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Chapter 60: I Doubt He Will Show Up Everyday!

After Jiang Yuebai left, the commotion around Chu Liang's small stall took a while to settle down.

The crowd in front of Chu Liang's stall was immense. Many were eager to savor the beverage that had brought a smile to Fairy Jiang's face. Chu Liang efficiently organized everyone into a line, proceeding to sell the jars one by one.

A few wealthier individuals waved their hands, proclaiming, "Junior Brother, how many jars do you have? I'll buy them all!"

With a polite smile, Chu Liang declined, "Senior Brother, I'm sorry, but there's a limit of two jars per person per day."

After selling approximately twenty jars, a long line of people still patiently waited.

Standing up, Chu Liang bowed towards the people at the back of the line and conveyed, "I'm sorry, everyone, but I've sold out of fruit tea for today. If you'd like to purchase some, please come early tomorrow."

The people at the back of the line started to cry out with complaints. "Eh???"

Hearing that, those who had managed to buy a jar were even happier. They savored the delicious drink and occasionally expressed their appreciation for this worldly delicacy.

Despite the customers' dissatisfaction, Chu Liang remained carefree as he packed up his stall and left.

There was nothing he could do. He had only killed that amount of venomous bees.

The rewards from those venomous bees had earned him more than twenty sword coins, surpassing even the value of the Qi-Gathering Pills. Compared to the Qi-Gathering Pill reward from the lantern monster, the value of the venomous bees was undoubtedly higher.

Chu Liang silently apologized for his earlier acts of disrespect toward the bees. These precious venomous bees proved to be superior to the lantern monsters.

Everything that unfolded today had been part of Chu Liang's plan.

He had conceived an idea after witnessing his teacher and Jiang Yuebai's profound fondness for the Honey Syrup Tea. It had dawned on him that the potential market for this item might be even more extensive than he initially thought.

Given that it couldn't be mass-produced, he had to sell it at a higher price to turn a profit. However, the product alone wouldn't have justified such a price. If he genuinely aimed to sell the item at a premium, it would necessitate the endorsement of a celebrity.

Coincidentally, the charming Senior Sister Jiang happened to be the foremost celebrity in the Mount Shu Sect.

Obviously, Chu Liang had requested Jiang Yuebai's assistance for the opening day of his business, which explained what happened earlier.

The daily limited supply also serves to elevate the intangible social value associated with this item, instilling a sense of psychological superiority in those fortunate enough to acquire it.

"I am too kind..."

Chu Liang counted the sword coins in his hand and fell into deep contemplation.

In fact, he had foreseen that even if he sold a jar for ten sword coins, it should be able to sell out. After all, he couldn't increase production, and he didn't need to target too large of an audience.

For such rare and seemingly useless items, as long as you call them luxury goods, there would still be people willing to pay a premium price, even if it were several tens or hundreds of times the initial price.

Chu Liang might actually feel a bit guilty doing that though.

And so, he could only earn twenty sword coins with a regretful heart.

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When he left the Red Cotton Peak, it was still early.

Riding on his sword, he headed towards Yunhua Town.

Upon reaching the Flower, Bird, and Fish Market, Chu Liang paid a visit to Shopkeeper Chen.

"Oh, Young Hero Chu!" Shopkeeper Chen greeted Chu Liang.

Shopkeeper Chen's had fully recovered, but his face was still bruised and swollen.

"Shopkeeper Chen," Chu Liang said, "has the swelling not gone down completely yet?"

Chu Liang was surprised. The Hundred-Flower Antidote had worked quickly on Shopkeeper Chen, but the man was still swollen. Could it be that the bee venom was more potent than the flower poison from the other time?

"No..." Shopkeeper Chen shook his head and sighed deeply. "The other day, my wife went out to find a doctor for me. When she came back, she smelled something strange in the house and blamed me for not keeping it for her..."

"So, she beat me up..."

"I have been wronged, Young Hero Chu..."

"I am in my middle age, facing immense life pressures, and long ago..."

"I don't have the vigor anymore... you know..."

Looking at Shopkeeper Chen mutter with an innocent expression, Chu Liang could only nod in silence.

Indeed, she blamed you for something you hadn't done. I understand.

Just consider it as a side effect of the Hundred-Flower Antidote.

"Also..." Shopkeeper Chen smiled awkwardly again. "I had originally planned to catch koi fish for you once the venom cleared from my system. But when I went there this morning, I discovered that those venomous bees had returned! So, I didn't dare..."

"It's okay; I was just worried that they wouldn't—" Chu Liang spoke gently. "I mean... I was worried that they might come back, so I came to Yunhua Town to take a look. If they come back, I will clean them up again."

"Sigh, if these venomous bees keep coming, what should we do?"

The shopkeeper was slightly worried.

Although his shop didn't exclusively sell koi fish, the koi fish from the Bombax River were indeed the signature pets he sold. If they were gone in the future, his business would undoubtedly be greatly affected.

"Yeah." Chu Liang nodded. "If they keep coming back, then I'll just have to deal with them every day."

Shopkeeper Chen was so touched that he almost cried. "The fact that the Mount Shu Sect has a young hero like you is truly a blessing for the people of Yunhua Town!"

Chu Liang smiled and said, "No need to be so polite."

I think it's a blessing as well.

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When Chu Liang returned to the bank of the Bombax River, he indeed saw the familiar-looking venomous bees fluttering among the flowers.

However, looking at them now, these once fierce-looking venomous bees appeared less ugly than before. In fact, they seemed a little adorable. What happened?

They were like... flying sword coins.

Soon, Chu Liang summoned his flying sword, and one by one, he cut down these dark little cuties with stings.

One, two, three...

After eliminating about thirty venomous bees, the bank of the Bombax River was once again clean.

Chu Liang retraced yesterday's path to the nearby valley and got rid of two more venomous bees. When he could no longer find any bees flying alone, he reluctantly left.

However, what he didn't know was that when he left the bank of the Bombax River, he was being silently watched by a pair of big eyes in the calm river water.

The creature was submerged in the water. Without making any bubbles, it observed Chu Liang in secret.

After Chu Liang left, those large eyes gurgled and sank back into the water.

A three-chi-long koi fish, adorned with seven colors and exuding a mystical aura, swiftly parted the water ripples and swam toward the bottom of the river.

Soon, it reached the riverbed, where there was a sandy pit in the center of a patch of water grass, and in that pit was another slightly larger seven-colored koi fish.

The smaller seven-colored koi fish opened its mouth and released a string of bubbles. Astonishingly, it spoke.

"Big Sis, Big Sis! That annoying cultivator from yesterday appeared again! He killed all the venomous bees you worked so hard to summon!"

"What? He came again," the larger seven-colored koi fish said in a deep voice. "Why does the cultivator from the Mount Shu Sect refuse to let the venomous bees by the river live?"

"What should we do? What should we do? What should we do?" the smaller seven-colored koi fish anxiously asked repeatedly. "If we can't guard our home, do we have to move away?"

"Don't panic," the larger koi fish said. "Cultivators with that level of cultivation must be very busy. He can't possibly come to the riverbank to clear it every day. Tomorrow, I'll continue summoning the venomous bees. I won't let those fishermen get close to the Bombax River."

"Forget about what happened in the past. Since I have cultivated magical powers, I must protect our koi fish clan!" the larger koi fish declared with great determination.

The smaller koi fish still had some worries. "But... what if he comes by every day?"

"Don't worry! Those human cultivators have to cultivate and rob resources. How can they have so much free time?" the larger koi fish said, comforting the smaller koi fish. "And there are so many venomous bees in the valley upstream; he can't possibly kill them all. As long as we have enough patience, we can definitely protect the Bombax River!"

"Yeah! Big Sis, that makes sense!" the smaller koi fish said, finally feeling relieved. "I doubt he will show up every day!"