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Chapter 170: The Elixir is Complete, Third Grade Elixir

When Lin Chen mentioned that he wanted to refine the Melding Earth Pill, Zhao Rushi was both shocked and amused.

She wanted to see how Lin Chen, with his mere Seventh Layer Spirit Gathering Realm cultivation, dared to make such a boastful claim about refining the Melding Earth Pill.

The Melding Earth Pill was a Third Grade Elixir. Its preciousness was utterly incomparable to the Spirit Gathering Pill, and its refinement was not only more difficult, but the required herbal materials were also quite expensive, most of which were Second Grade.

At this moment, Lin Chen sat quietly in front of the alchemy furnace, his hands forming Dharma Seals, controlling the flames within the furnace.

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After a full hour of refining, the Melding Earth Pill inside the alchemy furnace was finally about to form.

After Lin Chen performed a few spells, with a muffled roar from the raging fire, the alchemy furnace opened, and a red elixir emerged—it was the Melding Earth Pill.

"He actually managed to refine it successfully. That means he truly is a Third Grade Alchemist."

Zhao Rushi looked at the elixir that had just come out of the furnace, her eyes filled with disbelief. It seemed she had underestimated Lin Chen after all. She had come to mock, but now she was deeply shocked.

Lin Chen's talent for alchemy was simply unparalleled in her life.

One must know that Lin Chen was only sixteen years old. A Third Grade Alchemist with Seventh Layer Spirit Gathering Realm— who would believe if told? This also meant that Lin Chen had a limitless future ahead and was bound to become a renowned alchemist.

Lin Chen grasped the freshly produced elixir with delight, feeling extremely happy, and concurrently gained new insights into alchemy. Refining Third Grade Elixirs completely differed from Second Grade Elixirs; the difficulty was certainly not just a matter of degree.

Lin Chen had carefully studied the alchemy legacies within the Primordial Myriad Transformation Cauldron Space. His theoretical knowledge in the field of alchemy exceeded even that of a Fifth Grade Alchemist, though theory and actual practice naturally differed.

Now Lin Chen had, for the first time, completed the refining of a Third Grade Elixir. If he could upgrade the Pill Spirit Array in the future, he would be able to use the Pill Spirit Array to refine Third Grade Elixirs as well.

However, to raise the level of the Pill Spirit Array required a large amount of formation setup materials. The current Pill Spirit Array was not yet capable of refining Third Grade Elixirs.

Zhao Rushi, as an elder, should have congratulated and praised Lin Chen for successfully refining the Third Grade Elixir Melding Earth Pill, but seeing Lin Chen's joyful expression, she felt an indescribable taste in her heart.

After all, she was considered the strongest alchemist within the Jade Cauldron Sect, and now seeing a junior with an even stronger talent for alchemy was something she could not help but feel jealous and envious of.

"It's just the refining of one Third Grade Elixir; moreover, it's only an elixir of this quality level. I don't know what you're so proud of," Zhao Rushi taunted Lin Chen mercilessly.

However, Lin Chen paid no attention to this woman and tucked the elixir into his pocket. Even if the quality of this Melding Earth Pill was poor, the energy contained within was absolutely incomparable to the Spirit Gathering Pill.

Lin Chen was an Ancient Divine Body and cultivated the Primordial Transformation Art, allowing him to consume elixirs for cultivation without limit, which Zhao Rushi naturally did not realize brought joy to Lin Chen's heart.

If Lin Chen could mass-produce the Melding Earth Pills using the Pill Spirit Array, he could then use them instead of Spirit Gathering Pills as if they were mere beans, which would inevitably make his cultivation progress leap forward by several stages in the future.

"Junior Brother Lin Chen, congratulations, you've actually managed to refine the Melding Earth Pill, that's truly impressive! Don't listen to my master; she's just envious of your talent. In my eyes, you're the coolest, truly worthy of being my man, Wang Yilin."

Wang Yilin had now come to Lin Chen's side and began lavishing praise upon him, causing Zhao Rushi's face to turn green with envy. She glared fiercely at Wang Yilin, thinking that even before being married off, her allegiance had started to shift outward.

"I know, what the elder said does make some sense. My elixirs still need some improvement; I'm not quite satisfied with this quality, actually."

Seeing the knife-like gaze from Zhao Rushi, Wang Yilin could speak without restraint, but Lin Chen dared not.

Lin Chen was satisfied with the Melding Earth Pills he had refined, yet he still had very high standards for his alchemy conditions and felt there was much room for improvement.

To refine an elixir of high quality, aside from the alchemist's control of the flame and mastery of the alchemy steps, a good medicine cauldron and the alchemist's flame were necessary.

Normally, the flames used by alchemists to refine elixirs were generated from their own spiritual power, known as Inner Flame, which required a continuous consumption of the alchemist's spiritual power. As such, the more powerful a martial artist's cultivation, the more likely they were to become a high-level alchemist. Otherwise, no matter how clever one was at alchemy or how strong one's practical skills were, if the spiritual power was depleted too quickly and the Inner Flame couldn't keep up, it would all be in vain.

That was why Zhao Rushi was so astonished to see Lin Chen successfully refine the Melding Earth Pill—given that his cultivation was only at the Seventh Layer of the Spirit Gathering Realm, he should have been absolutely unable to maintain the Inner Flame long enough to complete the refining.

Beyond the Inner Flame typical to alchemists, there are also special flames acquired through lucky chances or cultivation techniques, such as Beast Flame, Demon Fire, and so on. However, the most powerful were the Exotic Flames found in nature, but obtaining these was exceedingly difficult—not only were they hard to encounter, but they were also not something ordinary people could subdue if they did.

Lin Chen contemplated that to improve the quality of his elixirs, he needed not only more practical operation but also to seize the opportunity to obtain a special flame.

Calculating the time he spent, Lin Chen had been on Crimson Dawn Peak for almost half a month, and he presumed the senior sister must have left Jade Bird Peak by now, as it had indeed been a long while.

Lin Chen then said his farewells to Zhao Rushi and descended the mountain.

Wang Yilin was visibly reluctant to see Lin Chen leave and wanted to follow him back to Jade Bird Peak. This infuriated Zhao Rushi who felt their relationship hadn't even begun to flourish, and now she was already contemplating elopement?

What Zhao Rushi didn't realize was that Wang Yilin simply wanted Lin Chen to refine elixirs for her. Being with Lin Chen, she lived a life akin to that of the immortals; whenever she ran out of elixirs, Lin Chen would refine them for her, a treatment even better than that offered by her own master.

But of course, Zhao Rushi did not allow Wang Yilin to leave, as it would have been improper.

Watching Lin Chen's departing figure, Wang Yilin felt extremely unwilling to part with him.

Over the half-month they spent together day and night, Lin Chen seemed to have taken a special place in her heart, a feeling she herself didn't quite understand—whether she was just talking or had truly developed feelings for him.