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Chapter 93: Master Lin's Compromise

"Yes,"

Junior Brother Chen nodded to confirm, "At the hidden lake auction, I acquired a hundred and twenty-year-old Earth Spirit Ginseng, and later acquired three Fierce Snake King Gallbladders. I cultivated arduously for over a month in Beishan Spirit Garden and made a breakthrough in the Copper Statue Technique to Copper Bone Formation. Had I been delayed by two or three days, I wouldn't have been able to return alive."

After finishing, he showed a look of relief on his face.

Originally,

As a disciple in the late-stage Meridian Passage, his return alive made several high-ranking officials suspect him of being an insider.

Fortunately, the power of the Copper Statue Technique, a body cultivation technique, was also known to the elders.

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Moreover, Duan Xiaolong's statements were quite supportive of Chen Yu.

In fact,

Chen Yu had only made a slight change to one detail— he had delayed the time of his advancement to initial Copper Bone Formation by one month.

"Goodness, it seems you have exceptional talent in body cultivation."

Elder Mao's joy was evident, appearing proud of Chen Yu, his registered disciple.

Elder Nangong also greatly praised Chen Yu for his cleverness and wisdom.

The simultaneous protection from two elders surprised some high-ranking members in the sect, and they refrained from further comments.

After all,

Chen Yu's every action, such as obtaining the Earth Spirit Ginseng and the Fierce Snake King Gallbladders, were no secret.

"This kid actually

Among the higher-ups, a burly middle-aged man was inwardly shocked.

This man was Master Lin.

Since he personally managed the task involving the “Beishan Spirit Garden,” he was invited to verify the matter.

Seeing Chen Yu return alive had frightened Master Lin tremendously.

The Snake Ghost Shadow coupled with a night attack from Bone Demon Palace had not killed the kid.

Master Lin inwardly cursed, calling the boy as tough as a cockroach.

At that moment,

Seeing Elder Mao and Elder Nangong both defending and praising Chen Yu, he broke out in a cold sweat.

"It seems that this Chen Yu is not just a registered disciple under Elder Mao."

Master Lin was deeply worried.

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After leaving the Yuntian Hall,

Chen Yu was summoned to the elder mansion by his master, Mao Qiuyu.

Under Elder Mao's instructions, Chen Yu demonstrated the Copper Bone Power of the "Copper Statue Technique."

The body cultivation technique made it particularly difficult to investigate specific realms, especially without a demonstration of power.

"Not bad at all, definitely at the Copper Bone level."

Elder Mao nodded with a smile.

"Master, I remember you mentioned that after advancing to the Copper Bone level in the 'Copper Statue Technique,' I have to do something."

Chen Yu suddenly asked.

He vaguely remembered that Elder Mao had taken him as a disciple primarily for this reason.

Otherwise,

With Chen Yu's Half Spirit Body aptitude and his talent for the lost art of body cultivation, he would not have caught the interest of the sect elders.

"Yes, after a few days of preparation, I will take you out."

Elder Mao did not explain the reason.

Chen Yu found it inappropriate to inquire further.

Suddenly,

Recalling the unusual mobilization during the last mission and the assassination attempt by the Snake Ghost Shadow, he quickly informed Elder Mao of these matters.

"It seems that you have provoked someone in the sect."

Elder Mao's expression turned cold when he heard this.

His expression changed, and after a moment of contemplation—as if realizing something.

Chen Yu kept silent.

Elder Mao, being a seasoned elder at the Yunyue Sect and extremely experienced, understood the sect structure more deeply.

This matter could likely be resolved with just a little investigation on his part.

He might already have an answer in mind.

"In that case, after this mission, the sect has given you a half-month rest. For the next mission, you can apply for one you prefer in advance," said Elder Mao with a slight smile.

Apply for one he liked? Chen Yu's face lit up with joy.

At this stage,

The invasion of Bone Demon Palace put the three sects in jeopardy. Especially now, the Yunyue Sect was severely damaged.

With the missions becoming increasingly perilous and mandatory,

It was not easy for a common disciple to choose a preferred task.

However,

With Elder Mao's promise, Chen Yu felt reassured.

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Inner gate residence.

After resting well for a day at the inner gate residence, Chen Yu headed directly to the Sect Affairs Hall.

"Is it Junior Brother Chen

Upon arriving at the Sect Affairs Hall, a black-robed steward politely welcomed Chen Yu into an elegant chamber. novel.cøm

Something felt off to Chen Yu.

Normally, these managing stewards were quite aloof and supercilious.

"Master Lin mentioned that he would try his best to fulfill any of your requests," said the black-robed steward, smiling accommodatingly.

Soon, two pretty female servants brought Chen Yu tea and snacks, even coming forward to give him a back rub and shoulder massage.

Overwhelmed, Chen Yu dismissed them directly.

"Uh, I came here to apply for a mission."

Chen Yu thought of Elder Mao's promise and spoke with confidence.

As he finished speaking,

A hearty laugh sounded, “Ah, Nephew Chen, you want to apply for a mission? That’s easy to say. Elder Mao has already mentioned it to me.”

The voice sounded familiar.

"Master Lin?"

Chen Yu quickly got up and saw a tall, burly middle-aged man in leather armor.

Wasn't this Master Lin?

Master Lin, the Hall Master of the Sect Affairs Hall and a major power holder among the sect higher-ups.

Seeing Master Lin entering, another steward bowed and exited.

"Nephew, there's no need to be formal. Treat this place like your own home," said Master Lin with a smile.

This differs greatly from his usual air of authority and grandeur.

Chen Yu even felt that the other's smile had a somewhat ingratiating quality.

When had the high and mighty Hall Master of the sect ever needed to be so polite to a disciple like him?

"This booklet contains the task arrangements for the upcoming month. You can choose whichever one you like."

Master Lin sat beside him.

Chen Yu opened the booklet, filled with various big and small cumbersome tasks.

Yunyue Sect, its disciples, and various other members combined numbered around two or three thousand.

And these were just the official members.

On the periphery, there were also older members at the Body Refining Stage and Meridian Passage Stage, forming the fringe members.

"I want to go home for a visit. Are there any tasks near Xiangyang City?"

Chen Yu was no longer polite.

By now, how could he not see that Elder Mao's influence had clearly come into play?

"Xiangyang City?"

Master Lin thought for a moment and replied, "It's a small county town, really limited in scope. There are over a hundred such county towns in Chu Country. However, I do have a 'request for help' task from the 'Beiyun Six Counties

Request for help, Beiyun Five Prefectures?

As Chen Yu was puzzled, Master Lin took out a map.

Taking a closer look.

Including Xiangyang City where Tong Yuling was located in Fengyang City, both were part of the "Beiyun Six Counties."

On it, there were also some power names.

Indistinctly, Chen Yu saw the names “Chu Family,” “Yan Family Castle.”

As for the Chen Family and Tong Family, the names appeared even smaller on it.

"In the Beiyun Six Counties, the largest two forces are the Chu Family and Yan Family Castle. Recently, there has been a small number of infiltrations by the disciples of the Bone Demon Palace, but it's not serious; law enforcers have already been sent there

Master Lin summarized the situation.

"What's the request for help about?"

Chen Yu asked directly.

"The request for help actually comes from 'Yan Family Castle', which is a loyal force affiliated with Yunyue Sect. It is said that the master of Yan Family Castle died recently, nearby tribes are rising, bandits are rampant, and there is a power struggle within the castle itself; it's a case of external worries and internal troubles. The daughter of the castle master has requested the sect to send someone to stabilize the situation."

After finishing, Master Lin showed a “you know what I mean” expression.

Oh?

Chen Yu understood.

Such tasks involving secular feuds were relatively safe and lucrative.

Why lucrative?

The envoy sent by the sect to carry out justice acts like a judge.

What the sect envoy says, goes.

"When is this task?" Chen Yu asked.

"Departure within half a month for a one-month duration, but it's alright to delay up to two months to stabilize the regional order."

"Good! I'll take this task."

Chen Yu nodded.

This task was just like a leisurely worldly life, truly allowing one to wield power and influence.

Nowadays.

Yunyue Sect faced considerable pressure on the front lines, whether it was front-line fighting, defensive support, or rear guard duties; all carried significant risks.

Every disciple would be assigned a task.

Since he couldn't avoid it, he might as well choose one himself!

Chen Yu enjoyed his privilege, choosing a comfortable task near his family, why not delight in it?

Ultimately, it was all to survive the catastrophe of the Bone Demon Palace invasion.

"I need time to grow," Chen Yu whispered to himself.

After selecting his task, Chen Yu was ready to leave.

"Nephew, wait a moment."

Master Lin suddenly called out to Chen Yu, handing him a long wooden box.

Hmm?

Chen Yu looked puzzled.

Upon opening the wooden box, inside were three Fierce Snake King Gallbladders and a hundred-year-old Earth Spirit Ginseng.

"This

Chen Yu was a bit surprised.

Why would a sect hall master need to please him like this?

"Previously, one of my juniors was misled by Wang Lingyun and almost moved against you, my dear nephew. These are just a small token of my regard to calm your nerves," Master Lin whispered.

Chen Yu suddenly understood something, his expression darkening.

"The past incident was all a misunderstanding, my dear nephew, try not to take it to heart. My junior assures that he will not lay his hands on you again."

Master Lin said, somewhat sheepishly.

After this.

Master Lin gritted his teeth and took out a porcelain bottle, "Inside this bottle, there are two high-grade Body Nourishing Pills, to help Nephew Chen advance to the Organ Refining Stage faster."

"High Grade Body Nourishing Pills?"

Chen Yu's heart stirred, and his expression eased.

He had previously used the mid-grade Body Nourishing Pills to accelerate his advancement to the Mid-stage Meridian Passage.

And High Grade Body Nourishing Pills were even rarer, beneficial for advancement to the Organ Refining Stage when consumed.

"Now I just want to ask one question, where is Wang Lingyun?"

Chen Yu took the porcelain bottle, and asked further.

"Wang Lingyun, well... he will probably not show up again."

Master Lin said evasively.

"Fine, I'll temporarily overlook the past events."

Chen Yu, holding the items gifted by Master Lin, strode out of the Sect Affairs Hall.

With matters having reached this point, and the other party willingly seeking reconciliation and even offering hundred-year-old Earth Spirit Ginseng and other items, Chen Yu might as well accept them graciously.

After all, he was just a disciple with shallow roots.

Master Lin, as well as the imperial family, being entrenched in both the sect and Chu Country, certainly possessed a massive and profound foundation.

Not long after Chen Yu left, a man dressed in luxurious clothes appeared in the room.

It was the Seventh Prince, Huangfulin.

"Uncle Lin, given the power of our imperial family and your influence, do we really need to compromise with Chen Yu?"

Huangfulin said through gritted teeth, begrudgingly.

"Now, behind Chen Yu, stand two senior elders. Elder Mao, whose seniority is higher than even the Sect Master; Elder Nangong, with the backing of the Nangong Family, which is one of the three superpower families in Chu Country."

"If our forces weren't strong enough and Yunyue Sect wasn't facing internal and external troubles, Elder Mao would probably not 'talk things out' with me, but rather eradicate us in one fell swoop!"

Master Lin sighed, his face showing a trace of relief.