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Chapter 711: Fang Bai Charity Foundation

The matter of Fang Bai teaching martial arts was settled by the lakeside outside the villa.

Fang Bai and Dongfang Rushi agreed that whenever they both had free time, Dongfang Rushi would come to the villa where Fang Bai lived, and Fang Bai would be responsible for teaching her martial arts.

When Dongfang Rushi bid Fang Bai farewell and left the "Moon Bay Community," her secretary, Zhao Ya, could tell that the young miss's mood was better than it had ever been before. Although there was still no smile on her face, her gaze had softened considerably.

Zhao Ya had heard that love could change a person, so she thought this change in the young miss must be because she had developed feelings for Fang Bai.

Zhao Ya welcomed such a change in the young miss from the bottom of her heart.

In the past, the young miss was like an ice beauty, always serious and rarely smiling, leaving her secretary on edge, constantly cautious, and fearful of doing something wrong that could incur reprimand.

If the young miss could wear a smile on her face and become gentler under the nourishment of love, then Zhao Ya wouldn't need to be so cautious anymore, and her work efficiency would undoubtedly improve.

After watching Dongfang Rushi and the others leave, Fang Bai went around the two villas to see what was still missing.

The villas were already furnished and came with all the necessary appliances, but kitchen utensils and bedroom supplies still needed to be bought. So, Fang Bai took out his phone, discussed it with Niu Ben and his son, and placed an order online.

Items like blankets and sheets would only arrive the next day, so Niu Ben and his mother couldn't stay in the villa that night. Therefore, Fang Bai took them back to the city center and arranged for them to stay in the presidential suite of the "Four Seasons Spring Hotel."

"Four Seasons Spring Hotel" was a property of the Su Family from Zhongzhou, managed by Su Yifei. Before, Su Yifei had given Fang Bai a "Supreme Customer Card," allowing Fang Bai to enjoy the highest treatment for free at any "Four Seasons Spring Hotel" in Huaxia, including staying in the presidential suite at no cost.

After settling Niu Ben and his mother for the night, Fang Bai returned to the siheyuan to inform Baili Zhan, his wife, and Yang Xudong of his purchase of the villas. He planned to move there the next day and invited Baili Zhan's family and Yang Xudong and his daughter to live with him.

Baili Zhan and Yang Xudong both declined Fang Bai's invitation with a smile, saying they had grown accustomed to living in the siheyuan and planned to retire there, not wanting to move anywhere else.

With Fang Bai moving out, the one who felt the most lost in the siheyuan was Baili Mingyue. She had already had fewer and fewer opportunities to see Fang Bai, and now that he was leaving, how often would she be able to see him in a year?

Fortunately, Fang Bai promised her that he would often come to the siheyuan to see her and provide martial arts guidance, and whenever Baili Mingyue had free time, she could also visit Fang Bai's villa.

The next morning, Fang Bai and Niu Ben, along with his mother, returned to "Moon Bay Community" to wait for the kitchenware and beddings they had ordered online the day before. Once the deliveries arrived and the villa was sorted, they would be able to live there.

After settling Niu Ben and his mother, Fang Bai brought Niu Ben to his villa to perform the Marrow Cleansing and afterwards taught him an Earth Element Martial Arts Technique, telling him to diligently practice cultivation on his own before casually leaving.

In the following days, Fang Bai set aside other matters to focus exclusively on establishing the Charity Foundation.

Fang Bai was not very knowledgeable about the establishment and operation of the Charity Foundation, but that was not a problem, as Qian Haoduo and Hua Tianhe, two titans of the medical community, brought over many knowledgeable people to help him.

With the clout of these two National Doctors and the special status Fang Bai enjoyed as a "Dragon Guard" instructor, things progressed very smoothly.

As the preparation for the official launch of the foundation neared completion, Fang Bai personally selected an auspicious day to announce the operation of the foundation and to disclose some details to the entire Huaxia.

Originally, Fang Bai intended to fund the foundation by himself, but Qian Haoduo and Hua Tianhe had other ideas, suggesting that Fang Bai should invite political and business figures for a large-scale fundraising event to maximize the foundation's visibility on its launch day, ideally making it well known to everyone in Huaxia.

Once the foundation's reputation was established, families suffering from serious illnesses or terminal diseases who were unable to afford the high cost of medical care would think of Fang Bai's foundation first and receive the best possible treatment assistance, which was also Fang Bai's initial intention when he decided to establish the Charity Foundation.

As for the name of the foundation, Fang Bai was too lazy to think of one, so he just called it the "Fang Bai Charity Foundation."

Qian Haoduo and Hua Tianhe had provided many suggestions over recent days and did a lot of promotion for free, so much so that before the foundation was even officially launched, almost everyone in Huaxia's medical community knew about it.

It wasn't just the medical community that knew about the imminent operation of the "Fang Bai Charity Foundation." People from all sectors in Huaxia who had any relationship with Fang Bai had also heard and started contemplating how much to donate.

On the morning of March 6, Huaxia history, at nine o'clock, the "Fang Bai Charity Foundation" was officially established at the Yanjing head store of the "Four Seasons Spring Hotel." From then on, the office, dining, and rest place of the foundation staff was within the "Four Seasons Spring Hotel."

The decision to set up there was also the result of Su Yifei's persuasion to Fang Bai.

Although Su Yifei provided the office space for the foundation at no cost, as well as covering the staff's meals and accommodations, he had his own motive, which was to exploit the idea of the "Fang Bai Charity Foundation" headquarters being located in his hotel to enhance the hotel's recognition.

Many guests came to offer congratulations today, far exceeding Fang Bai's expectations, causing him to wonder if the hotel's large conference room could fit so many people.

However, according to Qian Haoduo, there were many minor characters among today's well-wishers just there to join in the excitement. They could just stand in the conference room when the time came, and there was no need to be concerned about their feelings.

Around eight o'clock in the morning, accompanied by Qian Haoduo and Hua Tianhe, the two National Doctors, Fang Bai stood in front of the "Four Seasons Spring Hotel" to welcome guests from all directions.

The first to arrive were various figures from the Huaxia medical community, most of whom came for the sake of the two medical giants, Qian Haoduo and Hua Tianhe. Fang Bai didn't recognize the majority of them, while Qian Haoduo and Hua Tianhe stood by and constantly introduced their identities to Fang Bai.

Among the guests from the Huaxia medical community, the ones Fang Bai was most familiar with were the Hua Family from Zhongzhou's Rejuvenation Hall and Wen Yu from Yanjing's Doctor Pavilion, among others.

Chapter 712: Guests Come to Congratulate

Hua Tianhe was a member of the Hua family from "Rejuvenation Hall," and Qian Haoduo was an Honorary Elder of the "Doctor Pavilion"; both ancient medical clans had quite good relations with Fang Bai. As a result, when Fang Bai's foundation held its unveiling ceremony, these two ancient medical clans both arrived to offer their congratulations.

The head of "Rejuvenation Hall" was the Family Head Hua Chun, and the Pavilion Master of the "Doctor Pavilion" was Wen Yu. Important members from both ancient medical sects were fully present to show the importance they attached to this event.

After exchanging pleasantries, Hua Chun and Wen Yu, with their respective followers, entered the hotel's grand hall and took their seats.

Following "Rejuvenation Hall" and the "Doctor Pavilion," the owner of "Xinglin Courtyard" from Jiangnan, Mo Huayi also brought people to congratulate.

By now, of the five great ancient medical sects of Huaxia, only the people from Donghai's "Shenxian Island" and Tianshan's "Ghost Doctor Sect" had not arrived.

Fang Bai knew why they had not come. During the time the "Doctor Pavilion" hosted the "World Traditional Chinese Medicine Conference," a personal disciple of the Ghost Doctor Sect Leader, Sikong Lieyang named Lei Bao, and the youngest son of the Island Master of Shenxian Island, Gu Yang, named Gu Xie, had conflicts with Fang Bai, and thus grudges arose between them.

However, Fang Bai did not mind at all, to him, entities like the "Ghost Doctor Sect" and "Shenxian Island" were insignificant.

A moment later, the other two of Huaxia's four great National Doctors, Ren Juedao and Huang Tianpeng, also arrived together, accompanied by many heavyweight figures from the medical community.

Many of these heavyweights from the medical community had heard of Fang Bai's reputation and were astonished at his youth when they saw him in person.

There were also those who questioned whether Fang Bai's medical skill was as powerful as the legends said, but seeing that the four great National Doctors respected Fang Bai greatly, they did not dare to show any contempt.

Then, well-known medical institutions and medical universities in Huaxia, such as Yanjing Hospital and Yanjing Medical University, also sent representatives to the event.

The arrivals that followed were from various major Huaxia families that had good relations with Fang Bai.

The Dongfang Family from Yanjing sent Lin Ruoxue, Dongfang Rushi, and Dongfang Ruhua, a mother and her two daughters.

The arrival of these three women caused quite a stir among the guests in the conference hall, and many marveled at the sight of the stunningly beautiful sisters Dongfang Rushi and Dongfang Ruhua, who seemed otherworldly in their allure.

Dongfang Rushi was known as "The First Beauty of Yanjing" and "The First Talented Woman of Huaxia"; she was the target of pursuit by many sons of prominent clans and an idol for many young people in the Huaxia business community. Together with her mother Lin Ruoxue, she had created numerous classic cases that made it into business textbooks, generating countless wealth for the Dongfang Family.

Many said that without Dongfang Rushi, the Dongfang Family would not have its current splendor.

Although Dongfang Ruhua was not as radiant and universally focused upon as her sister, those well-acquainted with the Dongfang Family knew the naïve and cute big-eyed beauty was the granddaughter most doted upon by Dongfang Jinglei.

Moreover, some insiders knew that the big-eyed beauty Dongfang Ruhua had already stepped into the Martial Dao and, despite her young age, had become the strongest member of the Dongfang Family and might one day become as dazzling as her sister.

The Lu Family from Yanjing was represented by Lu Jianfeng, the grandson of Lu Family Patriarch Lu Shengguo.

Lu Jianfeng was recently severely injured by two Earth Level Experts from the "Ghost Doctor Valley" and nearly died; thanks to Fang Bai's intervention, he was up and jumping around in just a few days. His presence represented the Lu Family and was also to express gratitude to Fang Bai for saving his life.

The Jiang Family from Yanjing was represented by the Eldest Miss Jiang, Jiang Xiaoyu.

Fang Bai owed a life-saving debt to Jiang Xiaoyu, and Jiang Xiaoyu had also established her own "Fish Loving Heart Charity Foundation." Her visit was also motivated by the desire to discuss potential collaborations with Fang Bai and to jointly advance charitable endeavors.

From the Ye Family of Lingnan, the "National Sweetheart" Ye Wumei arrived.

Ye Wumei's arrival similarly caused a stir among the guests.

In Huaxia, people often compared the Lingnan-based Ye Wumei with Dongfang Rushi of Yanjing. Both of similar ages, one made a name in the business community and the other reigned in the music world. In terms of appearance, temperament, and reputation, they were both brilliant and closely matched.

The Tang Family from Anxi was represented by Tang Wenrou.

Tang Wenrou, having committed a few minor mistakes, had been reassigned from the Yanjing Police Station's serious crime division to a small local police station.

When Fang Bai had last seen her at Niu Ben's place, she had arrived in a rush and left just as quickly without having a conversation. This time, seeing her again, Fang Bai inevitably whispered a few words of comfort, to avoid her feeling downhearted.

The Su Family from Zhongzhou included siblings Su Yifei and Su Linglong.

Both Su Yifei and Su Linglong resided regularly in Yanjing and had many opportunities to meet with Fang Bai. Thus, they simply exchanged a few words before heading to the conference hall.

The Qin Family from Jinling was represented by Qin Yaorao, who came with her parents.

Recently, Qin Yaorao's parents noticed that their daughter was mentioning Fang Bai more frequently. As experienced individuals, they understood what this signified. So, when they learned from their daughter that Fang Bai was establishing a charity foundation, they insisted on accompanying her to Yanjing to get a look, much like prospective in-laws sizing up a son-in-law.

Xia Chenyu arrived accompanied by her personal secretary Zhao Xiaomeng and the sales department manager Wu Xiuyun. When she appeared on the scene, clad in a fiery red cheongsam and oozing charm, she too attracted many gazes.

The Dragon Maiden arrived after Xia Chenyu, representing the entirety of the "Dragon Guard."

Originally, Fang Bai had not extended an invitation to Long Jingtian due to the "Dragon Guard's" special status, yet unexpectedly, Long Jingtian still sent the Dragon Maiden.

Fang Bai now was practically regarded as the second-in-command of the "Dragon Guard," with Long Jingtian himself showing deference to him. If it wasn't for the inconvenience of showing up in person, Long Jingtian might have come to the event himself. After much deliberation, he decided to send the Dragon Maiden as a representative to participate in the unveiling ceremony of the "Fang Bai Charity Foundation."

Just when Fang Bai thought that all the guests had more or less arrived, the current Prime Minister specifically assigned Lu Xingping, father of Lu Jianfeng, to attend.

The arrival of Lu Xingping was to represent an official show of support from the Huaxia government towards the "Fang Bai Charity Foundation."

The Prime Minister's involvement in the matter was somewhat unexpected for Fang Bai, but upon reflection, it made sense.

The "Dragon Guard" was a force heavily relied upon by the Prime Minister, and with Fang Bai being an instructor for the "Dragon Guard," even if just for the sake of face, the Prime Minister had to extend goodwill towards him.

Around eleven in the afternoon, all the invited guests had arrived, along with quite a few who came uninvited. Fang Bai counted quickly and realized the hotel's conference hall, capable of accommodating several hundred people, was probably not going to be sufficient.

Chapter 713: A Gathering of Beauties

By the time various guests entered the conference hall, Fang Bai, Hua Tianhe, Qian Haoduo and others had a private discussion, and decided to have some less important people stand, while those who qualified to sit included not only individuals of note in Huaxia but also Fang Bai's friends.

For his friends, Fang Bai never skimmed, regardless of how low their status or weak their positions might be.

Sitting in the very center of the first row were Lu Xingping, the four National Doctors, and the leaders of the three great Ancient Medicine Sects. On the two sides seated the heads of various prominent Huaxia clans and various guests representing their families, such as Lin Ruoxue, Ye Wumei, Tang Wenrou, and Qin Yaorao.

As for the guests in the back rows, they were seated casually since they were merely there to show their faces and support the occasion.

Looking at those in the front rows like Lu Xingping, the prominent figures and the representatives of the powerful families, nobody expected that the young Fang Bai would have accumulated such a vast network of connections and wield such influence.

Even those who had initially underestimated Fang Bai started to regard him with new respect.

Regardless of whether Fang Bai's medical expertise was as legendary as rumored, his connections and influence alone were worth everyone's attention.

What surprised the guests was that the Dragon Maiden actually took a seat next to Lu Xingping, a position of extreme prestige, prompting everyone to speculate about the young, beautiful, and valiant woman's background.

Besides Fang Bai, Lu Xingping, and a few others, no one else recognized the Dragon Maiden, but having observed the respect she commanded from the likes of Lu Xingping, they realized she must have an extraordinary and powerful background.

The unveiling ceremony for the "Fang Bai Charity Foundation" brought together not only many noteworthy medical professionals from the Huaxia medical community but also an assembly of beauties.

Dongfang Rushi, Dongfang Ruhua, Su Linglong, Tang Wenrou, Ye Wumei, Qin Yaorao, Xia Chenyu, and the Dragon Maiden—these eight women, each radiant, stunningly beautiful, and celestial in their presence, sat together, forming the most dazzling scenery within the conference hall.

At least half of the guests' gazes lingered on them, finding it difficult to look away, thinking that the trip was well worth it just to see so many extraordinary beauties seldom encountered in daily life.

Among the women, some were more acquainted with each other, like Ye Wumei and Xia Chenyu, who sat together and whispered, discussing who knows what.

Aside from Dongfang Rushi, the other seven women had cultivated the Martial Arts Techniques taught by Fang Bai to varying extents. Therefore, sitting together, they could sense each other's auras, experiencing a feeling of a spiritual connection and mutual attraction, and thus knew that each of the beauties seated beside them had an extraordinary relationship with Fang Bai.

"Dear friends, on behalf of the soon-to-be-established 'Fang Bai Charity Foundation,' I warmly welcome your arrival and sincerely thank you for your enthusiastic participation!"

After the guests were seated, Fang Bai stepped up to the podium, surveyed the crowd below with a glance, and spoke loudly, "I believe everyone is already aware of the purpose of establishing this charity foundation, which is to help those who are seriously ill and cannot afford medical treatment in the hospital..."

The foundation is in its initial stages and will certainly have many imperfections. I hope for your guidance in the future. I plan to inject one billion in funds into the foundation to start with. As for all of you, those with money can support with funds, and those without can support in spirit. Even a donation of just one cent or a blessing is a gesture, for which I express my gratitude here.

For those willing to donate money, please rest assured that every cent you donate will be publicly disclosed periodically, and not a single cent will be used in vain... As the founder of the foundation, I also make a pledge here: anyone who donates, regardless of the amount, will have the opportunity to be treated by me once..."

Fang Bai's speech was very brief, finishing in just a few words. It wasn't emotionally charged or overly enthusiastic, but it still won a round of applause.

Especially those who knew how profound Fang Bai's medical skills were felt their hearts stir with excitement upon hearing his last promise.

They knew that having the opportunity to be treated by Fang Bai sometimes meant having an extra lifeline.

However, those who had no previous contact with Fang Bai were somewhat skeptical, thinking Fang Bai was being arrogantly dismissive by making such a promise in front of the National Doctors and the Ancient Medicine Sects, as if none could compare to his skills.

A single consultation by one of the four National Doctors could cost upwards of ten million, could Fang Bai's medical skills and reputation truly be mentioned in the same breath?

The donation segment that followed was straightforward: donors filled out checks, went up to the podium to hand them to Fang Bai, who then passed them to the foundation staff behind him. The staff would then announce the donor's name, status, and donation amount. Fang Bai would express thanks and invite the donor to give a short speech on the podium.

The foundation's staff had been temporarily borrowed from Jiang Xiaoyu's charity foundation to assist; they were experienced, and Fang Bai did not have to worry about the charity's preparation process or the formal inauguration today.

Fang Bai's role was simply to lead the proceedings.

"Fang Bai, Chairman of the 'Fang Bai Love Foundation,' donates one billion US dollars!"

As the founder of the foundation, Fang Bai naturally was the first to donate. After he handed over the check made out for one billion, the staff announced his name, status, and the donation figure. The check Fang Bai wrote was displayed on the large screen on the side of the conference hall so that all the guests could see it.

Everyone had thought the one billion Fang Bai promised would be in Huaxia Currency, but it turned out to be US dollars.

One billion US dollars, equivalent to over sixty billion in Huaxia Currency, was a significant sum for anyone there, so when the staff declared the amount, most of the people present gasped audibly.

Even the representatives of wealthy families were taken aback.

"Over sixty billion Huaxia Currency... Fang Bai really is generous!" exclaimed Lu Xingping, as he turned to Qian Haoduo and the four National Doctors, as well as the Dragon Maiden seated next to him.

Lu Xingping knew Fang Bai was a major shareholder in Beauty Company, but since the company had risen quickly, Fang Bai could not have possibly accumulated so much money through dividends alone.

However, having witnessed Fang Bai's many incredible feats, Lu Xingping knew he must have other secret income sources. To him, it wouldn't be surprising, not even if Fang Bai had contributed even more than sixty billion Huaxia Currency.

Chapter 714: I Want to Be a Volunteer

"Over six billion... How can this kid bear to part with it?"

Qian Haoduo stared at the long string of digits on the check displayed on the large screen on one side of the conference hall, his eyes nearly bulging out, and then he sighed, "Alas, I've earned several hundred million over the years and thought I was a rich man, but now I realize that compared to Fang Bai, I'm still a beggar!"

Hua Tianhe, twirling his mustache, said, "There are many rich people in the world, but there are probably very few who would donate a billion U.S. Dollars to charity in one go. If it were me, I couldn't do it either!"

The Dragon Maiden listened to their sighs with a smile, saying nothing.

Aside from the Dragon Maiden, the other guests present did not know that, during his previous trip to America, Fang Bai had, through various means, single-handedly raked in several billion U.S. Dollars, so donating one billion was not a significant sum for him.

Moreover, the Dragon Maiden believed that with Fang Bai's means, becoming the world's wealthiest person would be a walk in the park for him, it's just that Fang Bai was not so fervent about accumulating wealth.

Among the guests at the event, unmarried women looked at Fang Bai with shining eyes.

If Fang Bai's appearance could be rated as a nine, then with his wealth added, he would be the perfect "golden bachelor."

To catch this "golden bachelor" would mean never having to worry about money for a lifetime.

Following Fang Bai, Qian Haoduo, Hua Tianhe, Ren Juedao, and Huang Tianpeng, the four National Doctors, took to the stage in succession to make their donations.

The four had discussed beforehand and each donated ten million to the "Fang Bai Charity Foundation." The amount was not considered huge, but it was certainly not small either, especially since this was just their first donation, and they would contribute more as circumstances allowed in the future.

In contrast to the four National Doctors, the three major Ancient Medicine Sects—"Doctor Pavilion," "Rejuvenation Hall," and "Xinglin Courtyard" were much more generous, each donating fifty million.

Following the seat number order, after the donations from the four National Doctors and three Ancient Medicine Sects, it was President Xia Chenyu of Beauty Company's turn to take the stage.

When the charming and alluring Xia Chenyu appeared on stage, the men's gaze in the audience became somewhat fixed, while most of the women were filled with envy and jealousy.

Tang Wenrou, Su Linglong, the Dragon Maiden, and other women scrutinized Xia Chenyu closely, then compared themselves with her in secret. If they felt they surpassed Xia Chenyu in some aspect, they would secretly rejoice, but if they felt inferior, they would become a little disheartened.

"Xia Chenyu, President of Beauty Company, donates one hundred million U.S. Dollars!"

When the staff announced Xia Chenyu's donation amount, there was a stir among the guests, as it was unexpected that Xia Chenyu would donate so much.

One hundred million U.S. Dollars amounted to six or seven hundred million in Huaxia Currency. Even if Xia's Beauty Company had made a fortune that year, for her to take out so much money for charity was still quite surprising.

The gossiping ones among the audience were speculating that this amorous woman must have an excellent relationship with Fang Bai, the leader of the "Fang Bai Charity Foundation," otherwise, how could she afford to donate so much?

Even Fang Bai felt that Xia Chenyu's donation was somewhat excessive. As he took the check from her hand, he whispered, "Actually, donating ten million would have been enough; wouldn't it be better to use the rest for the company's development?"

Xia Chenyu smiled with pursed lips, "I already have more money than I can spend, and any more would just be a number. Besides, the company has developed to this point because of your efforts. You've put out a billion U.S. Dollars for this foundation, me donating a hundred million really isn't much!"

Fang Bai nodded and said to Xia Chenyu, "Since you're on stage, why don't you take the opportunity to say a few words to everyone?"

Xia Chenyu "Hmm" and took a few steps forward, facing the audience below with a smile on her face, and her crisp voice announced, "Our 'Beauty Company' has made a decision: from now on, we will donate one hundred million US dollars to the 'Fang Bai Charity Foundation' every year, specifically for charitable causes."

As soon as her words fell, there were many exclamations from the crowd below.

To take out one hundred million US dollars a year for charity was extremely generous among the major companies in Huaxia.

Fang Bai was stunned for a moment, then looked at Xia Chenyu's back and shook his head with a bitter smile, thinking to himself that if she liked to donate, then let her, and at worst he would just give her a few more beauty secrets later on to help her earn more.

Below the stage, Minister Lu of the Huaxia Health Department took the lead in applauding, and the applause quickly grew enthusiastic.

Many single male guests looked at Xia Chenyu with burning gazes, all pondering the idea of striking up a conversation with this top-tier beauty after the "Fang Bai Charity Foundation" inauguration ceremony, imagining that if they could win her over, they wouldn't need to struggle for the rest of their lives.

After the applause subsided, Xia Chenyu turned her head to glance at Fang Bai and said with a smile, "I heard from Chairman Fang that after the establishment of his charity foundation, they will go to remote and impoverished areas to provide free medical consultations several times a year. Here, I would like to ask Chairman Fang: during these consultations, may I volunteer? Although I don't understand medicine, I can still serve tea and water to the patients!"

Fang Bai laughed and said, "You, as the president of a major company, are busy with a lot of work; where do you have the time to volunteer? President Xia, I appreciate the thought, but let's forget about volunteering."

Xia Chenyu said, "Charity work is everyone's responsibility! I genuinely want to volunteer, and if Chairman Fang doesn't agree, I'm not leaving the stage!"

Seeing her play "rogue" in public, Fang Bai laughed and said, "Alright, alright, I agree! I will have the staff take note, and you'll be informed whenever there's a medical outreach event!"

"Let's make a promise then!"

Xia Chenyu, with a delighted face, satisfiedly walked down from the stage.

After her, Lin Ruoxue of the Dongfang Family, along with her daughters Dongfang Rushi and Dongfang Ruhua, stepped onto the stage together.

As if they had arranged it with Xia Chenyu, the three of them also donated one hundred million US dollars and announced they would make regular annual donations of the same amount to the "Fang Bai Charity Foundation."

Some people in the crowd were aware that Fang Bai had saved the lives of Old Master Dongfang and Dongfang Ruhua, so it was within reason for the Dongfang Family to contribute this money. Moreover, the Dongfang Family, being wealthy and powerful with a fortune much greater than the newly rising 'Beauty Company,' could easily afford to donate one hundred million dollars annually, which was but a drop in the bucket for them.

"Chairman Fang, I want my two daughters to also join your foundation's volunteer team," said Lin Ruoxue, handing over the check to Fang Bai and delivering a short speech, she then asked with a smile, "Let them accompany you on medical outreaches when they are free, what do you think?"

"No problem!"

Fang Bai didn't hesitate much and agreed right away, as Xia Chenyu had already set a precedent, so what harm would two more volunteers do?

However, thinking about going out for medical outreaches in the future with a group of these lovely ladies in tow, that scene... would indeed be a beautiful sight!

Chapter 715: An Earth Level Expert? Not Even Fit to Carry Shoes!

Dongfang Rushi and Dongfang Ruhua, the two sisters, were very enthusiastic about volunteering. Seeing that Fang Bai had agreed, Dongfang Ruhua's smile bloomed beautifully, and although Dongfang Rushi's expression remained calm, she was also very happy at heart.

The next to take the stage were the siblings Su Yifei and Su Linglong, as well as Tang Wenrou, Ye Wumei, and Qin Yaorao. Their actions were identical to Xia Chenyu and Dongfang Rushi's before them—they all donated one hundred million US dollars and promised that there would be subsequent donations. In the end, they too secured a volunteer spot from Fang Bai.

Many guests below the stage couldn't understand why these beauties from prominent clans were so keen on doing the simple volunteer work of serving tea and water, and they were puzzled as to why they were so devoted to the "Fang Bai Charity Foundation," choosing to volunteer only for this foundation among the many in Huaxia.

Some of the more perceptive guests discerned clues from the expressions of these beauties and speculated that their willingness to volunteer had a lot to do with Fang Bai.

Someone covertly calculated that up to that point, the "Fang Bai Charity Foundation" had received donations amounting to more than ten billion Huaxia currency.

For a newly established charity foundation to receive such a large amount of donations was nothing short of a miracle.

Today's events also showed that although Fang Bai was young and came from an ordinary family, his network and appeal were something that most people present could not match.

The following donors, who were not acquainted with Fang Bai, came to congratulate him only out of respect for the four National Doctors, the three leaders of Ancient Medicine Sects, and various prominent clans. They each donated a modest amount, below one million Huaxia currency, which was their way of showing goodwill.

Fang Bai had the staff record the name of every donor, promising them all a chance at a free treatment.

Regarding Fang Bai's promise, there were those who were indifferent, those who were overjoyed, and those who didn't care much either way.

After the donation event concluded, Lu Xingping, the four National Doctors, the leaders of the three Ancient Medicine Sects ascended to the main platform together to unveil the plaque and emblem of the "Fang Bai Charity Foundation."

With the unveiling, it signified that the "Fang Bai Charity Foundation" was officially established.

The emblem of the foundation featured a cartoonish doctor clad in a white coat, smiling, with both hands cradling a red heart, fitting the sentiment of "a doctor's benevolence."

The headquarters of the "Fang Bai Charity Foundation" is situated in the heart of Yanjing City—a large, three-story building filled with ancient charm, spacious enough to accommodate dozens of people working at the same time.

This building was provided for free by the Huaxia officials.

According to the Dragon Maiden, the reason Huaxia officials gave this ancient building to Fang Bai for free was twofold: firstly, because of Fang Bai's significant contribution to the growth and development of "Dragon Guard" during his time as an instructor; secondly, Fang Bai had established the charity foundation to benefit the poor populace of Huaxia, which was something the Huaxia officials were very pleased to see.

The foundation's plaque would soon be taken by a specialist to hang in front of the headquarters of the "Fang Bai Charity Foundation."

Additionally, Fang Bai had entrusted Jiang Xiaoyu to recruit some relevant staff on his behalf, in order to get the foundation up and running in a short time.

That noon, Fang Bai hosted all the guests in the hotel's large dining room.

During the banquet, because Lu Xingping, the four National Doctors, the leaders of the three Ancient Medicine Sects, and women like Dongfang Rushi, Xia Chenyu, and Ye Wumei were all sitting with Fang Bai at one large dining table, many guests came over to offer toasts.

The guests toasted to Lu Xingping the most, followed by the four National Doctors and the leaders of the Ancient Medicine Sects, but no matter who they toasted to, they would also casually toast to Fang Bai, after all, he was the protagonist of the day.

However, it wasn't long before people realized that Fang Bai had an exceptional capacity for alcohol. Guest after guest came to toast him—there must have been at least eighty, if not a hundred, and Fang Bai had finished his drink every single time, never refusing.

If it had been an ordinary person, they would have succumbed long ago, yet Fang Bai was still chatting and laughing vivaciously, showing no signs of difficulty, which surprised everyone.

In the middle of the banquet, Fang Bai's phone suddenly rang.

The call was from Baili Mingyue.

"Mingyue, what do you need from me?"

Fang Bai stood up and walked to a less crowded area before answering the call, asking.

"Fang Bai! Fang Bai! Where are you? Come quick! Come and save my parents!"

Baili Mingyue's voice was urgent, with a crying tone as she spoke loudly.

Fang Bai's heart tightened, knowing that Baili Mingyue wouldn't be so panicked unless something very important had happened, so he frowned and asked, "What in the world happened? Are your parents alright? Don't panic... take it slow..."

"Today my parents and Uncle Yang went out to buy furniture on the street, and Xiao Yu and I stayed home to play. Later, Uncle Yang came back alone, saying that my parents had been taken away by the Yunnv Sect Leader and two Elders..."

"Wait for me at home, I'll be right there!"

Upon hearing "Yunnv Sect," Fang Bai had an inkling of understanding and, without waiting for Baili Mingyue to finish, interrupted her then hung up the phone. He quickly returned to his table and said to Lu Xingping and the others, "Folks, I have an emergency and must leave immediately!"

His gaze swept over the faces of Xia Chenyu, Ye Wumei, and the other women, then he added, "Please take care of everyone for me!"

Xia Chenyu, Ye Wumei, and the others all felt that Fang Bai's words were directed at them, so they nodded together, then looked at each other with different expressions.

With pressing matters on his mind, Fang Bai didn't care about causing a commotion; he offered a quick word of instruction and then used his movement technique to disappear from the restaurant.

Qian Haoduo, Hua Tianhe, and the others saw Fang Bai move as swift as lightning, vanishing from sight in a blink, and couldn't help but be astonished.

"Just what realm has Fang Bai's strength reached?"

Qian Haoduo murmured as he looked in the direction where Fang Bai had vanished.

"According to Fang Bai, once medical skills reach a certain realm, further progress is linked to personal strength. Fang Bai's medical skills are much superior to ours, and it goes without saying that his strength is as well. I think... he may be an Earth Level Expert?"

Hua Tianhe speculated while stroking his beard.

"Very likely!"

The leaders of the three ancient medical sects nodded in deep agreement.

Dragon Maiden, hearing this, once again smiled without commenting.

An Earth Level Expert? That was nothing. They weren't even qualified to carry Instructor Fang's shoes!

However, Dragon Maiden was also perplexed, wondering what could have happened that made Fang Bai hurry off so abruptly; she could only wait until the banquet was over to give him a call to inquire.

As a Dragon Guard Instructor, Fang Bai's honor was closely linked to the Dragon Guard; if there were a situation where the Dragon Guard was needed, they would certainly be duty-bound to assist.

Chapter 716: "Yunnv Sect" Sect Leader

Fang Bai skimmed through the streets and alleys of Yanjing City, pushing his movement technique to the limit in order to return to the courtyard house as quickly as possible. Pedestrians along the way could barely catch a glimpse of his shadow, feeling only a breeze whisk past them.

As Fang Bai dashed along, his mind pondered some questions related to the "Yunnv Sect."

Baili Zhan was a "Ghost Doctor Valley" disciple, and Jiang Yuzhi was a "Yunnv Sect" disciple. The couple eloped with their daughter years ago, seeking a life amid the mundane world, and were pursued by high-level martial artists from their respective sects. In a twist of fate, they encountered Fang Bai, who was fortunately able to help them evade disaster.

Afterward, "Ghost Doctor Valley" sent several assassins in succession to kill Baili Zhan's family, each more powerful than the last, but there was no action from the "Yunnv Sect." For a time, Baili Zhan and his wife believed that the benevolence of the "Yunnv Sect" Leader had prevailed, sparing them from further pursuit.

Yet, the "Yunnv Sect" appeared in Yanjing out of the blue and abducted Baili Zhan and his wife.

The Jade Pendant that Fang Bai had imbued with killing intent was worn by both members of the Baili Zhan couple. While the Jade Pendant could withstand the attacks of Heaven Level Martial Artists, the killing intent it contained was limited to a few strands. Once depleted, Baili Zhan and his wife would lose their protection, leaving them vulnerable to stronger martial artists.

Just now, when Baili Mingyue relayed the words from Yang Xudong over the phone, she mentioned that this time, the "Yunnv Sect" had the Sect Leader accompanied by two Elders come into the secular world. Although Fang Bai did not know the "Yunnv Sect" Leader's Cultivation Level, he guessed that there was a high possibility of her being a Heaven Level Martial Artist.

Because Fang Bai had previously used the "Soul Capture Technique" to extract information from "Ghost Doctor Valley" Elder Ji Chao, he learned that both "Ghost Doctor Valley" and "Yunnv Sect" were major sects in the Hidden Sect World with comparable overall strengths. If "Ghost Doctor Valley" Valley Master Li Ao's cultivation was at the early stages of Heaven Level, then the "Yunnv Sect" Leader should be of a similar caliber.

The two Elders accompanying the "Yunnv Sect" Leader would also not be weaker than Ji Chao, at the very least high-ranking Earth Level martial artists.

A Heaven Level Martial Artist and two High-Rank Earth Level Martial Artists—if they intended to deal with the Baili Zhan couple, even with the protective Jade Pendants given by Fang Bai, the couple could only resist temporarily before eventually falling into their hands.

What puzzled Fang Bai, however, was why the three "Yunnv Sect" members did not kill the Baili Zhan couple on the spot and instead kidnapped them, and why they released Yang Xudong who was with them?

This question could only be answered by finding the abducted Baili Zhan couple.

Since the "Yunnv Sect" trio did not directly kill Baili Zhan and his wife, it implied they must have had some ulterior motive, and the couple should be safe for now.

Realizing this, Fang Bai no longer rushed.

When he returned to the courtyard house, he found the gate wide open, with Yang Xudong, Baili Mingyue, and Xiao Yu all standing in the yard.

Yang Xudong paced the yard in a frantic manner.

Baili Mingyue's eyes were red and brimming with unceasing tears.

Xiao Yu stood by Baili Mingyue's side, consoling her in a childlike voice not to cry.

Baili Mingyue, who practiced the Martial Arts Techniques taught by Fang Bai, sensed his approach as he neared the courtyard house. Looking up, she saw Fang Bai swirling in like a gust of wind.

"Fang Bai!"

Baili Mingyue, as if clutching at a lifeline, called out softly and threw herself at Fang Bai, grabbing one of his arms and vigorously shaking it, "Hurry, go save my parents..."

"Don't panic!"

Fang Bai patted her hand and turned his gaze toward Yang Xudong, asking with a frown, "Brother Yang, where did you encounter the 'Yunnv Sect' people? Where have Brother Baili and his wife been taken?"

Yang Xudong saw Fang Bai returned and obviously breathed a sigh of relief. When asked about it, he spoke urgently, "My fellow disciple and I were preparing to go to the furniture market to buy a few sets of furniture when we ran into the Sect Leader of Yunnv Sect, Yu Meiyong, along with the two Elders, Zhuo Lanfeng and Ren Lijun..."

When he mentioned Yu Meiyong, the Sect Leader of Yunnv Sect, his face showed a look of fear, and he spoke with lingering trepidation, "Originally, Yu Meiyong was prepared to kill the three of us personally, but the Jade Pendant on our bodies unleashed its power, blocking her for a moment, and it almost injured her... Later, when the Jade Pendant lost its effect, Yu Meiyong captured us, but she did not kill us. Instead, she demanded to know where we obtained the Jade Pendant..."

"Uncle Yang, did you tell her?"

Baili Mingyue asked tensely. Although she was frank and outspoken, she was also a very astute girl. Upon hearing Yang Xudong's words, she knew that the Yunnv Sect Leader's interrogation about the Jade Pendant must be due to its magical ability.

If the Yunnv Sect Leader found out that the Jade Pendant was a gift from Fang Bai, she might harm him, which was not something Baili Mingyue wanted to see.

Baili Mingyue had heard about the Yunnv Sect from her mother, Jiang Yuzhi. She knew the overall power of these Hidden Sects was formidable and worried that Fang Bai would be no match for them.

Yang Xudong shook his head and said, "Of course, we didn't say anything. It's just... it's just that Yu Meiyong used some kind of evil cultivation technique on my sister-in-law, and she ended up spilling everything..."

The "sister-in-law" he mentioned was none other than Baili Mingyue's mother, Jiang Yuzhi.

"Ah? How could my mom do that!"

Upon hearing this, Baili Mingyue stomped her foot in frustration. In her view, Fang Bai had saved her family's lives; her mother's actions amounted to betrayal.

Fang Bai waved his hand and said sternly, "Mingyue, you can't blame your mom! There are some martial arts techniques in this world that can control a person's mind, capable of extracting every secret from the depths of their heart... Brother Yang, continue!"

Yang Xudong nodded and said to Fang Bai, "Yu Meiyong learned from my sister-in-law that our Jade Pendants came from you, and that you have a good relationship with us. She let me go and sent me to tell you that if she doesn't see you by the reservoir north of the city within two hours, she will... she will kill my fellow disciple and sister-in-law..."

Baili Mingyue's face turned pale, her body swayed, and tears welled up in her eyes, threatening to spill over.

"Brother Yang, you stay here and take good care of Mingyue and Xiao Yu. I'll be back soon!"

Having spoken, Fang Bai turned and walked towards the courtyard gate.

"Fang Bai, be careful!"

Baili Mingyue knew Fang Bai was preparing to rescue her parents, wiped her teary red eyes, and spoke with concern.

In her heart, she really wanted to accompany Fang Bai, but she also understood that her own strength would only hold him back if she went along. So, she stayed home, quietly awaiting good news from Fang Bai.

Baili Mingyue firmly believed that there was nothing in this world that could trouble Fang Bai. He would surely rescue her parents.

"It's the people of Yunnv Sect who should be careful!"

Fang Bai didn't stop walking, nor did he look back as he spoke.

From his icy tone, both Yang Xudong and Baili Mingyue could feel a heavy killing intent.

Chapter 717: Reservoir Island

The Northern City Reservoir, located to the north of Yanjing City, is backed by an extensive mountainous region and covers an area of hundreds of square kilometers. The scenery of the mountains and waters here is as poetic and picturesque as one could imagine, incredibly beautiful.

Especially on the west side of the reservoir lies a vast natural red maple forest. Though it is only early summer now, the leaves are already as red as fire. Seen from afar, it appears like a sea of flames, becoming a scenic spot famous near Yanjing City.

In the past, every day a large number of Yanjing's citizens would drive to the reservoir to enjoy themselves, either fishing or having a picnic, or just strolling around the red maple forest to snap a few photos to take home.

However, today the weather wasn't cooperating. It had been clear before noon, but suddenly, heavy rain began to pour down in the afternoon, causing all the visitors to leave, and not a single one could be seen near the reservoir.

Scattered like stars across the waters of the reservoir are many small islands, now shrouded and blurred by the heavy curtains of rain, and no longer clearly visible.

On one of these islands, the figures of a man and four women could be seen sitting cross-legged, shrouded in the haze.

If Yang Xudong were here, he would recognize that the man was Baili Zhan, and the four women were Jiang Yuzhi, Yu Meiyong, Zhuo Lanfeng, and Ren Lijun.

Yu Meiyong is the current Sect Leader of the Yunnv Sect, with the strength of an early-stage Heaven Level Martial Artist. Zhuo Lanfeng and Ren Lijun are Elders of the Yunnv Sect, both possessing the power of Earth Level Perfection. It was with these three powerhouses that the Yunnv Sect managed to stand among the top-ranked strong sects in the Hidden Sect World.

Baili Zhan and Jiang Yuzhi sat back to back in the center of the island, cross-legged. Although they had been restrained by Yu Meiyong and had lost the ability to move, they could still speak.

Jiang Yuzhi's face was pale, her expression pitiable and dull it is silent, her eyes betraying a look of despair.

Baili Zhan, on the other hand, was like an indomitable angry lion, his eyes round and glaring fiercely at Yu Meiyong and the other two women, his mouth filled with endless curses that could be heard even from far away across the island.

The rainfall was heavy, and the clothes of Baili Zhan and his wife were already soaked through by the rain.

Meanwhile, Yu Meiyong and the others continued to meditate with closed eyes, completely ignoring Baili Zhan's verbal abuse.

It seemed as though an invisible Qi Shield enveloped their bodies. When the rain fell upon them, it would automatically slide to the sides. Hence, while Baili Zhan and his wife were drenched, not a drop of water touched the three women.

"Yu Meiying, you old and ugly bitch, if you have the guts, just kill us husband and wife..."

Baili Zhan continued to hurl insults, his voice now hoarse from shouting.

"Keep on cursing, soon you won't have the chance... As soon as Fang Bai arrives, you and your husband will be useless. Then, I will send you both down the Netherworld Road together! Oh right, you have a daughter, don't you? We'll find her soon and let your whole family reunite in the underworld!"

Yu Meiying's eyelids lifted slightly, and she gave Baili Zhan a cold look, saying this with a grim tone.

Yu Meiying's actual age was over sixty, but due to her high cultivation level, she appeared to be just in her forties.

In the eyes of others, Yu Meiying was a noble, elegant, and aloof. But Jiang Yuzhi knew that behind closed doors, this Sect Leader was lewd to no end, the face of countless men under her sway, and furthermore, she was ruthless and would stop at nothing to get what she wanted.

When the "Yunnv Sect" was first established, each of its female disciples was kind and pure, self-disciplined, and conducted themselves in an upright manner. They belonged to the righteous sects, but after Yu Meiying assumed the role of sect leader, the entire sect began to deteriorate, gaining a notorious reputation, and thoroughly fell into the wicked path.

Disciples from other sects, when speaking of the "Yunnv Sect," believed that its female disciples were utterly unworthy of the name "Jade Maidens," considering them all to be wanton women, and thus they kept their distance from them.

Of course, within the "Yunnv Sect," there were a few who remained chaste, and Jiang Yuzhi was among them.

After Jiang Yuzhi and Baili Zhan fell in love, she refused to be tainted by association with her fellow sect members, so she eloped with Baili Zhan, escaping into the mortal world.

Previously, when Jiang Yuzhi followed her husband and Yang Xudong into the streets, they unexpectedly encountered the Sect Leader and two Elders of the "Yunnv Sect." Once the couple fell into Yu Meiyong's hands, Jiang Yuzhi completely despaired, knowing full well that with the Sect Leader's malevolent nature, she would never let them go.

"Yu Meiyong, you vile old witch! If you dare harm our daughter, we will never rest, even as ghosts! My Brother Fang is just a commoner, with no ties to your 'Yunnv Sect,' yet you go so far as to not spare even him. Are you still human?"

Baili Zhan's eyes were about to split open with rage, and he roared furiously.

Baili Zhan knew that when Yu Meiyong learned from his wife Jiang Yuzhi about Fang Bai's connection to them, she deliberately released Yang Xudong, who would surely inform Fang Bai. Given Fang Bai's personality, he would certainly take action to save them.

If Fang Bai came, he would be facing three great experts from the "Yunnv Sect," including a Heaven Level Martial Artist. Even with Fang Bai's formidable abilities, the outcome would be unpredictable.

Thus, Baili Zhan would rather perish with his wife than have Fang Bai risk danger.

"Who says Fang Bai has no ties with our 'Yunnv Sect'? If it wasn't for him, how could Mo Ling and Mo Ming have died?"

Yu Meiyong's gaze swept over Baili Zhan and his wife, speaking expressionlessly: "Originally, I had no intention of entering the secular world, but later I heard that several strong members dispatched by the 'Ghost Doctor Valley' into the secular world had vanished without a trace, likely slain by a secular expert. That's when I decided to make a personal visit, to see who it is that could take down the experts from 'Ghost Doctor Valley'..."

As she spoke, a peculiar light flickered in her eyes, saying, "If I'm not mistaken, the killing of 'Ghost Doctor Valley's' experts should be related to that Fang Bai, shouldn't it? Since he can refine such a Jade Pendant, his strength must have reached Heaven Level. And I am very interested in his method of refining the Jade Pendant. If I can learn it, the overall strength of our 'Yunnv Sect' will greatly increase!"

Baili Zhan spat disdainfully, saying, "You may want to learn, but my Brother Fang will certainly not teach you! Keep dreaming!"

Yu Meiying replied coldly, "If he doesn't teach, I will kill him! Even if he is a Heaven Level Martial Artist, the three of us together, do you think we won't be able to kill him?"

Baili Zhan laughed aloud, "Brother Fang's strength is unfathomable, like that of ghosts and gods. You might fear that you fail to kill him and instead get killed by him!"

"Then just watch and see! If he dares to come, I will make sure he doesn't leave alive!"

After Yu Meiying issued this threat, her gaze turned toward the distant water surface, and she said coldly, "One hour, if he doesn't come, you both die! Once you are dead, I will go and kill your daughter. Then, I will turn Yanjing City upside down, digging three feet into the ground if I have to, to find that Fang Bai!"

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Fang Bai stood on the shore north of the reservoir, his gaze piercing through the veil of rain, looking at the vaguely visible islands in the center of the lake, while extending his Divine Sense to search for the aura of Baili Zhan and his wife.

Chapter 718: You Shouldn't Have Come

The sky was pouring down with rain, and being close to the reservoir, the area was brimming with water element qi.

Fang Bai circulated the "Water Element Art," commanding the rainwater around him to form a thin watery shield that enveloped him entirely. Thus, throughout his journey, his clothes remained dry.

Fang Bai's divine sense covered a radius of one kilometer and quickly detected the martial artist aura of Baili Zhan and his wife on a small island less than two miles from the lake shore.

At the same time, the conversation between Baili Zhan and Yu Meiying, the sect leader of Yunnv Sect, also reached his ears.

"You expect me to be unable to return after coming? Ha... Just a Heaven Level beginner and two at Earth Level Perfection think they can take my life? That's quite the bold claim!"

A cold smile appeared at the corner of Fang Bai's mouth, killing intent spreading in his chest as he stepped forward, walking on the surface of the reservoir's water.

His feet treaded on water, striding forward without sinking into it, as if walking on solid ground.

If ordinary people saw this scene, they would surely be astounded.

Although Fang Bai was walking, each step he took covered five or six meters. His figure moved with fluid grace, his speed extremely fast.

In the blink of an eye, the small island where Baili Zhan and the others were located faintly came into Fang Bai's view.

At this time, Fang Bai was still several hundred meters away from the island.

If it were any other martial artist, having approached to this distance would already be sensed by Yu Meiyang. However, Fang Bai not only was stronger than her, but he could also conceal his own aura, and with layers of rain curtains as cover, Yu Meiyang was completely unaware of his nearby presence.

After surveying the island with his divine sense, Fang Bai took a deep breath and quickly sank into the water, gliding toward the island like a fish.

Fang Bai, with his strength, was completely confident in his ability to kill the three people, including Yu Meiyang. However, to prevent them from harming Baili Zhan and his wife in desperation, Fang Bai decided to first launch a surprise attack to rescue them. After ensuring the couple's safety, he would then confront the three Yunnv Sect members.

Dozens of breaths later, Fang Bai neared the island. Peering upward from under the water, he could already make out the silhouettes of five people on the island and even hear their breathing and heartbeat.

Yet, the five on the island were still none the wiser.

However, Yu Meiyang, after all, was a Heaven Level martial artist, with perceptive instincts far beyond ordinary martial artists, and she could sense approaching danger. When Fang Bai drew near underwater, she vaguely felt an invisible and intangible killing qi pressing towards her.

The two Yunnv Sect elders, Zhuo Lanfeng and Ren Lijun, were significantly weaker and did not have this sensation.

"Sect Leader, what's wrong?"

Seeing Yu Meiyang sitting there seemingly restless and uneasy, Zhuo Lanfeng asked in surprise.

Yu Meiyang's eyes flashed with sharpness as she swept her gaze over the waters, showing a guarded expression, and she said with furrowed brows, "It's strange... I keep feeling like someone is spying on us..."

Zhuo Lanfeng stood up and looked around nervously, "Could it be that Fang Bai has already reached nearby?"

Ren Lijun laughed, "Sect Leader, Elder Zhuo, aren't you worrying too much? Even if Fang Bai has come, do the three of us really need to fear him?"

Yu Meiyang spoke solemnly, "That Fang Bai might very well be a Heaven Level martial artist, we cannot underestimate him! If Fang Bai arrives and we can defeat him, good, but if he is too strong for the three of us, we'll use the lives of Baili Zhan and Jiang Yuzhi as leverage to temporarily disengage and reconsider our strategy..."

As soon as she finished speaking, a sudden jolt of pain pierced through her mind as if a needle had viciously stabbed her, and immediately after, a momentary dizziness overwhelmed her.

"This is bad!"

Sensing a strong aura of killing intent locking onto her, Yu Meiyang felt her hair stand on end, guessed that it was likely Fang Bai's arrival, and while letting out an alarmed cry, she immediately turned around, a three-foot Green Peak Sword with a sharp edge appearing in her right hand, ready to counterattack.

Not only Yu Meiyang was targeted by this killing intent, but Zhuo Lanfeng and Ren Lijun were as well, both gripping their Green Peak Swords tightly in their hands, turning around in preparation to face the enemy.

Boom——

Just as they turned around, a loud sound of water burst forth from the north side of the island, unleashing a wave several zhang high, countless splashes, mixed with the force of Water Element Qi, shooting towards Yu Meiyang, Zhuo Lanfeng, and Ren Lijun on the island like a barrage of flying knives.

At the same time, a figure surged out from beneath the water, like a flood dragon emerging from the sea. After making a turn in mid-air, it lunged towards the island.

That figure's target wasn't Yu Meiyang and the others, but rather Baili Zhan and his wife.

"He's here to rescue them!"

Although Yu Meiyang quickly realized what was happening, she had to focus entirely on counteracting the whistling water splashes assaulting her and had no time to be distracted.

Ding ding ding ding——

The sky-full of water sprays, striking against the sword screens formed by the rapid movements of the Green Peak Swords in Yu Meiyong and her companions' hands, produced a series of clear, sharp sounds.

Yu Meiyong was powerful, and as she wielded her Green Peak Sword, twisting and turning, the water splashes were kept outside the sword screen, leaving her unharmed.

But Zhuo Lanfeng and Ren Lijun were not so fortunate; although they blocked most of the water splashes, some still pierced through the sword screen they had created with their swords, hitting their bodies.

The water splashes, sharp as knives, directly shattered their Protective True Essence, leaving wounds deep and shallow on their bodies.

In no time, the two Great Elders of the Yunnv Sect were covered in bloody wounds.

Although the knife-like water splashes didn't claim their lives, they still suffered heavy injuries, greatly reducing their combat strength.

Without even exchanging blows, two Earth Level Perfection Martial Artists on her side had already been injured, which left Yu Meiyong incredibly shocked and without any confidence in subduing Fang Bai.

The figure that burst out of the water was indeed Fang Bai.

By attacking with water splashes, Fang Bai forced Yu Meiyong and the others to focus on saving themselves, while he went to protect Baili Zhan and his wife.

By the time Yu Meiyong realized that Fang Bai's target wasn't the three of them but Baili Zhan and his wife, Fang Bai had already landed in the center of the island, guarding Baili Zhan and Jiang Yuzhi.

"Brother Baili, Sister Jiang, are you alright?"

Fang Bai slapped them both, one on each, sending a stream of True Yuan into their bodies, opening the sealed acupoints they had.

Although Baili Zhan and his wife were free, there was no joy on their faces, but rather a look of worry.

"Brother Fang, you... you shouldn't have come!"

Baili Zhan suddenly stood up, stomping his foot as he spoke.

Despite the fact that Fang Bai had just appeared and already injured the two Elders of the Yunnv Sect, Zhuo Lanfeng and Ren Lijun, obtaining the upper hand, still, with Zhuo Lanfeng's two remaining in combat and Yu Meiyong completely unscathed, Baili Zhan was not entirely confident that Fang Bai could defeat all three of them.

Although the situation was three against three, Baili Zhan and his wife were well aware that not only could they not contribute in any way, but they would also end up being a drag on Fang Bai because he had to guard them.

Chapter 719: Killing you is as easy as flipping my hand!

"Fang Bai, you must go! Take care of Mingyue for us; even if we die, we will be eternally grateful to you from the netherworld!"

Jiang Yuzhi said loudly, her face displaying a resolute determination, as she was about to throw herself towards Yu Meiyong.

When Jiang Yuzhi was captured by Sect Leader Yu Meiyong, she had already prepared herself for death, thinking that with a kind and loyal person like Fang Bai, even if her and her husband were to be killed by the Sect Leader, their daughter Baili Mingyue would still lead a safe and happy life under Fang Bai's care.

What Jiang Yuzhi hoped most was that Fang Bai would not come to rescue her and her husband after receiving Yang Xudong's message, because if something were to happen to him, what would become of her daughter Baili Mingyue?

Thus, when she saw Fang Bai appear, Jiang Yuzhi became extremely anxious and cried out.

Although she knew that Fang Bai was powerful, she didn't believe that he could defeat the Sect Leader and the two Elders while also being distracted by protecting them.

"Sister Jiang, don't panic!"

Fang Bai stepped in front of Jiang Yuzhi and then looked at Yu Meiying, Zhuo Lanfeng, and Ren Lijun, who were confronting him with the Green Peak Sword in hand, and sneered, "These three women, they kidnapped you to this place and let Brother Yang return to send a message, scheming with all their might to lure me here... Ha, now that I am here, let's see what they want to do!"

Baili Zhan said with a face full of shame, "Brother Fang, Sister Jiang is responsible for this matter. Somehow, she ended up revealing to them the relationship between you and our family. These three women kidnapped us in order to use our relationship to blackmail you..."

Fang Bai waved his hand to interrupt Baili Zhan, smiling, "In this world, there are some cultivation techniques that can control people's minds, making them reveal all the secrets they hide in their hearts. There's no way to guard against this, so Sister Jiang is not to blame..."

"Young man, you seem to know quite a lot!"

Yu Meiying took over Fang Bai's words, examined him for a few moments, and asked coldly, "Are you Fang Bai?"

Fang Bai nodded, "I am Fang Bai!"

"The Jade Pendants they are wearing, did you give them?"

Yu Meiying pointed at Baili Zhan and Jiang Yuzhi and asked again.

Fang Bai nodded again, "Yes, I gave them!"

"Did you acquire those Jade Pendants from somewhere else, or did you craft them yourself?"

"I crafted them myself."

"You know how to craft Spiritual Artifacts?"

"Of course."

Yu Meiying's eyes suddenly lit up, her breathing became rapid, and her expression was clearly excited.

In the Hidden Sect World, Spiritual Artifacts were legendary treasures that greatly enhanced a martial artist's strength, and without great fortune, one should not even dream of obtaining a Spiritual Artifact.

Spiritual Artifacts were treasures of legend, and martial artists who knew how to craft them were just as legendary, at least within the entire Hidden Sect World, no such martial artist existed.

Therefore, when Fang Bai nodded in acknowledgment that he had crafted the Spiritual Artifact himself, Yu Meiying became extremely excited, almost wishing she could immediately have Fang Bai reveal the method of crafting Spiritual Artifacts.

If Yu Meiying learned the technique of crafting Spiritual Artifacts, the overall strength of the "Yunnv Sect" she belonged to would greatly increase, enabling them to dominate the Hidden Sect World.

Yu Meiying tried to suppress her excitement, a smile spreading across her face, and said to Fang Bai, "If you're willing to share the method of crafting Spiritual Artifacts with me, I will spare your lives. What do you say to that?"

Fang Bai replied, "If you three cripple your own martial arts, I will spare your lives. What do you say to that?"

Yu Meiyong was startled, thinking she had misheard. After regaining her composure, her face grew frosty as she said sternly, "Young man, don't refuse the toast only to be forced to drink a forfeit. You are merely an Earth Level Perfection Martial Artist. Killing you would be as easy as turning my hand over!"

When Fang Bai appeared just now, Yu Meiyong sensed the martial artist aura on him and knew that this youth was an Earth Level Perfection Martial Artist, which caused her to look down on him somewhat.

However, what Yu Meiyong didn't know was that Fang Bai possessed the ability to fight above his level. His true combat power was already on par with a mid-stage Heaven Level Martial Artist, much stronger than Yu Meiyong.

It was no exaggeration to say that even if three or five Yu Meiyongs joined forces to attack him, Fang Bai would still stand undefeated.

Fang Bai chuckled, "Several experts from Ghost Doctor Valley also thought that killing me would be easy. Now, the grass over their graves has grown quite tall..."

Yu Meiyong replied with a laugh that was anything but happy, "What an arrogant youth! It seems you're dead set on courting death! Elder Zhuo, Elder Ren, leave this young man to me! You go capture that whore Jiang Yuzhi and her husband!"

Zhuo Lanfeng and Ren Lijun answered in unison. The Green Peak Sword drew a circle in the air, and then they flanked Fang Bai from both sides.

Watching Zhuo Lanfeng and Ren Lijun approaching from left and right, Baili Zhan and Jiang Yuzhi were highly tense, on full alert. The couple exchanged a glance, and in each other's eyes, they saw a resolute willingness to face death.

They had secretly decided that if they could not withstand the attacks of Zhuo Lanfeng and Ren Lijun, they would seek death at the necessary moment to prevent themselves from being captured and used as leverage against Fang Bai.

Once they died, Fang Bai would no longer need to be distracted by protecting them, allowing him to focus more on the enemy. Even if he couldn't beat the three from Yunnv Sect, he would have a better chance of escaping.

Whoosh—

Whoosh—

The sword tips broke through the air and made a sharp sound. The two Green Peak Swords in Zhuo Lanfeng and Ren Lijun's hands were like two snakes slithering out of their holes, thrusting rapidly at Baili Zhan and his wife.

Before the sword tips arrived, Baili Zhan and his wife could already feel the piercing Killing Qi enveloping their entire bodies.

Even though Baili Zhan and his wife's Cultivation Levels had improved considerably under Fang Bai's guidance, they were still only at Profound Level Perfection. Compared to Zhuo Lanfeng and Ren Lijun, they were an entire realm behind. Faced with the overwhelming power of Zhuo Lanfeng and Ren Lijun's swords, they felt a sense of despair that they could not resist.

Zhuo Lanfeng and Ren Lijun had no intention of killing Baili Zhan and his wife; thus, their sword targets were not fatal points on their bodies but merely one of their arms.

Baili Zhan and his wife understood that if one of their arms were severed, although they would not lose their lives, they would lose most of their combat strength and become as good as crippled, with no choice but to surrender.

An Earth Level Perfection Martial Artist launching a full-strength attack was tremendously fast; at this moment, even if Baili Zhan and his wife wanted to slit their throats and avoid capture, they no longer had the chance.

Zhuo Lanfeng and Ren Lijun caught glimpses of the despair in Baili Zhan and his wife's expressions and a cold smile formed on their lips. They thought to themselves, it would be a joke if a couple of mere Profound Level Martial Artists could withstand a sword strike from them.

Almost simultaneously with Zhuo Lanfeng and Ren Lijun's attack, Fang Bai's hands also began to move.

Fang Bai's hands grasped at the air, then swung out forcefully, launching two chicken-egg-sized water orbs. Like high-speed cannonballs breaking through layers of rain, they flew out, shooting towards Zhuo Lanfeng and Ren Lijun.

Chapter 720: Just a Jumping Clown!

Yu Meiyong had been closely watching Fang Bai's every move, and as soon as Fang Bai made a move, so did she.

Gliding across the ground, her figure surged forward, instantly closing the distance between them, and then her long sword swept out diagonally, aiming to chop towards Fang Bai's shoulder.

As a Heaven Level Martial Artist, Yu Meiyong's timing in her attack was impeccable, coinciding precisely with the moment Fang Bai had expelled two spheres of water and was momentarily weakened between the old strength and the rising new strength.

At that time, Fang Bai's defense was also at its weakest; a moment of carelessness could result in injury from the long sword.

With a thought, Fang Bai activated the "Water Element Art" cultivation technique, gathering the abundant Water Element Qi from around him to form a visible curtain of water right before Yu Meiyong's descending sword.

When the long sword chopped onto the water screen, it was as if it had struck a thick sponge; the unmatched sharpness and force of the blow were completely dissolved. Not to mention harming Fang Bai, the sword didn't even touch his clothes.

"This young man can actually control Water Element Qi at will! He must have a cultivation technique related to this!"

Yu Meiyong was taken aback, wondering how this young man from the secular world not only knew the art of forging Spiritual Artifacts but also cultivated a technique to control Water Element Qi. These skills existed only in legends; where did he learn them?

Could it be that he discovered the cultivation dwelling of some past master?

With this thought, Yu Meiyong's heart raced with greed, her desire to capture Fang Bai intensifying.

As a Heaven Level Martial Artist, when Yu Meiyong's move was foiled, she remained unfazed. While maintaining the downward slicing motion of her right hand with the long sword, her left arm rose high, transforming her palm into a blade, and viciously chopped towards Fang Bai's neck.

If this Palm Blade struck true, Fang Bai would faint on the spot.

"Scram!"

Fang Bai's voice burst forth like the roar of spring thunder, shouting loudly as he raised his right arm, his index finger slightly bent, flicking upward, directly connecting with Yu Meiyong's descending palm.

As his finger flicked out, a streak of purple light flashed in his pupils, and a faint current of electricity entwined around his fingertip, accompanied by the distant rumble of thunder.

The technique Fang Bai was channeling within him was the "Nine Heavens Divine Thunder Mantra." Using such a Thunder Technique on a rainy day like this magnified its power far beyond the usual.

He focused all the thunder and lightning Qi around him into one point at his fingertip, then flicked it outwards. In that instant, the potent thunder and electric energy exploded with astonishing force.

"Ah..."

Yu Meiyong felt as if struck by lightning, with countless currents rampaging through her body like thousands of needles piercing simultaneously, destroying her meridians and blood vessels, the intense pain causing her to scream involuntarily.

She was sent flying by the force of the lightning, landing in the water meters away, creating a grand splash.

Fang Bai's full-powered strike severely injured Yu Meiyang, causing her to faint on the spot.

After falling into the water, Yu Meiyang's body bobbed up and down momentarily before soon losing all breath completely.

The Sect Leader of the Yunnv Sect, a primary level Heaven Level Martial Artist, was killed by Fang Bai in a single move. Had Zhuo Lanfeng and Ren Lijun witnessed this scene, they would have been scared out of their wits.

However, Zhuo Lanfeng and Ren Lijun would no longer be able to see it anymore.

They had intended to injure Baili Zhan and his wife before taking control of them to threaten Fang Bai. However, they hadn't expected that the water spheres produced by Fang Bai's Water Element Qi would come flying in midair towards them.

The power gap between Earth Level Martial Artists and Heaven Level Martial Artists might not quite be said to be as vast as the heavens and the earth, but it was almost so. The two water orbs released by Fang Bai were as menacing as a strike from a Heaven Level Martial Artist; how could Zhuo Lanfeng and Ren Lijun, two Earth Level Martial Artists, possibly contend with them?

The water orbs flew at high speed, a surprise attack that left Zhuo Lanfeng and Ren Lijun, who were distracted attacking Baili Zhan and his wife, completely unprepared. By the time they realized the danger and thought to dodge, it was already too late.

Bang——

Bang——

The two water orbs struck the heads of Zhuo Lanfeng and Ren Lijun simultaneously, emitting a sound like watermelons bursting, instantly blasting large bloody holes into their skulls.

They didn't even have the chance to let out a pained cry before they were lifted off the ground by the force of the water orbs' flight, falling into the water far away, dead beyond any doubt.

At this point, Yu Meiyang, the Sect Leader of the Yunnv Sect, along with the two Great Elders, Zhuo Lanfeng and Ren Lijun, had been killed by Fang Bai almost in the time it took to breathe.

Baili Zhan and Jiang Yuzhi, husband and wife, stared in stunned silence at the scene before them, completely dumbfounded.

The rain grew heavier, the wind wilder, accompanied by frequent flashes of lightning and the roar of thunder. The sky would light up one moment, then plunge back into darkness the next, a scene akin to the end of days.

For Fang Bai, being in such adverse natural conditions incited no fear in him; in fact, he felt utterly thrilled.

As Fang Bai's cultivation level improved, this raging wind and rampant lightning would become tools for him, powerful aids in overcoming his enemies.

"Brother Baili, Sister Jiang, let's go!"

Fang Bai approached the dazed Baili Zhan and his wife, said with a smile, "Brother Yang and Mingyue are still waiting at the courtyard for our news. Let's not keep them anxious!"

"Fang... Brother Fang, just like that... you killed them?"

Baili Zhan still couldn't believe that the Sect Leader of the Yunnv Sect and the two Great Elders, who were so powerful that they had left him and his wife in despair, had been so easily dispatched by Fang Bai.

Fang Bai chuckled and replied, "They were mere clowns. Did you think it would take much effort to kill them?"

Baili Zhan pinched himself hard, finally snapping back to reality, and said with a bitter smile, "They might be clowns in your eyes, Brother Fang, but in the hidden world of Martial Artists, they were dominant powerhouses!"

Jiang Yuzhi looked at the three bodies bobbing in the water, sighed, and said, "With their deaths, the Yunnv Sect is headless. I fear that they'll now decline... That's for the best, though. The Yunnv Sect of today is no longer what it was at its founding. To let it continue would only mean more people would suffer..."

Now that their formidable enemies were dead, Baili Zhan felt relieved and took a deep breath, saying, "Yuzhi, we no longer have to worry about being hunted by the Yunnv Sect!"

Jiang Yuzhi answered, "We can only truly rest easy when Li Ao, the Valley Master of Ghost Doctor Valley, and several of the Elders are dead as well."

Fang Bai said, "You don't need to worry about that. When I have the time, I'll take a trip to the Hidden Sect and take care of the Yunnv Sect and Ghost Doctor Valley for you, completely removing those threats!"

The ease with which he dispatched a Heaven Level Martial Artist and two Earth Level Martial Artists at perfection showed the extent of Fang Bai's strength. Thus, Baili Zhan and his wife had no more doubts about Fang Bai's bold claim to eliminate the Yunnv Sect and Ghost Doctor Valley.

Jiang Yuzhi hesitated for a moment, then said, "Actually... there are still some good people in the Yunnv Sect and Ghost Doctor Valley..."

Fang Bai nodded with a smile and said, "Sister Jiang, I understand what you mean. Don't worry, I can distinguish between those who deserve to die and those who don't... Come, give me your hands, I'll take you away from here!"