now..." Jiu Shen smiled as he went inside the lotus building.

Theia walked towards him and followed Jiu Shen inside, leaving the rest standing rooted in their spots.

Demon Empress Ganda immediately left when she saw this opportunity. She didn't want to face everyone at this moment since she still felt a bit embarrassed about her outburst earlier.

Soon, the others also went inside the lotus building and only Balmond and Yue Bo were left behind in the garden.

"I think I've forgotten something." Balmond muttered with an absentminded look.

Yue Bo chuckled when he heard this. He then continued weeding the garden using his hand hoe as he said. "You mentioned earlier that you would beg Wine Master Jiu Shen to create suitable techniques for your subordinates once he comes out of seclusion."

"Oh, right! How did I forget that?!" Balmond dropped his hand hoe and went inside the lotus building.

Yue Bo laughed and shook his head as he looked at the scrambling Demon Emperor.