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Chapter 351: First Place! Record Broken!

[Single Elite Trial Tower Rankings Update! First Place Record Broken! Current First Place: Temporary Student—Su Ping. Location: Trial Area No. 21. Current Challenge: Wave 13!]

This voice resonated throughout the entire colossal Trial Tower. Except for the students still undergoing their trials, all the waiting students from Magic Capital Academy heard this announcement loud and clear.

Countless people were astonished, shocked, and utterly stunned.

The Elite Level—most of them had long surpassed it.

Those who came to this academy were all true prodigies. Their talent was naturally beyond question.

But precisely because of this, they knew all too well that the difficulty of the Elite Level Trial Tower was significantly higher compared to the Commander Level.

Moreover, due to their rapid progression in cultivation realms, many hadn't had the opportunity to attempt the Elite Tier repeatedly.

Given these circumstances, the sudden announcement caught everyone completely off guard.

What did they just hear?

The top spot for the Elite Level had changed hands?

Did that mean the twelfth-wave record, held by that monster from Magic Capital Academy, had finally been broken?

But how could this be possible?

Subconsciously, everyone rushed to the mechanical tower to check the live rankings. Sure enough, the name in the first position had changed to one that was completely unfamiliar.

Su Ping.

What caught everyone's attention even more, however, was the prefix attached to his name.

Not 'freshman' or 'sophomore,' but, damn it, 'Temporary Student.'

He might not even qualify as a student of Magic Capital Academy?

An outsider had broken Magic Capital Academy's number one ranking for the Elite Level single Pet Beast combat strength limit.

More importantly, this wasn't his limit, because right then, after his name, were the words: (Challenge in Progress).

This meant that this unknown individual who had suddenly appeared in Trial Area No. 21 was still continuing his challenge!

Instantly, countless students turned their heads to look. Trial Area No. 21 was located on the third floor.

At such a moment, it would be unthinkable for them not to want to see who this person was.

In fact, as soon as the news was confirmed, many immediately took out their phones and broadcast this explosive piece of news to their school groups, friends, and even on the campus forums!

[Ye Zhou's record has been broken! The top spot for Elite Level single Pet Beast has changed hands!]

This message spread almost instantly across the entire forum.

Undoubtedly, at that moment, everyone inside the Trial Tower had heard the announcement.

This naturally included the two roommates of Qin Xiaoxue, who were just as clever as she was, as well as Dong Muxuan and his companions.

Listening to the music and the announcement, Dong Muxuan, who was just about to swipe his card and queue up to re-enter the Trial Tower, froze in place.

His few friends beside him also halted.

Su Ping? That name?

They exchanged glances.

If their memory served them right, Dong Muxuan had seemingly asked those two senior girls about someone named Su Ping when he arrived.

And now, at this very moment, inside this Trial Tower, that name had appeared. In such a manner?

However, after clearly understanding what the announcement had actually said, they all swallowed hard.

One of them, a senior student surnamed Guo, couldn't help but ask, "Junior Dong, is the Su Ping you mentioned earlier this Su Ping?"

Dong Muxuan didn't speak, his eyes narrowing slightly.

A temporary student... Qin Xiaoxue and those two senior girls acting suspiciously... All of this clearly indicated that this Su Ping was the one he had been thinking of.

Because he had already inquired with Dong Muyun and received confirmation that Young Master Su had indeed arrived in Magic Capital.

Dong Muxuan let out a long breath.

He truly is worthy of being someone so highly valued by both my sister and the Dong Family. Truly worthy of being the fellow whom even Lord Sang Sheng didn't oppose interacting closely with Miss Qin. Just half a year after his awakening... in Magic Capital Beast Taming Academy, with only Elite Level strength, he broke the record left by that monster? How is this possible? And how did he even do it? One must understand, the challenge of the Elite Level trials isn't just about combat prowess. The most difficult part is managing residual energy after fighting for so long. The Elite Level is different from the Commander Level. Energy recovery for Elite Level Pet Beasts is far too slow, and their consumption is relatively high, making it difficult to sustain prolonged battles of attrition. Could it be that this fellow, with his special and mysterious background, possesses an unimaginably powerful Pet Beast cub? To achieve this, it would likely require a Spirit Saint Level Pet Beast cub, wouldn't it? But how could that be? Not to mention the value and rarity of a Spirit Saint Level Pet Beast cub, even if one possessed such a creature, could it truly accomplish this feat?

Dong Muxuan didn't know. He truly had no idea how Su Ping had accomplished it.

But at that moment, Dong Muxuan clearly lost all interest in continuing his own challenge. A smile touched the corners of his lips.

As his understanding of Su Ping deepened, his curiosity about this young man from Linzhou—barely a fellow townsman and two years his junior—didn't diminish in the slightest. Instead, it grew even more intense.

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So, after glancing at the people next to him, he smiled and suggested, "Fellow seniors, want to go see what the fuss is about?"

Such a commotion was naturally not to be missed.

They nodded, and soon, Dong Muxuan's face darkened.

Forget about the elevators going up and down the floors. Even at the staircase, countless figures were heading towards the third floor where Trial Chamber 21 was located.

Only then did Dong Muxuan realize.

Damn it, it wasn't just me who was interested; it seems everyone else is too!

And as the news spread, it seemed even more interested people had gathered outside the Trial Tower.

The young master of the Dong Family was squeezing through the crowd, trying to get to the third floor.

On the other side, however, two girls were much fiercer.

Ling Xiaoxiao and Lu Xiaolu blinked, initially a bit bewildered.

Initially, they felt the same as Qin Xiaoxue.

Am I hearing things?

Were we so eager to hear the name "Su Ping" that we hallucinated it?

Otherwise, how could we hear such an outrageous announcement?

Damn, what's happening here?

Wasn't the plan to watch the drama on the down-low?

Didn't we want to see what was really going on with Miss Qin and this guy named Su Ping?

How did his name blow up all of a sudden?

It blew up to the point where it confused both of us?

"Damn! Hurry to the third floor and see this prodigy! Who is this bigshot that just appeared, trying to blast through the Elite Level Trial Tower?"

"Cut the chatter and hurry up, or we'll miss out on the juicy details!"

"..."

"Miss out on the juicy details!"

That phrase snapped Ling Xiaoxiao and Lu Xiaolu back to reality.

Looking at each other once more, they saw the ferocity in the other's eyes.

Who dares compete with us for a juicy piece of gossip? We'll make sure whoever tries has nothing to munch on!

Instantly, the two senior girls unleashed their full potential, shoving aside groups of students on the stairs. Anyone running up was sent stumbling, and the two girls, with a few swift moves, rapidly made their way to the third floor of the Trial Tower.

There, at the entrance of Trial Chamber 21, the first room by the stairwell, they saw Qin Xiaoxue and the Dean.

Qin Xiaoxue shot the two a sideways glance, no longer in the mood to deal with her two "brilliant" roommates.

She was the one who took the longest to process it all.

Because when she arrived, she had already accepted the scenario laid out by her grandmother.

With Su Ping's strength, he would probably last until about the fifth wave, or if things went slightly better, the sixth wave at most.

But not even half an hour after accepting that premise, she was now being told it had to be completely rewritten.

That wretched boy she hadn't seen for half a year—not only was he an impressive Breeder, but now it seemed he was about to become an impressive Beast Tamer as well?

Damn it, who was she supposed to make sense of this with?

If it weren't for the strict rules that no one was allowed to interfere with the trial chamber, not even to secretly film it, she would really want to push the door open right now and see for herself what on earth was going on inside.

Meanwhile, Sang Sheng, the Dean, also had an odd expression on her face.

She looked towards Aunt Qin.

Clearly, she was beginning to doubt whether the information Aunt Qin had given her was flawed or incomplete.

Confronted with the Dean's gaze, Aunt Qin felt somewhat helpless. That boy had never shown his true Contracted Beast in front of me before!

However, facing the Dean's questioning look, Aunt Qin thought for a moment before saying, "The Wanmu Wolf that Su Ping cultivated is quite strong..."

The Dean was speechless. How could I not know that the Wanmu Wolf is strong? For me, if it had the potential to develop Super-Rank Skills, its future prospects would likely surpass even the Crown Wolf Emperor! But the problem is, the one inside isn't the Wanmu Wolf!

Nevertheless, the Dean was not in a hurry.

Indeed, others couldn't see what was happening inside.

But as the Dean, who possessed full authority over the entire academy, she would naturally be able to see everything when the time came.

It just wasn't the right time yet.

She walked out from the corridor seats near the entrance to Trial Chamber 21 and looked towards the dense crowd of figures bustling up the stairs, then said lightly, "Everyone, quiet down! Be courteous and avoid a stampede!"

It had to be said, although not many students had actually seen her in person, they knew a great deal about the Dean. Under the guidance of her Spirit Saint Level spiritual power, the crowd soon became orderly.

But no one had expected that this incident would even alert the Dean herself.

Where did this temporary student, this titan who seemingly sprang out of nowhere, actually come from?

Curiosity filled everyone's heart.

Meanwhile, Su Ping, the person who had attracted so much attention, still had no idea what was happening outside.

But for him, and for the little Paperman, the challenge of the Trial Tower seemed to finally be drawing to a close.

Even with the little Paperman's almost cheat-like racial Traits and Skills, its Energy was running low.

It had only lasted this long because, just recently, there had been another unexpected development.

At this moment, Qian Yi's Realm was Elite Tenth Stage!

Yes, Qian Yi, the little Paperman who hadn't completed the feedback upgrade from Su Ping's two absorptions in the Secret Realm, had actually achieved a promotion during these continuous battles.

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It had reached the true peak of the Elite Level!

Otherwise, Qian Yi would likely have fallen at the fourteenth wave.

This challenge was too preposterous.

And even after achieving a breakthrough and advancing, it was still very difficult right now!

Yes, this was the fifteenth wave!

It was also the last wave of the third stage.

But looking at what he was facing, let alone Qian Yi, even Su Ping felt like cursing.

He didn't understand how the Trial Tower managed to do it, how it simulated this thing?

Because what appeared before him was still a dragon!

Yes, the fifteenth wave, the final challenge after surpassing the eleventh wave, unlike previous waves, involved facing only a single Pet Beast.

Moreover, it was still a dragon.

Like the previous Western Ice Dragon, this one resembled a Western dragon as well.

Only, this was a Fire Dragon! Or rather, a Red Dragon.

Its species Level, compared to that Ice Dragon, wasn't much different; it was still at Emperor Peak.

But the problem was, this blasted thing was a Fire Dragon that had actually reached Commander Third Rank!

Yes, it was no longer a juvenile with Emperor Level racial potential but whose true Level was only at Elite Peak; this was a Commander Level juvenile.

And it had directly jumped to Commander Third Rank.

After seeing this creature, Su Ping even doubted if there were higher waves to come.

Could this Elite Level trial really be so aberrant?

Yes, Paperman had indeed killed a Commander Third Rank Steel Arm Ape before.

And it hadn't even used much energy.

It seemed to have killed it quite effortlessly.

But if someone claimed that a Steel Arm Ape was on par with a Fire Dragon of the same Level, Su Ping would definitely hammer them to death.

Still, even so, if Paperman were at its peak state, Su Ping might have a certain blind confidence in it.

Flame, although it was the Attribute most restraining to Paperman, and the dragon's race limit and Level strength were both higher, Su Ping still felt Paperman wouldn't necessarily lose completely.

But this was after nearly an hour of fierce battle!

Fourteen waves of combat, each harder and more preposterous than the last; its energy would have long been drained if not for a timely breakthrough.

Such a fight was too arduous and utterly unreasonable.

Paperman, however, continued to persist.

When it confronted this Fire Dragon, it attempted to directly activate its Sword of Fire, hoping to comprehend an entirely new Fire Swordsmanship Skill.

It was a pity that even for Paperman, a natural Sword Soul, consecutively achieving this feat was too difficult.

How could Swordsmanship be so easily comprehended?

And even if it were comprehended, facing that Red Dragon's overwhelming flames, it wouldn't be easy to turn the tables.

Regarding the Dragon Clan, Su Ping had also gained further understanding.

Indeed worthy of being called one of the most powerful species on Blue Star. Quite formidable.

The body of the Red Dragon was somewhat different from the Ice Dragon. Its fiery red scales seemed to be wreathed in flames.

Su Ping recalled flipping through some materials at the Breeder Association a while ago.

He had gained some understanding about these Western Dragon species.

He naturally understood that his earlier references to that "Ice Dragon" and now the "Fire Dragon" were incorrect.

Strictly speaking, the two that appeared inside the Trial Tower were a White Dragon and a Red Dragon.

Because only Western Dragons from the Dragon Clan that reached the Spirit Saint Level, and whose bodies were condensed through Elementalization, could be named 'Ice Dragon,' 'Fire Dragon,' 'Thunder Dragon,' or other such elemental epithets.

At the Emperor Level, they were named based on the color of their scales, like White Dragon, Red Dragon, Yellow Dragon, etc.

But undoubtedly, no matter what kind of dragon, the current situation was dire.

However, it wasn't without gain.

Previously, when Paperman fought against that White Dragon, Su Ping had considered some directions for Paperman's future Cultivation and Evolution.

And after seeing this Fire Dragon, Su Ping once again had more ideas.

These swords of Qian Yi could also be completely controlled by Qian Yi.

In Qian Yi's current situation, no other Skills were necessary.

It only needed to comprehend continuous Swordsmanship techniques.

And other energy manipulations, or even further Skills, could be perfectly integrated into Paperman's assembly.

For example, that flash of inspiration he'd had.

His favorite Skill, the family heirloom 'Heart of Wood,' which was the key to the true rise of the Heart of Woods power!

A lower-tier Skill of the Heart of Elements!

If he were to cultivate corresponding Skills on these ordinary Papermen, then use them to complete the formation for a Super-Rank Skill, all controlled by Paperman, wouldn't that mean Qian Yi could temporarily assemble some Super-Rank Skills in such a situation?

Su Ping felt that with the emergence of this idea, Paperman's future seemed much clearer at this moment.

At this moment, if another Sword of Ice and the remaining four Five Elements Swords were to gain Skills like 'Heart of Gold,' 'Heart of Fire,' etc., couldn't Qian Yi control them to temporarily combine them into the Super-Rank Skill 'Heart of Elements'?

It was difficult, preposterous, but not impossible!

While pondering, Su Ping watched the battle inside the arena.

And the final result was as expected.

Qian Yi was once again blasted away by flames. Within the virtual trial field, a cold voice finally rang out:

"Damage exceeds tolerance judgment, your trial has failed!"

"Final Wave: Fifteenth Wave, Persistence Time: 254.5 seconds, Total Trial Duration: 54 minutes and 27 seconds!"

"Temporary student Su Ping, you have set a new record for the current solo Elite Level trial, becoming first place in this trial! However, as you are not an official student of this institution, you are not eligible for academic credit rewards!"

Su Ping blinked, somewhat caught off guard.

This was first place?

Startled, he quickly ran over to check on Qian Yi's condition.

Fortunately, it had only completely exhausted its energy and was temporarily unconscious.

Su Ping took out an Energy Recovery Potion and fed it to Qian Yi, then placed it into the Beast Taming Space.

Thereafter, he walked out of the trial field's gate.

Then, at the end of the passage, he saw a large crowd of people.

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People. So many people. All kinds of people.

At this moment, Su Ping walked out from the trial ground. He didn't feel like a person, but rather like a rare and scarce Pet Beast, surrounded and watched in a cage. In fact, Su Ping's thought wasn't far off. For those figures circling outside, the sight of the emerging figure was indeed rarer than pandas from his previous life.

What normal person could reach the fifteenth wave in the Elite Tier?! Since the establishment of Magic Capital Academy, and after the appearance of the Trial Tower, they had never heard of such a thing.

Most importantly, for those standing at the front of the crowd who first saw the figure walk out, there was only one overriding sentiment: This was indeed not human!

If the one who emerged had been a twenty-something, or even under thirty—a Beast Tamer immersed in the Elite Tier for who knows how many years—perhaps they could have felt a bit more balanced. They could have told themselves that the person coming out was simply older, but his meditation and spiritual power Talent were far from adequate.

But the figure that emerged, at first glance, looked even younger than all of them. Those tender yet handsome cheeks and that surprised, bewildered gaze made many recall their own eighteenth year. It was just that, at eighteen, they were still cheering about contracting a suitable Pet Beast or thrilled over a Level promotion. Some were even excited about finally holding the hand of the one they admired.

However, this young fellow, who had popped up from who knows where, had, at this age, casually broken Magic Capital Academy's long-held record.

Even Lu Xiaolu and Ling Xiaoxiao felt the same way. Glancing at each other, they saw the shock in each other's eyes. They hadn't expected Miss Qin to actually like younger men!

However, they had to admit that with Su Ping creating such a sensation on his first visit to Magic Capital Academy, he truly deserved Miss Qin's favor. But just as everyone wanted to take another look, a blur of spatial distortion rippled again. The figure of Su Ping, who had just emerged, vanished from the spot.

"Damn, where did he go?"

"Why did he leave?"

"Bro, I haven't even seen what this Fairy looks like yet!"

The fading spatial distortion stirred a commotion among the crowd.

It wasn't just them who were dumbfounded; Su Ping, in fact, was also somewhat perplexed and didn't react in time. Are spatial-class Pet Beasts that common?

He looked ahead, and sure enough, the mechanical passage had vanished. The distant sunset and swaying willow branches indicated he had left the Trial Tower.

In the distance, a figure, seemingly sensing its little master's return, ran over quickly, wagging its not-so-long tail. Old Sha.

This meant the place was Sang Sheng's residence. After all, they had sent Old Sha here first before circling Magic Capital Academy. That being the case...

Sure enough, Su Ping looked toward another area of spatial fluctuation. Three figures reemerged alongside him.

The woman's gaze was fixed unwaveringly on Su Ping. Strictly speaking, this was their first true meeting. But in fact, the woman had seen Su Ping several times before in various videos. This time, however, she felt as if she were truly seeing the young man before her for the first time.

The appearance of this young man had even caused her judgment to falter. Her confident prediction that he would clear five or six waves had proven to have some discrepancies. No, not 'some.' If the difference between the fifth and fifteenth waves could be considered 'some discrepancy,' then there would be no such thing as significant data errors in this world.

However, the woman wasn't the least bit annoyed. Instead, she watched Su Ping intently, her gaze so heated that Su Ping himself felt somewhat constrained. She truly couldn't wait to see how many more unexpected surprises this young man had up his sleeve.

Facing the three, Su Ping, as a junior, still observed proper etiquette. After regaining his composure, he hurriedly said, "Greetings, Elder Sang Sheng!"

He paid his respects and then took out a small box. It was rather awkward; Dong Muyun had arranged this for him, using Tianyun Group's resources. It was a box of precious Monarch Level tea leaves.

Although this item was insignificant to the woman before him, the sentiment behind a gift to an elder, especially one of her status, was what mattered. As expected, a faint smile touched the woman's lips. She took the box, glanced at it, and said with a smile, "You share Old Qin's taste. If you enjoy tea, I'll send you some Enlightened Ancient Tea when it's next harvested."

Su Ping's eyes lit up. "In that case, I shall respectfully accept your offer!"

He loved drinking tea, especially varieties like Enlightened Ancient Tea. He'd hardly had the heart to drink much of the small amount Qin Xiaoxue had given him. Then, when Su Anyong returned, he had somehow found it and filched it all.

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Every time Su Ping thought about it, he felt so annoyed that it made his teeth itch.

Su Anyong had something to say, "After drinking it once, the effect of enhancing meditation is there. Drinking it after that doesn't make much of a difference."

However, Su Ping's smile froze slightly when he noticed Aunt Qin nearby.

Aunt Qin looked at Su Ping somewhat mockingly. Like drinking tea? This guy, out of three people drinking tea on the Cloud Soarer, was the only one drinking cola?

But of course, she wouldn't point out such a trivial matter at this time.

Sang Sheng obviously wouldn't mind these things either.

Her cheeks showed no signs of aging, but they always carried an indescribable sense of vicissitude. Her demeanor, however, seemed quite youthful. Just by getting a bit closer, one could feel that vibrant energy.

This feeling was the exact opposite of Leng Ye's when they first met.

Leng Ye looked incredibly handsome; even when compared to Su Ping's age, he didn't look much older. But his aura gave off an extremely aged feeling, as if he were a decaying living being on the verge of collapse.

Are beings who have reached this Realm always so bizarre? Su Ping didn't know; after all, he had only met two beings at this level so far.

The woman didn't seem to mind Su Ping's gaze. She shifted her focus for a moment to Old Sha standing beside Su Ping.

Old Sha had been standing tall and proud. It had been brought by the young master and couldn't embarrass him. It also represented Heart of Woods.

It had seen Qin Xiaoxue when she first came to Heart of Woods. It didn't know much about Qin Xiaoxue, but it was familiar with Miss Qin's Woodhead.

At the beginning, Woodhead was extremely arrogant, not taking any of the Forest Wolves of Heart of Woods seriously, even though Old Sha later taught Woodhead to act humbly like a wolf.

However, Old Sha knew that the one it was meeting this time was a member of Miss Qin's family. So, as family, it naturally had to uphold its dignity!

Old Sha tried to stand up straight. It was faced with the woman's probing gaze and a profoundly oppressive aura that it found utterly terrifying, like an abyss or a prison.

The woman gave a slight smile, reached out her hand, and patted Old Sha's head, especially the Y-shaped antlers on top. After feeling the soft touch, she nodded in satisfaction.

Facing this humiliation, Old Sha became angry. Its head, its horns, were they just for anyone to touch? Only the young master could touch them!

However, before Old Sha could erupt in rage, the woman then took something out of her hand and presented it to Old Sha.

After that, Old Sha's upright spine, its proud dignity, and its raised head and angry gaze all vanished. Instead, there were a fawning smile and a sticking-out tongue.

Wow, a Monarch Level Dragon Eye Fruit! This must be the most luxurious tree fruit, right?

Under Su Ping's disdainful gaze, Old Sha closed its eyes in pleasure under the woman's petting and swallowed the Dragon Eye Fruit in one gulp, making an expression of contented enjoyment.

"Is this Forest Wolf's Evolutionary Body the Wanmu Wolf?" the woman asked with interest, already knowing the answer.

But soon, her eyes narrowed slightly. There was something extremely special about Old Sha's aura; she had a sudden realization.

It was indeed true! Old Qin was not wrong.

It wasn't just the woman who was curious about Old Sha. Qin Xiaoxue also looked at Old Sha with interest. She then finally stepped forward, slapping her hand on Su Ping's shoulder. "You, I haven't seen you in half a year, and you've become so impressive! Also, have you made a fortune cultivating Pet Beasts? Tell me, tell me, what's really going on inside the Trial Tower?"

Feeling helpless, Su Ping shrugged his shoulders. Miss Qin was still as casual as before after half a year.

But actually, her question also caused the woman to shift her gaze from Old Sha to Su Ping. She stopped staring at Old Sha with interest and looked at Su Ping instead. But at this moment, Aunt Qin reacted, "Xiao Xue, let's go inside and talk."

Nodding his head, Su Ping finally entered the Dean's house.

"Come on, Ye Zhou's record has been broken by you! Has Xiao Qing really grown that much?"

Qin Xiaoxue of course knew about Xiao Qing.

Su Ping shook his head. "Not Xiao Qing. It's my second Pet Beast."

"Second Pet Beast?"

All three were stunned.

This implied that the Pet Beast was contracted by Su Ping after he reached the Elite Tier. Consequently, he had less time to train it, substantially reducing the already compressed time. A few months to cultivate a Pet Beast and break through the fifteenth level of the Trial Tower?

The woman became interested. "Is it your Undead Pet Beast? What kind of Undead Pet Beast is so powerful?"

"It's the Paperman."

Su Ping gave a slight smile, then rightfully enjoyed the astonishment of the three.

"Paperman? The shame of the Necromancy Series?"

This moniker, 'the shame of the Necromancy Series,' was too well-known!

However, if he were dealing with others, Su Ping would still hide some of the Paperman's secrets. But in front of this person, he could reveal a bit more. He also had another reason: Su Ping believed she had

the means to witness the battle in the Trial Tower, so it was better to be frank. "Senior, what I've just told you has so far only been disclosed to you few. Aside from this, no one else knows!"

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Seeing Su Ping's serious expression, even the woman slightly raised her eyebrows as if she had realized something. She then glanced at the two people beside her.

"Ah Qin, go get the video from Trial Tower No. 21. At the same time, delete all video records using my authority!"

"Yes!" Aunt Qin had no intention of listening to the ensuing conversation and quickly left, heading back to the Trial Tower.

Qin Xiaoxue even made to stand up, but Su Ping quickly said, "No need, Miss Qin is one of us."

Qin Xiaoxue first glared at him, clearly dissatisfied with his unchanging way of addressing her. However, the corners of her mouth turned up, revealing her true thoughts.

The woman also smiled faintly. "Now you can talk," she said.

Su Ping's expression became serious again. "My Paperman is a mutant Paperman. It's a special kind of mutant, created in the Secret Realm left by Fengdu Sword King Yu Liangqing using two Spiritual Level Resources: Soul Seed and Sword Intent Origin!"

"Uh..." Both listeners were stunned. It was understandable; Spiritual Level Resources—the revelation was too astounding. However, that clearly wasn't the most important part. The truly explosive information was yet to come.

"Following my contract with the Little Paper Man, I have discovered some characteristics of the Paperman and also developed several brand new evolutions for it!"

Silence descended. The air in the room grew extremely quiet. Qin Xiaoxue wasn't deeply impacted. Indeed, brand new Evolutionary Bodies were significant and attention-grabbing. However, for the many Pet Beasts of the Dragon Nation, they might not seem so extraordinary.

But at this moment, Sang Sheng pressed her lips together. She looked at Su Ping with a complex expression for a long time before asking, "These so-called several Paperman Evolutionary Bodies, do they have potential for further evolution?"

She emphasized the word 'several.' This question was the most important. If it was just an Evolutionary Body similar to the armor-like Paperman, then such an evolution pathway would have no meaning, because the Evolutionary Body of a worthless creature wouldn't catch anyone's attention.

Yet, Su Ping firmly nodded. "I can confirm that not only do they have the potential to evolve further, but their potential is so great that it exceeds any other Pet Beast Evolutionary Bodies I have seen!"

Sang Sheng was a bit perplexed.

Any Evolutionary Body? she thought. She didn't quite understand. Greater potential than Evolutionary Bodies like the Wanmu Wolf, which can nurture Super-Rank Skills? What kind of Evolutionary Body would that be?

Seeming to sense her confusion, Su Ping smiled and began, "This type of evolution requires—"

"Stop!" Just as Su Ping was about to speak, the woman abruptly interrupted him, her voice stern.

She looked seriously at Su Ping. "Su Ping, this is your cultivation achievement. Until you've made it public, there's no need to disclose everything to others!"

Su Ping was startled; he hadn't expected Sang Sheng to speak this way. He trusted her. After all, with Leng Ye backing him, he could indeed handle many things more boldly than before.

In fact, the future evolution of the Paperman was bound to be made public. As the Little Paper Man fought in front of others, more and more people would notice the truth. And Su Ping had no intention of

keeping it a secret, because the more people researched the Paperman, the more patchwork combinations could be developed. Consequently, the future potential of the Paperman would be even greater.

As someone who had truly cultivated, developed, and researched this Pet Beast type from scratch, Su Ping could relate to the feelings his grandfather, Su Zhongguang, had for the Forest Wolf. He genuinely hoped the Paperman would become better and better, not only to shed the title 'Shame of the Necromancy System' but also to become the 'Strongest of the Necromancy System'! After all, this was a relatively special Pet Beast, capable of unleashing infinite potential.

Noticing Su Ping's thoughts, the woman before him let out a slight sigh and, out of the blue, asked, "Xiao Ping, would you like to study at Magic Capital Academy?"

"Ah?" Su Ping was taken aback. Qin Xiaoxue, by his side, was also stunned. Then, Miss Qin looked at Su Ping expectantly.

But soon, much to Miss Qin's disappointment, Su Ping shook his head. "Senior Sang Sheng, I would indeed like to return to campus, and I also really like the environment at Magic Capital Academy. However, I still have family businesses to attend to, and with my father not around, I can't leave them unmanaged."

The woman smiled, not minding his refusal. For a genius like Su Ping, it wasn't that he needed the academy; the academy needed him.

Such research results were beyond what the woman could have ever dared to imagine. The Paperman was a basic Pet Beast, thoroughly researched within the Necromancy System, yet this young man claimed he had cultivated an unprecedented Evolutionary Body for it. And the potential of this Evolutionary Body, along with its room for growth, was vast beyond imagination.

Naturally, these achievements belonged to Su Ping. However, if he could later be associated with Magic Capital Academy as a student, the benefits to the academy would also be immense. Of course, all this was based on the assumption that the Paperman could truly achieve the effects Su Ping described.

Su Ping was indeed not lying; he was very interested in Magic Capital Academy. However, only at his Heart of Woods could he freely interact with many species of Pet Beasts, enabling him to utilize the

Myriad Spirit Beast Atlas to its fullest potential. He might be able to do the same at the academy, but it would not offer the same freedom. He didn't particularly lack rare resources now, so there was no need to go to such trouble.

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Sang Sheng once again spoke up,

"Xiao Ping, you've come to Magic Capital this time mainly to participate in this year's Breeding Competition, right? Are you going to reveal the Evolution of the Paperman in the competition?"

Su Ping scratched his head. If possible, it wasn't really a big deal to reveal it now.

Even if it were next year, Su Ping believed that he would still have other additional research results to compete in the Breeder Competition.

However, the matter with the Special Beast Taming Forces made him reluctant to expose it too soon.

So, facing Sang Sheng's question, Su Ping shook his head,

"This year's Breeding Competition is mainly for the Wanmu Wolf to compete!"

"Oh?"

The lady smiled faintly, a gleam flickering in her eyes.

Then, the lady said with a smile,

"It seems you have quite the confidence in that Wanmu Wolf! But that's reasonable. After all... In this case, you should pay extra attention to Xiao Xue's Woodhead evolving into the Crown Wolf Emperor."

"Even if you hadn't mentioned it, I would have. To tell you the truth, I'm also very interested in the Evolution of the Crown Wolf Emperor."

He wasn't lying. He was truly filled with curiosity about the known highest Evolutionary Body of the Forest Wolf, which was also the only Emperor Level Evolution.

The woman looked more and more pleased with the poised young man before her. Suddenly, she offered,

"Su Ping, how about taking a position as a Guest Elder Professor in the Cultivation Department of Magic Capital Academy?"

"Ah?"

"Ah?"

Not only was Su Ping surprised, but even Qin Xiaoxue, who was next to him, also let out an exclamation and looked at the lady.

Su Ping blinked. Could that really be possible? Damn, could one go directly from being a student to being a teacher?

Seeing their stunned expressions, the lady chuckled,

"What's wrong? Little guy, you've cultivated a brand new Evolutionary Body of the Forest Wolf, and this Evolution involved the Cultivation of a Super-Rank Skill! This is already bordering on the level of a Breeding Master! Not to mention the Paperman's Cultivation Evolution, which remains unknown. The Magic Potions you created in Linzhou also qualify you for the position of Guest Elder Professor in the Cultivation Department. With these achievements, even if you aren't a Breeding Master, being a Senior Breeder is almost guaranteed. It's just a bit rushed, and you might be criticized by some folks."

Su Ping's eyelids twitched. He hadn't paid any attention to what the woman was saying. Instead, he was focused on one point: the Magic Potions created in Linzhou? Although he hadn't hidden it, it was clear

that she had taken a considerable interest in him. And since she knew this much, she obviously also knew that these items were developed in cooperation with Dong Muyun. What was with this inexplicable feeling of guilt?

However, it seemed the lady didn't care about Su Ping's reaction and spoke as if on a whim,

"Alright, this isn't something to be rushed. I got a bit greedy there. Don't take it to heart."

In response to this, Su Ping could only smile awkwardly and promptly steered the conversation in a different direction,

"Senior, may I take a look at the Evolution Cultivation Method for the Crown Wolf Emperor in advance?"

The lady nodded. "Of course, it's with Xiao Xue. You two can talk about it on your own. I'm going to meditate for a while, and then we'll have dinner together at seven."

With that, she went upstairs.

Only Su Ping and Qin Xiaoxue remained in the living room.

When they were alone, Qin Xiaoxue lost her erstwhile jovial demeanor. After a few seconds of silence, she took out a roll of parchment from her Beast Taming Space,

"Here, this is the Evolution Cultivation Method for the Crown Wolf Emperor!"

Su Ping didn't stand on ceremony. His very purpose in coming here was for this.

Previously, he had wanted to witness Woodhead's Evolution firsthand and gain some Catalogue Experience. But now, he wasn't short of experience and was purely interested in obtaining the Evolution Cultivation Method for the Crown Wolf Emperor.

Clutching the parchment with excitement, Su Ping slowly unrolled it. The ultimate Evolutionary Body of the Forest Wolf finally lay before his eyes.

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The woman who had reached the upper floor naturally did not engage in meditation. Instead, she looked toward Aunt Qin, who had returned at some unknown time, and the small black film negative she held in her hand.

The woman took the film negative, nodded, and then sat down on the sofa, exhaling a long breath.

Aunt Qin thought for a moment and said, "Young Master Su is truly impressive."

The woman smiled and replied, "That's only natural. Xiao Xue's judgment follows mine."

Aunt Qin pursed her lips slightly, neither agreeing nor disagreeing, and then she withdrew, disappearing from the room.

At this moment, however, the woman seemed somewhat distracted. In front of Su Ping, she, as an elder, had to be cautious with her behavior. But now, without others around, the shock that had not yet fully subsided began to slowly spread from the depths of her heart.

The Wanmu Wolf—the Forest Wolf's brand new Evolutionary Body. This represented a Senior Breeder specializing in Forest Wolves. Although it was for a single Pet Beast, to have achieved this at such a young age was indeed impressive. However, this Evolutionary Body of the Forest Wolf was still in the stage of awakening a Super-Rank Skill, which was even more outrageous. While the cultivation of Super-Rank Skills is only one of the criteria for a Breeding Master, it is definitely the most difficult standard.

And this youngster had managed to do it in one fell swoop?

And that wasn't all—the new Evolutionary Body of the Paperman?

An Elite Level creature had broken into the fifteenth floor of the Trial Tower!

Was there anything he couldn't do?

This was also why she had lost her composure just now. Right after her failed attempt to invite Su Ping to become a student of Magic Capital Academy, she had inexplicably continued with her invitation for him to become a so-called Guest Elder Professor.

Guest Elder Professors are not responsible for teaching students. Such professors in the Cultivation Department could enjoy the support of Magic Capital Academy, but the academy would have naming rights and other benefits to the results of their research. At the same time, they could select some researchers and utilize research resources. It was a binding tie between the academy and the field of Cultivation. Su Ping's Talent and research results were too enticing. She had almost let herself get carried away.

But fortunately, she had pulled back at the edge of the cliff. Although it indeed was a mutually beneficial proposition, making such a proposal after learning about Su Ping's results with the Paperman certainly carried the risk of appearing too purpose-driven.

Moreover, the woman also wanted to see if this little Paperman's Evolutionary Body was truly as miraculous as he had claimed.

Thinking this, the woman looked down at the video film in her hand, thought for a bit, and then inserted it into the mechanical player. It was obviously impossible not to be curious about such things, especially since the protagonist of this recording was a Pet Beast dubbed the disgrace of the Necromancy Series.

The film entered the mechanical player. A holographic screen lit up. She, as the dean, naturally had absolute authority to watch everything in the Trial Tower.

What appeared before her eyes was indeed a very peculiar Paperman.

A Swordsman?

Even as someone who had seen countless bizarre Pet Beasts, the woman was momentarily startled. She clearly hadn't grasped it yet. But soon, her attention was drawn back again.

ZZZAP!

That flash of lightning streaked by, so swift. The Swordsmanship, at the Elite Level, was so dazzling that she even found it impressive. Perhaps what she found slightly hard to understand was why the odd little Paperman, after each battle, would steady its conical hat and look up at the sky.

Is this some kind of habit?

And what about those enigmatic, mournful CRIES?

Unfortunately, the video content didn't include the effects of Telepathic Communication. Otherwise, if she could have heard this little Paperman's sigh of a 'Lonely Expert,' the woman definitely would not have been so dazzled.

However, the more she watched, the more shocked the woman became. From the first to the tenth wave, she saw four different Attributes of Energy change within the little Paperman: Metal Element, Thunder Element, Fire Element, and Wind System. Metal was the foundation; in her view, the sword held such power because of the Metal Element's sharpness and sturdiness. The changes in the other three Attributes were derivations for its combination sword techniques.

But even that was already preposterous!

How was this achieved?

Even she was momentarily baffled.

Why would there be so many derived Attribute changes on a single Undead Pet Beast?

This is illogical!

Moreover, this little Paperman was too skilled at manipulating these Attribute Energies. Especially at the eleventh wave. When facing the Divine Wind Sparrow, the Paperman's control of the Wind System went from almost non-existent to complete mastery, even managing to surpass and suppress its opponent in Energy manipulation! The Talent this represented was unimaginable.

However, in this mutated Paperman, she saw none of the traits of an ordinary Paperman. This mutated Paperman was purely powerful on its own, possessing horrifying Talent, invincible combat awareness and adaptive reactions, plus an indomitable will. This was a Pet Beast born for battle. And she also realized that this was a Paperman that had already completed its Evolution!

The woman did not notice anything special about the three swords. This was normal. If she had been watching on the spot, with her Psychic Perception, she might have felt that within those three swords, there was also a strange and independent Energy reserve.

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But just watching the recording, without the true sensation of power fluctuations, what she saw was only Qian Yi's impressive display with his long sword.

Finally, under the attack of that Fire Dragon, the recording ended.

It was then that the woman finally took a deep breath. Incredible!

Even now, she couldn't understand how such a bizarre little Paperman had been cultivated.

Could it be that using two Spirit Saint Level resources to induce a mutation in the Paperman was the correct way to evolve it?

But wasn't that cost too great?

But what exactly was going on? What did that little guy mean by the Evolution of the Paperman!

Damn it! The woman regretted it.

Why had she instinctively stopped Su Ping from elucidating, leaving her for the first time ever with an itching curiosity that was nagging at her?

「Meanwhile, Su Ping was clearly unaware of Lord Sang Sheng's feelings of regret.」

He sat on the sofa downstairs, his gaze slightly concentrated, looking at the thing in front of him.

The parchment was made of a special material, well-preserved, with clear and evident handwriting, and very meticulously written.

Su Ping finally got to see the content of this item.

At the very beginning of the parchment was the introduction of the Crown Wolf Emperor:

"Crown Wolf Emperor—the King of the Forest"

"The strongest Evolutionary Body of the Forest Wolf discovered, it is a king with command over all the powers of the forest. It also possesses tremendous vitality and is a versatile Pet Beast in terms of functionality."

Commanding all the powers of the forest? So it's an even greater control over Wood Element powers, right?

As an Evolutionary Body with similar tendencies, the Crown Wolf Emperor's abilities could naturally overlap with those of the Wanmu Wolf in certain aspects.

Su Ping blinked and, without much concern, he continued reading:

[First (Preparation) Stage 1: The Level of the Forest Wolf must break through the racial limit and reach above Commander Level. At the same time, the Skills mastered by the Forest Wolf, including Racial

Skills, need to total eight or more. Furthermore, the age of the Forest Wolf must not exceed three years.]

[First (Preparation) Stage 2: Procure in advance Emperor Level resource 'Thorny Crown,' Emperor Level resource 'Essence of Nature,' special Monarch class resource 'Polyhedral Mirror,' Monarch Level resource 'Seed of Life' x4, 'Star Moon Dandelion', ...]

(Note 1: Thorny Crown, an Emperor Level Wood Element resource material, born atop the head of the Emperor Level Wood Element peak Pet Beast 'Thorn Queen.' It is the symbol of the Thorn Queen's authority and also a source of its power. Any being wearing the Thorny Crown would have its control and perception of Wood Element powers within a certain range significantly enhanced.)

(Note 2: Polyhedral Mirror, a special resource of Emperor Level, is the refracted arc light shed from the surface of the Emperor Level artifact type Pet Beast 'Mirror of Refraction.' It has the special effect of reflecting multiple images. Under certain conditions, it can amplify a Beast Tamer's Talented Ability 'Mirror Heaven Reflection.')

(Note 3: Star Moon Dandelion...)

(...)

Su Ping let out a slight breath as he regarded the dense first stage of Evolution, or rather the prerequisite conditions for the preparatory phase before true Evolution, and couldn't help but feel amazed.

It truly deserved to be a terrifying leap directly from Elite Level Racial Potential to Emperor Level.

The rigorous Pet Beast requirements of the preparatory stage and the vast and precious resources needed surpassed his imagination.

The Pet Beast's age could not exceed three years, yet it needed to surpass the racial limits and reach Commander Level. How difficult was that? And these were only the beginning.

Su Ping shook his head as he looked towards the actual Cultivation stage that followed:

[Second Stage: The Forest Wolf must wear the Emperor Level material resource 'Thorny Crown' every day for thirty days. After thirty days, the Forest Wolf will completely merge and connect with the Thorny Crown, becoming the Coronet-Wearing Wolf. The second stage ends.]

[Note: For the first ten days, it must be worn for six hours daily. During this time, the Forest Wolf must not move rashly and needs to feel the power of the Thorny Crown.

For the middle ten days, it must be worn for twelve hours daily. During this period, the Forest Wolf needs to continuously stimulate Wood Energy, controlling the power of the Thorny Crown.

In the final ten days, it must be worn for twenty-four hours daily. There is little need for excessive intervention with its power; the Forest Wolf just needs to fully adapt to wearing the Thorny Crown.]

(The duration may vary significantly according to the innate Talent of the Forest Wolf, so please pay attention to observation and adjustments.)

This stage isn't particularly difficult. It's just a bit time-consuming; wearing the Thorny Crown for thirty days is considered a long period in any Pet Beast's Cultivation and Evolution process.

Of course, for the Crown Wolf Emperor, this stage should be about the Forest Wolf achieving further control over Wood Attribute power and reaching the peak control of the power of the Thorny Crown. It's reasonable that the transformation of Wood Element power and the integration process would take a bit longer.

Su Ping estimated that Qin Xiaoxue had called him over now because her Woodhead should be in the latter part of this stage.

Thinking of this, Su Ping continued to read on.

[Third Stage: After becoming the Coronet-Wearing Wolf, the Forest Wolf stands before the Polyhedral Mirror. The Breeder must use spiritual power to stimulate the Polyhedral Mirror, causing it to reflect four additional phantasmal projections.

Simultaneously, four Seeds of Life must be placed inside the bodies of the four Coronet-Wearing Wolves. The Breeder must consume the maternal Star Moon Dandelion, integrating it into their own being, while the Star Moon Dandelion's offshoots are fed to the four projections.

After maintaining this for 12 hours, the Forest Wolf's main body will retrieve the offshoot Star Moon Dandelions and the Seeds of Life from within the four projections. Meanwhile, the Polyhedral Mirror's projection will recondense the four projections back onto the Forest Wolf's main body. Finally, the Origin of the Mirror is bestowed upon the Forest Wolf, ending the third stage.]

(Note: This stage requires a Beast Tamer with a very high Realm in manipulating the Polyhedral Mirror! During the twelve hours of continuous projection by the Polyhedral Mirror, there must not be any interruption. If there's even a single instant of fluctuation in the projections, the four Seeds of Life and the offshoot Star Moon Dandelions lose all effectiveness. Additionally, the Forest Wolf must expel (discharge) the maternal Star Moon Dandelion before the third stage can be restarted.)

Damn!? Su Ping couldn't help but be astonished while reading about this third stage, and he was beginning to understand, through a glimpse of the process, in what aspects the powers of the Crown Wolf Emperor could possibly manifest!

At the same time, he also had some understanding and guesses about the Evolutionary Body of the Crown Wolf Emperor.

However, this third stage is indeed outrageous; maintaining the projections of the Polyhedral Mirror for twelve consecutive hours without any mistakes poses an unimaginable test for the spiritual power control of a Beast Tamer.

Even for a Monarch Level Beastmaster, to achieve such Cultivation control is an extremely difficult task.

The Crown Wolf Emperor truly isn't something an ordinary person could handle. The consumption of a large amount of resources is one aspect, and such manpower conditions are also necessary.

With Su Ping's sighs, the Evolution of the Crown Wolf Emperor finally reached the fourth stage. This was also the last stage of this ultimate Evolution.

[Fourth (Final) Stage: The Forest Wolf must use the Origin of the Mirror and the Star Moon Dandelion, relying on its own complete ability to differentiate into four projections.

Afterward, these four projections must respectively consume 'Thousand-Year Tree Heart,' 'Essence Honey,' 'Red Jade Pomegranate,' and 'Immortal Root.'

Simultaneously, the Forest Wolf must stimulate the power of the resource 'Essence of Nature' within itself, allowing the Essence of Nature to envelop its main body and all projections. Digestion of these resources then initiates Evolution.]

(Note: The resources used by the projections in this stage can be partly interchanged, as long as they are roughly the same type with equivalent attributes.)

Su Ping took a long breath out. As expected, the powers of the Crown Wolf Emperor, besides control over the Wood Element, seem to be related to such unique phantasmal projections?

Such a Cultivation method could potentially be paired with Skills that create clones? He fell into deep thought.

However, before Su Ping could ponder further, just as he had expected, the Myriad Spirit Beast Atlas in his soul began to slowly turn again under these circumstances. That very familiar Forest Wolf Catalog revealed its radiance once more.

Then, a familiar prompt appeared from this Catalog:

[Discovery of a special evolutionary route for 'Forest Wolf': Crown Wolf Emperor.]

[You can spend 3,500 Catalogue Experience to improve and strengthen this evolutionary route. Do you wish to spend it?]

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"Would you like to consume?"

Feeling the feedback from the Myriad Spirit Beast Atlas, Su Ping's expression grew slightly focused.

Truth be told, the Catalog Experience required for this seems quite low from my current perspective. After all, researching Xiao Qing's mutation initially required a full 50,000 Experience Points—though now it only needs 40,000. But for an Emperor Level evolutionary body like the Crown Wolf Emperor, further perfection only requires 3,500 Catalog Experience. Granted, that's the total experience needed to level the Catalog from Lv. 1 all the way to Lv. 3. However, my Forest Wolf Catalog already has nearly 20,000 Experience Points and is approaching Lv. 4. Considering that, 3,500 really isn't much.

However, I can understand. Perfecting the Wanmu Wolf back then required roughly less than 1,700 Catalog Experience. Further enhancements for the Elf Wolf and Forest Wolf needed 1,200 and 800 points, respectively. The Crown Wolf Emperor's evolution is already relatively complete, so this kind of improvement is naturally different. Viewed this way, perfecting the Crown Wolf Emperor is indeed quite normal.

Su Ping blinked.

If it were someone else's Pet Beast evolution, I might not be willing to spend this much Catalog Experience. However, Qin Xiaoxue has treated me very well, and the evolution of a Contracted Beast cannot have the slightest mistake. If I can help Qin Xiaoxue and make Woodhead—who is also one of my own close Pet Beasts—even stronger, I naturally wouldn't mind this small amount of Experience Points.

Therefore, without much hesitation, as soon as the prompt from the Myriad Spirit Beast Atlas appeared, he chose to confirm.

Qin Xiaoxue watched Su Ping intently stare at the parchment without saying a word, not daring to interrupt. However, when Su Ping actually closed his eyes a short while later, she was somewhat baffled.

In some stories, anime, and films, there are cases of Pet Beasts having sudden enlightenments during battle or gaining insights from studying Skills manuals. But damn it, I've never heard of anyone, any Breeder, having an enlightenment just from looking at a Breeder's manual, right?

Qin Xiaoxue didn't understand. Still, she refrained from interrupting and waited quietly.

Before long, Su Ping opened his eyes.

Qin Xiaoxue quickly asked, "How is it? Any discoveries? Do you have any other ideas about Woodhead's evolution?"

Without a doubt, I could swear on my life right now that I was just asking politely. After all, initiating a conversation with a boy is a first for me, Miss Qin, and quite a troublesome matter. So, this is really just a way to start a conversation.

And yet, to this simple attempt to make conversation, the darn kid in front of her met her gaze and actually nodded.

"Indeed there are some! The evolution of the Crown Wolf Emperor does have some hidden issues!"

"Ah? Oh... Oh, then tell me."

Qin Xiaoxue looked at Su Ping, her face filled with confusion.

Su Ping didn't seem to mind Miss Qin's usual eccentricities and nodded, pointing to the third and fourth stages of the evolution on the parchment.

"If I'm not mistaken, aside from strengthening the absolute control over natural forest power, one of the Crown Wolf Emperor's core evolutionary Skills should manifest after this stage—something akin to a Clone Skill, right?"

This much was undeniable. Qin Xiaoxue nodded. Since they were planning this evolution for Woodhead, she naturally had a good understanding of such Pet Beasts. Not only did she understand, she had even seen the true form of this evolutionary body with her own eyes. Although the Crown Wolf Emperor's evolutionary body was rare, procuring a lively one wasn't difficult for someone of Sang Sheng's status.

Naturally, Qin Xiaoxue knew that the Crown Wolf Emperor possessed a Clone Skill. Moreover, that Clone Skill was indeed one of the Crown Wolf Emperor's most wondrous Skills. However, thinking about that Skill's Ability, Qin Xiaoxue's mouth twitched slightly, as if she recalled something amusing.

She nodded.

Qin Xiaoxue also wanted to see what Su Ping had discerned in just this short period.

And sure enough, what he said next genuinely took Qin Xiaoxue completely by surprise.

"From my perspective, the Crown Wolf Emperor's clone originates from a basic projection Ability. However, the true clone shouldn't be a mere projection. Nourished by the Seed of Life, the solidified clone should be able to temporarily form a true flesh-and-blood copy of the Crown Wolf Emperor.

No, calling it flesh and blood might be an exaggeration. The growth of a Wood Element Pet Beast likely involves substituting plant fibers for a body. After undergoing changes from the Thorny Crown and Natural Essence, its body would also develop in a woody direction.

So, the Crown Wolf Emperor's clone is somewhat like a wood clone, then? Controllable, possessing most of the original's Abilities, and having extremely strong combat power—perhaps even indistinguishable from the main body?"

As soon as he said this, Qin Xiaoxue was truly shocked. Her eyes widened as she stared at Su Ping in astonishment.

"Have you looked up information on the Crown Wolf Emperor before?"

Su Ping shook his head. After all, I'm a genuine Breeder. I didn't get this far just by relying on some exploit. Now that I have the Crown Wolf Emperor's complete evolutionary cultivation path, analyzing its foundational cultivation principles to understand these things isn't a problem for me.

"Then tell me, what's wrong with the Crown Wolf Emperor?"