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Chapter 1701 Wu Zhuo's Shock

Hua Qianying thought for a moment, shook her head and said, "Let's not go for now. The Flower World has just settled down, and Flower Girl has just been born. I want to stay a little longer and talk about it later."

"Alright then, I'll rely on Fellow Daoist to look after things in the Nine Provinces."

Leaving the Flower World with Number Nine, Lu Ye held it in his arms and rubbed it a bit, "Well done!"

"Hehe." Number Nine smiled proudly, "This way, you won't have to spend as much time on your journey."

Number Nine knew the route from the Nine Provinces to the All Phenomena Ocean; Lu Ye had explained the details to it. So, upon learning that Flower Girl possessed such abilities, Number Nine developed an idea.

Now Lu Ye had already reached Moon Jade and had a Blood Servant, Ma Shangsi. It was obvious that just the two of them traveling would be much faster and more convenient than bringing along a group of Constellations.

Not to mention, just passing through the geomagnetic turbulence zone would minimize risk.

Flower Girl obeyed Number Nine's every command, and thus, with Number Nine's encouragement, Lu Ye received this gift of the Small Flower World.

Yet, Number Nine did not realize that its actions, along with Flower Girl, helped more than it expected.

Because with Small Flower World, Lu Ye wouldn't need to follow the previous route to the All Phenomena Ocean and could completely detour through the Soul Race ancestral land!

This saved even more time and energy.

As Lu Ye contemplated, he already set plans for his next journey to the All Phenomena Ocean.

In Tianzhou, before the Nine Provinces Governor's Palace, three hundred Constellations gathered eagerly.

A figure appeared out of thin air, and many Constellations looked over. Who else could it be but Lu Ye? Greetings rose in excitement.

Lu Ye exchanged a few pleasantries with everyone, then directly opened the portal to the Small Flower World. Though the Constellations didn't know what it was, they couldn't wait to enter one by one.

In a short while, all three hundred Constellations had entered the Small Flower World.

Lu Ye sensed it and discovered that, based on the capacity of the Small Flower World, it should reach its limit if it houses five hundred early-stage Constellations like these from the Nine Provinces.

In other words, the Small Flower World can accommodate nearly eight hundred early-stage Constellations. If they were mid-stage or late-stage Constellations, the number would significantly decrease.

If it were Moon Jade... the quantity would be even fewer.

Zhang Yuan looked at Lu Ye with a wry smile, "Yiye, next time you come back, make sure to take me along."

He also wanted to go to the All Phenomena Ocean, but the Governor's one-year term had not ended, leaving him without even a chance to draw lots, which was quite disheartening.

Lu Ye chuckled and readily agreed, "Alright!"

With the Small Flower World and the ability to detour through the Soul Race ancestral land, traveling between the All Phenomena Ocean and the Nine Provinces was no longer as troublesome as before.

After taking leave of Zhang Yuan, Lu Ye soared into the sky.

Soon, he met up with Ma Shangsi, who was waiting outside the Nine Provinces. Lu Ye handed him the star map of the Jade Conch, instructing him to follow the star map's route.

The starboat transformed into a stream of light, speeding towards the depths of stellar space.

The last time he left, Lu Ye was somewhat worried about Number Nine. But this time, there was no need to worry about it anymore; with Flower Girl accompanying it, it would no longer be lonely as before.

Lu Ye planned to first make a trip to Qingli Dao World to meet Wu Zhuo. If the Qingli Dao World was interested, he could help bring some people to the All Phenomena Ocean. Of course, if Wu Zhuo had no such intention, then so be it.

Having Ma Shangsi, a Peak Moon Jade, piloting the starboat relieved Lu Ye significantly, allowing him to focus on refining spirit jade and cultivation while simultaneously leveraging the Talent Tree's power to derive spirit runes.

The spirit runes he possessed were mostly derived after years of effort. Those with little utility naturally did not require the expenditure of energy in derivation.

The spirit rune he was deriving now was none other than the spirit rune of the Drawn Saber Slash.

The spirit rune passed down by Wang Xiu was quite peculiar; it should be something he researched himself. However, the whole rune seemed overly cumbersome to Lu Ye, requiring too many Yin-Yang Dual Origins to construct.

Thus, it was clear that if he wanted to forge this spirit rune into the sword sheath, simplifying it further was undoubtedly better.

Of course, enhancing the spirit rune's power would be even better.

By Lu Ye's own merit in the Path of Spirit Runes, such a feat was naturally beyond him. Wang Xiu, as the creator of this spirit rune, possessed far greater expertise in the Path of Spirit Runes than Lu Ye at present; therefore, improving the Drawn Saber Slash Spirit Runes was not easy.

But with the Talent Tree's assistance, it was different—the tree's ability to derive spirit runes was uniquely unparalleled, allowing for a significant chance of success.

Last time, it took Lu Ye almost three months to travel from the Nine Provinces to Qingli Dao World.

This time, it took less than half a month.

Lu Ye did not directly break into the domain, but greeted Wu Zhuo from outside the domain—receiving his response before entering Qingli Dao World.

This was considered a formality. Although now the three domains of the Jade Conch Galaxy were closely allied in the All Phenomena Ocean, like a single entity, visiting as a guest at another's place required proper etiquette.

Before Shenwu Temple, Wu Zhuo stood gazing into the distance, and as the starboat cut through the sky, stopping not far away, Lu Ye jumped down from the starboat and spoke first, "Palace Lord Wu!"

Feeling the fleeting mana fluctuation from Lu Ye, Wu Zhuo was stunned on the spot, with a look of shock: "How... did you advance to Moon Jade?"

After their last interaction, he knew that the Nine Heavens World was a newly advanced large domain. Such a domain producing a Constellation Late Stage cultivator in just over a decade was already astonishing, and seeing Lu Ye today, he had already become Moon Jade!

Wu Zhuo couldn't believe his eyes.

But the mana fluctuation was undeniable. Wu Zhuo could confirm that Lu Ye had indeed reached Moon Jade.

"What an All Phenomena Ocean!" Lu Ye casually laughed it off.

Wu Zhuo's eye twitched. The legendary All Phenomena Ocean, no matter its nurturing effects, couldn't possibly allow someone to ascend to Moon Jade so quickly. Moreover, Wu Zhuo strangely felt a sense of pressure from Lu Ye.

And this was without Lu Ye activating any powers.

Vaguely, Wu Zhuo felt that Lu Ye must have encountered a significant opportunity; otherwise, his cultivation advancement wouldn't be this rapid.

"Who is this..." Wu Zhuo turned his gaze to Ma Shangsi, who had retracted the starboat and was following behind Lu Ye.

Another Moon Jade! And not just any Moon Jade; Wu Zhuo could clearly feel the profound foundation of Ma Shangsi.

Lu Ye explained, "A friend."

Ma Shangsi smiled at Wu Zhuo, cupped his fists, and said, "Greetings, Palace Lord Wu."

Wu Zhuo returned the greeting: "Fellow Daoist, you are too kind!" Secretly guessing that this Moon Jade Late Stage must be a friend Lu Ye met by chance in the All Phenomena Ocean, and judging by their relationship, they seemed quite close.

In just a few years, the young lad who once struggled under Wu Zhuo's pressure now transformed and even had the qualification to stand alongside him. Wu Zhuo felt a bit disoriented... Was he getting old?

"Please, come inside." Wu Zhuo collected his thoughts and gestured with his hand.

Shortly after, the host and guests were seated. Wu Zhuo ordered spirit fruits and fragrant tea to be served before asking, "How are things over there at All Phenomena Ocean?"

Actually, he was quite concerned about the situation at the All Phenomena Ocean. Unfortunately, he was too occupied to go and investigate personally.

Lu Ye nodded, "Everything is well."

Then he recounted the situation at Three Worlds Island. Upon hearing that the Three Worlds cultivators had firmly established themselves shortly after arriving and now even possessed a mid-class Spirit Island, Wu Zhuo was astounded.

He initially thought that given the sparse foundation of their home galaxy, surviving in the All Phenomena Ocean would be arduous. Even with Tang Jun and Luan Xiao'e, two Moon Jade cultivators, overseeing, occupying a barren island as a foothold would be good enough. Who would have thought that in just a few years, they would control a mid-class Spirit Island?

Furthermore, according to Lu Ye, that mid-class Spirit Island was undergoing a revival, with hopes to become a high-class Spirit Island in the future.

What kind of luck is this?

Though excited, he couldn't help but worry: "As Fellow Daoist said, can the Three Worlds cultivators hold onto Three Worlds Island?"

He had never been to All Phenomena Ocean, but Lu Ye shared much about it during his last visit. Moreover, Tang Jun had previously entrusted Lu Ye with a jade slip containing extensive intel about the All Phenomena Ocean.

So Wu Zhuo had some understanding of the All Phenomena Ocean.

Occupying a barren island would be fine; no one would be interested, and it wouldn't cause much trouble. But a mid-class Spirit Island... that would definitely attract attention.

"About that, Palace Lord Wu, rest assured. On Three Worlds Island, we're not without support over there; we have an alliance."

Wu Zhuo pondered for a moment and misunderstood: "The cultivators from the four galaxies?"

Lu Ye shook his head, "No, it's a Merfolk Race living in the All Phenomena Ocean!"

The cultivators from the four galaxies were already causing trouble themselves, making many enemies; it was not advisable for Three Worlds Island to have any affiliations with them just yet.

"Living in All Phenomena Ocean! Merfolk Race!" Wu Zhuo was confused. Wasn't it said that the seawater of All Phenomena Ocean was extremely erosive, even the Sun Blaze couldn't penetrate, so how could there be a Merfolk Race living in it?

"It's a long story. If there's a chance, Palace Lord Wu should visit personally to understand. Anyway, the defense at Three Worlds Island is strong enough, ordinary forces cannot conquer it," Lu Ye reassured him, "This time I'm here to bring more people over to strengthen Three Worlds Island, I wonder how many hands Qingli Dao World can spare?"

Wu Zhuo regained his senses and did not answer directly. Instead, he asked, "Have you been to the Jade Conch World?"

Lu Ye shook his head, "I came from my ancestral land first to here, and will be heading to the Jade Conch next."

Wu Zhuo understood and continued to ask, "How many people from your domain are being dispatched this time?"

Lu Ye replied, "Same as last time, three hundred Constellation."

Wu Zhuo thought for a while: "How about two hundred? But if that's not enough, we can dispatch three hundred Constellation like your domain!"

Lu Ye was the leader, and seeing the prospects, Three Worlds Island was indeed developing well in the All Phenomena Ocean. If possible, Wu Zhuo would naturally want to send more people over, but as the leader, Lu Ye only dispatched three hundred from his own domain. Qingli Dao World couldn't outnumber that.

"Not that many are needed. My capacity is limited, I can't bring too many. Just keep it like last time and send a hundred from your domain."

Small Flower World could still accommodate five hundred Constellation Early Stage cultivators, but Qingli Dao World's deployment couldn't be all Early Stage; they must include mid-stage and Late Stage. So Lu Ye thought a hundred was just right, as allowances had to be made for the Jade Conch World too.

"That works!" Wu Zhuo didn't have many thoughts on it, Lu Ye said a hundred, so a hundred it would be. He immediately sent a message to prepare the Constellations of the Qingli Dao World.

Chapter 1702 - Jade Conch

Having settled the matter, Wu Zhuo instructed someone to set up a banquet to welcome Lu Ye.

Lu Ye intended to head to the Jade Conch World as soon as possible, but seeing Wu Zhuo's enthusiasm, he couldn't refuse. After all, it was just an evening affair, and the Qingli Dao World indeed needed some time to select a hundred candidates.

During the banquet, the three Moon Jades exchanged toasts. As they drank merrily, Wu Zhuo wiped his mouth, put his arm around Lu Ye's shoulder, and said, "Junior Brother, when you get to Three Worlds Island, tell Tang Jun to come back and let me go instead. What's an old man with no future doing in that place? Let him come back and look after the house, and I'll go out and work hard to guarantee a bright future for the kids of our domain!"

"Alright, alright, I'll definitely convey the message!" Lu Ye nodded continuously.

Tang Jun was indeed old and lacked ambition, but Wu Zhuo was different. He was in his prime, and when given a chance, he was eager to seize it, not just for the future of the Qingli Dao World, but also for himself.

Unfortunately, there were only two Moon Jades in Qingli Dao World. Without Tang Jun, Wu Zhuo had to stay behind and hold the fort.

Since Wu Zhuo had this idea, Lu Ye naturally agreed to pass it on. Whatever decision Tang Jun made was not something he needed to worry about.

The next day, as the portal to the Flower World opened, Wu Zhuo was immediately moved: "A miniature world?"

Lu Ye nodded and said, "Absorb them into the miniature world; it makes the journey a bit easier."

It was only then Wu Zhuo understood why Lu Ye had come alone this time. He had initially thought the three hundred cultivators from the Nine Provinces were on their way, but it turned out they actually had a miniature world.

No wonder Lu Ye said yesterday that his capacity was limited and he couldn't bring too many people over. It was due to the capacity of the miniature world.

Over a hundred Constellations from Qingli Dao World entered the Small Flower World through the portal, one after another, under Wu Zhuo's command.

Lu Ye then sent an audio transmission to the Constellations inside, telling them to make the Nine Provinces cultivators feel welcome.

The feeling of staying inside the Small Flower World wasn't very comfortable. It would have some space if it held only one person, but with so many people squeezed inside, there wasn't much room to move. The Constellations of the Nine Provinces were mostly in a meditative cultivation state.

Now, with an additional hundred cultivators from Qingli Dao World, it became even more crowded. However, since Lu Ye gave the order, the Constellations of the Nine Provinces naturally needed to take good care of the Qingli Dao World people.

After all, everyone would be living on Three Worlds Island in the future, where mutual assistance would be necessary.

"Let's go," Wu Zhuo said.

He was ready to accompany Lu Ye on a trip to the Jade Conch, a decision reached during the banquet last night. Although some collaborations had been established, having someone familiar to both sides bridge the gap would undoubtedly facilitate communication.

Ma Shangsi, without a word, summoned his starboat. Lu Ye stepped aboard first, followed closely by Wu Zhuo.

"Sir, shall we depart?" Ma Shangsi asked, addressing him per Lu Ye's request not to use the title Saintly Venerable.

The title Saintly Venerable was too grand and easily associated with the Blood Race. While Lu Ye himself didn't mind, it was not advisable for Ma Shangsi's identity to be revealed.

"Set off!" Lu Ye raised his hand slightly.

Wu Zhuo sat not far from Lu Ye, his expression filled with uncertain suspicion.

Last night, he noticed how respectful this Moon Jade named Ma Shangsi was towards Lu Ye!

This was nothing like a friendship. In Wu Zhuo's observation, these two were more like master and servant, with the one of lower cultivation as the master and the one with higher cultivation as the servant.

Wu Zhuo was utterly baffled by this situation.

If Lu Ye were truly the Young Master of some top-tier power, it could be understandable, but Lu Ye hailed only from the large domain of the Nine Heavens World.

Where did he acquire such a servant?

Regardless of their situation, Lu Ye himself was Moon Jade, and with Ma Shangsi at the late-stage Moon Jade, even if the rest were all in the early-stage Constellation, the Nine Heavens World still had an edge over the Qingli Dao World.

This instilled a sense of crisis in Wu Zhuo...

In the home galaxy, there were only three large domains in total, with Jade Conch as the leader. Originally, Qingli Dao World ranked second, but now it suddenly became the third.

Wu Zhuo increasingly wanted Tang Jun to return and replace him in overseeing the domain so he could go out and strive. If he didn't, he would be left without a status in the future.

On the way, Wu Zhuo was deep in thoughts, occasionally chatting idly with Ma Shangsi, while Lu Ye continued his cultivation and deriving spirit patterns.

The journey from Qingli Dao World to Jade Conch was not far, and with Ma Shangsi's starboat speed, it took just over half a month to reach.

Traveling through the stellar space was indeed time-consuming for cultivators, but as their cultivation improved, their travel efficiency also gradually increased.

If Lu Ye were to one day advance to Sun Blaze, perhaps it wouldn't even take ten days or half a month to tour the entire Jade Conch Star System.

From a distance, the Jade Conch World was a vast pale-green star, slightly larger than the Nine Provinces in size.

Even before approaching, a dense wood element aura flowed over from Jade Conch World, filled with vibrant life.

It was a domain that appeared very healthy; if the Nine Provinces were like a toddler just learning to walk, then Jade Conch was a robust young adult.

It has a long lifespan and potential. If there is an opportunity in the future, it might be able to advance to a top-tier domain, although the hope is slim. In the stellar space, top-tier domains capable of nurturing spirit jade veins are few and not every large domain can grow to this extent.

"Are there very few cultivators in Jade Conch?" Lu Ye asked.

This is mainly because it is already close to the Jade Conch stellar region, yet Lu Ye hasn't seen many active cultivators.

"Not at all, any large domain won't have a small number of constellations. After all, constellations are the foundation of large domains, perhaps something is going on here," Wu Zhuo explained.

No matter how few they are, as the starboat approaches, their presence was soon noticed by the Jade Conch cultivators.

Wu Zhuo is a familiar face around here, so the Jade Conch cultivators coming to inquire quickly debrief the news within the domain.

Moments later, the starboat gently descended in front of the grand hall at the summit of a spirit mountaintop in Jade Conch World.

Wu Zhuo jumped off first, followed by Lu Ye, while Ma Shangsi put away the starboat and quietly stood behind Lu Ye.

A white-haired elder quietly stood ahead, his sleeves fluttering, exuding an air of celestial elegance, yet Lu Ye, having seen many Sect Leaders, felt this elder could at any moment explode out of his clothes, revealing a muscular physique.

"World Lord Qiu!" Wu Zhuo clasped his hands in salute, "Sorry to disturb you."

On the way here, Wu Zhuo had already briefed Lu Ye about Jade Conch, so Lu Ye had a basic understanding of the Moon Jade stage cultivators here.

Hearing Wu Zhuo's address, Lu Ye knew this elder was Jade Conch's World Lord, Qiu Wu, who is at the Peak Moon Jade stage.

However, while Qiu Wu was at Peak Moon Jade, he was already old, with a situation similar to Tang Jun's, so his lifetime aimed for the Sun Blaze was hopeless, thereby making him not as promising as Ma Shangsi.

Ma Shangsi, who is also at Peak Moon Jade, hoped to ascend to Sun Blaze. Furthermore, he felt his opportunity lies in the Blood Refinement World.

Unfortunately, Lu Ye didn't allow him to go, leaving him helpless.

"Palace Lord Wu!" Qiu Wu smiled warmly and returned the greeting, his gaze moving past Wu Zhuo to Lu Ye, "This must be Lu Yiye of Nine Heavens, right?"

Lu Ye stepped forward, "Greetings, World Lord Qiu, and greetings to all Fellow Daoists!"

The three Moon Jade cultivators beside Qiu Wu returned the salute, curiously sizing up Lu Ye.

In their previous collaboration, Lu Ye never came to Jade Conch; Wu Zhuo handled it on his behalf. Yet, Lu Ye, a Constellation, could clear the route from this home galaxy to All Phenomena Ocean, naturally piquing these Moon Jade cultivators' interest.

In any star system striving for success, such a route's value is immeasurable.

Jade Conch indeed values All Phenomena Ocean; though only a hundred people were dispatched, all were late and mid-stage cultivators, not a single early-stage among them, including Luan Xiao'e, a Moon Jade Late Stage leading them.

If they didn't value it, they wouldn't have deployed such a lineup.

Since Luan Xiao'e left with the team, there has been no news, and Jade Conch also wants to know the subsequent situation, but there hasn't been an opportunity to inquire.

Today, Lu Ye unexpectedly came along with Wu Zhuo, so all the Moon Jade cultivators still in Jade Conch gathered here to meet Lu Ye, and also to learn about the current situation of their domain's cultivators.

"Truly, heroes emerge from the young," Qiu Wu's eyes flashed, admiringly exclaiming.

The other Moon Jade cultivators undoubtedly also noticed that Lu Ye's cultivation wasn't Constellation, but had reached the Moon Jade level!

Originally, they came to see a junior, but if everyone is at the same realm, such a mindset is inappropriate.

They exchanged glances, then looked at Wu Zhuo... The Nine Heavens World had only recently become a large domain in the past decade, so how did this Moon Jade suddenly appear?

"World Lord Qiu flatters me. I am young and inexperienced, and still need Fellow Daoists to provide guidance,"

Politeness is never amiss; Lu Ye was naturally generous with a few nice words.

"Junior Brother Lu is modest. At your age, I was barely at the Divine Sea stage," said a bald beefy guy on Qiu Wu's right, rubbing his head with a smile, "Your future is promising, you are bound to achieve great things!"

"Let's hope so!"

Qiu Wu turned his gaze to Ma Shangsi standing beside Lu Ye, "And this Fellow Daoist is..."

He could feel that this seemingly nondescript guy was not any weaker than himself and was definitely at the Peak Moon Jade stage.

Where has he come from? There was no such person in this home galaxy.

Without waiting for Lu Ye's introduction, Ma Shangsi spoke himself, "Ma Shangsi, the servant of Lord Lu, greetings to everyone!"

Lu Ye's eyes flickered, discerning Ma Shangsi's thoughts, opting not to deny it.

Ma Shangsi thought simply; his respect for Lu Ye couldn't be hidden regardless, and Wu Zhuo had already noticed some issues. He and Lu Ye were not merely friends, so it was better to be upfront rather than leave others guessing.

Chapter 1703 - Backed by a Powerful Figure

Ma Shangsi's candor surprised the Jade Conch Moon Jade cultivators.

A servant?

A servant at the Peak Moon Jade level?

They could hardly believe their ears and were momentarily stunned, but from Ma Shangsi's expression, it was clear he was not joking. In front of Lu Ye, he indeed lowered himself quite a bit and even addressed them as "my lord"...

To be fair, for someone like Ma Shangsi, a Peak Moon Jade, to call them "Fellow Daoist" would already be giving them face. But addressing them as "my lord" made the Jade Conch Moon Jade cultivators quite uncomfortable.

The reason for this address was evidently because Lu Ye had already referred to them as brothers. If Ma Shangsi were to call them "Fellow Daoist," where would that leave Lu Ye?

Qiu Wu glanced at Wu Zhuo, with a face that seemed to ask, "What's going on?" Wu Zhuo just slowly shook his head, also a bit baffled.

On the way, he had noticed Ma Shangsi's respectful attitude toward Lu Ye, but he had never expected such a powerful figure to candidly refer to himself as a servant.

Having such a strong individual as a servant, Lu Yiye of Nine Heavens might have befriended some high-level Sun Blaze, Wu Zhuo couldn't help but speculate.

Not only did he think this way, but the Jade Conch Moon Jade cultivators thought so too, as it seemed the only reasonable explanation...

"Our honored guest has arrived; please don't stand outside. Come inside for a chat, Junior Brother Lu, please!" Qiu Wu quickly adjusted his expression and gestured invitingly.

In this brief moment, the Jade Conch Moon Jade cultivators' mindset underwent several changes. Initially, when they heard Wu Zhuo had brought Lu Yiye of Nine Heavens, they intended to meet a promising junior, but upon seeing Lu Ye's cultivation had reached Moon Jade, they realized they needed to treat each other as equals.

With Ma Shangsi's use of "my lord," Lu Ye suddenly became a distinguished guest, and the Jade Conch Moon Jade cultivators dared not show any slight disregard. Although they hadn't harbored such thoughts before, there is always a sense of superiority and scrutiny when the strong face the weak.

"Sorry to disturb!" Lu Ye maintained a composed expression, nodded, and walked inside alongside them.

Inside the grand hall, everyone took their seats, and under everyone's gaze, Ma Shangsi quietly sat a little behind Lu Ye on the left, truly adopting the demeanor of a servant.

After a few simple pleasantries, Lu Ye got acquainted with the Moon Jade cultivators present.

There were more than just these few Moon Jade cultivators in Jade Conch. As the leading force in this home galaxy, although they had not yet produced a Sun Blaze level expert, they have managed to maintain around ten Moon Jade cultivators. According to Wu Zhuo, at their peak, Jade Conch had as many as fifteen Moon Jade cultivators.

For an old-established large domain, their foundation is undoubtedly quite shallow.

In comparison, the Indeterminate World that Lu Ye visited was also a large domain, and not only did they have Sun Blaze cultivators, but they also had plenty of Moon Jade cultivators.

The situation with Jade Conch is partly due to its remote location, which has long been disconnected from the main stellar space, and lacks interaction with other star systems, leading to self-exploration in cultivation matters.

Also, the limited resources in stellar space play a role.

However, Moon Jade cultivators cannot always stay within their domain, some like to roam around. Not to mention Moon Jade cultivators, even many Constellation-level cultivators from the Nine Provinces now spend most of their time in stellar space.

After some idle chatter, Qiu Wu finally inquired about the situation over at All Phenomena Ocean.

Luan Xiao'e had led a hundred elite cultivators from their domain to All Phenomena Ocean, and it had been years without any news; there were no channels to gather information from this side, so saying they were not worried was a lie.

Since Lu Ye had come, they naturally wanted to inquire thoroughly.

Lu Ye did not hide anything and briefly recounted the battles he encountered on the way to All Phenomena Ocean. Upon hearing that the Three Worlds fleet got involved in a war between four galaxies and the Blood Race, all the Moon Jade cultivators present changed their expressions.

After all, according to Lu Ye, that war involved nearly ten Sun Blaze cultivators, and the number of Moon Jade and Constellation-level cultivators was immeasurable. With the Three Worlds fleet participating in such a grand event, how could they expect to fare well?

Fortunately, although the outcome was not entirely ideal, the losses on the Three Worlds fleet were not so grievous, and eventually, they overcame their difficulties and continued toward All Phenomena Ocean.

Upon learning that the Three Worlds cultivators had now occupied an island in All Phenomena Ocean, and everything was well, everyone felt relieved.

Soon, the Jade Conch cultivators realized the previous question Wu Zhuo had posed: the Three Worlds cultivators, lacking deep foundations, occupied a mid-class Spirit Island; could they hold onto it?

Lu Ye then brought up the Merfolk Race, which reassured them to some extent.

As Lu Ye narrated these events, Qiu Wu's gaze toward Lu Ye grew increasingly complex.

From these narrations, Qiu Wu could see that although the journey of the Three Worlds fleet several years ago was fraught with some challenges and losses, overall it was quite smooth, and they established themselves effortlessly in All Phenomena Ocean.

Qiu Wu certainly was old, but that didn't mean he was senile. He knew these successes couldn't have come without reason, not in a fiercely competitive place like All Phenomena Ocean, where things couldn't have progressed so smoothly.

He was very well aware of Luan Xiao'e and the cultivators from their domain's capabilities. Whatever setbacks they encountered in All Phenomena Ocean, she would not be able to resolve it.

The people from Qingli Dao World also didn't have that ability.

So who is capable of resolving these matters?

The root of it all probably lies with the young man right in front of him!

Qiu Wu wasn't sure exactly what Lu Ye was capable of, but he knew that what Lu Ye revealed was certainly just part of it; there was much he hadn't said.

Leaving aside other matters, why could the Merfolk race living in the depths of All Phenomena Ocean become the most steadfast ally of Three Worlds Island?

Qiu Wu increasingly felt that this Lu Yiye of Nine Heavens was not simple; as he looked, he seemed to see a tall figure standing behind Lu Ye...

"World Lord Qiu, fellow Senior Brothers and Sisters, I've returned this time with the intention of taking another group to Three Worlds Island. From Palace Lord Wu, a hundred people were dispatched, so I hope that your domain can allocate another hundred people. All Phenomena Ocean is far from peaceful; our people will have to rely on themselves there," Lu Ye said.

He originally thought the Jade Conch wouldn't refuse this, since no one could resist the allure of All Phenomena Ocean. He had even prepared for Jade Conch to ask him to bring more people over.

Who would have thought that after hearing this, Qiu Wu didn't respond immediately but instead showed a troubled expression.

After a brief contemplation, Qiu Wu said, "If my Junior Brother isn't in a hurry, linger in our domain for a few days; we'll discuss and then give you a reply, is that alright?"

Lu Ye blinked, unclear about the situation.

Why isn't this good opportunity being accepted?

Is it distrust in me?

There's no reason to think so, and Lu Ye didn't sense any distrust from Qiu Wu and the others.

He didn't ponder deeply, nodded, and said, "No problem."

Then began the idle chat. The understanding about All Phenomena Ocean from Jade Conch World came mainly from Wu Zhuo's previous visit, so their knowledge wasn't extensive. Now, with Lu Ye, someone who had mingled in All Phenomena Ocean for many years being here, naturally, there were many things they wanted to know.

The atmosphere quickly became lively.

Lu Ye smoothly mentioned, "World Lord Qiu, I wonder if your domain has suitable materials for crafting magic treasures?"

Qiu Wu replied, "Junior Brother wants to craft a magic treasure?"

Lu Ye patted the Boulder Mountain Saber at his waist, smiled, and said, "I've advanced to Moon Jade; I need a handy tool. If your domain has suitable materials, I can purchase some."

Actually, the best choice is still to do this at All Phenomena Ocean, where there are abundant materials. As long as Lu Ye has spirit jade, he can buy whatever he wants.

However, what Lu Ye wants to craft is not a common sword sheath but one that incorporates the Drawn Saber Slash Spirit Runes. These spirit runes are extremely complex, and Lu Ye estimates that even an Artifact Refiner in the Sun Blaze Realm may not be able to successfully craft it.

Moreover, he couldn't find an Artifact Refiner of that level.

He could only do it himself!

Crafting such a sword sheath, Lu Ye didn't have much confidence in his heart. Although he had a foundation in Artifact Refining, he hadn't paid much attention to it over the years and wasn't sure he could succeed.

Fortunately, he had the Talent Tree, an advantage no other Artifact Refiner possessed, so regardless of success or failure, he had to try.

Just to practice, later when better materials are available, he can craft a better sword sheath to replace it.

Qiu Wu said, "What kind of materials is Junior Brother looking for?" After a brief contemplation, he added, "Let's do it this way: let Junior Brother Han accompany you to the treasure vault for a trip; take whatever catches your eye. Moreover, Junior Brother Han is the most outstanding Artifact Refiner of our domain, if you need anything crafted, feel free to ask him to refine it."

Junior Brother Han, named Han Dong, was the bald beefy guy who spoke when he first met Lu Ye. Lu Ye had already gotten acquainted with him earlier.

Lu Ye clasped his fists, "Thank you, World Lord Qiu. As for the spirit jade needed for the materials, I will definitely provide them."

Qiu Wu waved his hand, "Junior Brother bravely explored All Phenomena Ocean, didn't keep it selfishly, but shared it with Qingli Dao World and my Jade Conch, such generosity is admirable. To be honest, both Qingli and my Jade Conch have received a great favor from Junior Brother. Some crafting materials in the treasure vault can be given freely; Jade Conch wouldn't be stingy enough to truly take Junior Brother's spirit jade."

Upon hearing this, Lu Ye knew that even if he insisted, they wouldn't accept the spirit jade. He raised his cup, "Then many thanks to the Senior Brother!"

The feast was hosted with joy by all, and after the banquet, Jade Conch placed Lu Ye in a picturesque valley, where Wu Zhuo was also present, serving as company.

The following day, before Lu Ye could make the first move, the bald Han Dong came looking for him, intending to take Lu Ye to the treasure vault for a visit.

Lu Ye brought Ma Shangsi along and followed him out.

Righteous Blood Sect also had a treasure vault, but the treasure vault of a domain is incomparable to the treasure vault of a sect. Jade Conch's treasure vault was divided into several layers, each filled to the brim with good items.

One layer held various crafting materials.

Most of these materials were nurtured by Jade Conch World itself, while a portion was brought back by cultivators from encounters in stellar space.

Lu Ye was dazzled and couldn't decide where to start.

Chapter 1704 - Forging the Sword Sheath

Fortunately, Han Dong was an Artifact Refiner and knew the materials here like the back of his hand. Seeing Lu Ye hesitant, he promptly inquired about his requirements.

Upon learning that Lu Ye wanted to forge a magic-treasure class sword sheath, he helped by taking out some materials from the treasure vault.

Han Dong was quite agreeable and enthusiastic. After leading Lu Ye out of the treasure vault, he said, "Come, I'll take you to Artifact Valley, where crafting happens in this world."

Then the three of them headed towards Artifact Valley and arrived shortly.

Upon arrival, Han Dong led Lu Ye down a passage without knowing how far they delved. During the descent, Lu Ye even saw several lava rivers flowing past, and the surrounding temperature grew increasingly hotter.

Generally, crafting areas are set up in such environments because the power of Earth Fire can be harnessed, allowing cultivators to refine artifacts better.

Deep inside Artifact Valley, many Jade Conch cultivators were bare-chested, sweating profusely as they crafted objects on various artifact crafting counters.

The further they went, the fewer cultivators there were, until none could be seen.

Han Dong removed his clothes, revealing his robust muscles, and pointed at a massive crafting counter: "This is my place for refining artifacts. If junior brother doesn't mind, I can refine a mere magic-treasure class sword sheath for you."

His words were not boastful; within Jade Conch, Han Dong was unmatched in the Path of Artifact Refining. Most magic treasures in the Jade Conch World were crafted by him.

Forging a simple sword sheath was naturally as easy for him as sculpting clay with his ten fingers.

Lu Ye chuckled, "Senior Brother Han, the sword sheath I wish to craft is no ordinary one. You might not be able to refine it."

Han Dong sneered at the words, not upset, "Are you underestimating me, junior brother? Whether it can be crafted, draw me a design first. If I can't make it in this world, then no one else can."

He wanted Lu Ye to draw a design, essentially asking what kind of restriction Lu Ye intended to integrate into the sword sheath.

Lu Ye thought for a moment, took out a jade tablet, and engraved a part of the Drawn Saber Slash Spirit Runes on it before giving it to him.

Han Dong inspected it for a while, falling into contemplation.

As the finest Artifact Refiner in Jade Conch, he naturally dabbled in the Path of Spirit Runes, but his focus was on those used in artifact refinement. Despite this, he could tell at a glance that the spirit runes Lu Ye provided were incomplete.

If an incomplete spirit rune was this complex, how intricate would a complete one be?

Scratching his bald head, he remarked, "A bit challenging." In truth, it was more than a bit challenging—it wasn't something a person could craft, at least not within Han Dong's capabilities.

It's known that the complexity of the As-Close-As-Siblings Spirit Runes was lesser than this, yet even though many top factions in All Phenomena Ocean struggled to decipher it, they have mastered the As-Close-As-Siblings Spirit Runes. However, crafting array discs using these spirit runes has proven difficult for even the most elite Artifact Refiners who have only achieved a degree of success after thorough exploration.

That is why the price of As-Close-As-Siblings Array Discs remains high in All Phenomena Ocean since no Artifact Refiner can craft them as easily as Lu Ye.

Though Han Dong's skills were decent, they lagged behind those nurtured meticulously by elite factions.

If he were tasked with engraving the spirit runes on a jade tablet and had thousands or tens of thousands of attempts, there might be a chance for success, but engraving them onto a jade tablet versus crafting them into a sword sheath was an entirely different level of difficulty.

He had the mind to ask what the spirit runes were but swallowed the words, knowing some things aren't casually pried into.

Such complex spirit runes clearly harbored indescribable power and were extraordinarily precious.

"If Senior Brother Han is free, could you guide me a little here?" Lu Ye asked.

Han Dong was momentarily stunned before responding, "Does junior brother also understand the Path of Artifact Refining?" From Lu Ye's words, it was obvious he intended to tackle it himself.

"I've learned a little," Lu Ye replied.

Han Dong didn't know what to say—just having learned a little and daring to craft such complex spirit runes seemed somewhat ignorant of the limits.

Yet Lu Ye was already considered a VIP of Jade Conch, so Han Dong didn't speak too harshly, merely stating, "No problem, I don't have much on my plate recently."

He assumed that after trying a few times without success, Lu Ye would eventually give up.

In the following days, Lu Ye and Han Dong remained at the deepest part of Artifact Valley, beside the crafting counter, with Lu Ye's mana continuously flowing.

Han Dong soon noticed that Lu Ye indeed had some foundation in crafting but likely hadn't delved deeply into the Path of Artifact Refining. This was evident from his various performances during crafting.

Moreover, at such a young age and with Moon Jade cultivation, he surely dedicated most of his time to bitter cultivation, leaving little opportunity to explore such external paths as artifact refining.

Yet, over time, Han Dong became increasingly astounded.

Because Lu Ye's growth was remarkably swift! It was as if he was naturally suited for artifact refining, particularly valuable because his mana's element sign was fire type, which is precisely what an Artifact Refiner needs most.

Lu Ye had quite the talent in the Path of Artifact Refining, which explains why Khong Khong from the Sword Weapon Sect taught him in that secret realm on Nine Provinces years ago.

In the pre-Nine Provinces era, the Sword Weapon Sect was exceedingly prominent, with its Sword Dao and artifact refining leading the entire Nine Provinces, where the Sword Dao legacy was bestowed upon Nian Yuexian, while the artifact refining legacy was brought out of the secret realm by Lu Ye and given to Ouyang Zi of Nine Provinces.

With Khong Khong's teachings as a foundation, Lu Ye's various crafting methods mesmerized Han Dong.

Originally, Han Dong intended to guide, but after a few days, their dynamic shifted into mutual exploration.

In such an environment, Lu Ye's artifact refining skills naturally grew rapidly.

However, crafting a suitable sword sheath isn't an easy task. Refining an As-Close-As-Siblings Array Disc is straightforward for him because the most crucial part is the spirit rune. The array disc itself is merely a vessel, which Lu Ye can casually refine.

But the sword sheath is different. Although it is also a vessel for spirit runes, if the quality of the crafting isn't good enough, it won't be able to withstand the powerful forces accumulated within the runes.

One must ensure the quality of the sheath while maintaining the integrity of the spirit runes. Combining the two presents a significant challenge.

After spending half a month in Artifact Valley, Lu Ye finally began truly crafting the sword sheath.

Han Dong was not optimistic about this. In his view, Lu Ye's artifact refining skills were inferior even to his own, so how could he possibly incorporate such complex spirit runes?

If the runes aren't incorporated, merely crafting a sword sheath is utterly pointless.

To Han Dong's astonishment, during his first attempt, Lu Ye achieved a ten percent progress!

Although a small mistake caused all his previous efforts to be in vain, the result was undeniably impressive.

Han Dong was puzzled, as such a thing shouldn't happen. From his perspective, with Lu Ye's current level of refining skills, achieving even half of the progress was impossible, let alone ten percent.

Little did he know, Lu Ye had the Talent Tree to back him up. Although his artifact refining skills weren't as high, he had a natural advantage in incorporating spirit runes.

Time and again, Lu Ye tried and failed, with varying progress, but each failure meant starting all over again.

Fortunately, artifact refining is different from Alchemy; in Alchemy, if you fail, the whole batch of spirit runes is nearly destroyed, whereas, in refining, as long as the material loss isn't significant, you can start anew.

This is an advantage that Alchemy cannot match.

Even so, Han Dong had previously taken materials from the treasure vault, which were heavily consumed, forcing him to return for more.

Lu Ye worked tirelessly without any worries.

Time flew by.

In the blink of an eye, Lu Ye had been in the Jade Conch for almost two months.

During these two months, countless failures occurred, with frequent setbacks requiring a fresh start.

In the deepest part of Artifact Valley, before the massive artifact crafting counter, Lu Ye raised the newly crafted sword sheath, examining it carefully, his eyes bloodshot.

Two months of sleepless nights, despite having advanced to the Moon Jade, Lu Ye felt utterly exhausted. Fortunately, the sword sheath was finally crafted.

Beside him, Han Dong's condition was even worse, with sunken eyes and scruffy beard.

Han Dong was actually quite strong, at the Moon Jade mid-stage, one layer higher than Lu Ye, but cultivation realm is merely the level of cultivation; personal foundation is not something that can be swayed by realm or level.

Lu Ye had gone to the extreme in the Constellation Realm; in terms of physique, Han Dong was far inferior to him.

At this moment, Han Dong was also gazing at the sword sheath, smacking his lips and saying: "Not easy, indeed!"

He truly didn't expect that crafting a sword sheath would take two months, but the result was fairly satisfactory.

"Indeed, not easy," Lu Ye examined the new sheath. It had been crafted to resemble the Boulder Mountain Saber, pitch black and seemingly inconspicuous, but if someone underestimated it because of its appearance, they would pay a price.

Lu Ye slightly activated mana to infuse it, immediately feeling the mana flowing along the rune patterns.

He took the Boulder Mountain Saber from his waist, drew it from its sheath, and inserted the long sword into the new sheath, continuously urging mana to nurture it, turning to Han Dong: "Thank you, Senior Brother Han, for your help during this period."

"It's nothing; I also gained a lot."

During the exchange of refining techniques, Han Dong indeed learned a lot from Lu Ye, originating from the Sword Weapon Sect, which was absent in Jade Conch's Blue Flag Street.

Han Dong felt that if he could thoroughly understand these things, his refining skills should improve by one level.

This is undoubtedly extremely precious to an Artifact Refiner.

"Let's go, have a drink," Lu Ye beckoned.

Han Dong readily agreed. Throughout, he never asked what the spirit rune was for.

On the side, Ma Shangsi, who waited for two months, stepped forward and followed.

Soon after, at the valley where Lu Ye was housed in Jade Conch, he and Han Dong sat and drank, chatting freely.

Lu Ye never expected he would be delayed in Jade Conch for so long. Fortunately, the result was smooth, and with the experience of crafting the sword sheath this time, next time with better materials, it would undoubtedly be simpler.

He intends to meet Qiu Wu tomorrow and ask about the arrangements at Jade Conch; he must return to All Phenomena Ocean.

Chapter 1705 - Sudden Crisis

At Han Dong's residence, Lu Ye was drinking merrily with him, chatting and laughing.

Having crafted a sheath for the Boulder Mountain Saber, Lu Ye was quite happy. Although the quality of this sheath wasn't great, it could temporarily meet his needs. He could craft a better one when his cultivation improved, and it would be easier then.

Moreover, Lu Ye had a small idea. The strength of the Drawn Saber Slash lies in the cultivator's mana accumulating in the spirit rune. This doesn't have strict requirements on the cultivator's own power; any combat cultivator can use it. In other words, anyone with this sheath can basically wield the Drawn Saber Slash ability.

So, this thing has the potential to be popularized.

Of course, not right now. It took Lu Ye two months to craft this one sheath, and he didn't have that much time to make more for others.

If there's a chance, perhaps he could try it on a small scale. Among those close to him, there are several combat cultivators. For instance, Nian Yuexian, this sword cultivator, is quite suitable for having a sheath imbued with Drawn Saber Slash spirit runes.

The lethality of sword cultivators is already strong, and with the explosive power of spirit runes, it would be even stronger.

They still need to groom their own Artifact Refiners in the Nine Provinces. If there were enough outstanding Artifact Refiners in the Nine Provinces, this idea could be achieved. By then, every combat cultivator in the Nine Provinces could wield such a method, and the damage in that explosive moment would be terrifying.

But this is difficult. Han Dong, at Moon Jade Mid-Stage cultivation, is quite skilled in Artifact Refining. Yet even if Lu Ye taught him the spirit runes, it might take him years to craft it.

Lu Ye briefly considered this and did not delve deeper, continuing to drink with Han Dong.

Suddenly, Han Dong took out an audio talisman to inspect it. Someone must have transmitted a message to him. In the next instant, he stood up in surprise.

"What happened?" Lu Ye asked him when he saw his unusual expression.

"There's a sudden situation!" Han Dong said while rushing out, looking very urgent. "Junior brother, you go back and rest. I'll come find you later."

Lu Ye nodded: "Okay!"

But unexpectedly, Han Dong stopped again, looked back at Lu Ye for a moment, raised his hand, and said: "Junior brother, come along!"

Lu Ye was puzzled, not knowing why Han Dong suddenly changed his mind.

Judging by Han Dong's expression changes, this unexpected situation certainly wasn't trivial. Otherwise, it wouldn't make him, at Moon Jade, so anxious.

Lu Ye initially thought it was a local affair of the Jade Conch World, but since Han Dong asked him to come along, it didn't seem quite right?

He didn't think the situation related to him, nor did he maliciously speculate about it. Since Han Dong asked, he followed, with Ma Shangsi close behind.

The three figures soared into the sky, under Han Dong's lead, rushing towards the domain's boundaries.

Lu Ye keenly noticed that not only Han Dong was moving, but several Moon Jades he had seen before were too, and even the World Lord, Qiu Wu, was flying out.

What major event could this possibly be?

Normally, unless faced with domain destruction, someone of Qiu Wu's stature wouldn't act so easily. Now even Qiu Wu couldn't remain seated; it's definitely serious.

Lu Ye felt puzzled, but didn't ask details. He would naturally know what he should, and there's no need to ask about what he shouldn't.

In no time, a group of Jade Conch Moon Jades gathered in the nearby airspace.

All were familiar faces. All the Moon Jades Lu Ye had seen before were there, even Wu Zhuo, which surprised Lu Ye, as he thought Wu Zhuo would have left during the two months he spent refining with Han Dong.

Lu Ye glanced at Wu Zhuo, showing inquiry. Wu Zhuo slowly shook his head, wearing a similarly bewildered expression.

"What's the situation?" Han Dong asked urgently.

"We'll talk while moving!" Qiu Wu said, summoning a starboat. Everyone boarded it and it immediately transformed into a streak of light, rushing deep into the stellar space.

Lu Ye felt something and turned to look back. From within the Jade Conch World, figures were flying out, also riding starboats and following.

Those were the Jade Conch World's Constellations!

Not only the Constellations inside the domain were moving, the ones outside were heading in the same direction too.

This setup looked like all the cultivators atop the Jade Conch Constellations were mobilizing. Lu Ye realized this matter might be bigger than he thought. The Jade Conch World was already adopting a stance of war!

On the starboat, several Jade Conch Moon Jades listened to Qiu Wu's explanation, their expressions gradually growing serious.

Lu Ye and Wu Zhuo stood aside, listening, gradually understanding what exactly was happening.

The position of the entire Jade Conch Galaxy within the stellar space is rather remote. Such remoteness doesn't mean the cultivation resources spawned within the galaxy are barren. Judging from the current situation, the resources spawned within our galaxy, though not abundant, are still quite alright.

The greatest challenge of isolation is the difficulty in communicating with other star systems.

When the Nine Provinces ascended to a large domain, the Constellations began to explore the surrounding stellar space. Jade Conch had been a large domain for countless years, and with nearly ten Moon Jades, it naturally explored the surrounding stellar space, with a scope that far exceeded that of the Nine Provinces.

Currently, the Jade Conch Galaxy contains three large domains. Extending outward in the direction of Nine Provinces, a truly vast desolate star region can be reached within two years' journey at the pace of a Constellation Late Stage cultivator. It is a land of dead silence, devoid of any cultivation domains, not even the most inferior one.

Extending outward from the direction of the Qingli Dao World leads to the geomagnetic turbulence zone.

Similarly, extending outward from the Jade Conch World leads to another desolate star region. However, in this direction, there are other star systems. Once, a Moon Jade from Jade Conch spent twenty years traversing that desolate star region and reached these star systems.

Twenty years is not a short time, even for a Moon Jade. Over such a great distance, it is difficult for Jade Conch to maintain any contact with the opposite side. Additionally, Jade Conch itself is not very strong, so it dares not engage with them much.

In the vastness of stellar space, there are indeed many star systems like Jade Conch, surrounded by either vast and boundless desolate star regions or perilous stellar marvels, leading to isolation from the outside world.

Under normal circumstances, star systems like Jade Conch are not particularly strong or weak. They develop in isolation, with no great opportunities for advancement, and are unable to partake in the various top-tier competitions in stellar space, yet they face no major crises either.

However, unexpected changes do occur.

Nearly three years ago, cultivators from Jade Conch noticed some strange phenomena in the direction of the desolate star region. Suddenly, a vast area of cold air appeared in that stellar space.

This occurrence was rare, so when the news was reported back, the Moon Jades of Jade Conch promptly went to investigate on-site. After thorough checks, they could not discern anything.

This vast area of cold air appeared out of nowhere, neither dissipating nor causing any specific harm.

As time passed, Jade Conch eventually ignored it. The cultivators of Jade Conch named the area "Icy Domain" and marked it on the star map.

Soon, the cultivators from Jade Conch discovered that the cold air in the Icy Domain not only posed no danger but also had some benefits. Cultivators possessing chilly-attribute powers experienced greatly increased efficiency in their cultivation there.

Gradually, the Icy Domain became a preferred place for certain cultivators; many who cultivated chilly-attribute powers or secret techniques liked to go there.

However, things changed six months ago. After three years of stillness, the Icy Domain began showing peculiar changes. The mass of cold air seemed to come alive, vibrating rhythmically.

Jade Conch did not dare to slack, immediately deploying numerous people for surveillance.

This included several Moon Jades!

Two months ago, Lu Ye and Wu Zhuo arrived only to find there were few Jade Conch Constellations, due to these events. Whether the changes in the Icy Domain were a blessing or a curse was unknown, so, as a precaution, Qiu Wu deployed nearly half of Jade Conch's force there to ensure that in case of unforeseen changes, sufficient counterforce was available.

Eventually, the unexpected did happen.

Half a month ago, space in the Icy Domain suddenly shattered and an Insect Path appeared, from which countless lifeforms emerged fearlessly for battle.

Fortunately, Qiu Wu had the foresight to station many people there, so when noticing something amiss, the few Moon Jades on site led the Constellations to intercept.

The position of the Insect Path was fixed, giving Jade Conch an absolute geographical advantage. The lifeforms coming from the Insect Path were not strong, countless were slaughtered, but their strength

was peculiar. It seemed to possess a very special pollution power. Even as they died, their pollution power lingered and accumulated, limiting the Jade Conch cultivators.

Additionally, the invading forces seemed endless, making the loss of the Icy Domain Insect Path only a matter of time.

So the Moon Jades there decided promptly, ordering a message to be sent to Jade Conch requesting reinforcements. The message, relayed step by step from the Icy Domain to Jade Conch, took merely one day.

Upon receiving the message, Jade Conch wasted no time, almost exhausting its remaining domain forces to provide support.

Qiu Wu realized that this could very well be a disaster for Jade Conch. If mishandled, it might truly lead to domain destruction.

Lu Ye furrowed his brow, just about to ask which race the invading lifeforms belonged to when he suddenly felt his sleeve being tugged.

Turning his head, he saw Ma Shangsi looking at him, communicating with a grave expression: "My lord, it should be the Filth Race."

Lu Ye was taken aback, asking, "Are you sure?"

"Though I haven't seen it firsthand, there's an Icy Domain Insect Path and a Force of Filth. It must be. Apart from the Filth Race, no other race could cause such a thing."

Lu Ye's expression turned serious. If it's the Filth Race, then things have indeed become troublesome.

The Filth Race... across stellar space, it is almost a race that induces fear in all races because they once nearly unified the entire stellar space, enslaving all races under their feet.

Lu Ye learned about this from some records at Xiyuan Pavilion of the Dwarf Race, although the records were vague due to the distant times. Even the Dwarf Race couldn't clarify the details completely. However, there's no doubt that the Filth Race is an extremely powerful and evil race.

Lu Ye never expected that a remote place like Jade Conch would one day face such a crisis.

Chapter 1706 - Filth Race Attack

In the stellar space, various species are all different, including those without spiritual intelligence or with low spiritual intelligence, numbering in the tens of thousands.

Among the myriad races in the stellar space, two races are most notorious: one is the Insect Race, and the other is the Blood Race!

For no other reason, the Insect Race loves to invade domains, devouring their inherent foundation to develop itself, so where the Insect Race passes, life typically becomes extinct.

The Blood Race doesn't do much better; domains targeted by them generally see their living beings become Blood Slaves, their lives held in the balance.

Therefore, the Insect and Blood Races have it rough in stellar space, essentially being hunted down everywhere.

The Blood Race has the ability to disguise themselves as the human race, making their situation slightly better. The Insect Race utterly fails in this; even when they take human form, their characteristics are still very obvious and easily recognizable.

Besides these two major races, there's actually another race loathed and spurned by all races.

That would be the Filth Race!

However, unlike the well-known Insect and Blood Races, the Filth Race isn't widely known because they rarely appear; but when they do, it brings devastating disasters.

Take Jade Conch for example; even now, they haven't figured out what the invading enemy truly is.

All roots lie in the Filth Race's concealment.

The Blood Race has five top-tier domains, each transformed from portions of the Blood Ancestor's body. Although the locations of these five domains aren't fixed, there are traces to be found.

The Insect Race is similar; several top-tier insect hives are generally under the surveillance of stellar space powerhouses, unable to move easily. If there weren't so many strong beings from the Blood Race and Insect Race, making it hard for the stellar space powerhouses to reach a consensus, they might have been wiped out long ago.

But regarding the Filth Race's base, no one in the world knows.

They often appear unexpectedly via the Insect Path, and after destroying a star system, they disappear without a trace, leaving behind desolation and brutality.

It's rumored that the root of the Filth Race is called Filth Land, a huge unparalleled domain, also one of the top-tier domains in stellar space, but that's merely a rumor, unverified by anyone.

Lu Ye and Ma Shangsi quietly transmitted audio, but they couldn't hide from a few Jade Conch Moon Jades, causing Han Dong to turn and look, "Junior Brother Lu, you're well-informed, do you know something?"

Now, what Jade Conch needs to figure out first is what species the enemy is and what they intend to do. Only then can there be an appropriate response strategy; if such basic information is unknown, then when it comes to fighting, they are bound to suffer.

Lu Ye said, "I'm not quite sure, but Ma Shangsi mentioned that those invading from the Insect Path should be the Filth Race."

"Filth Race?" Several Jade Conch Moon Jades and even Wu Zhuo looked bewildered, obviously having never heard of it.

Lu Ye turned to Ma Shangsi, "Explain in detail."

Ma Shangsi then briefly explained the intelligence he knew about the Filth Race. Han Dong thought Lu Ye had wandered the All Phenomena Ocean for years and was well-informed, but among the Moon Jades present, the most knowledgeable was still Ma Shangsi.

This guy was the strongest, the oldest, and had once disguised himself as the human race, staying in the All Phenomena Ocean for years. In terms of insight, far surpassing Lu Ye.

After hearing various details about the Filth Race, Qiu Wu's expression was serious, "Fellow Daoist Ma, how did you judge that the ones coming this time are the Filth Race?"

Ma Shangsi said, "It's simple, their invasion method is much like what I heard, always using an Icy Domain Insect Path. Reportedly, the Filth Race has a supreme stellar space treasure called the Celestial Frost Mirror. With this treasure, the Filth Race can randomly project Celestial Frost Freezing Air to a position in stellar space, assumedly the icy domain seen here before. This Celestial Frost Freezing Air doesn't have much harm, even being useful for the cultivation of certain cultivators, but its greatest function is to freeze space, then shatter space, artificially creating a way back and forth through the Insect Path!"

"Stellar space supreme treasure!"

"Celestial Frost Mirror!"

Several Jade Conch Moon Jades' faces showed astonishment.

Even though they came from remote places, they've heard of the reputation of stellar space supreme treasure; these are treasures born during the creation of stellar space, very few in number.

Lu Ye, however, focused on another point; unlike Jade Conch's Moon Jades' strong reaction, Lu Ye had no stellar space supreme treasure himself, but he had encountered some, "Randomly? Meaning even the Filth Race can't determine the precise position where Celestial Frost Freezing Air will be projected?"

"That's what they're saying." Ma Shangsi nodded.

"Damn it!" Wu Zhuo couldn't help but curse, "How incredibly unlucky is this?"

A few Jade Conch Moon Jades similarly felt utterly unlucky.

Stellar space is vast, so how did that Celestial Frost Freezing Air appear in Jade Conch Galaxy?

Jade Conch is remote; finally a Lu Yiye emerges, breaking through to All Phenomena Ocean, good days seemed imminent, and now this happens.

Qiu Wu's expression was solemn: "As Fellow Daoist Ma said, doesn't it mean that the Filth Race is extraordinarily powerful? Sun Blaze... there should be quite a few?"

Ma Shangsi nodded: "The Filth Race certainly has many strong members, and there are definitely Sun Blaze, not a small number. But the World Lord need not worry about Sun Blaze invading, because as far as I know, the Insect Path opened by the Celestial Frost Mirror is different from a genuine Insect Path. It has a limit to what it can withstand, so Sun Blaze can't directly come through the Insect Path."

Han Dong mused: "The Insect Path is like a water pipe, and Sun Blaze's bulk is larger than the pipe, so it can't pass through? If it forces its way through, it might even burst the pipe?"

"It's more or less that way." Ma Shangsi nodded.

Everyone let out a long sigh, feeling slightly relieved, because with Jade Conch's current power, if Sun Blaze really came through, there would be no point to resisting; they might as well wash their necks and extend them.

But even so, the situation is far from optimistic, because though Sun Blaze can't come, Moon Jade definitely can.

Moreover, for a race as vast as the Filth Race, it wouldn't take many Moon Jade—just thirty or fifty would suffice, and Jade Conch Galaxy wouldn't stand a chance.

Seeing the group's apprehension, Ma Shangsi spoke: "The situation shouldn't be so bleak, the Filth Race is a species that marauds everywhere, so the battlefield opened up by the Celestial Frost Mirror surely isn't limited to just Jade Conch."

Upon hearing this, Lu Ye's eyes lit up: "So even if they really are the Filth Race, we only need to face a small portion of their forces?"

"That's correct. Now that the Insect Path is open, there's only one way to defend our home galaxy—kill all the invading enemies and make the Filth Race retreat from difficulty." Ma Shangsi said.

Despite saying this, Ma Shangsi knew that with Jade Conch's strength, achieving this would be exceedingly difficult. He secretly resolved that if the situation seemed dire, he must take the Saintly Venerable away from here; the Saintly Venerable must not fall here.

Following this, Ma Shangsi shared more intelligence about the Filth Race that he knew. The deeper the understanding of the Filth Race, the more the group realized the tough situation ahead.

Along the way, messages constantly streamed from the icy domain.

The situation was not optimistic.

It had only been a few days, yet the icy domain was on the brink of falling.

It's not that Jade Conch cultivators lacked effort; they might not grasp the Filth Race's depths, but the Moon Jade stationed there understood, if they couldn't hold the icy domain, Jade Conch's demise was imminent, so they fought with all their might.

But the invading enemies had no fear of death, and upon their demise, the Force of Filth within their bodies would disperse. Now the icy domain is saturated with Force of Filth, initially providing only one Insect Path for passage; Jade Conch cultivators only needed to guard the Insect Path's exit to gain geographic advantage, but now the situation reversed.

Jade Conch cultivators had to risk Force of Filth corrosion to kill enemies.

Currently there, Jade Conch cultivators are hindered, unable to kill or refrain from killing.

This is the most troublesome aspect of the Filth Race; they don't fear death because those dying aren't primarily their cultivators, and early deaths lay groundwork for the final invasion.

News relayed from the icy domain showed that those Jade Conch killed weren't Filth Race, but cultivators enslaved from various races.

The Filth Race hid in shadows for years, leveraging the Celestial Frost Mirror in warfare, countless galaxies were destroyed; the creatures from those galaxies weren't all slain, many were tainted by Force of Filth, becoming slaves for launching new wars.

Thus, all Jade Conch cultivators can do now is strive to dispel or purify the Force of Filth over the icy domain.

Effect is minimal, as those with such capability are mainly healing cultivators, who are the least plentiful among factions.

Lu Ye's starboat was rushing toward the icy domain at maximum speed, but even so, it'll still take several days to arrive.

Two more days passed, new messages flowed from the battlefield.

The Filth Race amassing in the icy domain reached a certain scale; no new enemies emerged; instead, they were laying out something.

Over time, Jade Conch's Moon Jade could sense the Insect Path was becoming increasingly stable.

The Insect Path is crafted by Celestial Frost Mirror's chilling air freezing the shattered space, differing from a typical Insect Path, hence initially unstable and limited in bulk—this is why Sun Blaze couldn't come directly; forcing it through risks collapsing the Insect Path, if the path collapses, any creatures traversing it would meet no favorable end.

Yet now, with all the Filth Race's arrangements, that Insect Path is showing stability!

This is a very bad sign, for if the Insect Path becomes stable enough, could Sun Blaze directly come through?

If true, Jade Conch is completely doomed.

Upon receiving the news, everyone turned to Ma Shangsi. He shook his head: "My knowledge of the Filth Race is only that; beyond it, I'm unaware. But judging by intelligence relayed thus far, the enemy's actions likely do strive to bring Sun Blaze over."

The Moon Jade group all felt their scalps tingle.

Qiu Wu couldn't help but urge: "Faster, even faster!"

Chapter 1707 - Burning Away the Filth

The two Jade Conch Moon Jades in charge of steering the starboat frantically activated their mana, but even so, the starboat had reached its speed limit.

Helplessly, Qiu Wu could only relay a message forward, commanding the Jade Conch cultivators there to obstruct the actions of the Filth Race at all costs, ensuring they didn't set up smoothly.

He knew that once the Filth Race's arrangement succeeded and Sun Blaze appeared, Jade Conch would never rise again.

Although the situation is dire now, Jade Conch at least still has the power to fight.

But the feedback he received left Qiu Wu in despair.

Although Sun Blaze hadn't appeared there from the Filth Race, there were already over ten Moon Jades, and with the icy domain being filled with Force of Filth, Jade Conch cultivators could hardly achieve anything. Forcing their way through might even risk falling.

Faced with this situation, Jade Conch cultivators could only look on, feeling extremely frustrated.

After another day, the icy domain was in sight.

Aboard the starboat, Lu Ye looked forward and saw a large area of grey fog enveloping the stellar space, which should be the original location of the icy domain.

Lu Ye had never seen anything like it; even from a distance, the grey fog gave off an incredibly filthy feeling, as if it was the essence of the world's filth, making one feel disgusted and repelled unconsciously.

Under the cover of the Force of Filth, the situation inside was not clearly visible, but vague outlines of many figures could be seen moving within it.

From the center of the grey fog, Lu Ye felt the aura of the Insect Path.

Upon reaching this place, several Moon Jades originally stationed here at Jade Conch greeted them. Their cultivation levels varied from Moon Jade Early Stage to Late Stage, but without exception, they all appeared grey-faced and their auras were weakened.

They seemed unharmed on the surface, but their condition was very much like those who had taken elixir pills excessively, causing pill poison to accumulate within, obstructing their power flow.

These Moon Jades could not possibly make such a basic mistake, so the force affecting the flow of their internal mana was definitely not pill poison, but that strange Force of Filth.

Upon meeting, Qiu Wu hurriedly asked, "What's the situation now?"

The leading middle-aged man wiped his face, saying, "They haven't actively attacked, keeping guard over the Insect Path. We couldn't succeed in striking into it despite several attempts, losing some people instead. The Insect Path is stabilizing. If it's truly as you previously informed, once the Insect Path fully stabilizes, surely Sun Blaze will arrive!"

"How strong are they?" Qiu Wu asked again.

The middle-aged man replied, "Not especially strong, but not weak either, just average. If it's one-on-one, I wouldn't fear them, but the environment filled with Force of Filth makes it hard for us to exert our strength."

An ashen-faced woman nodded in agreement, saying, "Yes, in there, besides battling the enemy, our mana has to continuously counter the corrosion of the Force of Filth. If we're careless, our mana becomes tainted, cleansing it is quite troublesome."

Under normal circumstances, these Moon Jades, even if pill poison accumulated within them, could resolve it without much trouble, but the invading Force of Filth isn't the same as pill poison. It is more tenacious and harder to dispel.

The current situation shows the Filth Race outnumbering Jade Conch in Moon Jades and possessing advantageous terrain. They clearly understand the art of warfare well; despite their advantage, they haven't attacked, choosing to firmly guard their place at the Insect Path and busily arranging, evidently waiting for Sun Blaze to arrive and decide the fate with one battle.

"We cannot let them continue!" Qiu Wu shook his head, his eyes showing determination.

Given the situation, Jade Conch has no other plan but to stake everything, or the longer the delay, the more unfavorable for Jade Conch.

While several Moon Jades spoke, Lu Ye observed the original location of the icy domain, confirming over a dozen Moon Jade presences within.

On the other hand, their own side also had over ten people, slightly fewer than the opponent in terms of pure numbers.

"Junior Brother Lu, Palace Lord Wu, we must ask you both to assist in this battle!" Qiu Wu turned to Lu Ye and Wu Zhuo.

Wu Zhuo immediately replied, "No problem, having come here, I, Wu, won't stand idly by."

Lu Ye also nodded, "World Lord, just order us as you see fit."

Both he and Wu Zhuo understood very well the principle of 'when the lips are gone, the teeth become cold.' Although this crisis is near the Jade Conch World, if Jade Conch fails, then the Nine Provinces and Qingli Dao World wouldn't fare well.

Supporting Jade Conch is also supporting the Nine Provinces and Qingli Dao World.

Qiu Wu was reassured by their response; notwithstanding Lu Ye's Moon Jade Early Stage, he didn't have high hopes, yet Wu Zhuo, at least in mid-stage, could contribute significantly, plus Lu Ye's servant, Ma Shangsi, was at Peak Moon Jade, which definitely offered considerable support!

Currently, Qiu Wu was grateful Lu Ye and Wu Zhuo stayed in the Jade Conch World; otherwise, relying solely on Jade Conch's inner strength might not hold hope.

Many Jade Conch Constellations were rushing here, but time would definitely be too tight.

Without hesitation, Qiu Wu began to arrange.

In truth, there's not much arranging to do; the forces of both sides are seen clearly, he only needed to quickly eliminate the opponent's Moon Jades, then figure out how to dismantle their establishment to prevent Sun Blaze's arrival.

As Ma Shangsi had mentioned before, wanting to protect Jade Conch from losing in this battle requires resolving the Filth Race before making them retreat willingly; it's best to compel them to close the Insect Path actively. Otherwise, once an Insect Path is positioned here, it's akin to having a fierce tiger lying under one's bed, making peaceful days ahead for the home galaxy impossible.

The Moon Jades' numbers were about equal, thus they tackled them specifically. Under Qiu Wu's arrangement, each Moon Jade of the opponent was countered by designated personnel.

However, although the number of Moon Jade cultivators is about the same, the enemy's numbers are actually somewhat larger, so our side has to fight with fewer against more. The situation of this battle does not seem optimistic, but things have come to this point, and we can only grit our teeth and go forward.

No matter who it is, nobody holds an optimistic attitude towards the outcome of this battle.

Lu Ye looked at the middle-aged man who spoke earlier and suddenly asked, "May I ask, Senior Brother, how much strength can you exert right now?"

The middle-aged man sighed, "Eight or nine tenths, I suppose."

Lu Ye nodded, "Don't move, Senior Brother, let me see if I can dispel those forces of turbidity."

He said this and raised his hand, patting the shoulder of the other.

The middle-aged man was startled, "Junior Brother Lu has also learned healing cultivator techniques?"

Those forces of turbidity are not impossible to dispel or purify, it's just very troublesome, and those who have such means are usually healing cultivators.

Lu Ye clearly looks like a combat cultivator, so the middle-aged man couldn't help but be somewhat puzzled.

"Something like that." Lu Ye didn't elaborate much and said this while urging his own mana, simultaneously activating the power of the Talent Tree, with mana starting to flow within the body of the middle-aged man.

In the next instant, the middle-aged man froze, showing an incredible expression, because he felt that with the flow of Lu Ye's mana, the forces of turbidity within his body were rapidly melting away, as if snowflakes exposed to blazing sun.

He knew how tenacious these forces of turbidity were; with his own ability, he could sit in seclusion for half a year to disperse them cleanly, but the technique Lu Ye exercised surprisingly had a miraculous effect like medicine curing a disease.

It was truly astonishing!

Lu Ye wasn't surprised at the middle-aged man's reaction.

The Curse Poison of the Merfolk Race embedded deep in their bloodline could be burned away by the Talent Tree; no matter how tough these forces of turbidity are, they couldn't possibly be worse than the Curse Poison of the Merfolk.

Under the burning power of the Talent Tree, how could anything remain?

When Lu Ye helped the Merfolk burn away the Curse Poison force, he had to be very cautious, because that Curse Poison was inherited through their bloodline, and to burn it away thoroughly, great effort was needed, causing considerable damage to the Merfolk's physical body.

But now it's not as troublesome; as mana flows, although it slightly harms the physical body of the middle-aged man, with his Moon Jade foundation, he can recover in the blink of an eye, at most feeling some burning pain.

Compared to burning away the forces of turbidity, what is such pain worth?

Within a few moments, Lu Ye withdrew his hand, and the middle-aged man stared at Lu Ye, at a loss for words, finally saying after holding back for some time, "Junior Brother's technique... it's simply miraculous!"

Qiu Wu's eyes lit up, "The forces of turbidity have been resolved?"

"Resolved!" The middle-aged man nodded, slightly feeling his condition within, "Not a trace left!"

The other Moon Jade cultivators who were also invaded by the forces of turbidity looked brightly at Lu Ye; before the battle, even a small increment of usable strength could be the key to life and death.

"Junior Brother Lu, please lend a hand, we are extremely grateful!" someone immediately spoke up.

Since Lu Ye took action, he naturally wouldn't only save one person, and he proceeded to help each of them burn away their forces of turbidity.

Without the disturbance of the forces of turbidity, the Moon Jade cultivators felt as if a heavy burden had been lifted off their shoulders.

Qiu Wu pondered for a moment and said, "Junior Brother Lu, you shouldn't participate in this battle."

Being able to resolve the forces of turbidity so easily, Lu Ye's significance is far greater than engaging in battle, and he is only in Moon Jade Early Stage, making participation in such a conflict undoubtedly more dangerous than for others.

Qiu Wu feared he might have an accident.

Lu Ye said, "It's okay, we already have fewer people compared to the enemy; if I'm absent, others will be under more pressure, and I'll be careful."

Qiu Wu thought about it and agreed with Lu Ye's point, so he advised, "Be very careful, and if anything is amiss, flee the battlefield immediately; prioritizing survival is key."

Lu Ye nodded.

"Let's move!" Qiu Wu looked towards the area shrouded in gray fog and gently spoke.

In the next instant, as orders were communicated, the Jade Conch Constellations began to move, including two battleships!

The Jade Conch Constellations are now split into two groups, one already here, having fought several battles alongside a few Moon Jade cultivators against the invading enemies, while the other is on the way, potentially taking ten days or half a month to reach the battlefield.

These two battleships were initially dispatched here by the Jade Conch cultivators to hold this position.

This battle thus begins with the roaring of the two battleships.

Chapter 1708 - Swift Kill

The battleship hummed, and violent attacks poured into the area covered by the gray mist, causing numerous presences within to instantly vanish.

The Filth Race, though originally unafraid of death and using it to seize advantageous positions, were now busy stabilizing the Insect Path and naturally didn't want to be disturbed by Jade Conch.

Within the gray mist, a counterattack occurred immediately, and cultivators below the Moon Jade from both sides clashed across the distance.

Such battles were extremely advantageous for Jade Conch cultivators because they could fight while roaming around, whereas for the Filth Race, it was unfavorable. Although the area covered by the gray mist was quite large, it had limits, restricting their space to maneuver.

This limitation led to increased casualties on the Filth Race's side.

Only one incense stick's time had passed since the battle began, yet the fading presences within the gray mist had already reached nearly a thousand.

Even so, those Moon Jades of the Filth Race remained indifferent to the deaths of their fellow cultivators, continuing their busy arrangements.

As many Filth Race members died, the Force of Filth dispersed and permeated, seemingly expanding the area covered by the gray mist.

This was the fundamental reason why Jade Conch initially seized the advantageous position, blocking the entrance to the Insect Path, only to be forcefully driven back by the Filth Race's strong assault.

The more Filth Race members they killed, the larger the area covered by the gray mist became, and the more concentrated the Force of Turbidity within, eventually forcing Jade Conch cultivators to retreat.

"Almost there," Qiu Wu said quietly, watching the scene.

At this moment, the Filth Race hadn't yet dispatched reinforcements, but the inactivity around the Insect Path didn't mean they wouldn't reinforce later. With the Insect Path here, it was quite easy for the Filth Race to send more troops.

Therefore, from the beginning, Qiu Wu didn't plan to decide victory or defeat through these means.

The clash of the Moon Jades was crucial!

Only by achieving victory at the Moon Jade level and annihilating the opponent's Moon Jades could they consider eliminating the rest.

"Attack!" With Qiu Wu's command, numerous Moon Jades from their side moved in unison and charged toward the area covered by the gray mist.

Everyone had their own target, prearranged in advance.

Previously, Jade Conch's Moon Jades might have been hesitant, deeply aware of the troublesome nature of the Force of Turbidity, but now with Lu Ye deploying a method to rapidly dispel that Force of Turbidity, they were entirely without worries.

Moreover, understanding that failure here meant the annihilation of Jade Conch, the Moon Jades of Jade Conch held nothing back, furiously channeling mana and locking onto their targets with deadly determination.

Qiu Wu assigned Lu Ye a Moon Jade Early Stage opponent, undoubtedly based on his cultivation level. When assigned, Lu Ye had no objections - a Moon Jade Early Stage would do, serving as a chance to see what the Filth Race was truly like.

"Master, be careful!" Ma Shangsi's voice reached Lu Ye's ears; compared to Jade Conch, he clearly cared more about Lu Ye's safety.

Lu Ye nodded and rushed into the gray mist.

He carefully perceived his surroundings and soon noticed that the Force of Turbidity within the gray mist was somewhat similar to the water of the All Phenomena Ocean; it was highly corrosive, though not as intense as the water from the All Phenomena Ocean.

In the All Phenomena Ocean, even Sun Blaze entering was unable to resist the seawater's corrosion.

The Force of Turbidity's corrosive power within the gray mist was indeed strong but not to that extent.

At least, Lu Ye felt that by channeling mana to protect himself, he could resist it, the only price being a slightly larger-than-usual mana expenditure.

Where he could resist, other Moon Jades should be able to as well.

In other words, without external interference, a Moon Jade with sufficient mana could reside here indefinitely without being corroded by the Force of Turbidity.

But once engaged in combat, that wasn't the case.

In a fierce battle, a cultivator's protective magic isn't always constantly maintained, and amid an intense fight, if mana circulation falters slightly, leaving vulnerabilities, the Force of Turbidity would instantly invade the body.

The few Moon Jades from Jade Conch likely had such experiences.

Therefore, competing with the Filth Race in such an environment didn't advantage any race, as they had to allocate some strength to protect themselves.

Lu Ye, after briefly perceiving, quickly gained insight into the various characteristics of the gray mist, multiple life energies approaching him, their cultivation levels varied.

Most were Constellations, Lu Ye even sensed a Divine Sea presence among them.

Under normal circumstances, a Divine Sea would not be able to leave their domain, traversing stellar space bodily, as inadequate physique wouldn't withstand the ubiquitous stellar space energy.

Only reaching the Constellation Realm grants this qualification.

But there are always exceptions.

On the Insect Race side, not only Divine Sea but even many True Lake insects could operate in stellar space, relying on special carapaces exclusively nurtured by the insect hive, capable of shielding against stellar space energy and preserving the insect race.

The Blood Race, on their side, has the Blood Sea, allowing high-cultivation cultivators to lead lower-cultivation ones across stellar space.

The situation on the Filth Tribe's side was clear at a glance. The Force of Turbidity within the gray mist undoubtedly created a suitable activity space for these Divine Sea Filth Tribes. In this area, stellar space energy was completely absent, allowing the Divine Sea Filth Tribe to move freely without any hindrance.

But whether it's the Divine Sea or the Constellation, neither was noteworthy before Lu Ye at present. He didn't even have the desire to draw his blade; with a mere raise of his hand, fire-type techniques lashed out.

It had been a long time since he had done this. With the Talent Tree by his side, his prowess in the arts of magic and spells was actually not low.

Fiery light shot skyward, illuminating the stellar space as Lu Ye's form kept moving, forging a path of blood straight through.

Ahead, the Filth Tribe's Moon Jade, locked by his Mental Consciousness, roared furiously and rushed forward. Its mana fluctuated continually, and its aura was extremely fierce.

Only then did Lu Ye realize what kind of creature his opponent truly was.

It was actually a star beast!

Having learned much about the Filth Tribe from Ma Shangsi, Lu Ye instantly recognized that his opponent was not Filth Tribe, just a servant enslaved by the Filth Tribe!

The Filth Tribe differs from other races. It's a race, yet essentially a collective term.

Because this tribe encompasses all phenomena, any creature from any race can become Filth Tribe, provided it has maintained its own consciousness after being tainted by the Force of Turbidity.

The invasive nature of the Force of Turbidity is potent; most creatures, once eroded, lose all reason, leaving only instinct. Such creatures serve as servants to the Filth Tribe.

Yet a very small number of creatures can retain their own consciousness. Whether it was from a different race previously, they will become Filth Tribe.

The star beast before Lu Ye was clearly just a servant, sensing Lu Ye's hostility, it recklessly charged forward.

Lu Ye had anticipated this.

The dozen or so Moon Jade here must surely include genuine Filth Tribe members; otherwise, a mere group of mindless servants wouldn't accomplish anything.

But before the battle commenced, no one could distinguish who was the true Filth Tribe and who was the servant.

Upon getting closer, Lu Ye could finally see the star beast's appearance. It was wholly a rotting flesh ball oozing green fluid, reminding Lu Ye of the Corpse Race as those rotting corpses bore this demeanor.

The flesh-ball-like star beast was the size of a house, with extremely short limbs, claws nearly negligible except for two sturdy legs, and its head pitifully small, the entire body proportioned exceptionally awkwardly.

Lu Ye had never seen such a star beast before, but with countless star beast types varying greatly, he merely accepted it as it was.

No need for words, the violent magic was unleashed directly, fiery light instantly enshrouded the star beast.

Roaring sounds echoed, and the star beast's large body was repeatedly forced back, unable even to approach Lu Ye.

Though originally a combat cultivator, Lu Ye's mana was exceptionally refined, making the magic's power formidable. He was confident to resolve such an enemy effortlessly.

Consecutive magical impacts caused the star beast's flesh to start tearing apart, green juice splattering in all directions.

Just as Lu Ye was about to press on to defeat it, within the fiery glow, the star beast let out another angry roar, followed by the sudden emergence of over a hundred beams of green light.

The green light dazzled, instantly turning Lu Ye's vision emerald while he felt an impact on his Divine Sea.

Yet soon, seven-colored divine light blossomed, and the turbulent Divine Sea quickly calmed.

Upon looking again, Lu Ye saw clearly what had attacked his Divine Sea.

To his surprise, it was a collection of emerald eyes, over a hundred of them grown on the star beast's round body, all opening, releasing green light constantly, looking extraordinarily eerie.

This was evidently the star beast's method, capable of impacting the psyche.

Without the seven-color Divine Lotus, Lu Ye might have suffered a minor setback. Naturally, the enemy couldn't possibly use this method to annihilate him; even just upgraded to Moon Jade, the resilience of Lu Ye's psyche couldn't be compared to ordinary Moon Jade.

Magical impacts kept the star beast at bay, and even the awe-inspiring hundred eyes failed to be effective. Any normal star beast would have turned to flee by now.

But this star beast had long lost its mind, under Filth Tribe's control, devoid of any escape instinct, it still foolishly charged towards Lu Ye.

Another fire dragon roared, breaking through the star beast's chest, burrowing into its flesh, and exploded.

Numerous spells followed in succession.

Three breaths later, the star beast's rotting body completely shattered, Moon Jade perished!

Upon hearing the turmoil, the Moon Jade of Jade Conch was slightly alarmed, and everyone hurriedly used their Mental Consciousness to probe the situation.

At a tense time fearing that the findings would be unfavorable, the unexpected result was that the battle on Lu Ye's side had ended!

How long had it been? They had just begun engaging with the enemy, yet Lu Ye had already finished off his opponent? This speed was incredibly quick.

Chapter 1709 - Master and Servant Join Forces

In the area shrouded in gray mist, Ma Shangsi was already engaged in battle with the enemy, under immense pressure, leaving him no time to check the situation elsewhere.

The reason he was under such great pressure was primarily because he had to deal with two enemies, both at the Late Stage of Moon Jade.

This was unavoidable; their side had fewer Moon Jade cultivators than the opposing side. As one of the two strongest on their side, it was natural for him to exert more effort, which was Qiu Wu's arrangement.

Though there was pressure, it wasn't a major problem because Ma Shangsi had immediately spread out his Blood Sea, enveloping the two enemies within.

The Blood Race fights the enemy by using the Blood Sea to create an environment beneficial for themselves, which is the most common and universal method. When the Blood Sea spreads, not only

are the two Late Stage Moon Jade opponents enveloped but so are many Constellations and Divine Seas within this area.

In a different place, Ma Shangsi would even have the confidence to wipe out all enemies within the Blood Sea.

But the environment here was not quite normal.

Within the range of the Blood Sea, the dense Force of Turbidity was even eroding it...

Ma Shangsi immediately felt something amiss and secretly estimated that he could only hold on for at most one incense stick's time. Once the time limit was exceeded, he might not even be able to maintain his Blood Sea, and at that time, his vital energy would suffer greatly.

Therefore, he was eager to take down one Late Stage Moon Jade enemy.

But even though he was at the Peak of Moon Jade, at its core, he was still at the Late Stage, and wanting to quickly kill an enemy of the same level was not that simple.

While pondering how to proceed, he suddenly sensed someone enter his Blood Sea.

Ma Shangsi instinctively perceived and was slightly startled. He quickly sent an audio transmission: "Saintly Venerable?"

It was Lu Ye, who, after dealing with his opponent, immediately charged in.

Lu Ye understood their deployment well and naturally knew the pressure Ma Shangsi was under, so he promptly came to support.

"You lead the way, I'll kill the enemy!" Lu Ye simply instructed.

Ma Shangsi promptly agreed, simultaneously using the might of the Blood Sea to split the two Late Stage Moon Jades, while pointing the direction to Lu Ye.

Two breaths later, Lu Ye arrived at a location within the Blood Sea and clearly sensed the presence of a Late Stage Moon Jade ahead, even able to vaguely see the opponent's silhouette.

It looked humanoid, though its original race was unknown, but judging from the violent aura, it seemed like another transformed, irrational member of the Filth Race!

Staring at the blurry silhouette, Lu Ye rapidly advanced, raising a hand to grip the hilt of the Boulder Mountain Saber.

As if sensing Lu Ye's hidden killing intent, the figure abruptly turned. With fierce and turbulent mana, it charged towards Lu Ye.

At this moment, the Boulder Mountain Saber was unsheathed.

A faint brilliance vaguely bloomed, and then spun like a moon.

Slicing through waves and parting the dense, substantive-like Blood Sea, a massive gap was carved through, and the saber light extended a length of ten miles, its violent power only gradually dissipating then.

Ma Shangsi, who was closely monitoring Lu Ye's situation and ready to assist at any time, gaped, as if witnessing something beyond belief, momentarily dazed.

It wasn't until the presence of the Late Stage Moon Jade suddenly vanished that Ma Shangsi snapped awake.

The enemy, whom even he found troublesome and who had a cultivation of the Late Stage Moon Jade, was beheaded in a single strike by the Saintly Venerable!

Saintly Venerable... Is he truly this powerful?

Because Lu Ye exerted his strength within Ma Shangsi's Blood Sea, Ma Shangsi clearly sensed the terror of that strike. It was not a strike that an Early Stage Moon Jade should be able to deliver. If it were himself facing that strike, even if he didn't die, he certainly wouldn't meet a good end.

Ma Shangsi was perplexed.

"Let's kill him together!" Lu Ye's voice rang in his ear, snapping Ma Shangsi back to reality. He quickly joined Lu Ye in attacking the other Late Stage Moon Jade.

Meanwhile, Lu Ye's right arm holding the saber slightly trembled, with a faint sense of exhaustion.

This was a feeling he hadn't experienced in a long time.

Since he passed Wang Xiu's test on his journey back to the Nine Provinces, gaining the Drawn Saber Slash inheritance, and maintaining the spirit rune on the Boulder Mountain Saber, several months had passed.

The nurturing of the Drawn Saber Slash Spirit Runes had long reached its limit.

Even when crafting the Sword Sheath with Han Dong, Lu Ye hadn't abandoned maintaining this spirit rune, because it was his strongest trump card at present and might be needed unexpectedly.

And indeed, it came in handy.

This was Lu Ye's first time using the Drawn Saber Slash, and its power was even greater than he had imagined. In fact, such a strike shouldn't have been possible at his current level of cultivation.

This caused his body to bear an immense burden; he couldn't even perfectly control that one slash.

When dealing with the Moon Jade Early Stage star beast earlier, Lu Ye hadn't even summoned the Boulder Mountain Saber, intending to reserve that first slash for the Moon Jade Late Stage here.

The plan proceeded smoothly. The Moon Jade Early Stage star beast was violently destroyed by his magic and spells, and a Moon Jade Late Stage here was annihilated by him in one slash, with no chance to react.

Amidst the Blood Sea, there was still one Moon Jade Late Stage left, and even if Lu Ye didn't intervene, Ma Shangsi had the ability to resolve it.

But ultimately, the environment of this battlefield was disadvantageous to our cultivators, so a swift battle was needed.

Inside the Blood Sea, the Moon Jade Late Stage trapped was already somewhat dizzy and disoriented. Once Lu Ye and Ma Shangsi, the master and servant duo, teamed up to encircle it, it immediately became a mess.

Ma Shangsi knew procrastination was not an option, so he held nothing back.

As a Peak Moon Jade Blood Race, he was the combination of a magic cultivator and a physique cultivator. Under his frenzied assault, the enemy within the Blood Sea could only defend, entirely powerless to retaliate.

Lu Ye darted around, seizing opportunities to slash whenever he could. Before the enemy reacted, he had already retreated afar, and once the enemy's attention was again diverted by Ma Shangsi, Lu Ye went back to slash again.

In less than ten breaths' time, the Moon Jade Late Stage was slashed several times, each wound deep enough to expose the bone.

With Lu Ye's advancement in cultivation, the Boulder Mountain Saber was promoted to a magic treasure. Its sharpness reached a new level, and now, bolstered by Lu Ye's Divine Sharp Edge Spirit Runes, within the same cultivation realm, no flesh-and-blood body could withstand the slashes of the Boulder Mountain Saber.

Unless with the aid of protective magic treasures.

Yet, after being promoted to a magic treasure, the Boulder Mountain Saber gained a trait of exceptionally powerful destructiveness against protective magic treasures. Hence, even if the enemy summoned some protective magic treasures, it couldn't alter the outcome, only slightly delay the time.

The physique of a Moon Jade Late Stage is strong. Normally, even if injured by Lu Ye, such an enemy could recover quickly; however, the barghest's eerie power lingered on the wounds, hindering their healing. So, at this moment, although the enemy deliberately controlled the immense wounds on its body to prevent much blood from flowing out, they remained unhealed.

"Ma Shangsi, Blood Attraction Technique!" Lu Ye commanded with a low shout, his long saber vibrating as the eerie power spread around.

The invisible barghest power entwining the enemy's wounds was instantly triggered. In a flash, those already substantial wounds were ripped apart, enlarging further.

Simultaneously, Ma Shangsi activated the Blood Attraction Technique.

The Blood Attraction Technique isn't considered a high-level magic spell among the Blood Race. Normally, a True Lake Realm Blood Race already has the qualifications to cultivate it.

This spell's function is simple: it draws the blood from the enemy's wounds, accelerating the blood loss.

Thus, when contending with the Blood Race, one should avoid getting injured; even if injured, one must recover quickly; otherwise, leaving the wound exposed gives the Blood Race an opportunity to use the Blood Attraction Technique.

Especially in a special environment like the Blood Sea, where Ma Shangsi, at Peak Moon Jade, applies the Blood Attraction Technique, its power receives unlimited amplification, thereby enhancing.

The moment the enemy's several large wounds abruptly tore open, Ma Shangsi's Blood Attraction Technique was already in motion.

In an instant, the wounds that previously had minimal blood flowing burst forth with blood like pillars!

This area, already thick with the Blood Sea, became even more concentrated.

Ma Shangsi vehemently urged the Blood Attraction Technique, even licking his lips, as if tasting something delectable...

For a Peak Moon Jade Late Stage, the eruption of blood Qi was indeed food for a Blood Race like Ma Shangsi. Once the blood was sprayed out, it merged into the Blood Sea, which Ma Shangsi could later refine, using it to bolster his own Blood Sea.

Suddenly hit by such devastating blows, the Moon Jade Late Stage howled to the sky, seeming to sense its impending doom. Its Mental Consciousness locked onto Lu Ye's position, charging at him fiercely.

With its movement, its figure rapidly shrank, a sign of severe blood Qi loss. The depletion's impact wasn't just that; the underlying foundation of the cultivator was also streaming away. Thus, the Moon Jade Late Stage's aura was visibly declining.

Lu Ye did not dodge at all but instead advanced holding his saber. In a swift motion, before the enemy could react, aided by Ma Shangsi's support, he moved behind the enemy.

As the long saber slashed out, there was an implicit sound of a beast roaring, exposing its fangs, biting towards the front.

The next instant, yet another Moon Jade Late Stage aura vanished!

At that moment, across the battlefield, the Moon Jade cultivators of Jade Conch were utterly shocked.

The commotion from the annihilation of the Moon Jade Late Stage aura was massive. Even Ma Shangsi's Blood Sea could not conceal it. When Lu Ye dispatched the first Moon Jade Late Stage, Qiu Wu and others noticed it.

Amidst the joy, there was more shock because the speed was too fast. They knew Ma Shangsi was at Peak Moon Jade cultivation, but even at Peak Moon Jade, to swiftly resolve a Moon Jade Late Stage opponent seemed implausible.

Lu Ye quickly dealing with a Moon Jade Early Stage was astounding enough, but compared to Ma Shangsi's achievements here, it seemed insignificant.

Indeed, the Moon Jades of Jade Conch all mistakenly attributed it to Ma Shangsi... That was the normal reaction.

Qiu Wu's heart was exhilarated; Lu Ye and this master-servant duo unleashed two huge surprises at the start of the battle, making him suddenly feel that this combat wasn't as daunting as anticipated.

Chapter 1710 - Filth Race Reinforcements

Originally, because his side had fewer numbers in the Moon Jade stage, Qiu Wu's plan was to first create a breakthrough on his end, and then aid the others, gradually eating away at the enemy.

Here is the Jade Conch Galaxy, as the World Lord of the Jade Conch World, he has this responsibility. Even if this battle results in grave injuries or even death, he must curb the enemy's plans.

Therefore, before the battle began, he was already prepared to sacrifice himself for the greater good.

Yet before he could make any moves, Ma Shangsi had already succeeded, consecutively slashing down two of the enemy's in the Moon Jade Late Stage within a dozen breaths.

Qiu Wu hurriedly sent an audio transmission to all directions: "Hold your positions, wait for Fellow Daoist Ma's reinforcement!"

A breach had already been opened, so there's no need to be impatient. Though he is old, if he can live, who would willingly die?

As his words fell, Ma Shangsi's Blood Sea began to move, enveloping another battlefield.

Both sides of this battlefield were Moon Jade Late Stage, which was also Ma Shangsi's deliberate choice because to swiftly resolve the enemy, naturally, the strongest ones must be targeted. Once a few of the strongest are taken down, the rest will be easy to defeat.

Seeing the Blood Sea move over, the Late Stage Moon Jade from the Filth Race on this battlefield clearly intended to escape, but the Moon Jade Late Stage from the Jade Conch would not allow such a thing, launching a frenzied assault to block them. For a while, the Filth Race had no good solution and could only watch as their battlefield was engulfed by the Blood Sea.

"Saintly Venerable, this guy has intelligence!" Ma Shangsi noticed the enemy's reaction over there and immediately reported to Lu Ye.

"Kill him!" Lu Ye's expression remained calm.

If they have intelligence, they're considered true members of the Filth Race, not low-level slaves. As long as this Filth Race member is dealt with, the situation will be stabilized significantly.

"Saintly Venerable, I'll create an opportunity for you!" Ma Shangsi looked utterly devoted, mainly because he found out that his cooperation with Lu Ye was seamless.

He didn't know what method Lu Ye used to tear open the wounds of the enemy, but that method combined with his Blood Attraction Technique was simply a match made in heaven.

Under normal circumstances, it's not easy to annihilate a Moon Jade Late Stage; they must be battered to the point of losing all vitality.

But his cooperation with Lu Ye doesn't require such hassle; just cut a few wounds, use the Blood Attraction Technique... In the Blood Sea, the enemy is at their mercy.

The risk is infinitely reduced.

In a short while, another Moon Jade Late Stage aura was extinguished within the Blood Sea.

Ma Shangsi's Blood Sea teleported over, the opponent couldn't retreat in time, sealing their fate. It was an inevitable outcome.

After all, just one Moon Jade from the Jade Conch was already causing great trouble, and together with Lu Ye and Ma Shangsi forming a master-servant duo, unless a Sun Blaze appeared, a Moon Jade Late Stage couldn't cause any waves.

Ma Shangsi's Blood Sea started to move again; wherever it passed, swathes of lives perished, soon arriving at another Moon Jade battlefield.

If the situation continues to develop like this, it won't take long to break through the invading enemy one by one.

But just then, Ma Shangsi suddenly exclaimed: "Saintly Venerable, there's movement at the Insect Path!"

"Let me take a look!" Lu Ye quickly spoke.

In the Blood Sea, apart from the spell caster, anyone else who enters will be affected. This effect includes the five senses and Mental Consciousness. Of course, Lu Ye can activate the Blood Sea Technique to merge with Ma Shangsi's Blood Sea, thus avoiding this limitation. But doing that would disperse his power, and he would also have to constantly activate the Saintliness Restraint Technique; otherwise, Ma Shangsi would be oppressed by saintliness.

So Lu Ye had never activated the Blood Technique, and in this Blood Sea, Ma Shangsi was the absolute leader.

If Lu Ye wanted to investigate the situation at the Insect Path, he needed Ma Shangsi's cooperation.

In the next instant, with Ma Shangsi's assistance, Lu Ye's Mental Consciousness spread towards the direction of the Insect Path.

Indeed, there was movement at the Insect Path; Lu Ye could already sense the aura of Moon Jade from there.

"The enemy has reinforcements!" Lu Ye immediately made this judgment.

Clearly, the Filth Race from the other end of the Insect Path had noticed the unfavorable state of the battle here and sent troops to assist. Judging by the commotion, they should be arriving soon.

"Go over there, block the Insect Path!" Lu Ye immediately commanded.

The situation here had just opened up; if more reinforcements came in the form of Moon Jade, all efforts would be for naught.

The Filth Race has a strong foundation; if they truly send reinforcements, it won't be just one Moon Jade.

Ma Shangsi also knew the urgency of the situation, urging the Blood Sea to dash towards the Insect Path.

Simultaneously, Lu Ye gathered his treasure blood, flicked his finger, and five silhouettes emerged, rushing out of the Blood Sea.

He currently possessed five drops of treasure blood, and releasing them all at once meant he was going all out.

The Blood Sea moved rapidly, crushing everything in its path. Upon arriving at the Insect Path, a massive figure emerged just in time.

The figure stood about ten zhang tall, with only an unknown beast hide tied at the waist to cover the crucial parts, and the rest left exposed.

He carried a massive Wolf Fang Club on his shoulder, appearing mighty and imposing.

His aura was fiercely violent, reaching the Peak Moon Jade level.

The Filth Race clearly sent over quite a formidable figure.

Lu Ye recognized this as a member of the Giant Race, though rare, they weren't uncommon in the stellar space. They were naturally endowed with immense strength and terrifying physiques, seemingly clumsy in movement but actually extremely challenging opponents.

Behind the Filth Race giant, in the Insect Path, the aura of Moon Jade faintly flickered, indicating more reinforcements were imminent.

"Finish the battle quickly!" Lu Ye ordered.

Ma Shangsi knew he had to fight desperately; otherwise, if the enemy reinforcements continued to arrive, the situation here would collapse in an instant.

He immediately shrunk the Blood Sea, enveloping the location of the Insect Path, including the Filth Race giant.

Though the Blood Sea had shrunk significantly, its ferocity increased dramatically. The Filth Race giant emerging from the Insect Path hadn't assessed the situation before a sky-filled Blood Technique attacked.

He dismissed it with contempt, raising his head and roaring, "Such trivial Blood Techniques dare to affront the dignity of the Filth Race? Submit swiftly!"

As his dense mana fluctuated, it blocked the incoming Blood Techniques outside, simultaneously waving his massive Wolf Fang Club, churning the Blood Sea, causing it to surge instantly.

Meanwhile, his Force of Turbidity spread wildly, corroding the surroundings.

But before he indulged for long, Ma Shangsi's roar echoed back, "Boasting loudly, aren't you? With me here, fight for your survival first."

Despite acting submissively in front of Lu Ye, Ma Shangsi himself was a Peak Moon Jade, holding a position even among the Blood Race.

If the opponent were Sun Blaze, Ma Shangsi surely wouldn't dare speak rashly, but being fellow Moon Jade, how could he allow such arrogance in his presence?

As his words fell, blood light condensed around him, expanding into a form roughly the size of the Filth Race giant.

Simultaneously, he utilized the power of the Blood Sea, conjuring a long crimson staff.

The two massive figures immediately engaged in combat at the Insect Path's exit!

Lu Ye used the Blood Sea's concealment, while activating Concealment, desperately veiling his presence, seeking a chance to strike.

On another front, the five Treasure Blood Avatars he deployed, three formed a simple Three Talents Array, advancing toward the nearest battlefield.

The remaining two proceeded in another direction.

Cultivators reaching the Moon Jade stage found forming arrays challenging, mostly resorting to simple collaborations for defense, unless using an As-Close-As-Siblings Array Disc.

But despite Lu Ye's improvements, the As-Close-As-Siblings Array Disc suited Constellations, not Moon Jade, as the large range of Moon Jade combat limited the array disc's utility.

Ordinary Moon Jade couldn't form arrays, but for Lu Ye, the Treasure Blood Avatars had no such concerns.

Their origin was identical, with no difference in aura, mana, or blood Qi, making forming arrays remarkably simple.

Only one limitation...

Though Treasure Blood Avatars could essentially display Lu Ye's full power, they lacked the Boulder Mountain Saber, and their Talent Tree, rendering their capabilities limited in reality.

Moreover, the energy of Treasure Blood Avatars was finite, unable to sustain prolonged battles; if depleted, the avatar would dissipate, forcing Lu Ye to spend time reforming.

Even so, when the three Treasure Blood Avatars arrived and formed an array, they bestowed a great advantage on the Jade Conch Moon Jade of this battlefield, fearlessly bearing the immense pressure, allowing the Jade Conch Moon Jade to unleash mana recklessly and quickly gain the upper hand.

Adding Ma Shangsi and Lu Ye's previous efforts, the Jade Conch Moon Jade had gained an absolute advantage on the frontal battlefield, where given enough time, eliminating the opponents wouldn't be a problem.

As this side intensified in combat, the Insect Path's exit also witnessed fierce clashes; meanwhile, Lu Ye's remaining two Treasure Blood Avatars had reached a certain location.

Without Moon Jade interference, only some Constellations and Divine Seas couldn't halt the advance of the two Treasure Blood Avatars.

A peculiar structure stood here, tower-shaped, thirteen-layered, with rich Force of Filth flowing in and out, subtly connecting with the Insect Path upon sensing.

There weren't just one; eight surrounded the Insect Path.

Previously, when arriving here, the Jade Conch Moon Jade noted that since the Filth Race occupied this space, they've consistently arranged something, seemingly stabilizing the Insect Path intending to bring in Sun Blaze reinforcements.

These tower-like structures were evidently the Filth Race's setup!

Lu Ye planned to research these post-battle, but now with enemy reinforcements already traversing the Insect Path, delay was no longer an option.

Regardless of what they are, it's indisputable they're used to stabilize the Insect Path!

Thus, they must be destroyed, for Lu Ye keenly noted an issue; with the Filth Race giant's arrival, the Insect Path had just fluctuated.