

Nine-Dragon 671

Chapter 671: Lightning Avoiding Silver Pearl

Su Yu knew it was important to give everyone a second chance, and as he had already stolen half of the Empire of Darkness' resources, that was enough to give the Empire of Darkness a great fright!

If he did not leave them with the other half, the Empire of Darkness would not survive the enemy's attack and their people would surely be annihilated by the Fifth Saint Master's great army. He decided that he must not let the Empire of Darkness collapse before their common foe.

Right then, the fissure above the mountain's peak was beginning to show signs of closing! This scene shocked Su Yu, who immediately grabbed the little kylin and rushed towards it before it closed completely.

He knew that if he was trapped in this place, he would be in big trouble when someone from the Empire of Darkness visited the next time. This was because the Empire's people would discover the missing resources and realize that Su Yu had taken them!

Luckily, before the fissure fully closed, Su Yu was able to make it out of the space within the stone tablet. However, just as he made it outside, Su Yu noticed a person's shadow moving further away from him in the purple mist.

The person seemed to not have discovered Su Yu's presence yet, and he was carefully avoiding the purple mist around him.

Bai Chong? What is he doing here?

Su Yu was slightly surprised to see him. Su Yu had been attracted to this place by the presence of a person's Vital Energy, and he had initially thought it was another survivor. He never thought it would be Bai Chong!

Bai Chong looked as if he had been poisoned and was moving slower than usual. As such, he was not able to move at the speed of a Fairy.

The Cloud Galloping Horse from before must have injured him. Fortunately for Bai Chong, he had only been injured, not killed. However, the Vital Energy he emitted was the reason that Su Yu had been attracted to this place.

"This isn't too bad," Su Yu said as he concealed his aura and flew away as fast as he could.

After half an hour, Su Yu had returned to the transportation portal, where he immediately transported himself to the external world. Su Yu instantly returned to the seventh level of the Empire of Darkness. He could feel a dizzy sensation as he returned.

However, before Su Yu could open his eyes, he felt a cold gush of air moving towards him. As soon as he opened his eyes, an embarrassed yet furious pair of eyes were glaring at him. Also, a long snow-white sword was about to land on Su Yu's face!

"Shameless!" The word was uttered by a lady with red lips. It was spoken in anger as the sword seemingly moved even faster towards Su Yu.

“Palace Master Nan Guang? What are you doing?” After Su Yu was able to ascertain who the person before him was, he extended two of his fingers to flick away the long snow-white sword.

The sharpened sword narrowly missed Su Yu’s face. However, the sword energy managed to cut off a single strand of his silver hair.

“Ah... Su Yu?” Right then, the bright light that was surrounding Su Yu gradually faded away and revealed his full appearance. Palace Master Nan Guang gasped in surprise.

After collecting herself, Palace Master Nan Guang put the long sword away and started speaking frantically, “Sorry, Alliance Master Su. I didn’t mean it!”

Her furious facial expression had instantly turned into one of panic. She was thoroughly horrified by Su Yu’s appearance.

“Why did you do that?” Su Yu asked as he flicked away the silver hair that had fallen off.

Palace Master Nan Guang’s face turned red immediately. Su Yu could not tell if she was nervous or embarrassed.

She then said, “Alliance Master Su, I am sorry! I mistook you for a molester!”

“A molester?” Su Yu’s heart thumped. “Did someone touch you inappropriately while you were unconscious?”

After he sent Palace Master Nan Guang out of the space, she was still in a state of unconsciousness. Could the incident have happened then? Su Yu frowned slightly as he wondered why the Empire of Darkness was full of such pathetic people.

“Yes, the person stole my precious pendant while I was unconscious! That man took advantage of me and was thoroughly shameless! I will wait here, and if that person appears, I will peel his skin off and crush his bones!” Palace Master Nan Guang said hatefully.

Suddenly, she noticed that Su Yu’s facial expression looked odd. She could not help but ask, “Alliance Master Su, what is wrong with you?”

Su Yu’s face was becoming tense as he showed an unnatural expression. Could the molester she is talking about be me?

Su Yu pretended to be serious as he opened his palm and asked coldly, “Are you talking about this pendant?”

A jade-colored pendant appeared in Su Yu’s palm at that exact moment. Seeing it, Palace Master Nan Guang was stunned. “Alliance Master Su, the pendant... Why is it with you?”

She felt as if her head was about to explode as she wondered... Could Su Yu be the one who molested me?

“What do you think?” Su Yu stared at her coldly. “Do you think I could have healed you with my Vital Energy if I did not remove the pendant? Do you think that you would still be able to speak in front of me if nobody had saved you earlier?”

He then asked, “If I knew you were going to be ungrateful by hurting the person who saved you, I would have let you die from the poison! Now, I have earned myself a bad reputation of being a molester! What a joke!”

Su Yu looked very angry as he spoke. Hearing his angry words, Palace Master Nan Guang felt her heart beating wildly. She suddenly recalled that the pendant was capable of absorbing Vital Energy from external sources.

Su Yu had really tried to save her! When she realized this, her anger subsided completely. She then looked very ashamed of herself as she saw how angry Su Yu was. She even started feeling pretty terrified.

“Sorry, Alliance Master Su. You saved me, and I should be thanking you. But instead, I pointed my sword at you! I am sorry...” Palace Master Nan Guang apologized and felt shame in her heart. “Why don’t you take the pendant as a gift? Consider it my apology.”

As Palace Master Nan Guang spoke, she looked at the pendant in Su Yu’s palm. She looked very pained for having to give it up.

Shuffle.

Su Yu shook his sleeve as he tossed the jade pendant towards her and asked, “Why would I want your pendant? Take it back and get lost!”

Su Yu pretended to be cold, when in fact, he was feeling very embarrassed. Palace Master Nan Guang’s body was shaking as she grabbed the pendant. She then bowed respectfully and stepped away.

She continued apologizing as her eyes began to fill with tears, “I am sorry, Alliance Master Su. I really didn’t mean it...”

Palace Master Nan Guang then left with heartfelt apologies. However, for some unknown reason, she felt that something was amiss. After all, she was the one who had been taken advantage of, so she started to wonder why she had to apologize. Confused and full of questions, Palace Master Nan Guang gradually walked away.

Shuffle.

As the transportation portal flashed with a bright white light, Bai Chong’s figure appeared.

“It seems that Alliance Master Su already exited some time ago. I believe that you should have acquired the full moon’s light.” Bai Chong assumed that Su Yu had returned a long time ago when he saw him waiting outside.

Su Yu secretly glanced in the direction from which Palace Master Nan Guang had just left. He could not help but sigh in relief.

If she were still around, Bai Chong would definitely question her. Then, Bai Chong would find out the truth that Su Yu had only just returned! At that time, Bai Chong would definitely feel suspicious and return to the stone tablet to investigate further.

Once Su Yu was exposed for stealing resources from the Empire of Darkness, it would be difficult for him to walk out of the Empire of Darkness alive. That was why he had pretended to be very strict. He wanted Palace Master Nan Guang to leave before Bai Chong returned.

“It is done. Please have a look,” Su Yu said as he handed over a jade gourd filled with the full moon’s light.

Bai Chong took a glance at its content and could not help but smile pleasantly. “That’s good. It is filled with the full moon’s light. It will be sufficient to craft a pot of the Peerless Moon Fall Pill. Alliance Master Su, come with me. There are several expert manufacturers of elixirs at the Heavenly Water Tower. Crafting the Peerless Moon Fall Pill is more difficult, so I would feel more at ease if they were to craft it.”

Heavenly Water Tower? Su Yu nodded slightly, then followed Bai Chong and headed towards the sixth level of space.

As he looked at Bai Chong’s figure from behind, Su Yu secretly pondered...

I clearly snatched the precious Cloud Galloping Horse from Bai Chong. Why did he not utter a single word? Moreover, why did Bai Chong appear at the stone tablet’s space?

As he continued thinking, they soon arrived at the Heavenly Water Tower.

“Alliance Master Su, please wait here for a while. I will notify the few masters of elixir manufacturing in the floor above.” Bai Chong intended to let Su Yu wait in the lobby while he went upstairs.

“I hope you can forgive me. These masters of elixir manufacturing are three of the most respected people in the Empire of Darkness. They have very odd temperaments. I will find out if they are free. I believe that once they find out about your status as the Alliance Master, they will be very willing to help you, even if they are busy,” Bai Chong said.

He was worried that an awkward incident like the one with the Black Elder and White Elder might happen again. This was why he wanted to visit the people upstairs before he brought Su Yu to them.

“Apologies for the trouble, Inspector Bai.” Su Yu smiled as he spoke. “I will have a look around on the first floor.”

As Su Yu looked around the first floor, he intentionally covered himself with the Natural Divine Decree in order to not attract any attention. In this way, even if someone saw Su Yu with his naked eye, it would be difficult to detect Su Yu’s presence. Therefore, for the time being, nobody would be able to recognize Su Yu.

After he had walked around for a while, Su Yu discovered that the Heavenly Water Tower sold various elixirs as a source of income. The higher quality items were used for cultivation, while the lower quality items were used to heal injuries.

There were also many types of supporting elixirs that helped one to focus, to increase one's speed, or to replenish one's Spiritual Energy. There were many types of such elixirs.

Unfortunately, the level of these elixirs is not high enough. So, they would not be effective if they were used on me... Su Yu thought as shook his head and moved forward.

However, as soon as he turned around, his gaze landed on a silver-colored pill. The pill looked very gloomy and did not have any light reflecting on its surface.

It sat on a corner of the counter where nobody would notice it. When Su Yu had walked by it earlier, even he hadn't noticed it. However, when he saw it now, his pupils started vibrating slightly.

"Could this be..." A warm light began emanating from Su Yu's pupils as excitement filled his heart. "I have searched everywhere and could not find what I wanted. Yet, here it is when I least expected it!" Su Yu exclaimed as he nearly laughed out loud.

He had already acquired the Undead Herb of the Netherworld and the Blood of a Real Dragon, both of which were two of the three ingredients that he needed to repair his Evil Destroying Silver Eyes. Now, the only missing ingredient was the Lightning Avoiding Silver Pearl. However, he had no clue regarding its whereabouts.

For some unknown reason, the silver pill before Su Yu's eyes made him feel overwhelmed with inexplicable joy!

Chapter 672: Seizing the Silver Pearl

"Are you interested in the Water Avoiding Pearl?" The shopkeeper wore a humble smile as he came over to address Su Yu.

Water Avoiding Pearl? Su Yu inwardly rejoiced. The silver pearl before him was dim and lusterless, and it was emitting a faint mist. It truly seemed like a water-attribute magical treasure!

However, the pearl was extremely similar to the legendary Lightning Avoiding Silver Pearl that was depicted in the record and given to him by the Phoenix Master Qiu. In fact, there were only some slight differences between the two. He had unexpectedly found the Lightning Avoiding Silver Pearl in the impoverished Zhenlong Continent, which was really surprising!

"What's its price?" Su Yu tried to curb his emotions, so it would seem like he didn't really care about it.

The shopkeeper rolled his shifty eyes and said, "If you put the Water Avoiding Pearl in your mouth, you can stay underwater for ten days without needing to take even a single breath! It's an extremely rare middle grade divine artifact, and if you can exchange it for another middle grade divine artifact, then, hehe..."

There were many people here, and since they didn't try to hide their conversation, many of them heard his words and all inwardly laughed upon hearing that he wanted to sell it for a middle grade divine artifact! They all began making snide comments about it...

"As expected of the little bandit, he's really vicious and greedy, as he wants to sell a low grade divine artifact like the Water Avoiding Pearl for a middle grade divine artifact!"

“Another fool will be ripped off by him! He’s one of the Heavenly Water Tower’s famous profiteers! In fact, two-thirds of his goods are just fake, and the other third, which are actually genuine, are sold by him for such a high price! He has cheated so many people that his reputation is already rotten to the core, yet, unexpectedly, this guy is still coming to buy goods from him!”

“He’s quite young and seems inexperienced and short-sighted...”

“Sigh... Well, I guess he can only resign himself to his fate, since he ran into the little bandit!”

“However, getting ripped-off now will be a valuable lesson to him, so he isn’t really suffering a great loss, hehe...”

Su Yu’s expression didn’t experience the slightest change as he overheard the crowd’s comments.

“A middle grade divine artifact? I don’t have that.” Su Yu helplessly shrugged his shoulders.

This was actually the truth. He really didn’t have any middle grade divine artifacts.

“Hmm? It seems like he isn’t foolish after all, so let’s go away. After all, there isn’t anything fun to look at anymore...hehe...” Someone among the crowd commented, then chuckled.

The shopkeeper’s mustache shivered, then he rubbed his hands and chuckled as he spoke, “If you don’t have a middle grade divine artifact, then three low grade divine artifacts will do.”

Many passersby couldn’t help but laugh, then quietly observed, hoping to see how the small bandit would rip off the inexperienced youth!

“I don’t have any low grade divine artifacts either.” Su Yu calmly shook his head.

The shopkeeper’s expression became somewhat gloomy, and he started sizing up Su Yu once again, while he furrowed his brows. It was only because he noticed that Su Yu had an uncommon bearing and wore nice clothes that he felt like Su Yu was some faction’s fat cat! But, as Su Yu couldn’t take out even a single divine artifact, the shopkeeper truly couldn’t help but feel disheartened.

“Customer, my shop doesn’t buy or sell on credit, so why don’t you have a look at some other store?” The shopkeeper wore a somewhat fake polite and friendly expression, while he tried to drive him away.

Su Yu didn’t feel like haggling with him, and he really didn’t have a low grade or middle grade divine artifact. In fact, the lowest graded artifact that he had was a top grade divine artifact!

“How about a top grade divine artifact? If you are willing to exchange for that, then add three other low grade divine artifacts to the Water Avoiding Pearl. How about that?” As Su Yu spoke, he picked up a steel hammer that had black smoke twirling around it.

A powerful spiritual pressure was being emitted from it, and all of the people here, who had just been making fun of him, felt an oppressing pressure coming from it. This made them instantly quiet down.

Their eyes widened till they became as big as bells, and they were all overwhelmed with shock as they stared at the black demonic hammer that was in Su Yu's hands. The sounds of people swallowing their saliva intermittently echoed throughout the space. The sounds were like bubbles bursting.

As the Zhenlong Continent was short of resources, it would be impossible for someone other than the Fairy Realm experts to get ahold of a top grade divine artifact. But now, a person had managed to take a top grade divine artifact to exchange it for a Water Avoiding Pearl!

Even the shopkeeper was dumbfounded, and his eyes widened till they became big and round. He could only blankly stare at the black demonic hammer.

A top grade divine artifact's price was equal to five middle grade divine artifacts', and getting to trade it for a Water Avoiding Pearl and three low grade divine artifacts was a great profit. As such, anyone would go crazy for such a good deal!

However, the shopkeeper's forehead was now filled with cold sweat, as he wondered how he could manage to let go of three low grade divine artifacts.

"Well, will you exchange with me or not? If you don't want to exchange, then I will go to another store." Su Yu was acting like he would give up on the Water Avoiding Pearl, hoping the shopkeeper wouldn't call his bluff.

The shopkeeper became anxious and said, "Customer, pardon me, and forgive me for not recognizing you and offending you. You see, my shop is just a small business, so I'm incapable of buying your top grade divine artifact." The shopkeeper's face became flushed, as he really had misjudged Su Yu.

Su Yu calmly looked at him. "If you judge people by their appearances, then you will surely end up humiliating yourself. Now, fetch me the Water Avoiding Pearl," Su Yu said, then turned around, readying to throw the demonic hammer at the shopkeeper.

"Customer, will you use a top grade divine artifact to buy it?" The shopkeeper's eyes almost fell out of their sockets at this moment.

All of the people observing them also had similar reactions. They could all only blankly stare at Su Yu, who was clearly about to throw the demonic hammer at the shopkeeper!

Su Yu became somewhat impatient. "Fetch it."

After the shopkeeper came back to his senses, he became extremely overjoyed. In fact, he was so excited that his body shook all over. After all, he already had made a great profit!

"Okay..." Before many gazes, all of which were filled with jealousy, envy, and shock, the shopkeeper took the Water Avoiding Pearl and offered it to Su Yu.

Su Yu's eyes lit up with excitement, as he couldn't believe that he had made such a deal! However, when Su Yu was just about to stretch out his hand and take it, a sharp wind blew at his back.

It didn't have a great momentum, but it contained a powerful energy, which caused Su Yu to sense a great danger coming from it. As such, he didn't dare hesitate for even a moment before he quickly dodged to avoid it.

Clunk!

A crisp sound echoed, while a folded fan tapped the Water Avoiding Pearl. The folded fan was held by an aged and slightly greenish hand, which had extremely long fingers. These fingers had a peculiar greenish glow, and the hand seemed like it belonged to a dead person!

"Hehe, are you trying to take the Lightning Avoiding Silver Pearl's embryo for just a mere top grade divine artifact? Heavenly Law Alliance's Master, is it really right for you to deceive someone like this?" A hoarse voice transmitted from behind him, which was accompanied by an ice-cold breeze that would make one's whole body shudder.

As Su Yu calmly turned his head around, a pale youthful face appeared before him. The youth had gray hair, which had a yellowish luster. As for his face, it seemed like it was smeared by a lime green aura, and it didn't seem like it belonged to a human at all. Every breath that he exhaled was also ice-cold.

His whole body was emitting death aura, which made people feel uncomfortable all over. This person seemed even more like a corpse than the Heavenly Law Alliance's First World Senior! However, when he observed him with his Soul Eyes, Su Yu clearly detected that his soul was that of a living being, not just a corpse.

"Third Lord!" Someone in the crowd shouted, half out of fright and half out of respect.

A moment ago, they were all still shocked by how lavishly Su Yu had spent his money, but now they had all quieted down. Most of them hadn't even noticed the ash-colored youth till now.

Su Yu slightly squinted his eyes, wondering if he was the previous Third Lord, who was living in the Seven Lords Palace. When he carefully examined him, Su Yu's pupils contracted. Su Yu could now clearly tell that he was a Level Four Fairy Realm's expert, who had already reached the middle stage of the Fairy Realm.

He was just ranked third, yet he was still in the Level Four Fairy Realm, so Su Yu had to wonder how powerful the Second Lord and the Great Lord must be! After all, they had yet to show themselves.

The Darkness Seven Lords' cultivation had really surpassed the outside world's people's expectations. The Zhenlong Continent was no longer the impoverished place it once was, and it didn't have just three Fairy Realm experts anymore. However, it seemed like the Third Lord was hostile towards Su Yu.

"Third Lord? Didn't anyone teach about the rule that teaches first come, first served?" Su Yu coldly snorted. "As for deceiving him, hehe, the Lightning Avoiding Silver Pearl was here for a long time, yet no one recognized it, so how can you still have the nerve to berate a knowledgeable person who simply managed to recognize it when no one else had? Those who should truly be laughed at are none other all of you, as none of you managed to recognize it!"

As the Third Lord rolled his yellow eyes, a sinister and faint smile appeared at the corners of his mouth. "What elegant but insincere words! You really have the gift of the gab! Not only is the Heavenly Law Alliance's Master strength pretty good, but even his speech is also pretty good."

Su Yu coldly smiled. "There is more where that came from, and it will astonish you."

Thump!

Su Yu's whole body shook, and his arms' golden veins were revealed as he tried to slap away the folded fan with his palm.

"Even someone like you wanting to get rid of my fan... It's just too..." The Third Lord sneered at him.

However, when Su Yu's palm came into contact with the fan, a powerful force, which surpassed his expectations, was transmitted out of it. The fan, which he put on the Lightning Avoiding Silver Pearl, was slapped away by him, and it almost slipped out of his hands, which would have really embarrassed him in front of the crowd.

However, the Third Lord was still a Level Four Fairy Realm expert, and at a such critical moment, he used his pinkie to get a firm hold on the fan. He then tried to tap the Lightning Avoiding Silver Pearl once again.

However, in that brief moment, Su Yu had already used his index and middle fingers to take the pearl into his palm. He didn't have the leisure of examining it, as he immediately swept it with his index finger and stored it in his spatial ring. Now, the pearl belonged to him, and if someone wanted to get it, he would need to steal Su Yu's spatial finger and forcefully wipe his imprint from it!

"You are really daring, as you still dare to be this bold, even while in my Empire of Darkness!" The Third Lord squinted his eyes and became somewhat angered in the face of such humiliation, as before the gazes of many people, he had failed to take the lightning Avoiding Silver Pearl.

Su Yu calmly shook his sleeves and said, "Although the world is vast and boundless, it still has rules and order, so how could it be justifiable for you to steal someone else's magical treasure?"

The people here were scared witless when they heard Su Yu. Although it really seemed like the Third Lord was trying to steal from him, such words shouldn't be uttered in front of him!

This was because, among the Seven Old Lords, only the Third Lord's temper was really fiery. Moreover, he had an eccentric nature and was easily angered. For this reason, even the other lords didn't dare provoke him in any way.

"It's up to me to decide what's justifiable or not." A baleful look appeared on the Third Lord's face. "I will give you three breaths' time to give it back to me and leave the Empire of Darkness, or else..."

"Or else what? If you want to fight, then I will keep you company, and although I'm not powerful, my power is still enough to deal with you." Su Yu had a calm and composed look on his face, and he didn't seem afraid at all.

The Third Lord was so infuriated that he laughed and asked, “Did you really assume that you could look down on me just because you are the Heavenly Law Alliance’s Master? I will frankly inform you that your Heavenly Law Alliance is nothing in the eyes of our Seven Lords Palace! In fact, you’re all just a joke!”

Chapter 673: Slapping a Lord

“What a joke. You have used your position as the Heavenly Law Alliance Master, leveraging on a single victory in battle, to ask for military assistance from the Empire of Darkness. Do you really think so highly of yourself? It is a laughable, pitiful, and sad sight!” the Third Lord said.

Su Yu laughed at himself. Is this really how the Seven Lords Palace perceives the Heavenly Law Alliance?

Su Yu felt that his journey here was a complete waste of time. He had not come here to be made fun of!

“Hehe, no matter how weak we are, we are still stronger than you. Although our Heavenly Law Alliance is weak, we have the courage to fight our enemies with all our might. We defeated them once and reclaimed our rightful land. What about you, Seven Lords Palace? You clearly have the ability to save the entire continent, yet you have hid yourselves in this place. As such, you have no right to laugh at us!” Su Yu exclaimed.

By now, Su Yu had thoroughly given up on the idea of asking for military assistance. He could no longer depend on the Empire of Darkness. The only person he could rely on was himself.

His words undoubtedly put many of the people here to shame. He was right. The Empire of Darkness had ten thousand years’ worth of resources, yet it had hidden itself away from the enemy like a tortoise.

Moreover, the Third Lord had just dared to shamelessly insult Su Yu, without feeling embarrassed by his own cowardice! None of the people in the Empire of Darkness had the right to insult the Heavenly Law Alliance!

“You... Alright, let me teach you a lesson. Show me what else the Heavenly Law Alliance has to be proud of apart from having a loud mouth! I will use my fist to crush your confidence once and for all!” The Third Lord was clearly infuriated, as he was exhibiting a look of pure madness.

The Third Lord’s body started glowing brightly as if it had been lit with a flame. Vital Energy exuded from his body like floodwater, while waves of frightening energy were channeled out in all directions.

Those who could not dodge the energy in time tripped and fell to the ground. The people who stood closer were even spurting blood from their mouths!

The crowd started panicking and were trying to run away in all directions. Chaotic cries could be heard all over the place.

“Is this how you treat your citizens?” Su Yu asked as his gaze turned cold.

The Third Lord clearly did not care about the safety of those who were innocent. He would attack people on a whim.

“It is none of your business! Kneel before me!” the Third Lord said as his facial expression turned cool. His killing intent was even stronger now.

Su Yu stared at him coldly. “I should be the one to say that!”

Buzz.

Su Yu reached into his bosom to retrieve a jade bottle. There were strands of thunderbolts of various colors floating within it, and streams of a dangerous aura seeped out from the bottle and radiated out in all directions.

Boom!

The sound of lightning could be heard, coming from the bottle. As people heard the sound, they felt a great pressure descending upon them.

Nearly everyone had the sensation that they were about to be annihilated. It was as if the small jade bottle was home to a very frightening beast that would destroy everything in its sight once it was released.

Shuffle.

At the same time, Su Yu retrieved the colorful Thunder Herb Armor. He then used it to protect his palm as he opened the jade bottle.

Boom!

Suddenly, a huge thunderbolt of various colors, which shook the entire Heavenly Water Tower, came out of the jade bottle! The thunderbolt turned into a colorful thunder net as it immediately wrapped itself around the Third Lord.

The Third Lord, who still wore an angry expression, suddenly freaked out when the thunder net came towards him. “Disastrous thunder!” he yelled.

He was fully aware of the frightening might of the disastrous thunder, as he had personally gone through the Grade Four Fairy Bypass’ disastrous thunder. However, the disastrous thunder before him was even scarier than the one he had experienced before.

Most importantly, he knew that normal Grade Four Fairies could use their Vital Energy to counter such disastrous thunder. However, his cultivation techniques were based on the evil Yin type. Therefore, the disastrous thunder was his greatest weakness!

Normally, he would have to prepare for days before even getting near any disastrous thunder. However, someone was able to control the disastrous thunder right before his very eyes!

What he did not know was that this bottle of disastrous thunder had actually been successfully used against the First Void World Senior, who had the body of a Divine Master. As even the First Void World Senior was overcome by it, he had to wonder what it would do to him!

If it were any other Grade Four Fairy, Su Yu might not have had much confidence in this approach. However, Su Yu was not afraid of using it against the Third Lord, whose body emanated a menacing deadly energy.

Buzz.

Ahhh!

As the thunder net engulfed the Third Lord, he immediately cried out in pain. He felt as if he was being burned by a scorching flame. The deadly energy on his body continuously evaporated as a buzzing sound was heard.

The Third Lord immediately tried to break open the thunder net with his Vital Energy. However, as soon as his Vital Energy appeared, it was immediately obliterated since it contained the deadly energy.

He could not use an ounce of Vital Energy in his body. In this way, a grand Grade Four Fairy was rendered utterly helpless against the disastrous thunder's net!

Wham.

Right then, a slap landed on the Third Lord's face. He was shocked to realize that Su Yu had just slapped him across his face!

"How dare you?" the Third Lord shouted angrily.

Smack.

However, as soon as he yelled out, another slap landed on his face. The force was so great that it shook the entire sixth level of space!

"Why wouldn't I slap you?" Su Yu asked as he adjusted the Thunder Herb Armor that was wrapped around his right palm.

He shook his hand and smiled pleasantly, then asked, "You wanted to crush my confidence, so why can't I give you a slap to bring you back to your senses?"

"Alright, then I will torture you alive!" the Third Lord shouted.

He looked devastated. His original intention was to cause trouble for Su Yu. However, he unexpectedly turned out to be the one who was humiliated! His anger could be heard in his booming voice and seen in his hate-filled eyes.

Smack.

The Third Lord was answered with yet another slap!

"Is a loud voice all you've got?" Su Yu asked as he looked at the Third Lord coldly.

Su Yu then retrieved a jade box from his bosom. There were three hundred white hairs in the box.

Su Yu carefully held a single hair in between his two fingers as his eyes lit up. "Since you wanted to torture me, I ought to end your life to prevent future trouble for myself."

The Cloud Galloping Horse's hair was poisonous enough to immediately kill anyone who was below the level of a Grade Four Fairy. However, right then, a beautiful lady appeared from the floor above. She instantly stood in between Su Yu and the Third Lord.

"Alliance Master Su, please have mercy on him. I apologize for being late in welcoming you." The beautiful lady was very polite and elegant.

Su Yu took a glance at her, seeing that she was positioned right at the spot where he was about to flick the Cloud Galloping Horse's hair. So, he said, "Please step aside, whoever you are."

As he spoke, his gaze pierced right through her and landed on the Third Lord's hateful face. Since Su Yu had already gotten into trouble with the Third Lord, there was no reason to have mercy on him now.

The middle-aged lady laughed bitterly. "My status is certainly of little meaning to you. However, please spare the Third Lord on the basis that three of our masters of elixir manufacturing are helping you to make the medicine. I am willing to repay you for whatever the Third Lord has done."

Su Yu hesitated when he heard what she had just said. He then stored the Cloud Galloping Horse's hair away without uttering another word.

Su Yu glared at the Third Lord coldly as he spoke, "Whenever you are ready to die, you can come find me! Consider yourself lucky this time!"

When the Third Lord heard Su Yu's insult, his face turned red with anger. After all, he was a well-respected Third Lord, but he was now being threatened by someone who was not even from the Empire!

However, he was able to sense Su Yu's true killing intent, so before he could get help, the Third Lord truly did not dare retaliate. As such, he could only swallow his pride and accept Su Yu's insult.

"Who are you? Where is Bai Chong?" Su Yu asked as he lifted his hand to draw the disastrous thunder back into the jade bottle.

After the usage, the disastrous had turned gloomy. It seemed like there was only enough disastrous thunder for one last usage. Although Su Yu felt like it had been a waste, he did not show any expression on his face.

The middle-aged lady smiled as she said, "I am the Heavenly Water Tower's Master. The place in which you stand belongs to me." As the middle-aged lady looked around at the damaged pavilion, she laughed bitterly.

Su Yu was suddenly apologetic. "I am sorry for causing so much trouble. Please allow me to repay you for your losses."

"I dare not accept your repayment!" The Heavenly Water Tower's Master was surprised by Su Yu's politeness. Therefore, she frantically rejected his offer.

She then said, "It is my pleasure to have you here in my pavilion. You are more than welcome! If you do not mind, please come upstairs. I am certain the medicines will be ready soon."

Su Yu waved his hand. "Not to worry. I will wait here."

The Heavenly Water Tower's Master felt helpless. So, she had no choice but to kick everyone out from the pavilion and accompany Su Yu in silence.

"Third Lord, you should leave too. I hope you have only caused trouble here at the Heavenly Water Tower due to reason beyond your control. There will be no next time!" she warned.

Although her cultivation was nowhere near the Third Lord's level, her tone was still formidable when she issued the warning. Hearing her words, the Third Lord snorted unhappily. He then took another glance at Su Yu and the Heavenly Water Tower's Master before taking his leave in frustration.

"Alliance Master Su, this is embarrassing. The Third Lord spends most of his time near the graves where he would train with the help of deadly energy. That explains his odd temperament and is also the reason why he attacked you. Otherwise, the Empire of Darkness truly does welcome you," she explained to Su Yu.

Welcome me? Su Yu recalled the Black Elder and White Elder from the Seven Lords Palace. He could not help but laugh at himself when he thought of that incident and the way the Third Lord had behaved earlier.

Perhaps, to the Empire of Darkness, the existence of the Heavenly Law Alliance was a mere joke. They were both ancient forces that had existed since the beginning of time. However, their capabilities differed greatly.

The supposed welcoming people of the Empire of Darkness were only Bai Chong, the Heavenly Water Tower's Master, and the people from the lower ranks. In the eyes of the higher-ranked people in the Empire of Darkness, Su Yu, who was the Heavenly Law Alliance Master, was insignificant.

"Is that so?" Su Yu asked as he laughed lightly. He did not say anything else after that.

The Heavenly Water Tower's Master was seemingly able to sense Su Yu's emotions, so she stood quietly by his side without saying another word. After half an hour, a figure in a red robe came running towards them.

It was Bai Chong. He smiled cheerfully and was carrying two jade boxes in his hands.

One of them was a jade box in which a purple-colored pill had been placed. There were nine thin markings on the pill, which looked like a phoenix's tail. It was the Phoenix Tail Purple Fire Pill!

The other jade box contained a pill that shone brightly like a full moon. It was the Peerless Moon Fall Pill!

The former item was something that Bai Chong had promised to exchange for Su Yu, while the latter was only recently crafted. Su Yu had finally acquired the two medicines that he needed to save Phoenix Master Qiu!

"Alliance Master Su, fortunately, all three of the masters agreed," Bai Chong said as he handed the two medicines to Su Yu. He behaved respectfully towards him as always.

As Su Yu accepted the medicines, he felt a fullness in his heart. This journey was not a complete waste of his efforts after all!

Su Yu looked at Bai Chong and felt deeply grateful. The higher-ranked folks in the Empire of Darkness did not even want to meet him, and it was only Bai Chong who had selflessly offered his assistance. In fact, without Bai Chong, Su Yu would not have been able to access the Empire of Darkness' ten thousand years' worth of resources.

"Chief Inspector Bai, you have helped me all along, and yet have not received anything from me in return. Please consider accepting this as a small gift from me," Su Yu said as he retrieved a small, sharp awl.

The sharp awl contained a very dense energy of the disastrous thunder. It was exceedingly frightening and was on par with the might of the disastrous thunder that was used to suppress the Third Lord earlier. Any person below the Grade Two Fairy level would turn into dust if he came into contact with this sharp awl.

"A semi-manufactured spiritual artifact!" exclaimed the Heavenly Water Tower's Master.

As the Heavenly Water Tower's Master had good vision, she was able to identify the object instantly. She was very surprised by Su Yu's offering and her facial expression showed it.

Chapter 674: A Great Misunderstanding

Bai Chong was startled, and when he came back to his senses, he tried to reject Su Yu's gift. "Alliance Master Su, what is the meaning behind this? How can I accept such a precious gift?"

As there were just several semi-manufactured spiritual artifacts in the empire, and they all belonged to the Seven Lords Palace, Bai Chong did not feel that a mere Chief Inspector like him should even hold such a spiritual artifact.

"I just got it from an enemy's hands, and it's useless to me, so you don't need to refuse it." Su Yu didn't explain any further, but simply gave it to him.

Su Yu then took four intact crystals and passed them to the Heavenly Water Tower's Master. "One of them is compensation for you, while the other three are for the three great alchemists. I don't like owing people favors, so please accept them."

Bai Chong and the Heavenly Water Tower's Master were startled once again, as such precious objects like crystals, which were filled with the world's natural Vital Energy, didn't exist in the Zhenlong Continent. This fact alone revealed to them just how special they really were.

"I already took care of what I came here for, so I will bid you farewell. Take care of yourselves." Su Yu cupped his fists at them and intended to leave.

However, at that moment, the Heavenly Water Tower's Master became somewhat anxious and asked, "Alliance Master Su, why don't you rest here for two days? The Great Lord is still in seclusion, so I will notify him for you."

Su Yu replied, "There is no need, as I still know my worth. Just take it like I never came here."

As Su Yu had already decided to leave, although the two of them felt like it was a great pity, it wasn't appropriate for them to continue trying to hold him here.

"Since that's the case, then please follow me. I will accompany you to the teleportation point." Bai Chong was quite thankful to Su Yu, as the magical treasure in his palm had made him extremely excited.

Teleportation? Su Yu was puzzled by their words, as he had expected that he would leave from the first layer. As such, he had already prepared himself to go through the otherworldly experts' army. It was only when he witnessed the large teleportation formation at the peak of the Heavenly Water Tower that he understood what they meant.

"This teleportation formation is open just for our members' use, and it can teleport you anywhere within a hundred miles of the Giant Summit. However, you can't teleport back from there to here. After all, leaving the Giant Summit is quite easy, but entering it is difficult," explained Bai Chong.

Su Yu finally understood why Bai Chong had appeared that day outside of the summit, as well as why he had ended up being hunted down by an otherworldly expert. It was all because they still had such a unique teleportation formation.

"Then, I will trouble you for that help, and I do hope to see you once again." Su Yu cupped his fists at them, then stepped into the formation.

Along with a flickering of the formation's light, he left the Empire of Darkness and teleported outside of the other world's army encirclement before finally started his trip back to the northern continent.

In front of the teleportation formation.

"Chief Inspector Bai, congratulations! You got a semi-manufactured spiritual artifact! That's a treasure that we could only dream about." The Heavenly Water Tower's Master looked at the sharp awl in Bai Chong's hand, her eyes filled with envy.

Bai Chong was grinning as he said, "I also never once expected that the Alliance Master Su would be this generous, and I truly don't know how I can repay him for it."

"I had heard that Su Yu was a righteous person, who would surely repay any kindness shown to him, and today, I have experienced it for myself." The Heavenly Water Tower's Master sighed in amazement and regret. "If I had known that this was truly the case, then I wouldn't have cared so much about my status, and I would have shown myself and tried to befriend him earlier."

Astonishment appeared in Bai Chong's eyes as he asked, "Heavenly Water Tower's Master, since you are the descendant of the Great Lord, then why are you holding the Alliance Master Su in such high esteem? I'm truly puzzled by it, as he isn't any stronger than the Third Lord, let alone the Second Lord and the Great Lord."

The Heavenly Water Tower's Master's eyes lit up with a resplendent glow, while she said, "Chief Inspector Bai, do you really believe that the Alliance Master Su is capable of just killing Level Three Fairy Realm experts?"

Bai Chong was startled by this question. He then pondered it for a moment before he replied, "According to the rumors, it seems like he had just such strength, and if I can speak frankly, then I really feel like luck played a major role in his fight against the Third Lord. As such, discounting luck, I think it would still be unknown who could defeat who."

"That's really the case, but I have received a piece of secret news about Su Yu. Apparently, the other world's Eighth Saint Master recognized Su Yu as master." The Heavenly Water Tower's Master revealed a meaningful smile.

Bai Chong furrowed his brows. "That isn't really a secret, as almost everyone knows that. So, what is so strange about it? With his power, it's easy for him to forcefully subdue the Eighth Saint Master, so it wouldn't be difficult for him to force him to become his slave."

The Heavenly Water Tower's Master revealed a mysterious smile. "Chief Inspector Bai, tell me, if the Eighth Lord tried to force you to become his slave, would you flee, or would you readily agree without putting up the slightest bit of resistance?"

Bai Chong was somewhat displeased by her words. "Such an analogy isn't appropriate, but if it truly happened, then I would surely not give up. I would try to escape, as I still would have hope of succeeding. That is, of course, unless I was faced with a peerless expert."

"Then, do you know that the Eighth Saint Master, Wu Hen, didn't even try to escape when Su Yu gave him a choice between death and serving him? He chose to serve him readily! According to secret information that I was able to obtain, he had once witnessed Su Yu fighting in the Mysterious Heavenly Divine Pavilion, where it's said that Su Yu actually killed a Divine Master!" The Heavenly Water Tower's Master let out a long breath, and when she uttered such words, it was difficult for her to hide her own shock.

"What? He really killed a Divine Master?" Bai Chong sucked in a breath of cold air, as he was overwhelmed with shock at the moment.

After all, three years ago, the Zhenlong Continent's people still didn't even know what a Divine Master even was. It was only after the invasion of the other world's army that some of Jiuzhou's common knowledge was spread to them. It was only at that time that they became aware that there was still a paramount realm above Fairy Realm experts, which was a Divine Master!

A Divine Master was a terrifying expert, who possessed a destructive power that could cause great devastation by just a wave of his hand. Yet, it was unexpectedly rumored that Su Yu had once killed such an expert!

His mind became muddle-headed at this moment, as he respected Su Yu. After all, Su Yu had led the human race's army and fought the otherworldly army. Moreover, Su Yu had done so in a manner that was gracious, as he didn't really hold his strength in high esteem. So, when he heard such astonishing news, he felt his head spinning, while a buzzing noise rang in his ears.

“If I didn’t know that this news came from such a reliable source, then it would be difficult for me to believe that our Zhenlong Continent still had such a terrifying expert! After all, only our king would be capable of confronting him, and even my grandfather, the Great Lord, wouldn’t be capable of facing the Alliance Master Su!” he exclaimed.

“Now, do you understand why I hold the Alliance Master Su in such high esteem?” the Heavenly Water Tower’s Master asked meaningfully.

Although she had a noble status, she tried to approach the Lin Family’s father and daughter herself, which wasn’t the norm. She didn’t even mind acting as a guide for Su Yu, accompanying him as he went. These actions, in other people’s eyes, made it seem like she was truly demeaning herself in this way, but she knew that all of it was worth it.

Bai Chong was another evidence of such behavior, but from Su Yu. After all, Bai Chong had just taken him on a tour here, yet Su Yu had gifted him with a semi-manufactured spiritual artifact! Such an unimaginable thing could never occur in the Zhenlong Continent, yet it was done by the Alliance Master Su!

“Such news is too shocking! I must immediately notify the Great Lord and the Second Lord, who are in secluded cultivation.” After Bai Chong came back to his senses, he hastily spoke.

“Moreover, we must be quick about it, as I’m worried that the Third Lord’s actions may cause an irreparable rift between the Empire of Darkness and Su Yu. We may even end up becoming enemies of such a peerless expert...” Just thinking about such a fact made Bai Chong’s whole body shudder. The Third Lord had deeply offended Su Yu.

The Heavenly Water Tower’s Master’s heart thumped intensely, while her expression changed. “There’s no time to lose, let’s hope that they will quickly make a decision, as it’s better late than never.”

While they were speaking of this matter, Bai Chong suddenly recalled something that made his face become somewhat pale. “It’s probably already too late...”

The Heavenly Water Tower’s Master was startled by his words, so he asked, “What do you mean?”

“You may not know it, but I led the Alliance Master Su to the Seven Lords Palace, so that he could pay a visit. But the two elders at the gate...” Bai Chong proceeded to angrily recount the whole sequence of events.

When she heard all of it, the Heavenly Water Tower’s Master was appalled. “What? Those old fogies unexpectedly dared to prevent such a peerless expert from entering?”

After she recovered from her initial shock, she became extremely infuriated. “Good, I guess that just shows that they are really excellent gatekeepers. It’s fine that they show off their power most days, but that they dared to be this bold even in such an important matter, they truly overstepped! I

truly want to see how can they explain such a matter, so let's go. Follow me to the Seven Lords Palace, and I will personally inform my grandfather of this."

Chapter 675: Seven Great Lords

Outside the Seven Lords Palace.

Two elders dressed in black and white clothing sat across from each other. They were playing a game of chess and seemed to be deep in thought.

A letter in a white envelope was placed at the corner of the chess board. There were a few stains on the envelope. They had clearly not handed Elder Jiu's personal letter to their leaders.

Shuffle.

Two shadow figures suddenly came from the sky. The elders took a glance in their direction, but pretended that nothing had happened and continued playing chess. The elders completely disregarded the two people who had just arrived, even though one of them was a descendant of the Great Lord.

"Give me the letter!" the Heavenly Water Tower's Master yelled angrily.

She had always despised their prideful attitudes. Then, seeing how they did not even pass the letter on, she became infuriated.

The elder in a white robe did not budge. He simply continued to focus on the game of chess as if he had not heard her. As for the letter, he had not even glanced at it.

"You two!" the Heavenly Water Tower's Master exclaimed angrily. She then walked over and grabbed the letter and said in a cold tone, "Alright, I will hear what you two have to say about this later!"

Filled with anger and embarrassment, the Heavenly Water Tower's Master entered the Seven Lords Palace. Her special identity meant that the two elders would not be able to stop her. However, they casually glanced at Bai Chong.

Bai Chong instantly understood the meaning of their glances. This was the signal that meant that he was to wait outside quietly. Unlike the Heavenly Water Tower's Master, he did not have a special identity that allowed him to enter the Seven Lords Palace at will.

Within the Seven Lords Palace, seven light screens floated in the air. Each of them was the size of a palm.

They were arranged according to height from the shortest to the tallest, and their placement was strict and neat. The seemingly normal light screens each represented the presence of a Lord.

The light screens had been personally set up by the King of Darkness. Each of them represented an internal space. Unless it was opened from within, it was unbreakable. Hence, nobody from the outside could break into it!

The seven internal spaces each connected to the Empire of Darkness' treasure trove, which was filled with a shocking amount of Spiritual Energy. Training in that place for a day was equivalent to training in the external world for ten days. Currently, all of the Seven Lords of Darkness were cultivating within it.

“Greetings to the Seven Great Lords. I have something important to report to you,” the Heavenly Water Tower’s Master said.

As soon as she spoke, the light screens started spinning soundlessly and a black shadow figure appeared before her. The black shadow figure looked oddly mysterious.

“Why are you disturbing our cultivation?” One could not tell who was speaking, as the voice seemed to be overlapped with other noises.

The Heavenly Water Tower’s Master lifted the letter with both of her hands as she felt her chest tighten. “This is the letter that was left by the Heavenly Law Alliance Master Su Yu. Please have a look at it.”

Her gaze swept past the two light screens at the highest level. She looked somewhat disappointed that her grandfather, the Great Lord, and the Second Lord had not appeared, since they held the highest positions here.

“A request for military assistance? My apologies. We already knew about this. Why would you bother us with something as menial as this? Are you treating this place like it is your home? Even if you are the Great Lord’s descendant, you should be able to distinguish what is important and what is not.” The cool voice undoubtedly belonged to the Third Lord who had been released from Su Yu’s deadly grip.

The Heavenly Water Tower’s Master treated him with equal disrespect as she asked coldly, “Have you recovered from your injuries already? Your words are rather sharp.”

Suddenly, she felt a pair of cold eyes staring at her. She could sense the Third Lord’s anger and embarrassment.

Oh? The Third Lord was injured? The four other black shadow figures in the light screens wavered slightly.

The Heavenly Water Tower’s Master laughed for a moment before she spoke again, “Four Great Lords, this letter is meant for the King of Darkness. Please pass it on to him. This is an important matter that cannot be delayed any further.”

“The King of Darkness? He has refused to be involved with external affairs. So, there is no way that we can pass this letter to him. You can just leave it with us. If there is nothing else, you may leave now.” As the voice sounded, a sucking force pulled the letter out of her hand.

The Heavenly Water Tower’s Master could sense from their tones that they did not take this matter seriously. She suddenly felt anxious.

Indeed, the higher ranked people in the Empire of Darkness had never thought much of the Heavenly Law Alliance. They did not even regard Su Yu with the slightest respect.

“Great Lords, I would like to reiterate that his letter is very important. You must pass it to the King of Darkness.” The Heavenly Water Tower’s Master looked very determined as she urged them.

Hearing this, the Great Lords who were eager to continue their cultivations began to feel impatient.

“I was willing to stop cultivating because of your status as the Great Lord’s descendent. However, I hope that you will not bring a matter of such insignificance to our attention again. Let’s stop here. You must leave now.” The overlapping voices began to fill the space as a gentle force began to engulf the Heavenly Water Tower’s Master in order to push her out.

Seeing that they were unwilling to heed her advice, the Heavenly Water Tower’s Master said through gritted teeth, “Alright, I had originally intended to only let my grandfather know about this. However, there is no harm in letting you know now.”

As she finished her sentence, she began divulging the secrets that she had discovered from her spies. Instantly, the gentle force surrounding her dissipated.

The five shadow figures were vibrating greatly. They seemed to be communicating with each other.

After a while, five booming voices rang in her ears as the five black shadow figures exited from their respective spaces and revealed themselves. They were males and females of various ages, each dressed in different outfits.

Outside the room, the two elders who were engrossed in their game of chess suddenly shivered and looked very alert. “What has happened that caused the five Great Lords to appear altogether?” The elder in the white robe showed a look of surprise as he spoke.

The elder in the black robe felt slightly unnerved. “The last time the five Great Lords appeared was three years ago. Could something big have happened?”

As they recalled the earlier threat from the Heavenly Water’s Tower Master, the two frowned and entered a state of deep thought.

“Do you have proof of what you have just said?” an old man who had long white hair and a long beard asked her attentively. The other four Great Lords were equally concerned about this.

“I do not have solid proof. This news came from someone in the higher ranks in the Heavenly Law Alliance. Not many people know about this.” As she spoke, the Heavenly Water Tower’s Master looked very certain. “However, I would rather believe it than doubt it. Su Yu’s capabilities are indeed not measurable by common standards.”

Hearing this, the Great Lords entered states of deep thought.

The Third Lord sighed softly before he asked, “How dare you interrupt our training with such fabricated tales?”

Naturally, they did not believe that Su Yu was capable of killing a Divine Master.

“As we now know about this, we shall wait for the Great Lord to wake up before we discuss it any further.” The old man with a long beard shook his head.

He looked disappointed as he turned around. It seemed as if he was preparing to return to the light screen to cultivate.

The other Great Lords all started taking off at this moment. However, right then, the two light screens that had not budged earlier started emitting a frightening aura.

Then, two black shadow figures appeared. Their figures were blurry, so one could only see their contours. They were the legendary Great Lord and the Second Lord, who were second only to the King of Darkness in terms of power.

According to rumors, they had started cultivating alongside the King of Darkness hundreds of years ago, but had rarely appeared since. In fact, the only time that they had appeared was three years ago, when there was an odd change in the world. They had discontinued their training and appeared as two black shadow figures...

The true extent of their might was unknown to everyone, and today, they had appeared once again! The two elders outside suddenly reacted quite animatedly.

“Great Lord and the Second Lord have both awakened!” the cried out in unison.

Shuffle.

The two elders immediately rushed into the room and shouted at the same time, “Greetings, Great Lord and Second Lord!”

The two elders in black and white robes finally felt concerned and panicked. They wondered what the Heavenly Water Tower’s Master had said to awaken the two Great Lords.

The two elders did not have to display formalities in front of the other five Great Lords. However, the two Great Lords who had just appeared were the true masters and the pinnacles of their world!

“Give me the letter.” The Great Lord’s voice sounded old yet powerful. There was clearly no emotion within it, yet everyone felt an immense pressure descended upon their bodies immediately.

Even the old man with a long beard felt the color drain from his face as he handed the letter to the Great Lord with both of his hands. While maintaining a respectful manner, he also began to feel uneasy. As the letter landed in the black shadow figure’s hand, it was clear that it had not yet been opened.

“Jiu Yuanzhou’s letter...” The Great Lord’s voice rang through everyone’s ears and caused them all to shudder. “Sheng Yuan, I trusted you to carry out your duties. It this how you handle things? It is very disappointing.”

The old man with a long beard frantically bowed as his facial expression changed drastically. “Please forgive me, Great Lord. I did not know the importance of this letter.”

The old man felt fear growing in his heart, as did the other Great Lords. They all looked at the letter with surprise and confusion.

“Jiu Yuanzhou was an expert who was on par with the King of Darkness a long time ago. As such, his letter must be very important. How dare you delay this matter?” There was an added measure of retribution in the Great Lord’s tone.

The old man instantly turned pale in the face of the Great Lord’s displeasure. He began to tremble as he wondered...

Someone who is on par with the King of Darkness? Jiu Yuanzhou... What kind of expert is he?

“Although his cultivation has weakened and he is no longer as strong as before, his letter should not have been delayed. You will face the wall outside and think about your mistake for three years,” the Great Lord said expressionlessly.

While the old man felt shock and fear in his heart, he also felt that he had been wrongly sentenced with a much too severe punishment. After all, how would he have known what kind of divine figure Jiu Yuanzhou was?

His carelessness had resulted in his not being able to cultivate for three years. As such, his cultivation would surely be exceeded by the other Great Lords.

“Great Lord, I had only just received the letter...” The old man with a long beard started to defend himself.

The Great Lord did not say anything else as he started scanning the letter. There were tea stains and wrinkles on it from its being placed on the chess board earlier.

“Where is the person who delivered this letter?” The Great Lord’s gaze turned from the old man with a long beard to the two elders in black and white robes.

Thump.

The elders in black and white robes turned pale. They felt as if the end of the world was upon them. The back of their robes were soaking wet from their sweat.

“Grandfather, the elders in black and white robes prevented the person who came with this letter from entering. He did not even have a chance to meet the Great Lords before he was forced to leave.” The Heavenly Water Tower’s Master glared at the two elders. She was secretly happy to see them in such a panicked state.

The two had always been prideful and disregarded everyone else. Today, it was their time to suffer for their poor manners.

The Great Lord’s black shadow figure vibrated as he asked softly, “How long has the letter been here?”

“Half a day.” The two elders spoke in unison with trembling voices.

Their faces looked even more horrified than a dead man’s as they felt the immense pressure that was coming from the Great Lord. They never would have dreamed that one tiny letter would cause them so much trouble!

“In that case, if it were not for the Heavenly Water Tower’s Master, were you planning on keeping the letter forever?” the Great Lord asked with an even harsher tone.

“Great Lord, please forgive us. We did not have that intention...” As the two elders in black and white robes bowed and started to beg for mercy, their foreheads banged on the floor loudly. It was clear that they were truly frightened.

The Great Lord sighed deeply. “You two have accompanied me for many years. I even entrusted you with the duty of safeguarding the Seven Lords Palace because I believed in you. However, I now know that you have become prideful and ignorant. You have made a terrible mistake. You know my rules. You are no longer suited to guard the doors to the Seven Lords Palace. You must leave.”

Chapter 676: Preparing for the Battle

His words caused the people’s expressions to become grave instantly. The great Lord was always strict and severe.

Although he would properly reward people who rendered great service, he would also punish people who made mistakes. His punishment was forcing the White, Black Elders to cripple their cultivations and leave the Seven Lords Palace.

“Great Lord, please spare us. We know that we made a mistake. We didn’t know that this letter was this important.” The White, Black Elders hastily bowed to him, while tears streaked down their aged faces.

Such a punishment was extremely harsh. They were already regretting disregarding Su Yu when he had come here.

The Great Lord calmly spoke, “I’m not punishing you just for the letter, it’s also because you refused to welcome the Heavenly Law Alliance’s Master. If I remember correctly, his name was Su Yu, and he was someone who had been settled on by the king. You should know what this means.”

He was settled on by the king? All of the people here sucked in breaths of cold air when they heard his words. All of the high-level members of the Empire of Darkness knew that this meant that he was one of the Empire of Darkness’s successors.

“It’s not that I want to harshly punish you, it’s just that you have caused great troubles.” The Great Lord waved his sleeves at them, then swept them away.

The news that Su Yu was unexpectedly deemed by the King of Darkness as one of his successors greatly everyone.

“I will deliver this letter to the king, so you can just leave.” The Great Lord waved his hands in dismissal at them.

“Wait...” The Heavenly Water Tower’s Master’s eyes suddenly started flickering.

“Grandfather, won’t you consider Su Yu’s reinforcement request?”

The Great Lord’s gaze became slightly gentle and warm. “There is no need to. We should use such a battle to have a proper look at his power. If he wins, then he will surely obtain the whole continent’s

approval and will easily succeed to the throne of the Empire of Darkness. If he dies, then it just means that he wasn't capable enough, which wouldn't be worth caring about anyway then."

The Heavenly Water Tower's Master was flabbergasted. "Grandfather, are you sure about this? According to the news that we received, the Fifth Saint Master will lead an army of a thousand Half Fairy Realm experts, and his first battle will be against the northern continent. It's for this matter that Su Yu has asked for reinforcements. Even if he was more powerful, it would be impossible for him to face a thousand soldiers army without any reinforcements."

The Great Lord just smiled and didn't reply. He then waved his sleeves in dismissal and said, "Enough. We should just calmly observe this battle. It will reveal whether Su Yu is a dragon or just a worm."

After the Heavenly Water Tower's Master left, he spoke once again, "If we calculated the time that has passed, it should be almost time for the Intel Hall's Hall Master to finish his mission of investigating the state of the Dragon Abyss of the Nine Underworlds. It will now depend on old men like us as to whether or not we can give the continent everlasting peace. So, all of you must properly prepare for this."

After the Seven Lords Palace was closed once again, the Kingdom of Darkness resumed its past calm and peace. However, news that an extremely powerful otherworldly army would shortly come soon swept through the whole northern continent...

"The legendary most powerful Saint Master and a thousand Half Fairy Realm experts army is said to be arriving soon!"

"The northern continent is done for!"

"Even if it was protected by Alliance Master Su, they would still not manage to obstruct them."

Fright and panic engulfed all of the people. They were all concerned about the great battle that would occur in the northern continent. They all wondered...

Could the famous Alliance Master Su keep such a disaster at bay?

The northern continent unknowingly became the center of the whole continent. When Su Yu returned to it, he passed by many panic-stricken people, all of whom were fleeing for their lives.

Such a sight caused his heart to become very heavy. He wondered...

How many people will be willing to sacrifice themselves for the greater good and fight for the common people, while facing such a disaster?

Su Yu didn't obstruct them, but returned to the empire's branch, which was now the Heavenly Law Alliance's headquarters.

Let's kill them!

Before he even reached the city, he heard deafening cries, all of which seemed capable of shaking the earth.

“Did a battle occur?” Su Yu’s heart tightened, and he swiftly followed the sound of the cries.

He found that the Heavenly Law Alliance members were undergoing training and fighting each other. At the moment, they were practicing close-combat techniques.

Moreover, in the distant sky, a giant ring was floating, and more than a hundred people were pouring their Vital Energies into it. They were clearly practicing using the Energy Condensing Ring in preparation for the coming battle.

In fact, everywhere that he looked, he saw members of the Heavenly Law Alliance training and practicing. Not one of them slacked or fled, and they were all filled with the determination to face death. This would serve them well in the upcoming great battle.

Su Yu’s heavy heart became filled with gratitude as he witnessed such a sight. He was proud to see that these people were still willing to fight.

“Young master.” The Eighth Saint Master, Wu Hen, immediately rushed to Su Yu after he detected his arrival.

“Is it you who initiated their training?” Su Yu wore a faint smile as he asked the question. He could faintly detect that it seemed like this was a military training, and only someone from the army, like Wu Hen, could organize such a thing.

The Eighth Saint Master became somewhat restless as he answered, “Please forgive me for making not waiting for your permission. I just knew that the great battle would occur shortly, and my impatience made me incapable of waiting for you return.”

“Hehe, you don’t need to explain. I don’t care about the origin or background of the people I employ, and although you were once my enemy, I witnessed your performance in the fight against Xue Wu.” Su Yu sized up Wu Hen and contentedly nodded his head in approval. “After the Zhenlong Continent’s war comes to an end, I will free you.”

What? The Eighth Saint Master’s heart intensely thumped, and he became extremely excited. It seemed like a dream to think that he could still regain his freedom once again!

“I will surely do my utmost.” He clearly understood that, if he wanted to be freed by Su Yu, he must properly work for him, as opposed to doing so in secret.

“Now, convene the Heavenly Law Alliance’s high level members, as I have some important matters to announce,” said Su Yu.

Important matters? Did he succeed in getting reinforcements? Wu Hen was overjoyed at the anticipation of good news, and he immediately ran to inform the high level members in the training grounds.

At this time, Su Yu flew to the manor and gently landed before Xianer’s room. He found that she was cultivating, and her whole body was engulfed by a mysterious gentle aura. Her current cultivation level astounded Su Yu.

He had only left her for a few days, yet she had unexpectedly already advanced to the Three Crystals Half Fairy Realm! When he left her, she was just in the One Crystal Half Fairy Realm!

“The Fairy King’s inheritance, which she got, is really extraordinary.” Su Yu was amazed.

At that moment, the Fairy King’s feather image appeared in his mind. That technique, which could heal destroyed Dantians, was outrageously amazing. As such, Su Yu could only be happy for her, as she had experienced such an amazing and fortuitous thing.

“Xianer, If I can survive the upcoming battle, I will surely marry you,” muttered Su Yu softly, as he didn’t dare disturb her. He then left quietly.

In the palace’s hall.

“Where did Elder Jiu go?” Su Yu asked after seeing that Elder Jiu and the other two people, who should have been here, had already disappeared. Now, only the Phoenix Master Qiu and Xia Jingyu, who were still asleep, remained.

“Alliance Master, Elder Jiu left last night, and it’s unknown where he went,” replied the guard who was keeping watch.

He left? Su Yu was confused by this, as Elder Jiu still hadn’t fully recovered from his injuries. So, it didn’t make sense as to why he would leave at such a time.

However, with his power, there were only a few things that could threaten him. So, there was no need to worry about him.

“Um... Search for him everywhere, and if you get any news about him, promptly report back to me,” ordered Su Yu as his gaze fell upon the Phoenix Master Qiu and Xia Jingyu.

Swoosh!

At that moment, two jade boxes appeared on his palm. They had the Phoenix Tail Purple Fire Pill and the Peerless Moon Fall Pill, which could save the Phoenix Master Qiu, within them.

After he took them, he put them in her mouth. He then poured his Vital Energy into her to help her consume them.

With his senses, Su Yu was able to detect that the pills’ medicinal energy was quickly activating within Phoenix Master Qiu’s belly. Her belly was the place that had suffered the heaviest injury, and there was still an exquisite palm print on it, which was emitting a dangerous aura.

That palm should have taken her life, but for some unknown reason, she had been spared. After the medicinal energy converged within it, the palm print, which still hadn’t dissipated, even after half a month, started gradually disappearing.

“As her injuries have slightly recovered, it’s just a matter of time before she wakes up.” Su Yu let out a long breath.

Phoenix Master Qiu had once helped him. Moreover, he still needed her help to cultivate the Evil Destroying Silver Eyes. As such, her recovery was an auspicious omen.

Su Yu took several steps towards Xia Jingyu's bed. As he sat beside her and held her slightly cold, soft hand, his heart throbbed in pain.

Xia Jingyu had suffered such heavy injuries all because she had wanted to pass news to him. Su Yu was already incapable of remembering how many favors he owed her, and it would be impossible for him to repay her adequately, even if he attempted to do so for the rest of his life. What was his most important regret was that he still hadn't given her a reply for her confession of her feelings towards him.

"Jingyu..." Su Yu's eyes were filled with regret, as he had already accepted Qin Xianer, and it would be impossible for him to accept Xia Jingyu. This meant that he would owe her even more.

As complex emotions welled up in his heart, Su Yu started checking her injuries once again. He saw that her injuries were already completely healed, so it was bewildering that she still hadn't woken up yet.

"I hope that you can wake up before my and Qin Xianer's wedding," Su Yu absentmindedly muttered as he held her hand.

Swoosh!

"Young master, all of the alliance's high level members are assembled in the main hall." Wu Hen stood before the gate and looked at Su Yu, who gazed at Xia Jingyu with an affectionate gaze.

After Su Yu came back to his senses, he lightly put down Xia Jingyu's hand and slowly stood up. He then said, "Let's go."

What he didn't know was that, after he left, the pinkie of Xia Jingyu, who had slept for such a long time, slightly twitched as a fine, warm sun ray streaked across it.

In the main hall.

Old Chen, the annihilation team, and several elders were calmly and quietly waiting in the main hall. As Su Yu entered, they all nodded at him in respect.

"Sirs, I will make such a long story short. A great battle will shortly occur, and all of you know already about such a matter, so there is no need for me to say anymore about it," Su Yu said.

As Su Yu stood before them, he had a dignified expression on his face. His presence was majestic, and he seemed like a great king.

"Alliance Master, welcome back." All of them respectfully greeted him in unison.

Su Yu waved his hand at them and said, "Spare me such formalities from now on, as we are pressed for time. So, I will immediately assign each of you his task."

All of them became spirited upon hearing this. They wondered if Su Yu had succeeded in getting reinforcements from the Empire of Darkness.

“I should first inform you of the results of my trip to the Empire of Darkness.” Su Yu’s expression was calm and indifferent as he gazed at the people here. “Unfortunately, I didn’t manage to get reinforcements like you had hoped. In fact, I didn’t even get one soldier.”

The expressions of all of the people stiffened when he spoke, while fright and panic overwhelmed their hearts. They knew that the most powerful otherworldly army would shortly arrive, and trying to obstruct it with just ten thousand people would be like trying to destroy a rock with an egg!

“You have already stopped caring about your deaths, so what do you still need to worry about? Even if we didn’t get reinforcements, don’t we still have ourselves?” Su Yu’s cold eyes flickered with a resplendent glow.

The people were sobered by his words and smiled bitterly. They had indeed already stopped caring about their deaths. He was right.

“This is the first matter of which I wanted to inform you of. The second matter is concerning your cultivation in the coming month. You should first retreat and make some space.” Su Yu swept over them with his gaze.

Old Chen and the others were dumbfounded, and while they were still confused, they retreated to create more space for him.

“That isn’t enough... Retreat even more,” said Su Yu after estimating the space.

Old Chen and the others were baffled by this, so they just simply left the hall, so that Su Yu would have the whole hall to himself.

Chapter 677: Elder Jiu’s Tribulation

“This still seems like too small of a space. However, it should be large enough to place some things here.” As a pink mist suddenly appeared above Su Yu’s shoulder, a little pink kylin leapt out from it.

Under Su Yu’s instruction, it opened its tiny mouth. The seemingly small mouth emitted a shocking wave of spatial energy. A small hill that looked more like a patch of grass appeared out of its mouth. The patch of grass was growing in size and soon filled the entire palace!

At the same time, vibrant Spiritual Energy filled the air. It was so dense that it felt almost like the clouds were slowly liquifying. In that brief moment, the palace looked like a fairyland.

“Such dense Spiritual Energy!” Wuhen was also shocked as he looked at the palace.

The Spiritual Energy was spreading out quickly, and soon enough, everyone around the palace could feel it. Thereafter, the entire central region of the city was engulfed by it. In that brief span of time, the Spiritual Energy in the environment had increased by one fold!

“Woah! What is that? Are those all divine herbs?”

“Look! There are herbs in that patch of grass that can be used for cultivating! And... Look! It’s the Nine Jointed Spiritual Ginseng and the Spirit Sucking Worm, which can both be made into pure pills for cultivation! That would allow us to increase our cultivations as Half Fairies!”

Many people in the crowd were shocked. They all looked at the patch of grass as if they were in a dream. They could not believe what they were seeing.

“How could there be so many cultivation resources?” Wuhen asked in surprise. “Could the prince have made another trip to the Mysterious Heavenly Divine Pavilion?”

Su Yu laughed without addressing his question. “My mission for you is to select the most elite soldiers in the Heavenly Law Alliance. Then, give them as many resources as they require!”

Luo Xiong could not help but salivate. “Such an immense wealth of resources is not much different from the amount that was lost by the Heavenly Law Alliance. If we use them wisely, they will be sufficient to increase the entire annihilation team’s cultivation to the Three Crystals Half Fairies level!”

Hearing this, the older generation, including Old Chen, began to feel concerned. “Our lot has been cultivating for many years, and we are all much closer to the bottleneck. As such, we deserve to consume these resources first,” someone shouted.

These two opposing parties were undoubtedly the elite soldiers that Su Yu had just mentioned. This was a golden opportunity for them to break through to the Three Crystals Half Fairy level. As such, both parties were determined to fight for their rights at all costs.

“These resources are meant for the other alliance members. Why do you think you will lose out?” Su Yu snorted lightly. “I have more than a hundred times the amount of resources here. As such, there will be a sufficient amount for everyone to cultivate. Quickly, make arrangements to provide these resources to those who performed well in the last battle.”

Hearing this, Wuhen was stunned. After recollecting himself, Wuhen took in a breath of cool air.

Such a great amount of resources was surely greater than all of the resources in the Zhenlong Continent! He had to wonder if Su Yu had robbed the Empire of Darkness to obtain so many resources.

At the moment, both Old Chen and Luo Xiong were flustered. After all, the opportunity to advance to the Three Crystals Half Fairy level was right before their eyes!

Soon, all of the members in the alliance were called together. Not long after, the endless cultivation resources were handed out to the members. This activity had drawn the attentions of thousands of people, who were all cheering loudly and excitedly. After all, these were resources that many of them could only dream of.

This was especially true for those who had not even broken through to the Half Fairy level, as well as those who had been stuck at a certain realm for a long time. This was a fortuitous encounter!

“All hail Alliance Master Su!” someone shouted loudly.

The crowd immediately started chanting these same words over and over. Their passionate voices were filled with gratitude, respect, and a new sense of confidence. This allocation of resources continued for almost half a day.

In the palace, people like Old Chen were panting with exhaustion. However, everyone wore a happy expression.

“If these people are able to effectively use all of these resources, even if we cannot defeat the otherworldly army, we could still cause them a great deal of trouble if they were to try to annihilate us!” Luo Xiong exclaimed excitedly.

Old Chen was deep in thought. He then said, “According to my predictions, the resources that were handed out today should be enough to create a hundred Two Crystal Half Fairies. Now, we can finally fight against the otherworldly army in a fair battle. Moreover, if these resources are as sufficient as Su Yu says, we might even be able to create three hundred Two Crystal Half Fairies. This would give us an even greater chance of victory!”

Su Yu nodded in agreement. “There are plenty of resources left. In fact, some of the Two Crystal Half Fairies will even be able to reach the Three Crystals Half Fairy level. The Heavenly Law Alliance is full of geniuses from all over the world. Do not underestimate their innate talents.”

This piece of encouraging news put a smile on all of their faces.

Su Yu then added, “In fact, I expect even more from those of you who have already achieved the level of Two Crystals Half Fairy.”

As Su Yu casually took out another batch of resources, he looked very serious and said, “I hope that you can all work harder in the next half a month. I will provide you with endless resources in hopes that you can soon advance to the Three Crystals Half Fairy level. I will have another surprise waiting for you once that is accomplished!”

A surprise? Wuhen wondered what kind of surprise Su Yu was talking about. Could he be talking about bestowing us with some treasures?

Without giving them an opportunity to ask any further questions, Su Yu continued speaking, “Apart from that, I would like you to select a hundred folks from the alliance, who are good at shooting arrows. Then, train them to become experts at shooting arrows within a month.”

Arrows? Old Chen looked confused. “Alliance Master, although shooting arrows in a large battle is indeed useful, such a skill would not be very effective without suitable bows and arrows. Our Zhenlong Continent has only achieved a greater state in terms of Spiritual Energy. In terms of treasure, we cannot compete with the opponent. As such, all of our bows and arrows are of low-grade quality. So, I am afraid that we will not be able to fight against our enemy with arrows.”

Hearing this, Su Yu displayed a mysterious smile. “You only need to focus on the training. I will handle the logistics of making use of the experts in archery!”

Luo Xiong still had more questions to ask. However, right then, the sky some distance away turned dark all of a sudden. Streams of a dangerous aura began descending far away in the Nine Heavens.

With a focused gaze, one could see vague thunder in the distance. Thunderbolts of purple and white continuously fell from the sky and illuminated the world on the other side. A thundering sound

could be heard swiftly thereafter, and the entire central region in the city could feel the vibration from it.

“What is happening? Have you ever experienced thunder like this?” A panicked voice could be heard in the crowd.

Most of the people here had never seen such odd and ferocious thunderbolts.

Wuhen’s eyes narrowed as he showed a look of surprise. “It is the disastrous thunder! Someone is going through the tribulation! Prince, is this an ally or a foe...?”

Wuhen looked very wary. However, when he turned around and asked the question, Su Yu had already disappeared!

Thousands of miles away, in a dense forest.

The wind was billowing wildly as the thunder continued. Most of the trees had been uprooted by the wild gusts of wind and were twirling about in the air.

A loud whistling sound could be heard as a thin, old man sat in a cross-legged manner above an ancient tree. His body looked very lean, as he had only just recovered from his injuries.

Right then, his hands were weaving signs as he sat above the tree. He looked like a statue as he faced the thunderbolts in the sky.

Boom.

A loud rumble was heard as a white thunderbolt descended from the sky. The sound was deafeningly loud. The light from the thunderbolt seemed to engulf the entire world and was exceedingly frightening to watch.

The old man sat in a very calm manner. He then retrieved a colorful suit of armor from his bosom and began to put it on.

Boom.

At that moment, the lightning struck the old man with great accuracy. At that same time, the destructive thunderbolt seemed to have hit an endless pit, as it had disappeared into thin air.

The colorful armor on the old man’s body looked as if it had darkened somewhat. Apart from that, it did not look like it had been affected. Seeing this, the old man smiled slightly.

However, the remaining thunderbolt appeared to be angered. A purple thunderbolt began to descend after a loud roar was heard.

This new thunderbolt seemed to be a few times more powerful than the white thunderbolt! Before it even reached the ground, a burning smell could be detected from the sky. The old man’s expression turned wary as a layer of Vital Energy appeared around him.

Boom.

Then, the thunderbolt hit him and caused sparks of lightning and fire to burst forth into the surroundings.

Bang.

This time, the old man felt as if he had been struck by the force of a mountain's weight. His entire body was flung to one side immediately.

As he fixed his gaze on the colorful armor, he could see that it had been burnt badly! Oddly, the frightening thunderbolt seemed to have disappeared completely.

The old man started revolving his Vital Energy again as he swallowed some blood in his throat. He looked very determined. "There is one final disastrous thunder!" he yelled.

The final thunderbolt was red in color. It was the color of fresh blood and made him feel very uneasy. This thunderbolt was even stronger than the white and purple thunderbolts combined! However, this was also the final thunderbolt!

"Thunder Herb, I am counting on you!" the old man shouted in a low voice. This was the final thunderbolt that he would have to face.

Boom.

The third thunderbolt began to descend with the might of an earth-shattering disastrous thunder. As a huge sea of flames appeared in the sky, everywhere the disastrous thunder passed through became burnt.

As it came closer, it looked like a thunderbolt that was a combination of lightning and flames. It was descending from the sky to annihilate all of the beings in the world!

Boom.

The endless sea of flames emitted a loud roar.

Suddenly, the old man's weak and thin body seemed like a moth that was being drawn to the thundering flames. The colorful armor on his body suddenly exploded into pieces!

A mouthful of blood came out from his mouth as his face turned pale. His chest had turned black from being burned so badly. He was nearly dead already!

The old man started spurring more blood. However, his face looked overjoyed. "Hahaha, I have succeeded in overcoming the tribulation!"

The first time he had tried to overcome the tribulation, he had been heavily injured by the Fifth Saint Master and was therefore unable to succeed. Now that he had recovered from his injuries, he was finally able to pass the tribulation!

The dark clouds in the sky gradually dissipated as a beam of light, which was full of Vital Energy, began to descend. This was the sign of his success in the tribulation and the clear marker of his achieving a breakthrough in his cultivation.

Once he received the Vital Energy from the light, his cultivation would surely increase significantly, thus allowing him to reach an even greater height! However, right then, the dissipating dark clouds suddenly stopped moving, while a blurry-looking hand that covered the sun swept across the sky.

The originally dissipating dark clouds were slowly reforming! At that moment, a frightening aura was coming from the dark clouds. Suddenly, a golden lightning bolt appeared!

The old man's facial expression changed drastically as he lifted his gaze to the sky. He then shouted angrily, "Who is doing this?"

He was surprised that someone could control the skies and reform the thunderbolt. He had clearly succeeded in the tribulation, yet someone had intentionally manipulated the disastrous thunder!

The huge and blurry-looking hand was the culprit behind all of this! Although he had shouted at the top of his lungs, no one had answered him. The only reply that came was that odd golden lightning bolt!

The golden lightning bolt made the old man's heart beat wildly. He felt as if he would be killed at any moment.

This dangerous lightning was far stronger than the earlier thunderbolts! If he were struck, the old man would surely be turned into dust!

"Who are you?" The old man asked furiously. He felt helpless in his heart as he looked at the golden lightning bolt in the sky. He could only belt out angry words towards the sky.

Who is the owner of that huge hand?

Boom.

The sky remained quiet. The only reply that the old man received was that odd golden lightning bolt!

Chapter 678: Fighting a Saint Master with Wits

As it fell down, the world took on a golden luster. It seemed like the whole world would be melted by this golden luster, thus disappearing, along with the old man within it.

He still failed in passing his tribulation. However, at this moment, a multi-colored radiance suddenly appeared within the golden world. It had an extremely resplendent radiance, which crushed and overwhelmed the golden radiance.

After just a moment, the golden radiance disappeared. Soon after that, the multicolored radiance also gradually disappeared, and the world became clear and distinct once again.

The old man was startled by this, and his gaze closely followed the multi-colored radiance, till it returned to the multi-colored armor. A palm was holding the armor, and as it put the armor in front of the old man's head, a trace of the golden disastrous thunder was still flowing within the palm.

"Su Yu, it's you!" the old man cried out in alarm and disbelief. "Did you block the disastrous thunder?"

The person who saved him was none other than Su Yu!

"It was obviously me, Elder Jiu! Did you leave to pass your tribulation alone because you didn't want the people within the city to be injured?" Su Yu calmly collected his Thunder Herb's armor and turned to look at the old man, who was Elder Jiu, also known as Jiu Yuanzhou.

"Why do you also have Thunder Herbs? Moreover, from its qualities, it seems like your armor is more powerful than by mine by far." Elder Jiu squinted his eyes.

If he remembered correctly, the Thunder Herbs in front of him were given to his disciple by a mysterious powerful youth in the Mysterious Heavenly Divine Pavilion, so he had to wonder why Su Yu possessed some old herbs that were exactly the same!

At this moment, the current of energy in the air started revolving and an extremely pure Vital Energy fell upon Elder Jiu, completely engulfing him. Elder Jiu could only temporarily give up pondering such a matter, as he had to concentrate on cultivating.

Su Yu had once said that he would help him in passing his tribulation, and he had finally managed to fulfill his promise today. While Elder Jiu was calmly cultivating, Su Yu used the time to examine his Thunder Herb Armor.

The eighty-year-old Thunder Herbs possessed the special ability of absorbing disastrous thunder, and his Thunder Herb had now aerobed the golden disastrous thunder.

If he just slightly touched it, several arcs of golden lightning, which emitted a dangerous aura, would flicker out of it. At the moment, Su Yu felt like even a thread of them would be capable of turning him into ashes.

“The golden disastrous thunder is a type of thunder that I have never seen before. The Zhenlong Continent really is filled with many hidden experts, and I should never have looked down upon it.” A peculiar glow flickered in Su Yu’s eyes as he witnessed with his own eyes the formless giant hand that had altered a heavenly tribulation.

He couldn’t help but recall how he had passed his tribulation at the edge of the ocean and advanced into the Heaven Master Realm. At that time, his heavenly tribulation was also strengthened by someone. But, it was fortunate that he had the Eternal Stone King Armor, which had enabled him to survive.

Now that he witnessed such a sight once again, he couldn’t help but wonder about who was intervening with the Zhenlong Continent’s heavenly tribulations. Such a person was surely one of their enemies.

Now that he was already at the peak of Three Crystals Half Fairy Realm, he would shortly face his tribulation. He was sure that it would not be easy.

“No matter who are you, don’t think that you can obstruct my path forward.” A determined look appeared in Su Yu’s eyes.

When he took a look at Elder Jiu, he found that it would take a long while for him to wake up, so he took the opportunity to enter the Nine Jade Spiritual Pearl.

“Young master.” As Wu Aoyue immediately flew over to him and welcomed him, her pretty face was bright and shining.

Su Yu raised his brows as he swept his gaze over her. “Three crystals Half Fairy Realm? Your tribulation should be just around the corner.”

Wu Aoyue’s face was filled with joy. While she was in the Purple Cloud Palace, she never would have imagined that an Outer Sanctum’s disciple like her would one day have an opportunity of advancing into the Fairy Realm.

“Young master, it’s all thanks to you.” Wu Aoyue’s flattering speech expressed her true feelings.

Su Yu smiled and asked, “How’s the Heavenly Orchid Silver Bamboo?”

When she heard him, delight appeared on Wu Aoyue’s face. “It’s already thirteen inches-long! when you checked it last time, it was only one inch-long, and after the Heavenly Orchid Silver Bamboo matures, it will be ten feet-long! I believe that it will quickly mature, and at that time, you can get Jiuzhou’s number one divine bamboo.”

Wow! Su Yu was excited to hear that.

“Um, after you plant those seeds, we can probably harvest them in less than a month.” Su Yu took a jade bottle, which was filled with three hundred white seeds that were as beautiful as snowflakes.

Wu Aoyue was startled by the sight of it, and after she fixedly stared at it for a long while, her brows arched and her pretty eyes widened. She then covered her lips with both of her hands and asked, “Are those the legendary Cloud Galloping Horse’s seeds? Even in Jiuzhou, they are extremely rare objects that only exist in the Fairy Mountain.”

She then asked, “Where did you get so many seeds?”

Su Yu just smiled and said, “Plant those seeds and take good care of them. When they mature, I will give you one of them. It should be able to helping you advance to the Fairy Realm.”

Wu Aoyue was exhilarated when she heard him. Although there was just a small gap between Three Crystals Half Fairy Realm and the Fairy Realm, it felt like a wide chasm.

But, the extremely rare Cloud Galloping Horse was a mystical object, which could get rid of such a chasm. Such an unexpected and nice surprise delighted her.

In such a short time, she had advanced from the One Crystals Half Fairy Realm to the Fairy Realm. She had a smooth and easy way to it because of the abundant resources that she had access to. This was a privilege that only the Inner Sanctum disciples of the Purple Cloud Palace could enjoy.

Su Yu faintly smiled and put the jade bottle in her hands before he came to the front of the Underworld Pearl and used the Milky Way Star Sand to forcefully wipe off a drop of the Ghost World great emperor’s essence blood from it. He had already wiped a third of the Ghost World great emperor’s essence blood, and he was now already capable of slightly controlling it.

He felt that the pearl, which he was incapable of holding before, was now slightly lighter. Moreover, since it had fused with the Dry Cloud Five Elemental Formation’s blue bead, it would be easier for him to control it in the future.

After he finished examining it, he returned to Wu Aoyue, took hold of a dim silver bead, and asked, “Do you know what this is?”

While she was in the Purple Cloud Palace, Wu Aoyue had read many books, so she had a broad knowledge of many things. She was quite startled when she saw this, so she said, “The Lightning Avoiding Silver Pearl? No... It seems like it’s just its embryo...”

She had really managed to recognize it!

“Do you know how it can become complete?” Su Yu asked.

Wu Aoyue shook her head for a while before she nodded and said, “There is a way, but no one has tried it before. The reason why it’s still just an embryo is because it’s short of natural spiritual properties, and if you want it to be complete, you need to imbue it with spiritual properties. The only way of achieving this is by fusing it with a Fairy artifact fragment. Only then can it become complete.”

Su Yu became somewhat downcast when he heard her, as he only had a prototype Fairy artifact, and he didn’t know where he could get a Fairy artifact fragment. This seemed like an almost impossible task. After all, ordinary people would surely not use a Fairy artifact fragment just to imbue spiritual properties into a Lightning Avoiding Silver Pearl.

He smiled bitterly, as it seemed like he had no hope of cultivating the Evil Destroying Silver Eyes. As such, he might really be obliged to live his life as a blind man.

“Fine, I understand, just take care of the nursery.” After Su Yu spoke, he returned to the outside world.

When he returned to it, he found that Elder Jiu was still cultivating. So, Su Yu just sat beside him and cultivated, while he kept watch over him.

After a long while, Su Yu opened his eyes, and as two resplendent glows shot out of them, a formless soul power caused several ripples in the air, which then spread throughout the surroundings. As they spread out, all of the living being that felt the ripples trembled in fear.

“The Heaven’s Son Gazing At Air Technique’s soul control level is really powerful and domineering.” Su Yu’s eyes were filled with satisfaction.

The Heaven’s Son Gazing At Air Technique first level, soul change, was clearly quite capable of increasing his soul’s power. The second level, soul control, was capable of letting him control experts with his soul.

However, there was a precondition that his target couldn’t try to resist it. Moreover, it was capable of letting him control an enemy who was a whole realm above him!

In others words, if Su Yu managed to advance into the Fairy Realm, he would be able to control a Divine Master. Such a fact was truly astounding and incredible!

The tyrannical nature of this technique could be faintly seen from its second level onward. Now, Su Yu’s mastery of it had barely reached its entry level, so he could only control one expert. But, since he never ran into an appropriate target, he still hadn’t used it until now.

Su Yu continued cultivating for a while, while the Vital Energy that was falling from the sky lessened. At the same time, Elder Jiu’s cultivation was steadily rising, and he would soon advance to the next level.

Su Yu wondered what Elder Jiu’s current cultivation level was. As he was pondering this, he suddenly raised his brows and looked in a direction that was several hundred meters from him. “Come out!” he shouted.

At that moment, a youth, who had his hands clasped behind his back and wore a bright faint smile, walked out from behind an old tree.

“Are you the Heavenly Law Alliance’s Master? You really seem too weak, if so.” The youth wore a faint smile as he spoke.

Su Yu’s pupils slightly contracted. He had managed to detect his presence only after he was within several hundred meters of him. As it was possible for this person to so skillfully hide himself from detection, it showed that his strength was quite outstanding.

“A youthful appearance and an unusually powerful Fairy Realm cultivation... Let me guess who you are... You should be the Sixth Saint Master, who is keeping watch over the northern continent?”

The person before him was indeed the Sixth Saint Master, and his cultivation was at the Level Four Fairy Realm. The Sixth Saint Master was slightly astounded at his guess.

“You have excellent observation powers and a stable mind, as you managed to quickly hide your emotions. It’s obvious that you have vast experience in fighting, but you are still many times weaker than the rumors have said. It seems like luck played a major role in your fight against Xue Wu.”

Su Yu was wary of him, yet he still maintained a composed look as he spoke, “Luck? Perhaps that’s the case, but you didn’t come here just to talk about such past events with me...”

The Sixth Saint Master faintly smiled and said, “I came here to have a duel with you, but it’s a pity that you have a false reputation. As such, I have already lost any interest in it.”

The Sixth Saint Master’s faint smile seemed somewhat cruel. “However, I still managed to discover an interesting matter. Unexpectedly, someone is advancing to the Level Four Fairy Realm, so it’s fortunate that I came here in time.”

A Level Four Fairy Realm expert was a great threat to the otherworldly experts, and since he ran into one just who was trying to break through to such a realm, he certainly could not allow him to do so!

After he spoke, the Sixth Saint Master strode forward, leaving several afterimages behind him. It was difficult to discern which one of them was his true body.

“A Level Four Fairy Realm expert unexpectedly appeared among uncivilized ants like you? That’s really astonishing, but it’s a pity that he didn’t have any awareness of his status as a mere ant.” As the Sixth Saint Master coldly sneered, he appeared before Elder Jiu and swept his hand toward his forehead.

He then ruthlessly attacked him. He clearly wanted to kill him in just one move!

Bang!

At such a precarious moment, a blue spirit ruler appeared around Elder Jiu, and it seemed like it was capable of predicting his attack’s track, as it appeared before his palm and obstructed it!

Thump! Thump!

The Sixth Saint Master retreated several steps, confusion appearing on his face. "A middle-grade spiritual artifact? Such an uncivilized land has such a high-grade magical treasure? That's really surprising."

"There is still more that will surprise you." A cold sneer transmitted from behind him, while a lightning net that was made from disastrous thunder engulfed him.

The Sixth Saint Master was startled once again. "Wu Hen's magical treasure really has fallen into your hands."

Just after that, he leisurely waved his hands, and as his Vital Energy bombarded the net, it was swept away.

"A trifling lightning net can't obstruct me." The Sixth Saint Master's gaze became ice-cold. "Since you want to die, I will help you."

The Sixth Saint Master was also just at the Level Four Fairy Realm, yet he wasn't suppressed or subdued by the disastrous thunder. From this fact alone, it could be seen just how outstanding his fighting prowess was.

"Is it?" Su Yu revealed a meaningful smile.

Hm? The Sixth Saint Master suddenly had a bad premonition, so he quickly retreated. But, just when he moved, two small golden swords, which were finely hidden within the lightning net, suddenly appeared before him.

"Two spiritual artifacts?" The Sixth Saint Master was surprised once again, and although he was taken by surprise by them, he still managed to nimbly dodge them.

His body twisted around as he barely dodged the two swords. Such a dangerous experience made the Sixth Saint Master's heart become heavy.

At this moment, he started taking him seriously. "It's no wonder than Xue Wu died at your hands! You are really somewhat skilled, but it will still come to end here..."

However, while he was still speaking, he felt a great sense of crisis. "Is there still another hidden attack left?" The Sixth Saint Master was startled, and he decisively moved away.

Sizzle!

A scorching heat and severe pain was transmitted from his arm, from which blood splashed out. A small golden sword had suddenly teleported behind him and thrust at his heart!

It was only because he quickly reacted that he prevented it from penetrating his vital parts. He had also used his arm to block it, which explained the shallow cut that had just surfaced on his arm.

"Deceitful lad, I will kill you." The Sixth Saint Master was extremely infatuated by him now, as the lad before him had many wily and deceitful means! Despite this lad's extremely weak cultivation, he depended upon his magical treasures to suppress and overwhelm Su Yu.

Su Yu's gaze was calm as he wore a faint smile. "Will you kill me? It should be better for you to care about yourself first."

As he waved his hand, one of the small golden swords, which was smeared in blood, flew back to him. It had a faint white luster at its edges.

"Ahh!" The Sixth Saint Master suddenly cried out in pain, and he felt like his whole body would shortly explode.

"You smeared the sword with poison." The Sixth Saint Master was greatly shocked.

The poison's intensity was terrifying, and it had unexpectedly disregarded his Vital Energy obstruction, quickly spreading within his body. The flesh of each place that it spread to was immediately destroyed, and if it reached any vital parts like his heart, then he would surely die!

Swoosh!

The Sixth Saint Master decisively flew away. He knew that he must find a safe place to try get to rid of the poison. Otherwise, he would be in grave danger.

Su Yu just stood in his place and didn't pursue him.

"Why aren't you pursuing him?" Although Elder Jiu was still breaking through, he could still feel the outside world's situation, so he had transmitted his voice to Su Yu.

Su Yu gazed in the direction that the Sixth Saint Master fled as a faintly evil smile appeared at the corners of his mouth. "It's because I want to prepare a great gift for the Fifth Saint Master..."

Chapter 679: Fairy Level Cultivation Technique

After half an hour, Elder Jiu slowly opened his eyes. As he did so, a stream of light came into his sight. It was accompanied by a gleeful smile. "I have finally recovered a layer of my cultivation!"

Su Yu pondered in his heart what Elder Jiu meant...

Did he used to have a very high level of cultivation? Is he slowly regaining his powers now?

Truthfully, Su Yu still did not know much about Elder Jiu's true identity. But, it looked like he would have a chance to find out now.

"Young man, I owe you my life." Elder Jiu gazed meaningfully at Su Yu. He seemed to be in the midst of making an important decision.

Su Yu shook his head lightly. "You have helped me in the past. This is just me returning a favor. Let's consider this a clearing of the favors that we owe each other."

"Hehe..." Elder Jiu laughed as he stood up and looked into the sky. "I am going to investigate a person's identity. I will return in a month's time. Meanwhile, please look after Dalei for me."

Su Yu raised his eyebrows. As Elder Jiu wanted to investigate someone's identity, he was curious as to who the person was. However, he would not stop Elder Jiu from leaving or pester him with questions.

“Alright, take care of yourself,” Su Yu said.

As he heard Su Yu’s words, Elder Jiu turned his head to look back at Su Yu. He looked as if he was trying to identify something from Su Yu’s body. After a brief moment, he sighed. “You seem to be highly regarded by a lot of important figures...”

Eh? Su Yu was very confused by his odd words.

Shuffle.

At that moment, Elder Jiu retrieved an old scroll. Upon taking a closer look at it, Su Yu could see that it was the Heart Oath Scroll.

Before he had entered the Mysterious Heavenly Divine Pavilion, Elder Jiu had given him the Cosmos Thunder Sword. In return, Su Yu had promised to help Gang Dalei in his search for the Thunder Herb.

That was why he had established an oath with the Heart Oath Scroll. Now that he had accomplished his promise, Elder Jiu was returning the Heart Oath Scroll.

“This belongs to you now. Alright, I will take my leave.” After Elder Jiu left the Heart Oath Scroll behind, he leapt into the air.

Su Yu held the scroll in his hand and pondered in his heart...

Elder Jiu seemed to be conveying a deeper meaning with his words.

Su Yu’s eyes were filled with a bright light as he opened the Heart Oath Scroll. He surprisingly discovered that, apart from the oath that they had sworn to one another, there were additional rows of words within it that were written closely together.

In fact, there were more than a thousand words! As he quickly glanced through the words, Su Yu memorized every single one of them.

“The Nameless Palm Print?” The minute Su Yu saw this, he felt that it was odd. This was a cultivation technique that was related to palm techniques.

In terms of palm techniques, Su Yu had only come across such teachings when he was at the Xianyu Prefecture’s training institute. He had once learned the basics of the cultivation technique.

However, apart from that, he had never trained with the technique thereafter. Therefore, he was very surprised as to why Elder Jiu had left him with the palm technique. Upon closer inspection, Su Yu revealed a look of surprise on his face.

“A Fairy Level Cultivation Technique scroll?” Su Yu shouted in surprise.

Su Yu knew how difficult it was to acquire a Fairy Level Cultivation Technique. Even when he was in the Mysterious Heavenly Divine Pavilion and had met many experts from Jiuzhou, he had never seen one of them use a Fairy Level Cultivation Technique. Thus, the Legendary Cultivation Technique was already a rare sight!

The only Fairy Level Cultivation Technique Su Yu had been exposed to was the Great Sun Punishment Fairy Picture that he had acquired in the Mysterious Heavenly’s place of legacy. The

Great Sun Punishment Fairy Picture had an astounding might. The remnant disastrous flame that it contained could even burn a Divine Master!

This cultivation technique that was left behind by Elder Jiu was truly terrifying and shocking! Su Yu's heart thumped wildly. This Elder Jiu was indeed no ordinary person!

After a while, Su Yu gradually calmed down and started to thoroughly examine the cultivation technique. The scroll did not have a name. It seemed that Elder Jiu had removed the palm technique's name from it.

The Fairy Level Cultivation Technique was clearly different from all of the other cultivation techniques that Su Yu had come across before this. The Legendary Cultivation Technique was categorized into different levels, including the Entry Realm, the Lower Realm, the Upper Realm and the Top Realm. However, the Fairy Level Cultivation Technique was even more extensively categorized.

"Nameless Palm Print... The first level is split into Great Yin Palm, Great Sun Palm, and Divine God Palm," Su Yu read aloud.

Each level was split into three different moves, which was vastly different from the other cultivation techniques.

"Such a level of detail means that every move must be very difficult to cultivate!" Su Yu murmured as his eyes lit up. He felt very excited!

This was the first time he would truly learn how to use a Fairy Level Cultivation Technique. Although he had the Great Sun Punishment Fairy Picture, he had always used it as a treasure rather than a cultivation technique due to his lack of understanding.

Now that he had the mysterious palm technique scroll before him, Su Yu was very excited. If he could complete the cultivation in a month, he would be able to surprise his enemies in the great battle!

Trying to suppress his excitement, Su Yu carefully tucked the Heart Oath Scroll away. His gaze then turned towards a certain direction as a mysterious smile appeared on his face. "It should be about time now," he murmured.

Several thousands of miles away, a white mist slowly spread across a hidden valley. This white mist was killing everything in its path.

Beneath a big tree, a young man with distinguished features was lying on the ground. His face had a purple hue to it, as he had exhausted himself from trying to exert his Vital Energy.

"Based on my calculations, even if a Grade Four Fairy is able to suppress the Cloud Galloping Horse's poison, he would still be left in a horrible state. Now that he has fainted, things have become much easier for me." Su Yu landed above the tree as a smile appeared on his face.

As he came to stand in front of the Sixth Saint Master, Su Yu weaved a symbol with his hand. As he did so, a vibrant soul energy emanated from Su Yu's body and a huge figure vaguely appeared behind his back.

It was as tall as a small mountain! However, the figure looked very blurry and one could not see its facial features clearly.

The only thing that could be clearly observed was the sun, moon, and stars that were revolving above its head. A splendid light covered its entire body. From afar, it looked like the son of the universe was standing behind Su Yu!

As Su Yu noticed the odd scene behind him, his smile became even more mysterious. Not long after that, he completed weaving the symbol.

At that moment, the mighty figure emitted a bright light that was filled with soul energy from its right eye. The bright light entered the spot in between the Sixth Saint Master's brows. But, he was unaware of this, as he had passed out.

"I hope that you will give me a pleasant surprise," Su Yu said as he laughed lightly. He then floated away.

After several hours, the Sixth Saint Master slowly regained consciousness. The purplish hue on his face had diminished somewhat, as more than half of the poison had been removed.

"The Cloud Galloping Horse's poison. Young man, you actually plotted against me! I will make sure you suffer greatly!" As the Sixth Saint Master slowly got up, he felt extremely angry.

As a Grade Four Fairy, he had nearly died at the hands of a Half Fairy. It was a huge embarrassment!

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Su Yu had returned to the headquarters. Upon his arrival, he immediately announced that he wanted to seclude himself for the foreseeable future.

Such a decision did not surprise many people. After all, with the battle that would soon come, many others had decided to cultivate in seclusion as well.

This was especially true for those who had acquired resources. Most of these people were trying to break through to the next level of cultivation.

As such, all the members of the Heavenly Law Alliance became quiet during this period of intense cultivation. However, it became so quiet that it was almost uncomfortable.

Everyone knew this was the calm before the storm, and this knowing caused a shapeless pressure to spread into everyone's hearts. Those who could not bear the pressure decisively opted to leave the city with their family members in tow.

"Old Chen, are we not going to stop them?" Luo Xiong asked.

He was the leader of the annihilation team. The annihilation team was the last line of defense, and they were constantly taking turns to cultivate, while also remaining alert to the happenings in the city.

Old Chen shook his head as he stood on the city wall. "There is no need to. We cannot even protect ourselves, let alone these people."

Luo Xiong became silent for a moment. He hesitated before speaking, "One more thing, Old Chen. We have caught three defectors from the alliance."

He had mixed feelings about the matter. The three defectors used to fight with them and were their comrades in the alliance. They had worked together to achieve the Zhenlong Continent's first victory. Now that the three defectors could not withstand the pressure of the Fifth Saint Master's impending arrival, they had opted to escape.

Half a month had already passed since the last great battle. The high spirits of the people had already dwindled. Some of the less courageous ones were beginning to show their true colors.

Old Chen's body shook slightly. He slowly closed his eyes and retrieved a note from his sleeve.

"Alliance Master Su left this with me before he went into seclusion," Old Chen said.

When Luo Xiong took opened the note, he saw a line of words that made his jaw drop...

All defectors shall be killed without exception. Their dismembered heads will be displayed in public for all to see!

Luo Xiong shivered. "But, they did contribute greatly in the past..."

Old Chen looked at him with a determined look and said, "We still have to punish them harshly. We cannot allow the spirits of our people to dwindle, as it would cause the downfall of our entire army. If we allow the three of them to escape, more people will also try to escape. Then, if they all escape, we will certainly lose in the battle to come!"

He shook his head, then said, "If that happens, all our past sacrifices will have been in vain! As such, we must not allow anyone to escape! Alliance Master Su foresaw this trouble, which is exactly why he made this decision beforehand."

Hearing this, Luo Xiong felt conflicted. However, he knew in his heart that there was no reason to hesitate any longer.

"I understand. I will do as instructed immediately." Luo Xiong nodded as he left with a longsword in his hand.

Within that same day, three dismembered heads were hung in front of the city's wall to warn others of the consequences of defecting. Since then, although a few people still made futile attempts, there was no large-scale or organized defection.

As the time of battle drew closer, the pressure grew even more suffocating. After half a month had passed, two more elders had defected!

Up until that time, there were only five elders who had remained, including Old Chen. However, two of them had suddenly chose to escape together!

The news caused a huge buzz in the Heavenly Law Alliance. After all, if the elders were so frightened, how was a normal alliance member supposed to feel?

"Old Chen, I have already executed them," Luo Xiong said. He seemed to have been injured rather heavily during the process. Killing two elders was definitely no easy feat for him and the rest of the annihilation team.

Old Chen quietly closed his eyes. Upon taking a closer look, one could see that his lips were trembling. The two elders were his good friends, and they had all been through thick and thin together for over a hundred years.

They did not even try to escape when the Heavenly Law Alliance was nearly destroyed. Instead, they had courageously fought against Xie Wu in the great battle.

In the end, they had chosen to escape. As for Old Chen, he had been the one who had to make the call to kill them both. As such, before the battle had even officially started, the spilling of blood had already occurred.

“Display their heads to the public,” Old Chen said with a trembling voice. His tone was a mixture of pain and determination.

The time of war was getting closer and closer. Then, 10 days passed in the blink of an eye.

Luo Xiong wore an exhausted expression. There were patches of dried blood all over his clothes.

It was not that he did not bother to wipe it off, there were simply too many people that he had to kill. No matter how hard he worked to clean the blood, there would always be more to follow.

“They were 10 more people who defected. I have killed them all,” Luo Xiong said with a hoarse voice.

Now that the day of the battle was so close, a lot of people had started panicking. Unfortunately, they only expected this panic to increase as the days went by.

“I need to see Alliance Master Su.” As it was a very crucial moment, Old Chen and Luo Xiong could no longer keep things under control.

They soon arrived before Su Yu’s room, where he had remained in seclusion all this time.

Old Chen said with a low and hoarse voice, “Alliance Master Su, I have something to report to you.”

Creak.

The big door opened at his request.

However, the person who appeared was not Su Yu, but a beautiful lady with a sleek figure and a strikingly beautiful face. Her beautiful eyes held a cold glimmer within them.

“Are you no longer able to keep things in order?” the cool and beautiful lady asked. Her voice and tone were as cold as her personality.

Chapter 680: Collectively Passing the Tribulation

Old Chen was startled as he asked, “Who are you?”

Swoosh!

The woman didn’t reply. She held a shining multi-colored armor in her left hand and a ring that was made of black jade in her right hand.

How could the armored Old Chen not recognize the black jade ring? It was Su Yu's symbol, after all!

"Convene all of the Three Crystals Half Fairy Realm experts, as well as the first three hundred people who advanced to Two Crystals Half Fairy Realm. My young master has prepared something for them," Old Chen instructed the woman.

Old Chen was astonished.

Why did such a cold and elegant woman appear in Su Yu's room?

However, since she had Su Yu's symbolic item, he complied with her orders, even though he was still suspicious of her.

After half a day.

The cold and elegant woman stood proudly in the main hall, and as the sun's rays shone upon her alluring body, it gave her an even more mysterious air.

"Who are you? Where is Alliance Master Su, and why are you taking his place?" Zi Yunxiang asked.

She was one of the people who had convened here, and although she still hadn't broken through to the Three Crystals Half Fairy Realm, she was among the first batch of people to have advanced to the Two Crystals Half Fairy Realm. She was extremely displeased when she saw the cold and elegant woman.

"I'm Wu Aoyue. Since my young master is in secluded cultivation, he let me replace him." Wu Aoyue replied with extremely brief words to the slightly hostile young woman.

Su Yu was really outstanding, as even such a delicate and pretty woman, with such an outstanding bearing would fall in love with him.

"I'm asking you what your relationship with Alliance Master Su is?" Zi Yunxian felt hostility in Wu Aoyue's tone, so she immediately questioned her.

It was fine if it was Qin Xianer or Xia Jingyu, as they were already acquainted with Su Yu for a long time, but no one knew where this Wu Aoyue had come from, nor why she could replace him.

Moreover, she was being extremely secretive regarding their relationship. For these reasons, Zi Yunxiang was extremely unwilling to accept her.

Wu Aoyue calmly looked at her and said, "My young master didn't ask me to announce our relationship, so there is no need for me to reply to such a question."

"You..." Zi Yunxiang was so angered that her face became somewhat flushed and she bit her rosy lips. She then stared at Wu Aoyue without blinking.

All of the people here understood that these two women were rivals with each other, and they couldn't help but secretly chuckle.

“If you don’t have any other questions, then I will execute my young master’s plans on his behalf,” Wu Aoyue said.

When she swept over the people with her gaze, it fell upon Old Chen and the two people who were beside him. “Elder, you should use it first. Take those objects. You have just one day to refine it. It’s up to you whether you can succeed in refining it or not.”

As she snapped her fair fingers several times, three lively ponies fell on their palms. Old Chen was startled when he saw the lively pony on his palm, so he asked, “What is this creature?”

The other people were also startled. In fact, not a single person recognized the creature.

“It’s obviously just food,” Wu Aoyue said calmly.

“Food...” The expressions of Old Chen and the others stiffened, as they found themselves at a loss when they were asked to eat such a creature while it was still alive!

The pupils of Wu Hen, who was calmly observing Wu Aoyue, contracted at this moment. “It is a Cloud Galloping Horse. Moreover, there are three of them!”

His eyes were filled with shock and surprise. The sight of the shocked Wu Hen astonished Old Chen and the others, as in their eyes, Wu Hen was always a lofty and composed expert. So, it was their first time witnessing him revealing such a shocked expression.

As the three of them took a glance at each other, they all became aware of how amazing this Cloud Galloping Horse really was. They felt that they had better hurry up, as it might be taken by someone.

So, they didn’t dare wait any longer. The three Cloud Galloping Horses were swallowed in one mouthful by them, right before Wu Hen’s gaze, which was filled with regret and anxiety.

This startled Old Chen and the other two people. Old Chen then said, “What a powerful spiritual power!”

Rumble!

A clap of thunder resounded in the sky..

“Will he really pass his tribulation?” All of the people were dumbfounded.

Old Chen had advanced to the Three Crystals Half Fairy Realm just several days ago, and he would still need to cultivate for several years before nearing the Fairy Realm and passing his tribulation.

However, after he swallowed the Cloud Galloping Horse, he immediately started passing his tribulation! Such an astounding scene shocked all of them.

“Well, it’s faster than I expected! All of those who will pass their tribulations should immediately leave for a forest that is a thousand miles from here. I will also go there after a while,” Wu Aoyue calmly instructed them. It seemed like she didn’t really take his tribulation seriously.

Old Chen was both overjoyed and frightened, as he didn't make any preparations for passing such a tribulation. He didn't know that such a matter would occur, and he didn't know whether he should laugh or cry at this moment.

After all, no one would have dreamed that, after carelessly eating a pony, he would immediately start facing his tribulation! He was quite restless and anxious at this moment, so he immediately left.

The other two elders were also overjoyed and worried. They knew that, after they reached their current realm's peak, their tribulation would shortly descend. After a moment, the three of them flew away.

"Annihilation team, step forward," Wu Aoyue spoke coldly before she swept her fair finger over her ring. At that moment, fifteen Cloud Galloping Horses immediately flew over to each member's hand.

"Fifteen? Even the Black Shadow Guard doesn't have such a great number of them..." Wu Hen sucked in a breath of cold air.

If he wasn't so wary of Wu Aoyue's status, he might have already charged at her and stolen them. In his eyes, Cloud Galloping Horses should be used only by Fairy Realm experts, as they were precious spiritual objects, which could let them advance by a level. As such, he found it extremely wasteful to use it on Half Fairy experts, just so that they could pass their tribulations.

Moreover, in Jiuzhou, Cloud Galloping Horses were objects that all Fairy Realm experts longed for day and night, so for mere Half Fairy Realm experts to get a share of them seemed utterly preposterous! He was now shocked and anxious, as even after such a grand number of them had been distributed, he still didn't get his share!

After Luo Xiong and the others, all of whom had witnessed the change of Old Chen and the two elders, got a Cloud Galloping Horse, they became so excited that their whole bodies shook all over. All of them swallowed the horses without giving it a second thought.

They had also just recently reached the Three Crystals Half Fairy Realm because of their huge amount of resources. Although, in the past, they were just patrol guards, they were also some of the Heavenly Law Alliance's greatest geniuses. As such, it wasn't surprising that they had managed to reach such a realm.

Rumble!

Two claps of thunder immediately resounded as the team leader, Luo Xiong, and Li Cheng faced their tribulations.

"Go to the forest that is a thousand miles from here," Wu Aoyue calmly instructed them.

The overjoyed pair led the annihilation team's members and left. Such a scene stirred the hearts of all of the people here, as fifteen people would shortly face their tribulations at the same time. This was a matter that had never once occurred since the dawn of time!

“Master Lin, Housemaster Zi, my young master prepared a share for both of you.” Wu Aoyue’s tone became more polite as she spoke to them, as Master Lin and Housemaster Zi were both people who Su Yu respected very much.

They were overjoyed when they received their shares, and even Master Lin, who was always calm and composed, started heartily laughing at this moment. He then said, “I never once expected that someone like me could advance to the Fairy Realm one day. Su Yu is still a person who can create miracles!”

Housemaster Zi was also deeply moved, and he faintly sighed. “It’s a pity that Alliance Master Long is still in a coma and can’t advance with us.”

Wu Aoyue revealed a faint smile. “Sirs, please be relieved. My young master will surely not forget his share or the Phoenix Master Qiu’s.”

After he heard her assurance, Housemaster Zi became more relaxed. He then traveled a thousand miles from here, along with Master Lin.

“Gang Dalei, take it.” After Wu Aoyue scanned the surroundings with her gaze, she looked at Gang Dalei and threw a Cloud Galloping Horse at him.

After he had cultivated for a long period, he had already advanced from the Two Crystals Half Fairy Realm to the Three Crystals Half Fairy Realm.

“Hehe, I knew that brother Su Yu would not forget me when he became the Alliance Master.” Gang Dalei chuckled and held the horse as he flew outside of the city. He seemed extremely confident after successfully passing his tribulation.

Wu Aoyue started scanning the surroundings with her gaze once again. “You, you, and you too... the three of you are the last Three Crystals Half Fairy Realm experts. Take this and wait for me a thousand miles from here.”

Among the remaining people here were the extremely talented people, who had managed to cultivate from the One Crystal Half Fairy Realm to the Three Crystals Half Fairy Realm, and the three of them all got a Cloud Galloping Horse. Such a scene made the other talented youths become somewhat resentful.

The three of them were overjoyed, and they all quickly left. The people who were left now were just Two Crystals Half Fairy Realm experts.

“You also have a share. Each one of you will get just one, and if any of you dares to disobey this limit, then he will be deprived of his share.” Wu Aoyue calmly said.

As she waved her fair hand, many Cloud Galloping Horses sprinkled down like rain. This scene caused Wu Hen’s eyeballs to almost fall out of their sockets!

At this moment, he even felt like he was probably not in the Zhenlong Continent, but in one of Jiuzhou’s fairylands! Otherwise, such a number of Cloud Galloping Horses could surely not appear!

After they fought over them for a while, each of the people got one of them. The people were overjoyed because of such an unexpected surprise, so no one dared take more than one.

“All of you should go cultivate.” Wu Aoyue waved her hand in dismissal at them, and all of them left except for one of them.

“What? Don’t you want it?” Wu Aoyue looked at the young girl in front of her with a gaze that was filled with mockery.

Tears glittered in Zi Yunxiang’s eyes. She wanted to weep, but she just fixedly looked at Wu Aoyue with her pretty eyes.

“Hehe! Do you resent me, or do you resent yourself?” It seemed like Wu Aoyue’s gaze was capable of seeing through Zi Yunxiang’s innermost feelings. “Do you resent yourself because I will shortly reach the Fairy Realm, while you will just stay at the Half Fairy Realm?”

Wu Aoyue was at the Three Crystals Half Fairy Realm, and she had already passed her tribulation. Hence, it was just a matter of time before she reached the Fairy Realm. On the other hand, Zi Yunxiang would still be at the Half Fairy Realm.

As such, there would soon be a great disparity between her and Wu Aoyue. It could be easily seen that she wasn’t willing for the disparity between her and her new enemy to become any greater.

“I don’t need you to care about me, as I don’t want anything from you.” Zi Yunxiang stubbornly fought off her tears and turned around.

Wu Aoyue shrugged her shoulders and said, “I didn’t plan to give you anything anyway.” It was obvious that she didn’t prepare anything for Zi Yunxiang from the fact that there weren’t anymore Cloud Galloping Horses left.

“You!” Zi Yunxiang was infuriated by her, and she became somewhat aggrieved. She felt like she was being bullied by her, and tears fell from her eyes uncontrollably.

“Hehe...” A soft chuckle transmitted to her ears. “Fine, I have teased you enough, so just take it. My young master instructed me to personally give it to you.”

As she turned her hand over, she took out another horse, then threw it at Zi Yunxiang. She immediately became lively and spirited once again after she heard Wu Aoyue say that Su Yu had instructed her to personally give it to her!

After she got over her embarrassment, she opened her red and swollen eyes and said angrily, “It’s the alliance master Su who gave it to me, not you!”

Even though she hesitated for a while, she still took it. She then turned around and left.

Before she left, Wu Aoyue’s soft sigh transmitted to her ears. “Give up on him, as he has a boundless future and will never belong to you.”

Zi Yunxiang’s body shook, then stiffened for a moment before she raised her foot and strode out. “it’s none of your business...”

No one knew that, when she left the hall, there were tears streaming down her face. She was devastated, as she had no idea that Su Yu loved someone else! But, she still had a desire and hope in her heart...

Wu Aoyue shook her head as she watched Zi Yunxiang leave. Her eyes were filled with sympathy.

“Miss, didn’t the young master still have some other instructions?” When just the two of them were left in the hall, Wu Hen couldn’t quell his longing any longer.

Wu Aoyue looked back at him with a faint smile, “There is obviously a reason why my young master left you till last. He still has another mission for you...”

Swoosh!

Wu Aoyue threw a Cloud Galloping Horse at him, then took out a sealed note and said, “The mission is described on this note, and after consuming the Cloud Galloping Horse, no matter if you passed a tribulation or not, you still need to open the note.”

Wu Hen was extremely excited at this moment. After all, a Cloud Galloping Horse was a precious treasure, which he didn’t get even when he was among the Black Shadow Guard! At this moment, he didn’t care where did Su Yu get such a grand number of Cloud Galloping Horses, as it was enough for him to know that he got a great fortuitous chance because of it!

“Understood.” Wu Hen cupped his fists at her, then went to convene with the others a thousand miles from here.

As there was no one else left in the hall, Wu Aoyue strode forward and left. After a short while, Wu Aoyue, who was now before Qin Xianer’s room, calmly observed the room for a moment.

“Is she still cultivating?” Complex emotions appeared in Wu Aoyue’s eyes. “I really want to have a look at his fiancée’s appearance.”

She collected the Cloud Galloping Horse that she had prepared for Qin Xianer, then turned around and left after taking a look inside the room. She softly sighed. “She’s really a lucky girl.”

After she spoke, she flew up, and gazed at the terrifying number of disastrous thunders in a place thousand miles from her, “Now, let’s witness the magnificent sight of dozens of people passing their tribulation at the same time.”