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Chapter 1781:

Chen Mobai: "As long as the Sage is willing to take action, regardless of success or failure, both of our branches will remember this favor."

Chen Mobai: "Furthermore, I have achieved some accomplishments in talisman-making, so when the time comes, let me assist the Sage by grinding ink."

Chen Mobai: "Because I practiced the Vermilion Phoenix Facing the Sun, I can impart an Auspicious Blessing. By helping to grind the ink, I am considered a participant, which will ensure the success of this Water Spirit Talisman."

Upon hearing these words, Yu Yi Sage looked at Chen Mobai and then at Wenren Xuewei, who had an expectant expression. She realized that these two might be the future Divinity Transformation of the Dance Instruments and Jumang branches, and felt that their favor was worth expending her primal energy.

Moreover, the feeling of sitting alone in the corner today made Yu Yi Sage understand that when opening a war, one still needs to find a mountain to rely on. Otherwise, if there is a danger in the Different World and a task that requires Nascent Soul Cultivators, she might be the first choice.

"Then I'll give it a try."

Upon hearing her words, both Chen Mobai and Wenren Xuewei were full of joy.

"I've already asked my wife to prepare dinner. If we go now, it will be just in time to eat it hot."

Chen Mobai spoke with a smile, and the three of them turned into silver light and disappeared from the conference room.

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“Oh, Xuewei went to Pure Yang family for dinner, didn’t you tell her about that matter?”

On the other side, Peach Blossom Sage, who was also having dinner, received a text message from Wenren Xuewei and asked the Three Extremes Sage beside her, somewhat surprised.

“I thought you would say something? She’s from your Jumang Academy, not my Imperial Medical Academy.”

The Three Extremes Sage rolled her eyes directly after hearing that.

“Cui, didn’t you know about this a long time ago? Didn’t you tell her?”

Peach Blossom Sage felt that the Three Extremes Sage was right and could only shift the blame to her daughter.

“Since it’s concerning the privacy of the ancestor, after I found out, of course, I kept it sealed tight, even from you, Mom.”

Pei Qingshuang also had a wronged expression. All those who knew about this matter felt it was an unspeakable issue for Bai Guang Ancestor, so they all kept quiet about it, and no one dared to tell.

After all, everyone knew that she was narrow-minded, her sword edge was sharp, and she was the first in the Immortal Gate since ancient times. If she knew this matter spread from her mouth, the day of her reclusion might be the time when Sword Qi fell upon her head.

It was only after Chen Mobai exposed himself that people who knew dared to start saying a few words.

Now, since the source of the message is Chen Mobai, the ancestor couldn’t come out of reclusion and cut down her own man, could she?

“Once she comes back, tell her about it. Not everyone has the ‘fortune’ to eat the ancestor’s dishes.”

Peach Blossom Sage couldn't help but laugh as she spoke.

She was a bit eager to see Wenren Xuwei's expression when she found out it was Bai Guang Ancestor who cooked for her.

"Or maybe we shouldn't tell her, considering Xuwei is about to have a breakthrough. It's better to keep her mind at ease; tell her after she forms her Nascent Soul."

At this moment, the Three Extremes Sage suddenly spoke.

Peach Blossom Sage thought about it and agreed. Although the Lasting Spring Cultivation isn't afraid of physical injuries, it's concerned about mental issues.

"Then how about you tell her, Mom?"

Pei Qingshuang also didn't want to tell Wenren Xuwei this harsh truth. After all, with their sisterhood over the years, hiding this from her felt uncomfortable, fearing that their centuries-long friendship might be ruined because of it.

"Are you the mother or am I the mother? If I tell you to talk, then you talk. The older you get, the more disobedient you become. If there's anything, I'm keeping it from you..."

Upon hearing this, Peach Blossom Sage's beautiful face fell, and she glanced at Pei Qingshuang, beginning to lecture her continuously.

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Meanwhile, on another side.

After dinner, Chen Mobai let Shi Wanyu and her daughter clean up and took Wenren Xuwei and Yu Yi Sage to the talisman-making room to discuss the drawing of the Rank-5 Water Spirit Talisman.

“Though Pure Yang Master’s tools are complete here, if I am the main contributor, I’d prefer going to Heavenly Book Academy.”

Yu Yi Sage glanced at the various talisman brushes, inks, and papers suspended on the white wall and voiced her opinion.

“Up to the Sage; when do we start?”

Chen Mobai always respected professionals, knowing that working in a familiar environment, like breaking through in a familiar realm, provides a kind of mystical enhancement effect.

“I need to return first and use the Guidance Book to simulate the process of drawing the Rank-5 Water Spirit Talisman. Once confirmed without problems, I’ll inform both of you.”

Yu Yi Sage spoke. She became a Fifth Rank Talisman Maker because she mastered the Guidance Book.

But her Guidance Book was self-taught during her university years, collecting data on her own, without even studying at the Repairing Heaven Institute.

This showed her extraordinary talent.

The ability of Yu Yi Sage’s Guidance Book is called “Imprinting”!

It’s historically the most powerful ability in the Immortal Gate for enhancing talisman making. Yu Yi Sage can simulate a blank talisman in the Sea of Consciousness and engrave the talisman she wishes to draw onto it stroke by stroke with Divine Sense.

When the recording is complete, if this blank talisman lights up, it means that drawing it this way will succeed.

Yu Yi Sage's Guidance Book can directly print the talisman drawn in her Sea of Consciousness into reality.

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The success rate for printing talismans below Rank-5 is one hundred percent. For Rank-5 and above, due to Yu Yi's own limitations in cultivation, theoretically, there is a possibility of failure during the actual printing process.

However, Yu Yi has achieved the level of a Fifth Rank Talisman Maker for three hundred years and has only failed twice.

Chen Mobai believes that under the auspicious blessing of his Vermilion Phoenix Facing the Sun symbol, such rare events will not happen with the Water Spirit Talisman.

"Thank you for your hard work, Yu Yi."

Wenren Xuewei immediately thanked him after hearing this and personally handed him the first cup of tea brewed today.

"This matter is related to the future thousands of years of Jumang Academy, so I hope Yu Yi will not inform others; only the three of us need to know."

After receiving the second cup of tea, Chen Mobai raised it towards Yu Yi as a gesture, to which the latter nodded in understanding.

After they drank the tea, the three began chatting and laughing about the matters discussed in today's meeting.

They found it a bit strange that Chen Mobai chose the Sea-settling Sword since it completely mismatched the attributes of the Pure Yang Scroll.

"The profound state of Sword Dao is to transcend the boundaries of the tangible and intangible. Although the Sea-settling Sword does not match the Pure Yang Scroll, my Sword Dao is the only one in the Immortal Gate that can be made clear with its Sword Heart and unleash its power."

"To me, the strength of a sword is what matters most."

"Only a sufficiently powerful sword can unleash my full strength."

As Chen Mobai said these words, he felt a bit tired inside.

Once the title of genius is placed on one's head, it cannot be removed for even a day; every conversation requires thinking of words that fit his image as a swordsmanship genius, and it's uncertain when he'll get relief.

But seeing the slightly admiring expressions in the eyes of Wenren Xuewei and Yu Yi, the two top Nascent Soul female cultivators in the Immortal Gate, made him feel less tired.

Chen Mobai thought, after all, the Immortal Gate needed a Sword Dao genius like him, as in the event of an actual war, a powerful sword cultivator could make the general populace feel more at ease.

He was doing this for the people of the Immortal Gate!

Thinking like this, Chen Mobai once again expressed in front of the two women his "humble" understanding and perception of Sword Dao.

Even though both women possessed the Nascent Soul realm, their knowledge of Sword Dao was merely superficial, so as they listened to Chen Mobai, they felt that this Pure Yang Master indeed had a profound understanding of Sword Dao.

No wonder he was an unparalleled Sword Dao Genius, and even if he couldn't birth myriad laws with one sword like Ancestor Bai Guang, he could at least break myriad laws with one sword like Ancestor Yuan Yang.

It was only when facing Chen Mobai that Wenren Xuwei and Yu Yi felt inadequate in their talent.

As the three continued chatting happily, they brewed three pots of tea.

Finally, it was Chen Xiaohei who knocked on the door and reminded them of the late hour, prompting Chen Mobai to bid farewell to Wenren Xuwei and Yu Yi with a sense of unfinished satisfaction.

"These two are the most talented and accomplished female cultivators in the Immortal Gate, you should learn well from them."

Seeing off the two women at the door, Chen Mobai said to his daughter by his side.

"Dad, you're sure to undergo Divinity Transformation, and as your daughter, I can't only aim for the Nascent Soul, I have to set my sights on Ancestor Bai Guang."

Who would have thought that Chen Xiaohei's ambition was even higher than Chen Mobai's, already looking beyond the Nascent Soul while still at the Foundation Establishment stage.

"Alas, one shouldn't be too ambitious, you should set a small goal first; aim for the Nascent Soul and then talk about Divinity Transformation. Besides, I haven't achieved Divinity Transformation yet, you're flying even higher than I am!"

Chen Mobai began reprimanding Chen Xiaohei, though he usually maintained his persona, internally he was very clear that achieving Divinity Transformation would not be easy.

But looking around, it seemed that everyone believed in him.

"If even you can't reach Divinity Transformation, I bet no other Nascent Soul cultivator in the Immortal Gate could."

The speaker was Shi Wanyu, who also came out during the farewell.

Like Chen Xiaohei, she had complete faith in Chen Mobai.

"Although that's what you're saying, one should still keep a low profile. Besides, even among all the Divinity Transformation achievers in the history of the Immortal Gate, Ancestor Bai Guang's accomplishments rank at the forefront, and though your Sword Dao talent is decent, it doesn't compare to hers."

Chen Mobai continued educating his daughter as he spoke.

Chen Xiaohei had inherited some of his Sword Dao talent, and under his careful guidance over the past three years, she had recently started to practice Sword Training into Marrow.

The Sea-settling Sword's attributes were quite suitable for her; Chen Mobai planned, once Qing Nu was done with it, to give it to Chen Mobai if possible.

However, since Shi Wanyu was an ordinary Qi Practitioner whose talent was average, she somewhat lowered her daughter's Sword Dao talent.

Chen Mobai estimated that Chen Xiaohei would not walk the path of One Sword Births All Laws, but One Sword Breaks All Laws should be achievable for her.

Moreover, the Immortal Sect Sword Art has no attribute restrictions for cultivators.

If Chen Xiaohei could use the Immortal Sect Sword Art to first forge a path to Sword Dao Divinity Transformation, perhaps in the future she could reverse and establish a Pure Yin attribute Divinity Transformation Technique for the Immortal Gate.

For this reason, Chen Mobai hoped Chen Xiaohei would set her target on Ancestor Yuan Yang, relying on her strong advantage in the Taoist body talent.

After all, Ancestor Bai Guang's path to Divinity Transformation was unique in the whole Immortal Gate.

"Alright, Dad, I'll listen to you."

Chen Xiaohei was very receptive, or perhaps she had blind admiration for Chen Mobai as her father.

Seeing the effortless success in educating his daughter, Chen Mobai was very pleased, leading Shi Wanyu back to the bedroom to rest.

"I feel at ease with our daughter listening to you this well."

Afterwards, Shi Wanyu lay beside Chen Mobai, holding one of his arms, speaking tenderly.

"What nonsense, she listens to you too."

Chen Mobai naturally understood what Shi Wanyu meant, as this year both of them officially turned one hundred.

He, as a Nascent Soul Superior, was in his most youthful and vibrant years.

Yet, Shi Wanyu, who was only in the Qi Cultivating Realm, had already entered her twilight years.

Despite the Appearance-fixing Pearl preserving her most stunning beauty and form, it was apparent from certain matters that she was increasingly unable to bear the burden.

Besides Chen Mobai's cultivation growing stronger and his physique becoming sturdier, it was also due to Shi Wanyu having little lifespan left.

With one hundred and twenty years of lifespan for Qi Cultivation, having been pampered all her life, she probably had only twenty years remaining.

For this reason, she had recently wanted to spend more time with Chen Mobai and Chen Xiaohei.

Chen Mobai had considered whether to help her make a final push to attempt Foundation Establishment.

But Shi Wanyu outright refused upon hearing that.

At her current age, her vital essence had long weakened.

The possibility of Foundation Establishment was extremely slim.

Moreover, failure would mean certain death.

Thus, she wished to keep her remaining twenty years to hold her husband and daughter in her heart and accompany them well.

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The news from within the portal gradually began to flow in.

The newly established department for managing the different world translated and delivered information daily to the Nascent Soul Superiors of the Three Great Halls of the Immortal Gate.

The world within the portal, as currently explored, is a barren place almost devoid of life.

Moreover, what troubles the Immortal Gate is that the environment there is vastly different from the Earth Element Star, with extreme high temperatures reaching over a hundred degrees during the day and extreme cold at night.

Fortunately, those who went over from the Immortal Gate were all elite cultivators, at least at Rank-2 in Body Forging.

The Golden Core and Nascent Soul cultivators possess domains, so it's not a problem.

The only concern is that the spiritual energy there is very sparse, making it difficult to absorb spiritual energy from the different world's heavens and earth.

Because of this, Nangong Xuanyu and the others have not progressed quickly in their exploration since they need to conserve spiritual power.

Besides them, Ancestor Qian Xing also conveyed more information.

The surface of the different world is barren, but through puppet simulations of the world's yuan magnet and seasonal patterns, he discovered that deep within the earth, there is latent planetary energy.

However, due to insufficient equipment brought along and the difficulty in recovering spiritual power after its depletion, they dared not directly excavate the earth's crust violently; currently, Ancestor Qian Xing's puppet avatar is seeking a path to the depths of the different world's underground.

Meanwhile, Nangong Xuanyu and his team primarily gather various climate data, rock gravel, and even plant samples from the different world.

Another year quickly passed.

Chen Mobai initially stationed at Wangwu Cave Heaven but relaxed as there seemed to be no need to mobilize the military department cultivators from the Hall of Orthodox Law for the situation in the different world.

As the situation stabilized.

Chen Mobai spoke to Hua Zijing and Zhuang Jialan, then used the Void Teleportation to arrive at the Mountain and Sea Academy.

"Greetings, Pure Yang Master."

A middle-aged man with short hair, no eyebrows, a curly beard, and a square face was already waiting above the highest stone sword. Seeing Chen Mobai step out from the void, he gently greeted.

“Principal Hao Cao, no need for formalities. I am here today to take a look at the Sea-settling Sword.”

Chen Mobai returned the greeting to Hao Cao, and then the two landed at the entrance of the Sword Tower in the Mountain and Sea Academy.

The last time he visited, Chen Mobai received the Purple Electric Sword; revisiting this place brought back fond memories.

“I will wait downstairs; Pure Yang Master can call me once you are done.”

Hao Cao spoke after unlocking the seal of the Sea-settling Sword and then left the Sword Tower.

Chen Mobai thanked him, watched as he descended, and then turned to look at a cyan-blue longsword.

The Sea-settling Sword was slender and a bit over three feet long, with the blade featuring shades of cyan and blue, reminiscent of the vast ocean shimmering under the sun, deep yet clear.

This fifth-rank superior-grade flying sword was personally refined by Ancestor Yun Ya of Dance Tool Dao Academy, using the essence of the White Stone Cave Haven’s sea-settling stone sword for its blade, a thousand-year-old pearl for the hilt, and heavenly blue ice jade for the guard. These three fifth-rank materials combined perfectly, creating a treasure from the deep sea, tranquil and mysterious.

Chen Mobai reached out and grasped the hilt of the Sea-settling Sword, the smooth touch making him feel as if he were caressed by the seawater, and as his divine sense flowed into the sword, he began to sense the spiritual nature deep within the flying sword.

Soon, he found himself standing atop a completely tranquil sea, without the slightest ripple.

Yet on the sea where he stood, there was a shadow.

Looking up, he couldn't help but have his pupils contract.

Above his head was a Sea-settling Sword enlarged a million times.

Compared to this Sea-settling Sword, his figure was like an ant standing atop a vast mountain.

The sword's tip was pointed at him. Though it floated in the air without a tendency to drop, Chen Mobai instinctively felt a sense of life and death beyond his control.

It was as if he and the sea beneath him were suppressed by this enormous Sea-settling Sword.

If the sea had even a slight ripple, or if he moved an inch, the divine sword suspended overhead would fall, quelling everything.

[Junior Chen Mobai from the Hall of Orthodox Law, due to the impending onset of war, by the order of the Immortal Gate, come to awaken the senior.]

Chen Mobai sent forth his divine sense, conveying his intention to the gigantic Sea-settling Sword above.

However, there was no response.

Chen Mobai felt somewhat helpless about this.

The fifth-rank artifacts of the Immortal Gate, due to a lack of sufficient spirit stone vital energy nourishment, are essentially set to long-term hibernation mode, only awakening when it's time to replace the supreme grade spirit stones that nurture them.

Currently, the Sea-settling Sword is in such a state; although it has been unsealed from the outside, as the time has not yet arrived, the sword spirit of the Sea-settling Sword remains asleep.

It's not that there's no way to awaken it; Chen Mobai's divine sense incarnation only needs to move slightly, which would trigger the Sea-settling Sword's suppressive instinct, forcibly waking the sword spirit.

But if he does so, Chen Mobai would first have to endure a sword strike!

With his current cultivation level, facing the fifth-rank sword intent head-on would surely result in his divine sense being destroyed.

The Three Great flying swords of the Immortal Gate are all infused with the supreme realm of sword dao's One Sword Breaks All Laws power. Though it's unclear how much power of destruction would erupt instinctively during sleep, Chen Mobai was unwilling to test it.

Because if the One Sword Breaks All Laws power is fully realized, it could directly harm the origin of his Sea of Knowledge at the Purple Mansion along the trail of the destroyed divine sense incarnation.

With this thought in mind, Chen Mobai called out a few more times, but seeing that the Sea-settling Sword remained unresponsive, he had no choice but to retreat.

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After his divine sense returned, Chen Mobai stood before the Sea-settling Sword's original body and opened his eyes.

He looked at the cyan-blue longsword held in his hand and couldn't help but take it out of the sword box. With a gentle wave, a crisp sound of breaking through the air instantly emerged.

Fortunately, Chen Mobai had preemptively sealed the surroundings with the Tai Yi Wu Yan Luo, otherwise, just the sword wind from a swing could have disturbed this Sword Tower.

Chen Mobai held the Sea-settling Sword horizontally in front of his chest. Before coming here, he downloaded the sword practice incantations from the Immortal Gate National Library and executed them one by one.

The Sea-settling Sword could be said to have reached its peak the moment it debuted.

However, it was a pity that, lacking the experience of gradual advancement from low to high, it hadn't progressed a bit in thousands of years.

The Sea-settling Sword had three former masters: Ancestor Long Wei, Ancestor Zhong Li, and the last being the True Monarch of the Sea-settling Sword.

These three had a common feature: they all hailed from the Kunpeng Daoist Institute.

However, that was to be expected, as the Sea-settling Sword is a water attribute flying sword. Among the deity-transforming True Monarchs of the Immortal Gate throughout the ages, only the True Monarchs from this Daoist academy were suitable.

After Deity Transformation, who wouldn't want a fifth-rank superior grade flying sword for personal protection?

Among them, the last Sea-settling True Monarch achieved Deity Transformation by performing the Shocking God Sonata. Due to this, the foundation of his cultivation was the weakest, and lacking the talent to cultivate the Six Imperial Scripture, he chose to switch to the "The Union of Differences" of the Dance Tool Dao Academy to further his cultivation, and also took it as his Daoist title.

This path turned out to be correct. By using the Sea-settling Sword, the True Monarch reached the realm of "One Sword Breaks All Laws," compensating for his weak combat power. In his later years, he even attempted to create a great method suitable for his spiritual root talent and Deity Transformation, based on the Six Imperial Scripture's Wind and Rain sections.

Unfortunately, in the end, his lifespan was insufficient, and he passed away.

Chen Mobai was now the fourth master of this Sea-settling Sword.

And the only one at the Nascent Soul realm.

Thinking of this, Chen Mobai felt a slight sense of honor.

He held the Sea-settling Sword, converting his true qi into non-attribute spiritual power, and slowly infused it into the sword body, performing the sword training methods passed down by the three deity-transforming True Monarchs.

Even without the cooperation of a sword spirit, he could only refine half of it, but for him, that was enough.

After refining, Chen Mobai began to explore the profound abilities of this Sea-settling Sword.

His gaze fell onto the unique undulating wave-shaped hilt of the Sea-settling Sword.

This was carefully designed by Ancestor Yun Ya during its refinement. As long as one held this sword while standing on the sea, it could endlessly gather water spirit qi, making the execution of water attribute spell sword techniques much more effective for cultivators.

It is said that Ancestor Long Wei once collaborated with the Spiritual Venerable to cast the Power of the Law Domain, even utilizing the Sea-settling Sword to channel all the water spirit qi on the Earth Element Star.

The twelve ten-thousand-year pearls that make up the sword handle are equivalent to an external small void of the Returning Essence Secret Technique, capable of storing all the power of a god-transcending cultivator. When they were refined, Ancestor Long Wei personally practiced the rituals on them.

By utilizing the hilt of the Sea-settling Sword to mobilize endless water spirit qi, which the Sword Master would then refine and store into the pearl void, one could have twelve times the reserve energy when facing an opponent, allowing them to easily crush enemies of the same level.

This discovery made Chen Mobai reflect that the genius of such inspiration is indeed common.

This means he could use the Sea-settling Sword as an excuse to introduce the Returning Essence Secret Technique to the Immortal Gate.

However, the condensation of this secret technique requires a Void Stone, which the Immortal Gate doesn't have access to.

Yet, the groundwork he laid with the Small Void Talisman allows cultivators to perceive the power of void at lower realms. Should someone be talented enough, they could practice this external small void even at the Foundation Establishment stage.

The Chapters of the Sutra of Void were supplemented, which made Chen Mobai very pleased.

But when his divine sense penetrated the pearl within the sword's hilt, he found it empty.

Nevertheless, this was understandable; after all, the Sea-settling Sword itself was in a state of hunger. If there was reserved energy, it would have consumed it long ago.

At the end of the sword handle, there was a golden tassel on one of the pearls, which, according to Chen Mobai's research, was also a fifth-rank material sealing a rank-5 spell, the Stabilizing Winds!

Once cast, it could calm all sorts of turbulent waves and also tranquilize and stagnate the opponent's spells and true qi.

This Sea-settling Sword was custom-made by Ancestor Yun Ya for Ancestor Long Wei, based on the features of the Six Imperial Scripture.

Because of this origin, and due to Chen Mobai having connections above, when he took the Sea-settling Sword, the Kunpeng Daoist Institute didn't say anything, as the sword originally was crafted by the Dance Tool Dao Academy.

But if it were someone else—for instance, if a Nascent Soul cultivator from Jumang or Patching Heaven wanted to take the Sea-settling Sword—the five Nascent Souls of the Kunpeng Daoist Institute would refuse to agree.

After refining the Sea-settling Sword and carefully comprehending it, Chen Mobai put it back into the sword box made from the supreme-grade spirit stone, then expanded his domain to take it with him.

Even though he was wealthy, items like supreme-grade spirit stones were scarce for Chen Mobai, so he saved where he could.

But when he spoke about this to Hao Cao, the latter looked troubled.

"My Lord, although I feel a bit embarrassed to say this, could we leave the supreme-grade spirit stone used to maintain the Sea-settling Sword for our Mountain and Sea Academy?"

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"In recent years, the Immortal Gate has been cutting back financial allocations to our various schools to prepare for the impending war, resulting in the sword artifacts within the Sword Tower growing dim."

"Though the Supreme Grade Spirit Stone Sword Box of the Sea-settling Sword has been mostly absorbed, if dispersed, it could support our Mountain and Sea Academy through the most challenging twenty years."

"We are indeed financially strained, please forgive us, Senior!"

After Hao Cao said this, his old face flushed a bit red, clearly embarrassed by the situation.

"I understand, I should have considered more thoroughly."

Chen Mobai, upon hearing this, seemed to realize this as well and then apologized. He took out the Supreme Grade Spirit Stone Sword Box and handed it to Hao Cao.

Previously, during a meeting of Nascent Soul cultivators, Ying Guanghua had mentioned that each person could select one Rank-5 Magic Artifact, but the resources for Spirit Stone Vital Energy would need to be sourced personally, indicating prior consideration of this issue.

Since the war is imminent, the Three Great Halls of the Immortal Gate are now focused primarily on stockpiling war materials and resource allocations like Spirit Stones to various Daoist Academies and Scholarly Mansions have been repeatedly reduced since ten years ago.

The Four Great Daoist Sects are still alright, given their strong foundations and having Fifth Rank Spirit Veins.

But the Ten Great Academies are struggling.

That's why Hao Cao asked to retain the Sword Box with some embarrassment facing Chen Mobai.

Receiving the Sword Box, Hao Cao breathed a sigh of relief, being the first to know of Bai Guang Ancestor's reincarnation body and clearly aware of the profound background of the person before him.

"I have some good tea brought by Cui, why don't you join me for a cup, Senior?"

Hao Cao invited Chen Mobai downstairs for tea as a gesture of apology after sending the Sword Box back into the Sword Tower and dispersing the Spiritual Energy therein through a special Formation among the numerous sword instruments.

"Alright, alright, I do enjoy drinking tea."

Chen Mobai graciously accepted Hao Cao's gesture, and the two came to a pavilion atop the hilt of a massive stone sword by the seaside, offering a panoramic view of the sea's turbulence and beauty.

"These stone swords are quite extraordinary!"

At this time, Chen Mobai discovered that the thirteen stone swords of the Mountain and Sea Academy harbored terrifying energies that even he, as a Nascent Soul cultivator, found astonishing.

"These thirteen stone swords are said to have been forged by the most ancient deity of the Earth Element Star to suppress the Sea Demon God that often stirred boundless waves to submerge lands. The Antiquity Daoist System noticed the arcane within and established this place as a sword-forging site. After the Immortal Gate secured the realm, they also recognized this."

"Ancestor Yun Ya's artifact refining technique is unparalleled through ages, and he barely managed to extract the essence from one stone sword to craft the Sea-settling Sword."

"After Yun Ya Ancestor, as the number of Rank-5 Magic Artifacts within the Immortal Gate far exceeded those required by Deity Transformation True Monarchs, naturally, no one was willing to expend effort to melt down these thirteen stone swords."

Hao Cao shared this secret unknown to Chen Mobai.

"Our Immortal Gate indeed has deep foundations, it's just unfortunate we're lacking in resources..."

Chen Mobai couldn't help but sigh after hearing this.

Within the Immortal Gate, if all the foundations were activated, each Nascent Soul cultivator could probably possess two or three Magic Artifacts.

However, more is not necessarily better. A Magic Artifact in complete harmony, capable of exerting its full power, surpasses an opponent clad in an entire suit of Magic Artifacts that they can't refine and use.

"Within the Immortal Sect Sword Art, there's a depiction of the method of self-sacrifice for a sword. If someday I fail to form a Nascent Soul, before sitting in meditation, I will merge my entire essence into these stone swords."

At this moment, Hao Cao mentioned something else.

The Immortal Sect Sword Art!

As the origin of all Sword Cultivation Techniques, Chen Mobai, who is reputed to have talents akin to Bai Guang Ancestor, had yet to see it.

"Why do this?"

Chen Mobai habitually asked when he didn't understand.

"A sword needs a spirit, these stone swords only possess energy, but lack a Sword Spirit. If my Sword Intent is pure enough, I can become the Sword Spirit of these stone swords this way. In the future, when the stone swords emerge, they can immediately become Rank-5."

Upon hearing Hao Cao's words, Chen Mobai was somewhat puzzled.

This seemed somewhat akin to the ideas of the Antiquity Daoist System, as within the Immortal Gate, the self is considered paramount. Even if this life's cultivation fails, one could potentially reincarnate and rejoin the path of "Nascent Soul Formation" and Divinity Transformation.

Yet if one merges into the stone swords, there is no next life.

"How many predecessors and sages in the Mountain and Sea Academy have walked this path?"

Chen Mobai inquired, as it was evident from Hao Cao's earlier words that he wasn't the first with this intent.

"In the Mountain and Sea Academy, all three Nascent Soul cultivators took this path, along with six exceptionally talented Sword Dao geniuses. Although they did not form a Nascent Soul, they condensed their pure Sword Intent into the stone swords."

In response to Chen Mobai's inquiry, Hao Cao did not hide anything.

This matter was known to successive generations of Deity Transformations within the Immortal Gate.

"Has anyone succeeded?"

Chen Mobai inquired again, to which Hao Cao, with a sigh, shook his head.

"We do not know whether it has succeeded; only when the stone sword essence is extracted and refined into a Flying Sword will we know."

After hearing this, Chen Mobai sipped his tea and walked to the edge of the stone sword, using Echoes in the Void to feel the vibrations of the stone sword.

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Unfortunately, the Stone sword is too massive and heavy. Echoes in the Void can only perceive part of its surface and some of its interior. If the sword spirit has indeed manifested, it must be deep inside, beyond the reach of his current cultivation level.

No wonder Hao Cao remarked that only upon the completion of the sword can the answers be found.

"Have any of the ancient ancestors of the Immortal Gate come here?"

Though Chen Mobai himself was unable, he thought that, given the ability of a Deity Transformation True Monarch, they might be able to delve further inside the Stone sword to sense whether the ancestral sages from the Mountain and Sea Academy ever became sword spirits.

"After the first principal sacrificed himself to the sword, every Deity Transformation True Monarch of the Immortal Gate has come here. However, only three ancestors may know something, yet they did not inform our Mountain and Sea Academy, nor did they stop us from continuing to sacrifice ourselves to the sword. I believe they must have sensed the existence of the sword spirit."

Hao Cao's conjecture indeed seemed plausible.

After all, if it were truly futile, the ancient ancestors of the Immortal Gate would certainly not make them engage in pointless efforts.

“Who are these three?”

Chen Mobai asked curiously.

“Ancestor Zhong Li, Ancestor Bai Guang, Ancestor Qian Xing!”

Hao Cao spoke truthfully, and Chen Mobai showed an expression of realization upon hearing.

Even among the Deity Transformations of the Immortal Gate, these three were noted for their brilliance, Zhong Li and Qian Xing for their unparalleled wisdom and talent.

Meanwhile, Ancestor Bai Guang represents the pinnacle of the Immortal Gate’s Sword Dao.

“After the opening warfare concludes, if I have the opportunity, I will inquire with the two ancestors.”

Chen Mobai casually remarked, but Hao Cao reacted with excitement and gratitude.

Hao Cao knew very well, if there was anyone in the Immortal Gate capable of seeking answers from the two ancestors, it would be none other than Chen Mobai.

And what Hao Cao most wanted to learn was Ancestor Bai Guang’s exploration and insights into these Stone swords.

Following this, the two shared another pot of tea.

Chen Mobai inquired about Hao Cao’s feelings after failing the “Nascent Soul Formation,” to which the latter responded that it was primarily due to an insufficient foundation.

During his attempt at “Nascent Soul Formation,” Hao Cao fully expanded his sword intent and achieved Nascent Soul spirituality with the aid of the Infant-Feeding Elixir. However, during the second step of Nurturing Infant, he clearly sensed significant disparities in his True Qi, Essence Qi, Vital Essence, and more, leading him to abandon the attempt.

Chen Mobai felt some regret regarding this, for Hao Cao, being a product of the Mountain and Sea Academy foundation, had been somewhat hasty during Foundation Establishment, practicing cultivation techniques not developed to the level of a Deity Transformation Technique. Thus, he could only condense True Qi that was of average quantity and quality, leading to failure in the Nurturing Infant stage.

“Do you have any plans to change your cultivation technique?”

Chen Mobai asked, and Hao Cao shook his head, saying that apart from his natural talent in sword dao, the cultivation technique he practices perfectly aligns with him.

Switching techniques might indeed boost True Qi but would compromise the purity and strength of his sword intent.

Thus, even the first stage of Infant-Feeding might become impossible.

“Here’s the idea, I can offer you the chance to view the Immortal Sect Sword Art. If you can utilize this Deity Transformation technique to refine your own sword technique, advancing further, then “Nascent Soul Formation” should pose no problem.”

After considering this, Chen Mobai acknowledged Hao Cao’s goodwill towards him and, being somewhat affiliated with the Dance Tool Dao Academy, extended the opportunity.

“However, I fear the other two Great Halls may not agree.”

Despite being tempted, Hao Cao knew that such an action was against the Immortal Gate’s rules.

After all, only the Sect Master can interpret the sword technique, as dictated by longstanding conventions.

Even if relaxed, it would at least require the Vice Hall Masters of the Three Great Halls.

“No worries, back when Gongsun Jielu interpreted the Immortal Sect Sword Art, she was not a Vice Hall Master of the Hall of Orthodox Law. Moreover, in this time of open warfare, this situation warrants an exception. I believe Ying Guanghua and Qi Yuheng will accommodate me.”

Upon hearing Chen Mobai’s reassurance, Hao Cao gravely rose in gratitude, knowing the favor from Ying Guanghua and Qi Yuheng was assured.

With Chen Mobai’s intervention, the matter was practically assured.

“Thank you, Pure Yang Master!”

Chen Mobai smiled slightly after finishing his tea.

He was about to continue the conversation when he noticed Yu Yi making a phone call.

He immediately bid farewell to Hao Cao, then utilized Void Teleportation to leave the Mountain and Sea Academy.

Yu Yi’s call indeed pertained to one matter, namely, that she had finished recording the Rank-5 Water Spirit Talisman using her Guidance Book ability.

Upon receiving the news, Chen Mobai arrived above the Heavenly Book Academy, noticing silver flashes opposite, as Wenren Xuewei stepped out of the void simultaneously.

The two exchanged glances, saluted, and began discussions with Yu Yi who joined them from below.

After a brief exchange, they proceeded directly to the main topic.

Experts indeed achieve extraordinary results.

After Chen Mobai finished grinding ink, Yu Yi wielded the brush and transformed Origin True Qi onto the talisman board made from the heart of the Sixth Rank Great Chun Tree, where her brushwork danced fluidly.

The Immortal Gate's top talisman makers in action presented an invaluable learning opportunity for Chen Mobai.

He opened his Guidance Book, meticulously recording each step taken by Yu Yi.

Her pen tip seemed to leap upon the talisman board, and though it was her first time drawing the Rank-5 Water Spirit Talisman, her technique was exceptionally adept, the lines flowing like water, seamlessly continuous with each turn incredibly natural and elegant, as if imbued with life.

Chen Mobai watched her snow-white wrist gently flick, while various strokes of the Water Spirit Talisman poured from her pen tip, as if sketching vivid and rhythmic illustrations, resembling the dance of dragons and snakes, both strong and graceful.

"It's done. Quickly incorporate the innate Water Element Essence Qi!"

Just as Chen Mobai was lost in thought, Yu Yi's slightly breathy voice resonated beside him.

Done already!?

Instantly alert, Chen Mobai gazed at the talisman board of the Sixth Rank Great Chun Tree, admiring the refined and intricate Rank-5 Water Spirit Talisman, then nodded toward Wenren Xuewei.

Wenren Xuewei immediately produced the Rank-5 Taiyuan Blue Pearl.

Since this was a favor from Jumang Academy seeking Yu Yi's assistance, appearances had to be maintained, thus Chen Mobai had previously handed it over to her.

"May I request the two esteemed to serve as protectors."

Wenren Xuewei invoked, needing to extract the innate Water Element Essence Qi, which alone might be overwhelming. However, she could leverage the powers of the Great Chun Tree.

Chen Mobai nodded, unfurling the Tai Yi Wu Yan Luo to suppress the natural resistance of the Taiyuan Blue Pearl.

Gradually, under the influence of Evergreen Qi, a deep blue stream of light was extracted from the Taiyuan Blue Pearl and Yu Yi promptly raised the freshly completed Rank-5 Water Spirit Talisman, aligning it with the innate Water Element Essence Qi.

Upon impact, a vast wave of energy expansion ensued.

Present here, only Chen Mobai had strength remaining, as Pure Yang True Qi naturally conflicted with Water Element Essence, prohibiting him from utilizing the Pure Yang Immortal Robe.

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As thoughts moved, the void opened, and a sky-blue longsword slowly descended.

Chen Mobai reached out and pointed at the sword tassel, the power of "Setting Wind Waves" surged forth.

A sky-blue ripple, like water waves, emanated from the end of the Sea-settling Sword's hilt, quickly spreading out to cover the innate water element essence qi emanating from the Taiyuan Blue Pearl.

Instantly, the previously fluctuating deep blue light stream began to stabilize, like a stream of water precisely colliding with the talisman on the heart of the Great Chun Tree, as if deep blue paint was splashed on it, gradually staining the lines drawn by Yu Yi Sage.

Under the combined efforts of the three people, approximately half an hour later, the entire innate water element essence qi was extracted and fell into this Water Spirit Talisman.

As the final line on the talisman was dyed deep blue, all the patterns on this talisman lit up with a warm, gentle glow, as if electrically charged, in an instant.

Fortunately, Chen Mobai didn't retract the Sea-settling Sword, and the power of Setting Wind Waves was continually displayed, otherwise the waves formed by this fifth-rank Water Spirit Talisman would definitely not be hidden.

Yu Yi Sage took an elixir to restore essence and qi, then took a deep breath and performed the final work on this talisman.

Twelve minutes later, Chen Mobai saw all the blue light starting to converge, ultimately transforming back into the original talisman lines.

This signified that the fifth-rank Water Spirit Talisman was completed.

Chen Mobai showed a slight smile on his face.

"Thank you, Sage."

He expressed his gratitude to Yu Yi Sage, while Wenren Xuewei had already walked to her side, helping her with her slightly pale complexion to sit down, transferring her own Evergreen Qi to help her restore lost essence.

"This can be considered the highest-grade talisman I've refined in my lifetime. In the future, hundreds or thousands of years later, if I sit in meditation, I can still be remembered within the Immortal Gate because of this talisman."

Yu Yi Sage said this, although she was a fifth-rank talisman maker, her opportunities to refine fifth-rank talismans were actually scarce.

After all, within the Immortal Gate, fifth-rank talisman paper and talisman ink are extremely rare materials.

And this Water Spirit Talisman, its talisman paper is the sixth-rank Great Chun Tree Heart, this was also the first time in her life she encountered such high-grade spirit material.

"Please trouble Pure Yang Master to help deliver this Water Spirit Talisman back to Jumang Daoist Academy, I will assist Yu Yi Sage here to adjust her elemental energy."

Wenren Xuewei spoke to Chen Mobai, in name, this Water Spirit Talisman was her request for Yu Yi Sage's help to refine, and all the materials were provided by her.

"Yu Yi Sage, please rest well, I'll take my leave first."

Chen Mobai nodded, taking the fifth-rank Water Spirit Talisman and the Taiyuan Blue Pearl bereft of innate water element essence qi.

As an Immortal Gate deity transformation great method, besides helping cultivators themselves recover, Lasting Spring Cultivation can also assist teammates in recovering injuries.

However, the attributes must be compatible to be effective.

For instance, if Chen Mobai's Pure Yang Scroll origin true qi was damaged, Lasting Spring Cultivation would be of no help.

Yu Yi Sage was just right, so Wenren Xuewei could stay to help.

After leaving the Heavenly Book Academy, Chen Mobai symbolically went to Jumang Daoist Academy, but he mainly retrieved some bionic materials he had previously custom-ordered.

He planned to make a few more Formless Puppets, intending to put them into the portal once the situation in the different world became clearer.

Peach Blossom Sage, upon sensing the fluctuations of Great Void Transference, quickly appeared, and upon seeing it was Chen Mobai, greeted him politely.

The two chatted for a while, and Zong Zi soon arrived with the batch of bionic materials Chen Mobai had ordered.

Zong Zi had also formed a core, and after Wenren Xuewei took the position of vice-principal, he was arranged to take over Empty Green Pharmacy Factory, being a primordial infant dao seed of focused cultivation in Jumang Daoist Academy.

After returning to Wangwu Cave Heaven, Chen Mobai first refined the fifth-rank Water Spirit Talisman.

As the talisman in his palm transformed into deep blue light, merging into his organs, Chen Mobai suddenly felt as if a barrier between himself and the heavens and earth was broken through.

Closing his eyes, he could sense the water content in the surrounding atmosphere.

He took out the spirit-testing instrument, and soon, the 100 value of Water Spirit Root displayed on the screen made Chen Mobai nod in satisfaction.

The fifth-rank Water Spirit Talisman could directly increase any refiner's water spirit root by 80 points. Since Chen Mobai originally had 39 points of water spirit root, it directly became perfected after stacking.

The only regret was that the 100 points of water spirit root obtained from refining the Water Spirit Talisman could not trigger the process of Immortal Spirit Roots Wenda.

But aside from that, Chen Mobai now possessed all the characteristics of the Immortal Water Spirit Root.

Recalling in his mind the Blackwater Cultivation and Black Emperor Abyssal Scripture, the two water attribute cultivation techniques he was most familiar with, the former was almost fully recollected and comprehended, while for the latter, as a deity transformation technique, which Chen Mobai had previously only partially understood, he could now begin to comprehend it in deep contemplation.

Chen Mobai planned to test how much the Immortal Water Spirit Root enhanced him.

He first cultivated to thoroughly master the Blackwater Cultivation.

With the operation of the Vermilion Phoenix Facing the Sun diagram, all the water spirit qi in the courtyard transformed into blue photons, continuously surging into his closed-room retreat.

Soon, an extremely pure Black Water Spiritual Power formed within him...

A month later, under the guidance of the Immortal Water Spirit Root and the Nascent Soul Realm, the Blackwater Cultivation was effortlessly practiced to the core formation realm.

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A drop of "Mysterious Heavy Water," weighing a thousand pounds, formed in the palm of Chen Mobai's hand.

Because his body was filled with vast Pure Yang True Qi, he did not absorb this Mysterious Heavy Water into his body.

The void rippled, and the Sea-settling Sword descended.

Chen Mobai chose one of the pearls within the sword hilt, storing the Mysterious Heavy Water he had just condensed inside.

As the Mysterious Heavy Water entered the Sea-settling Sword, Chen Mobai sensed that the Sword Spirit, which had been asleep, fluctuated slightly.

Chen Mobai was immediately delighted, thinking the Sword Spirit might awaken, but after a quarter of an hour, it returned to calmness.

He slightly disappointedly placed the Sea-settling Sword in front of him and then began practicing the Black Emperor Abyssal Scripture.

This Deity Transformation Technique, Qing Nu had already mastered the content before Nascent Soul Formation, and Chen Mobai, through subtle influence, knew the general idea. Now, after enhancing his Immortal Water Spirit Root, he understood and comprehended it even more.

However, cultivating the Black Emperor Abyssal Scripture was much harder than the Blackwater Cultivation.

Chen Mobai took a full two years before barely advancing it to the Core Formation level.

Reaching this step, he no longer wasted any time.

After placing the Abyss True Water into another pearl void within the Sea-settling Sword's hilt, Chen Mobai exited his retreat.

Hall of Orthodox Law.

Hua Zijing and Zhuang Jialan reported various matters.

After listening to the other trivial matters, Chen Mobai gave a simple approval. His main concern was still the situation in the Different World.

Nangong Xuanyu, after three years of exploration, discovered that there was no trace of life on the surface of the Different World.

The entire planet was half-covered by endless yellow sand, and the other half was covered by a bottomless abyssal sea.

The ocean was also deathly silent, only with bone-chilling cold, but under conditions cold enough to freeze, the seawater maintained a strange flowing state.

Now they are divided into two teams. Nangong Xuanyu personally led a group, equipped with various devices, exploring the deep sea.

The other group, under the direction of a puppet commanded by the Elder Qian Xing, began moving toward the center of the yellow sand.

"Because we confirm that there is no danger, the Xianwu Hall is planning to organize the second batch of researchers to enter the Different World..."

Hua Zijing mentioned the recent arrangements of the Immortal Gate.

Chen Mobai nodded and then personally called Ying Guanghua.

Soon after, a small Nascent Soul meeting of The Three Great Halls was held again.

During the meeting, they quickly reached a consensus to organize a hundred-member research team to enter the Different World.

This hundred-member list was divided into twenty-five each from the four branches.

Chen Mobai entrusted this task to Wang Shuye.

Soon, the Ten Great Academies and various territories, knowing there was no danger in the Different World, applied to their respective main branches.

Many of these were cultivators at the Foundation Establishment Completion level, hoping to obtain Golden Elixir Spiritual Medicine through this opportunity.

There were also a few Golden Core Cultivators, reaching the end of their lifespan, hoping to make one last effort.

Because of this, the hundred-member research team list suddenly became highly sought after.

Wang Shuye's level of distributing benefits was naturally trustworthy.

The final reported twenty-five-member list included five from the Dance Tool Dao Academy, with the remaining twenty from various academies and colleges.

Chen Mobai glanced briefly, replacing the names of two old classmates from the Metaphysical Class who contacted him, and then signed for confirmation.

After the hundred-member list was announced, Chen Mobai was slightly troubled.

Because it required him to unlock the seal of the Portal.

Although Elder Qian Xing had already taught him the mantra, it was unavoidable to be a bit fatigued.

After completing this task, Chen Mobai used the excuse of needing rest and re-entered a closed meditation.

In reality, he returned to the Eastern Wilderness through the Portal.

"Impressive, you casually cultivate and have already surpassed me."

At the North Abyss Mountain Peak, Qing Nu, seeing the Abyss True Water in Chen Mobai's palm that was even purer and grander than hers, couldn't help but be amazed.

"I mainly benefited from a higher Realm; under equal conditions, I surely wouldn't surpass you."

Chen Mobai modestly said, but Qing Nu shook her head, indicating that with his talent, as long as he was willing to cultivate earnestly, even with the water attribute cultivation techniques, he would certainly surpass her.

After the long-term couple praised each other briefly, they exchanged a smile.

These years, due to the connection with the Different World on the Immortal Gate's side, Chen Mobai spent more time there and visited the Eastern Wilderness less often.

However, with Qing Nu around, he had no worries.

Moreover, the Five Elements Sect was now on track. Both he and Zhou Shengqing served merely as symbols of deterrence.

This was also the norm for top cultivators in the Tianhe Realm.

"I have already established the Danxia Pavilion in every Immortal City throughout the entire Eastern Wilderness, essentially monopolizing the elixir industry..."

After their affectionate exchange, Qing Nu lay in Chen Mobai's arms, starting to talk about her achievements over the years.

While Chen Mobai focused on matters of the Immortal Gate, Qing Nu spent most of her time managing the Danxia Pavilion.

Thanks to the strength of the Five Elements Sect and Qing Nu's outstanding alchemy skills, if Danxia Pavilion couldn't monopolize the Eastern Wilderness, it would be strange to Chen Mobai.

Since the dowry for Qing Nu included ten thousand acres of Medicine Field, most of the Danxia Pavilion's income went into her pockets.

Chen Mobai asked and found out that Danxia Pavilion was now generating an annual net profit of eight million Spirit Stones.

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"Speaking of monopoly, these profits are a bit low. I plan to open the Danxia Pavilion in East Wu, East Barbarians, and even East Land after consolidating the basic foundation here in the Eastern Wilderness..."

Qing Nu was somewhat dissatisfied, as monopolies in the Immortal Gate sector typically deal in the trillions both in scale and profit.

"Business outside the Eastern Wilderness is not as easy to conduct as it is here."

Chen Mobai, having anticipated this, gave Qing Nu a heads-up.

He was well aware of the local customs.

The elixirs from Danxia Pavilion were of high quality, especially those refined personally by Qing Nu, which were of unparalleled quality without Danless Poison. Once its reputation spread, the first batch of customers outside the Eastern Wilderness could likely be rogue cultivators descending like locusts or local thugs with black hearts.

"We have two Nascent Soul Cultivators in our Five Elements Sect. In East Wu and East Barbarians, there should be no forces daring to offend us, right?"

Qing Nu asked with some confusion.

"Many rogue cultivators are generally connected with the Demon Path. Moreover, some local thugs like to pose as bandits to devour the fat sheep from outside."

Chen Mobai briefly explained the prevailing atmosphere, as although Qing Nu had been here for a long time with him, she had never left the Eastern Wilderness, and therefore found such shameless acts hard to imagine despite having heard about them.

"In that case, does it mean we can only make money within the Eastern Wilderness Domain?"

Qing Nu was somewhat unwilling to accept this. In her view, her Danxia Pavilion could easily become the number one pharmacy in the East Continent relying on the superior quality of its elixirs.

"Not exactly. If we are to open a store in East Wu, we could send a Golden Core Cultivator to oversee it. Without a Nascent Soul there, a Golden Core should suffice to suppress."

"In East Barbarians, on our own territory, we don't need to worry. As for the remaining Kong Sang Valley and Sun Bathing Sea, it's unnecessary to open a store there. Once your Danxia Pavilion's reputation spreads, capable cultivators from these places will naturally come to seek us."

"The only concern is still East Land. Your alchemy skills are several tiers above the norm in this world. If we go there, our Five Elements Sect would merely be an ordinary force and might be suppressed like the Five Elements Commerce Association."

"So in my opinion, Danxia Pavilion should hold off on opening a branch in East Land for now. After all, East Land is the territory of the Holy Land. Until we achieve Divinity Transformation, there's no need to draw too much attention."

"However, we can initially build our reputation. It just so happens that my South Mountain Shop has a branch there. In addition to selling my talismans and magic artifacts, you could selectively sell some of your elixirs there. We can claim that they are exquisite creations from the two of us, master craftsmen, with limited quantities but superior quality."

After Chen Mobai shared his thoughts, Qing Nu agreed.

After all, having been impoverished during her time in the Immortal Gate, she was eager to collect all the Spirit Stones across the East Continent in the shortest time possible upon seeing such profitable opportunities here.

Yet Chen Mobai's analysis convinced Qing Nu.

No matter how vast the amount of Spirit Stones, only sufficient strength can ensure their retention.

The reason she could monopolize the Eastern Wilderness' elixir industry was precisely that her Daoist couple was a Nascent Soul Ancestor of the Five Elements Sect.

Before achieving Divinity Transformation, the market in East Land should not make too much noise.

The next day, Chen Mobai descended the mountain to the main hall of Northern Abyss City.

E Yun and others were waiting for him, greeting him with salutes and pleasantries.

Chen Mobai waved them off the formalities, inquiring about the state of affairs in the Five Elements Sect, the whole Eastern Wilderness, and surrounding territories in recent years.

"Reporting to Sect Leader, the sect is well. Two years ago, Senior Brother Chu Zuoshu successfully achieved Core Formation..."

E Yun started with the good news.

Of the batch of Wood Origin Golden Core Pills refined by Qing Nu earlier, six people had exchanged for them. Unfortunately, Tan Rong from the Fire Vein still failed to form a core.

However, the success of Chu Zuoshu delighted Chen Mobai greatly.

Before long, with news spreading about Chen Mobai's emergence from seclusion, Chu Zuoshu personally came by and extended his formal thanks to Chen Mobai.

"Congratulations, congratulations. With you among the elders, I can rest assured about the future."

Chen Mobai personally helped Chu Zuoshu up and seated him by his side.

Back in the Divine Wood Sect, Chu Zuoshu had always treated Chen Mobai with exceptional consideration, so now, with his success in forming a core, Chen Mobai was genuinely pleased.

"I was simply fortunate, catching the sect at its best time..."

Chu Zuoshu remarked with emotion, recalling his initial failures at core formation in Golden Crow Immortal City when the Five Elements Sect was yet to be unified.

"Not at all, your core formation is due to your solid foundation, deep reserves, and even a matured mindset."

Chen Mobai shook his head, noting that when crossing to a Great Realm, luck only matters when the odds are even.

Chu Zuoshu's success was not only due to his solid foundation but also his near-death experience in Golden Crow Immortal City, which greatly enhanced his mindset.

It was this unwavering determination that made him the one out of the six to succeed in forming a core.

"Without the Sect Leader's bestowed Longevity Tree Sap and other spirit materials, I doubt my Essence Qi could have supported me to the point of core formation."

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Chu Zuoshu expressed his gratitude once again, while Chen Mobai nodded with a smile.

The Wood Vein gained another Core Formation cultivator, and it was none other than the former Sect Leader Chu Zuoshu, making him an ideal fit to explore the market for the Five Elements Sect in East Wu.

When Chen Mobai mentioned this, Chu Zuoshu agreed without any hesitation.

“You should go to East Wu under the name of the Five Elements Commerce Association to first investigate the market. Besides East Wu, you’ll also be responsible for East Yi and East Yu...”

Chen Mobai always utilized his personnel to their fullest potential. While Yue Zutao focused on expanding the market in East Land, they also needed to send people to the rest of the Eastern Continent.

After all, he had suffered from insufficient information for quite some time.

“Yes, Sect Leader!”

Chu Zuoshu nodded, his face full of ambition.

Chen Mobai effectively entrusted Chu Zuoshu with all the territories of the Five Elements Commerce Association except for East Land.

Then, E Yun began discussing the achievements of the Five Elements Sect in establishing Immortal Cities and building Scholarly Mansions throughout the Eastern Wilderness over the years. Naturally, all were commendable, and the entire population of cultivators in the Eastern Wilderness had generally started converging towards the Seven Great Immortal Cities.

And as these cultivators arrived, various resources from the Eastern Wilderness followed in their wake.

Due to the Five Elements Sect’s excellent reputation, cultivators coming into the Immortal City were all willing to trade their acquisitions, including rare thousand-year herbs, precious minerals, and even ancient jade slips, in exchange for the various resources of the Five Elements Sect.

Among these, the most popular was naturally the Foundation Establishment Trithings from Danxia Pavilion.

To obtain the lottery qualification, many loose cultivators spared no effort, selling off their possessions to acquire a set of dwellings in the Immortal City.

Some of these rare fourth-rank medicinal herbs were so precious that even E Yun dared not make the decision alone, reserving them for when Chen Mobai came out of seclusion to deal with.

In Thunder County, there was a small sect that, though its highest elder's cultivation was merely at the late stage of Foundation Establishment, had a long-standing tradition, being a sect left by a pioneer cultivator.

Over six thousand years, this small sect known as Wang He Sect surprisingly had a fourth-rank medicine field in its possession.

And this time, Wang He Sect was willing to trade its last reserves, not only for housing but also hoping to exchange with the Five Elements Sect for a Golden Elixir Spiritual Medicine.

And the Golden Elixir Spiritual Medicines were always controlled by Chen Mobai.

It was precisely because of this that E Yun, though very much desiring those fourth-rank medicinal herbs, dared not make the decision on his own.

"In the future, if you encounter such matters, just directly seek Qing Nu."

Chen Mobai certainly agreed, as the herbs from a fourth-rank medicine field were far more valuable than a Golden Elixir Spiritual Medicine.

E Yun quickly nodded after hearing this.

But without Chen Mobai's word, he certainly wouldn't dare bypass him and go directly to Qing Nu.

Not long after, Qing Nu, having received notification from Chen Mobai's Heavenly Communication Device, descended from North Abyss Mountain.

"There is a fourth-rank medicine field here, and we're unsure of how many fourth-rank medicinal herbs it contains. Please take a team to inspect it..."

Chen Mobai informed Qing Nu of the situation, considering that regarding Golden Elixir Spiritual Medicines, he currently possessed the Water Element Golden Core Pill and the Wood Origin Golden Core Pill, though he was unsure whether they would suit Wang He Sect's cultivation technique.

However, if conditions were suitable, he could reserve a Golden Liquid Jade Pill for them in the future.

"There are so many treasures here!"

Upon hearing this, Qing Nu couldn't help but marvel before promptly calling on the shopkeeper of Danxia Pavilion, leading a group of Spirit Plant Masters and Alchemists, using the Transmission Array to head to Thunder County.

"Sect Leader, there is also an unfavorable piece of news."

After finishing the good news, E Yun transitioned to the troubling news that caused Chen Mobai to frown slightly.

A monster horde had surfaced once more in Cloud Dream Marsh.

Although it was only within the territory of East Wu this time, the scale was unprecedented. At Wind and Rain Dock alone, they had detected eight Rank-3 demonic beasts.

Furthermore, the aura of the Poisonous Dragon Demon Beast seemed to be leaking out more from its confinement.

As a result, Mo Douguang had already led Ning Leshan to guard that area.

Additionally, E Yun had dispatched Yin Qingmei there as well.

The Core Formation cultivators that the Five Elements Sect could mobilize had essentially all been sent there by him.

“Notify Senior Brother Zhou to return once, and I will go with him to investigate.”

Thinking it prudent, Chen Mobai decided to call back Zhou Shengqing.

Aside from the already stabilized situation in East Yi, overseen by Zhou Ye, the Poisonous Dragon Demon Beast had become the only formidable enemy of the Five Elements Sect.

Currently, in the Eastern Continent Frontier, not counting the reclusive Old Ancestor Bai Wu, only this Poisonous Dragon Demon Beast, which had lived for over two thousand years, posed a threat to their Five Elements Sect’s dominion.

“Understood...”

Given the order, E Yun immediately departed.

Half a day later, the light of the Large-scale Transmission Array illuminated, and Zhou Shengqing returned.

After the meeting between the two Nascent Soul cultivators of the Five Elements Sect, and discussing the matter of the Cloud Dream Marsh monster horde, they wasted no time, boarding the Transmission Array one after the other and heading to Wind and Rain Dock.

“Greet the two senior brothers!”

Outside the Transmission Array at Wind and Rain Dock, Nu Jiang, Mo Douguang, and others were already waiting there. Upon seeing Chen Mobai and Zhou Shengqing, they immediately saluted.

“We’ll first head to the Yellow Dragon Cave Mansion to take a look.”

Chen Mobai suggested, and then, along with Zhou Shengqing, transformed into two escaping lights, heading straight to the heart of Cloud Dream Marsh.

As soon as they approached, a colossal and profound demonic aura surged forth, causing the vast lake surface to rise, transforming into a massive water dragon, which bared its fangs, rushing toward them with a formidable force.

Chen Mobai swiftly wielded the Pure Yang Immortal Robe, unleashing a fierce golden fireball in mid-air.

The massive water dragon collided, instantly dispersing into a mist of water vapor across the sky!