When Gu Hanxing imagined how he would beat up Lin Wenjing in front of everyone and humiliate him, he guffawed smugly.

Gu Hanxing hurled a punch and smashed the halfmeter-wide tree into pieces, and it lost its vitality. A chilling cruelty flashed in Gu Hanxing's eyes as he sneered, "Will you be able to take my punch, Lin Wenjing?"

When his sparring partners saw this horrifying punch, the color drained from their faces, and they trembled in fear.

Gu Hanxing then put on his windbreaker and laughed. "Let's go! I heard that Purple Jade Studio's Chairman is going to hold the ribboncutting ceremony for his new security guard company today. Let's go there and celebrate it with him!"

Wang Yunqian was an efficient man; he managed to go through all the procedures in half a month, and the only thing left for them to do now was to open the company for business.

Lin Wenjing was a humble man, and he had never thought of hiring too many people or making it too big of an event, but he had underestimated his influence in Hua City.

Many people came uninvited after knowing the news because they wanted to butter him up. A lot of people sent their warmest congratulations on the day of his grand opening, and they even gave him expensive gifts. The first one to come was the Guo family. Guo Yuanjia gave Lin Wenjing a luxurious gift and a gold-plated plaque to celebrate his new company's grand opening.

"Oh, Mr. Guo, even you came? Do please forgive us if the welcome isn't to your liking."

Lin Wenjing went up to greet Guo Yuanjia and took his gift.

It had been a while since they last met, and Guo Yuanjia looked better than before. He even looked a few years younger than he was; he was obviously living the good life. From what Lin Wenjing knew, the Guo's reputation became better instead of deteriorating after the fall of the Huang's. A lot of the CEOs in the circle respected the Guo family more, so their business became better.

That was because the Guo's hinted to the public that Lin Wenjing was dating his daughter, Guo Lingfeng, and they might go into a marriage. Simply put, the Guo family benefited from Lin Wenjing, so Guo Yuanjia had to come to congratulate him on his new company's opening.

Guo Yuanjia laughed heartily. "Hey, it's a big day for you, Wenjing, so of course I have to come! Here's to your new company. I wish for its booming business and eventual rise to G Province's top!"

Guo Yuanjia couldn't understand why Lin Wenjing chose to open a new company that had nothing to

do with his original business. He was managing an entertainment company, but now he chose to open a security guard company; there was a big gap between these two industries.

But he believed Lin Wenjing, and he thought he must have his own considerations when he made this choice.

Lin Wenjing smiled. "Thank you, Mr. Guo."

Guo Yuanjia pretended to be unhappy. "Wenjing, the way you address me sounds so distant. If you're not unwilling, you can call me 'uncle,' hmm?"

Guo Yuanjia was taking a risk with this. If Lin Wenjing rejected him, it would be embarrassing, since there were a lot of his friends in the business world here, watching them.

Lin Wenjing knew what he was thinking, so he smiled and called him uncle.

Guo Yuanjia immediately relaxed and looked delighted.

Meanwhile, Guo Lingfeng came over and stood quietly beside Guo Yuanjia. Her gaze had never shifted from Lin Wenjing, looking as if she wanted to melt him inside her...

Lin Wenjing was embarrassed to be gazed at like that.

It was fortunate that Chu Ling wasn't here because she had to attend an important meeting

in her company, or he would have been doomed.

Guo Lingfeng walked up to him and gave him a gift. She then stared into his eyes, saying, "Wenjing, you've opened a new company again. I wish for its great and continued business."

"Thank you." Lin Wenjing took Guo Lingfeng's gift, but the cheeky girl didn't let go just like that; she circled his hand and winked naughtily at him. Lin Wenjing felt something inside him, but he coughed a couple of times to hide it.

Everyone else came up to give Lin Wenjing gifts and congratulate him. It was a magnificently merry occasion where luxury cars were everywhere, attracting the eyes of the civilians.

Another prominent figure arrived, and she immediately attracted everyone's eyes.

She was none other than Grand Skylight Pavilion's Tao Sanniang.

She was wearing a conservative professional's dress today. She gave nothing away, and yet it still couldn't cover that sexy charm of hers. Her appearance attracted all the men's attention, and those who couldn't resist the sin of lust started having wild imaginations as they ogled her greedily.

Tao Sanniang wasn't here alone; she came together with her bodyguards. A calm smile hung on her face, while her sexy eyes talked to the souls of the men there. Her every move and every step

radiated a womanly charm that took away the men's breath and ignited their lust.

Lin Wenjing was stunned when he saw her, as he didn't expect her to appear. Since she was a part of Grand Skylight Pavilion, she represented the whole place itself. Now that she appeared on the day of his company's grand opening, did that mean Grand Sky Pavilion was going to stand on his side?

Tao Sanniang arrived before him in no time, and she showed a charming, seductive smile. Her smile immediately excited everyone there.

The men's gaze turned even more lustful; even Lin Wenjing's bodyguards started hyperventilating. Meanwhile, Xu Hua stood there while looking at her, his eyes unblinking.

Lin Wenjing had met her twice, and he had seen her Charm Technique in action. Besides, with his Heavenly Realm strength, he had a high defense against Tao Sanniang's Charm Technique, so he didn't embarrass herself.

"Chairman Lin, I wish for your company to get better and stronger, and the same wish goes to you too, Chairman Lin. I wish for you to have countless beauties surrounding you everywhere you go, and for your great relationships." Tao Sanniang handed Lin Wenjing a gift herself, and she even winked at him. It was full of tease and temptation.

No matter how mentally strong Lin Wenjing was,

he couldn't help but fall for her a little.

It hadn't been a few days since he last saw her, and yet her Charm Technique had already gotten stronger. He wondered how many men would be playing right into her hands.

This kind of woman shouldn't appear in this world. She's going to wring us dry.

On the surface, Lin Wenjing smiled like a gentleman while accepting Tao Sanniang's gift. "Send my thanks to Grand Skylight Pavilion for this gift."

Tao Sanniang looked slightly dissatisfied. "Are you just going to thank Grand Skylight Pavilion? Shouldn't you thank me too?"

When she said that, everyone's eyes were going to pop out of their sockets. Coupling that with her dissatisfied gaze, everyone was starting to pity her and even become angry at Lin Wenjing for some reason.

Lin Wenjing's expression darkened. This is too much, Tao Sanniang, You shouldn't do this during my company's grand opening.

He coughed loudly to snap those men out of her Charm Technique. The men suddenly felt as if they were woken up by some force, and their minds cleared.

He had to admit that Tao Sanniang's Charm Technique was too powerful; she could now

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charm all living beings!



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When Guo Lingfeng—who was standing not far away—saw this, she gnashed her teeth in anger and kept on tearing the petals of the flower in a vase. "That vixen! That shameless vixen!" she cursed.

She looked at Tao Sanniang and Lin Wenjing with a murderous gaze. In her eyes, they were now a filthy couple.

Meanwhile, Lin Wenjing was frustrated. What the heck is going on? I don't think that way about Guo Lingfeng and Tao Sanniang, so why am I the jerk here? Give me a break!

"I think we can skip that," Lin Wenjing uttered flatly. He looked at Tao Sanniang with a warning stare, telling her not to fool around, as today was the grand opening of his company.

But Tao Sanniang was unafraid; she looked at him with more dissatisfaction, and she even bit her lips as she became more teary-eyed. Her behaving like this was going to tip all the men there in her favor.

"Did you forget me so soon after that, Chairman Lin? And to think I came here to congratulate you. Oh, this is so sad," Tao Sanniang grumbled.

Lin Wenjing was speechless while his lips twitched uncontrollably. Alright, Tao Sanniang, you have crossed a line! This is going to cause a big misunderstanding!

The look on everyone's faces said they were thinking the same thing; they thought Lin Wenjing

must have shared a dirty secret with Tao Sanniang, and now the lady was jilted.

"Please don't fool around, Miss Tao. Including today, I have just met you three times. It wouldn't be nice if your husband misunderstands us, don't you think?" Lin Wenjing smiled politely, but a dangerous light glinted in his eyes.

Tao Sanniang knew Lin Wenjing was warning her to back off, so she stopped teasing him. "It was just a little joke, Chairman Lin. Grand Skylight Pavilion still wishes to maintain a great relationship with you, so do please come to our auction event next time," she replied with a smile.

That wasn't an explanation, as it only made everyone misunderstand them more.

Lin Wenjing couldn't do anything about it, so he took this hit silently.

A lot of the guests then came up and congratulated Lin Wenjing as well as presenting him with gifts.

Lin Wenjing was surprised about the arrival of the Chu family. Chu Guodong, Chu Huayou, and Chu Hao were holding gifts. When they came over to congratulate Lin Wenjing, trepidation was written on their faces.

They had awkward expressions on their faces, especially Chu Guodong, who was now laughing drily. He used to put down Lin Wenjing using his status as the Chu family's master, thinking that Lin

Wenjing was the family's embarrassment. He tried to boot Lin Wenjing out of the family, but he didn't expect him to grow to be the boss of three big companies.

Chu Huayou and Chu Hao didn't look any better either. Now that they saw so many bigshots coming here to congratulate Lin Wenjing as well as buttering him up, they could feel their hearts pounding furiously against their chests. If Lin Wenjing were a vindictive man and wanted to exact his revenge, they would have been annihilated.

Everyone else from the Chu family was also very nervous, and they didn't even dare to look Lin Wenjing in the eyes.

If this were in the past, they wouldn't have imagined this day would happen in a thousand years.

Lin Wenjing lamented quietly when he saw them here. He used to be mocked and insulted when he was in the Chu household.

But he had grown into an existence the Chu family can't even touch, and a single sentence from him could mean their doom.

"You're a successful man now, Wenjing, and you're the pride of the Chu family. Here's a little gift from me. I hope for your new company's continued growth and success. And of course I wish for your own personal growth, so perhaps one day we might see you on the list of the nation's richest

man." Chu Guodong presented the gift himself, and he congratulated him awkwardly.

Then Chu Huayou, Chu Hao, and the others from the Chu family came up to congratulate Lin Wenjing and humbled themselves before him as they presented their gifts. They were obviously afraid of Lin Wenjing; the current him was someone they had to look up to.

Chu Hao was especially terrified, as he was the one who bullied Lin Wenjing the most. There was one time where he burned Lin Wenjing with a cigarette butt. Now that Lin Wenjing had become a powerful boss who could destroy him easily, of course he would be terrified.

Lin Wenjing didn't accept their gifts immediately; instead, he squinted and gave them a calm but meaningful look.

This look from Lin Wenjing made their hearts thump in fear.

Even Chu Guodong's face paled as he felt the fear well up in his heart.

Chu Hao and the others were starting to regret coming here to congratulate Lin Wenjing. They wouldn't have come if they knew this was going to happen.

Lin Wenjing suddenly laughed as he looked at their horrified faces because he found it amusing.

He didn't make it hard for the Chu family, but he

didn't accept the gifts himself either. Instead, he asked his men to take them for him. "Thanks," he replied.

He didn't say anything else except for that one word.

The Chu's breathed a sigh of relief, but they felt dejected, and they regretted what they did in the past.

Lin Wenjing didn't embarrass them publicly, but he was cold toward them. The Chu family knew it was impossible to ask him for help now, since they humiliated him how they wanted over these past four years. Words couldn't describe how much they regretted it now.

It was a successful grand opening today emphasis on 'grand', as two-thirds of the most famous bosses in Hua City came here to support him. It was a merry occasion.

At this moment, Lin Wenjing sensed someone coming. He squinted and looked into a particular direction, and he saw a familiar face standing out from the crowd.

It was none other than Gu Hanxing.

He wasn't here alone; there were more than a dozen lackeys beside him, and all of them were powerful members of Bei Tian Society. With that menacing aura around them, everyone knew they were here to crash the party.

"Hahaha, Lin Wenjing, you're so rude! Today is such an important day, yet you didn't invite me over to congratulate you?"

Gu Hanxing roared in laughter as he strutted toward Lin Wenjing. Anyone who blocked his way would be shoved to the side, and anyone who dared to scold him would be punched senseless. Gu Hanxing was showing his thuggery brazenly.

Wang Yunqian and the others' expressions changed when they saw him. "This is bad! Gu Hanxing is here to crash the event!" Uneasiness and fear were shown on their faces.

Everyone here was stunned when they saw this scene, but it didn't take them a moment to know what was happening. These guys are here to crash the party!

Gu Hanxing got past the crowd in no time, and he went up to Lin Wenjing before he smashed the signboard beside Lin Wenjing into pieces with a single kick. "A new security guard company? Do you really think a piece of trash like you can do that?"

It was a provocative statement.



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Insolence, thuggery, arrogance; Gu Hanxing was now the textbook definition of these crimes.

Today was the grand opening of Lin Wenjing's new company, and yet someone still dared to crash the party. It shocked everyone, and the noise of discussion could be heard.

"Holy cow, who is this guy? How dare he crash someone's grand opening? Is he looking for trouble? And he's even doing this to Chairman Lin, the chairman of Purple Jade Studios."

"He's also the boss of Leap Advertising, and he has a net worth of over ten billion. That's a huge power he's holding right there. How dare this guy mess up Chairman Lin's new company's grand opening? He's dead!"

"Hmph, bunch of ignoramuses. That guy is Gu Hanxing. He's a member of Bei Tian Society, and his father is its vice president. He has a higher status than Lin Wenjing, so do you think he is biting off more than he can chew?" someone spat disdainfully. He had confidence in Gu Hanxing, but not that much in Lin Wenjing.

Everyone's expressions changed when they heard that Gu Hanxing was someone from Bei Tian Society. Everyone in Hua City knew of Bei Tian Society, and it had even more fame in the upperclass society.

There was a rumor that went like this—the really powerful ones in Hua City weren't Master Grim or the Lin Family; it was Bei Tian Society and Gu Ze.

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Since Gu Hanxing was Gu Ze's son, everyone knew how much weight he carried.

Bei Tian Society was a powerful entity in the South, and it wasn't something a nouveau riche like Lin Wenjing could compare to.

Indeed, in most people's eyes, Lin Wenjing was a nouveau riche, while Bei Tian Society had already been strong for many years, and they were not on the same level.

A lot of the guests started getting excited when they thought of this. They didn't expect to come across something like this by joining the grand opening of Lin Wenjing's company, and now, they were ready to watch the drama unfold.

But someone questioned, "Something's off. Even though Gu Hanxing is someone from Bei Tian Society, why is he trying to find trouble with Lin Wenjing? The guy is a Chairman; no matter how much of a thug Bei Tian Society is, they shouldn't be looking for trouble with him for no reason."

"I don't think you guys have heard of this, but there's bad blood between Gu Hanxing and Lin Wenjing. They almost fought back in Grand Skylight Pavilion."

"Is that so? Did you see that with your own eyes?"

"No, but I heard it from a good friend of mine. I was sceptical of that possibility, but now that I'm seeing this, I think there must be a deep grudge between the both of them."

Gu Hanxing's arrival lit up the fire of excitement in everyone. The noisy venue became silent as everyone looked at Lin Wenjing to see how he would handle this.

If it were anyone else who was met with this situation, they would have been furious or even panicked, because if they failed to handle this, they would become a joke.

Meanwhile, Guo Lingfeng stood up worriedly, but Guo Yuanjia quickly grabbed her and signaled her not to make any rash moves. Gu Hanxing was not an ordinary rich brat, and if they offended him, the Guo family would be destroyed by his wrath.

Tao Sanniang squinted and looked like she was just going to watch the trouble unfold and not try to help at all.

Wang Yunqian was angry, but he was also panicked. He knew how troublesome Bei Tian Society—that was backing Gu Hanxing—was. Now, he could only hope Lin Wenjing could handle this.

Lin Wenjing's expression remained unchanged, and he looked differently at Gu Hanxing. "Gu Hanxing, whether I can make this work is not up to you or your father. Pay for the damages you have caused right now, or I will be calling the police."

Gu Hanxing guffawed, for he thought Lin Wenjing was surrendering. Did he just say he would call the police? Can the police settle a fight that involves someone like me?!

He took a step toward Lin Wenjing, closing the distance between them. He stared at Lin Wenjing arrogantly as he spoke aggressively. "How dare you ask me to pay for the damages, Lin Wenjing? What a joke! As long as I am here, you can forget about opening this piece of sh*t company of yours!"

Lin Wenjing squinted, and tension rose in the air.

Lin Wenjing suddenly laughed. "If that's the case, then I can only call the cops and have the law punish a hooligan like you."

He then signaled Wang Yunqian to call the police.

Everyone thought Lin Wenjing was displaying weakness. Gu Hanxing had already made his entrance by smashing down the door, but Lin Wenjing didn't give him a strong reply; instead, he displayed weakness by intending to call the cops to settle this.

Please. Calling the cops is useless when the battle involves this kind of fighter.

Gu Hanxing howled in glee, as he thought he had gotten half of what he wanted today. He thought Lin Wenjing still hadn't reached the Heavenly Realm, so he didn't dare go up against him.

But he wasn't feeling enough; he wanted to humiliate Lin Wenjing until he couldn't raise his head anymore.

He boasted, "Oy, Lin Wenjing, you're opening a

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security guard company, right? Alright, then. I'm challenging you here and now! I want to see if your bodyguards can protect their clients. If they can't even defeat me, you can forget about opening a security guard company. It will just be an embarrassment to our line of job!"

Gu Hanxing was already declaring war, so if Lin Wenjing wouldn't take this, he could forget about starting a security guard company. Even his reputation would take a hit.

Gu Hanxing had backed Lin Wenjing into a corner, and now he had to take the challenge even if he refused to.

Lin Wenjing was just waiting for this. He was already expecting Gu Hanxing to crash the ceremony today; it was a great thing for him, since he could use Gu Hanxing as free marketing.

"Are you sure?" Lin Wenjing asked. "You are no match for me. If you lose, you'll be bringing shame to Bei Tian Society, so you'd better think this through."

"Hahaha! What a hilarious joke! Me, losing to you? In your dreams!" Gu Hanxing roared. Invisible waves crashed in the still air as a powerful aura which radiated from Gu Hanxing enveloped everyone.

When he felt Gu Hanxing's aura, Lin Wenjing's expression turned grave. He didn't expect Gu Hanxing to be this strong. If given more time, he would also break through to the Heavenly Realm.

"Sure. How do you want to challenge me?" Lin Wenjing asked.

Gu Hanxing straightened up and showed a devilishly conceited smile before he pointed at the bodyguards standing behind Lin Wenjing. "I don't want to waste everyone's time, so get all of your bodyguards to come up against me. I'll take them all on my own. If I can't defeat all of them in three minutes, it would mean that I lost."

His daring declaration stirred the crowd up into a heated discussion. Everyone was stupefied by Gu Hanxing's bravado.

There were more than thirty bodyguards standing behind Lin Wenjing, all of whom received professional training. Each and every one of them were powerful fighters, and yet Gu Hanxing wanted to fight all of them alone. He must be crazy, the crowd thought.



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Gu Hanxing enjoyed having everyone's gaze on him.

At this moment, with all eyes on him, he became the center of attention as the limelight was on him.

With the power he now wielded, thrashing these 30 bodyguards was child's play to him.

No doubt that if he were to defeat Lin Wenjing's numerous bodyguards by himself, he would enjoy unprecedented fame, and the name, Gu Hanxing, would be the talk of the entire Hua City!

Since Tao Sanniang is here as well, she would definitely see me in a new light. I might even be able to win her heart.

By then, Lin Wenjing would be put to shame, and this b*llsh*t security guard company will also be forced to cease its operation. It'll be killing three birds with one stone.

Upon hearing his provocation, the bodyguards behind Lin Wenjing were furious. They stood up and started cursing him.

"Hey, punk, what did you say? I dare you to say it again!"

"I have seen a lot of arrogant people, but this is my first time seeing such a lawless person like you. Why don't you take a look of yourself in the mirror? How dare you challenge so many of us? I think you're courting death!" "Let's stop talking to him with words. With such a condescending person, we should talk with our fists! Let our fists do the talking, since he's so insolent!"

"Chairman Lin, let me take him on. I can defeat him alone!"

The bodyguards were enraged and were itching to fight him.

Among them, Xu Hua was the most livid of all. He had been undergoing intense training with Lin Wenjing, and his skills had greatly improved. For that reason, he had much confidence in himself. Seeing Gu Hanxing's impudence in front of him now, he could no longer stand it. Thus he immediately stood up and was all geared up to battle it out with Gu Hanxing to gain some recognition before Lin Wenjing.

"Hey, you! Don't be so cocky! I can defeat you soundly by myself and send you back to Bei Tian Society!" Xu Hua bellowed while pointing a finger at Gu Hanxing.

"You're asking for it!" Gu Hanxing glared at him, and then his hand suddenly shot out to grab hold of Xu Hua in a ferocious manner. At once, Xu Hua's entire body tensed up; goosebumps rose all over his body, and his mind went blank.

He had now experienced Gu Hanxing's intimidating strength and understood why he had the guts to come and stir up trouble. It was because his abilities far surpassed his own.

Just as Gu Hanxing was about to grab hold of Xu Hua, Lin Wenjing intervened. Seemingly without effort, he grabbed hold of Gu Hanxing's wrist and pushed him away before he stood in front of Xu Hua and said, "Gu Hanxing, I have no idea where you got your confidence that you dared to say such boastful words. I can teach you a lesson without my bodyguards having to lift a finger. I don't want them to injure you all that badly, anyway."

Xu Hua was still terrified, and he had broken out in a cold sweat. It was as though he had a foot in the grave earlier. He knew full well that if it weren't for Lin Wenjing's timely intervention, he would have been severely injured now.

Gu Hanxing looked at Lin Wenjing with fear in his eyes as he suppressed some of his arrogance.

After all, the strength Lin Wenjing had just displayed was not to be underestimated.

It would seem that I have underestimated Lin Wenjing. Perhaps he has also taken the Soul Cleansing Pill, but, like me, didn't have the endurance for it, so he is now still at the Pinnacle Realm.

As long as Lin Wenjing is not at the Heavenly Realm, no one could defeat me. Lin Wenjing is definitely no match for me!

"Lin Wenjing, since you're asking for death, I'll fulfill your wish!"

Gu Hanxing licked his lips, his lips curving into an

evil grin. He was really thrilled, as though he could see himself grinding Lin Wenjing's face into the ground!

He had absolute confidence in himself. Lin Wenjing was definitely no match for him.

Since he was young, he had never hated someone as much as he hated Lin Wenjing. He had to have his revenge, and he wanted to get back at Lin Wenjing. No other way was as exhilarating as dealing Lin Wenjing a resounding defeat on the day his new company was established, in front of such a huge crowd.

Just thinking of that scenario had him trembling with excitement.

Everyone in the audience was now looking on in anticipation. Gu Hanxing was a core member of Bei Tian Society; he was well-respected, and his father, Gu Ze, was a big shot. Meanwhile, as the Chairman of Purple Jade Studios, Lin Wenjing had a net worth of more than ten billion. Now that he was going to duel with Gu Hanxing, it would be an earth-shattering course of events.

Tao Sanniang was also looking forward to it. Her gaze was mainly focused on Lin Wenjing; she wanted to see how capable he really was and if he could really defeat Gu Hanxing.

As for Guo Lingfeng, she was anticipating it, but she was anxious as well. She wanted to see Lin Wenjing unleash his power and defeat Gu Hanxing, but she was also afraid that he was not his match. If so, he wouldn't just suffer humiliation; his life would also be in danger.

The corners of Lin Wenjing's lips curved into a subtle smile. He had known that Gu Hanxing would come and seek him out. This was a good thing, because no other advertisement would be as effective as him crushing Gu Hanxing.

In no time, they went to a clearing before staring at each other.

"Lin Wenjing, I have had you investigated thoroughly. You were once the Second Young Master of the Lin family, which is merely a family that still commands a smidge of respect after its fall from grace; it's a waning family which days are numbered. I don't know who gave you the audacity that you dare to go against me. Did you really think that the few tricks you have up your sleeve is enough to keep you safe that you dare to open a security company here at this particular area in Hua City and challenge Bei Tian Society?" Gu Hanxing's tone was smug and disdainful. He was acting all high and mighty, looking down at Lin Wenjing. In his eyes, Lin Wenjing was already a dead man, for he would soon be crushed under his feet.

Lin Wenjing dug his ear impatiently and asked flippantly, "Are you done talking? If you are, make your move."

"You!" A fire was lit within Gu Hanxing. He never thought that even when Lin Wenjing's death was imminent, he would dare dismiss him. Does he not want to live anymore? If that's the case, then I won't show him any mercy!

Thus he gave a cold smile and made a move on Lin Wenjing.

Undeniably, Gu Hanxing was quite a tough opponent. He was the most formidable rival Lin Wenjing had ever encountered, and he was far more daunting than Lin Zihao.

If Lin Wenjing hadn't taken the grade-S Soul Cleansing Pill and successfully broke through to the Heavenly Realm, he would have been no match for Gu Hanxing. Now, however, Gu Hanxing was merely a slightly stronger ant to him, so he could crush him easily.

Gu Hanxing dealt him a killing blow. He launched a kick, aimed right at Lin Wenjing's forehead. The kick was very swift, exceeding even the speed that could be captured by the eyes of the average person. Most people could only see Gu Hanxing's right leg vanish into thin air.

Lin Wenjing did not attempt to block the kick. He simply dodged backward and evaded it.

Gu Hanxing merely snorted, and he did not relax his stance but continued to press on. Each of his kicks was swifter than the last, and coupled with his punches, it was a flurry of movement. Moreover, his energy seemed to be unending as his attacks increased in brutality; even from miles away, his viciousness could be felt.

Nevertheless, no matter how swift or brutal his

attacks were, they never made contact with Lin Wenjing; all his punches and kicks met with empty air. Lin Wenjing was like a fish, swishing to and fro, evading all his attacks.

This infuriated Gu Hanxing, and so he cursed loudly, "Lin Wenjing, you're a useless coward that only knows to dodge my punches and kicks. I dare you to fight me head-on!"

"Are you sure?" A strange expression appeared on Lin Wenjing's face.

Gu Hanxing snarled, "Go ahead, you coward. If you have the guts, stop dodging and face me head-on!"

"As you wish." Lin Wenjing's eyes flashed. Then he shifted his defensive stance and went on the offensive before launching an upward punch from his abdomen. When he swung out his fist, he rotated it 90 degrees. The punch was so swift that even Gu Hanxing's eyes couldn't quite follow it.

At the next moment, the punch landed on Gu Hanxing's stomach with athud. Gu Hanxing then curled into a ball at once, his energy depleted at that very moment. Indescribable pain was written on his face as he vomited a mouthful of blood.

With just a punch, Lin Wenjing had defeated Gu Hanxing.

It could be said that it was executed cleanly and efficiently, and it also happened really quickly. It made everyone who was present stand there in a daze, and they surely wouldn't be able to regain their senses any time soon.

For the first two or three minutes of the fight, Gu Hanxing had held the upper hand as he unleashed a flurry of attacks on Lin Wenjing. It was clear that Lin Wenjing was on the losing end and he had no means of retaliation. Everyone could easily tell that Lin Wenjing was no match for Gu Hanxing, and his defeat was just a matter of time.

They had already planned out how they would mercilessly humiliate Lin Wenjing after he had been defeated by Gu Hanxing. They would make sure that his name and reputation would plummet from its current high-standing glory and turn him into a laughing stock.

However, they had never expected that the tables would turn so quickly. In just the blink of an eye, Lin Wenjing had managed to end the battle. He had simply thrown a light and easy punch at Gu Hanxing, but that one punch had rendered his opponent defeated.

Everyone then stood up in a daze. Guo Lingfeng had been holding her hands tight in a fist, and she had been very nervous. Now that Lin Wenjing had emerged victorious from the battle, she jumped up and her facial expression revealed just how

excited she was. Her face was flushed red as she yelled out excitedly, "That's awesome! I knew it! I knew Lin Wenjing was the best!"

Tao Sanniang also reacted strongly. Similarly, she had stood up from her seat and was visibly stunned as she yelled out involuntarily, "The Heavenly Realm! Lin Wenjing had actually managed to break through to the Heavenly Realm! Oh my god. He hasn't even reached the age of thirty years old, this..."

She could not follow up her sentence with any more descriptive words, for the revelation had given her such a great shock.

As someone from within the circle, she was very clear on what it meant to have broken through to the Heavenly Realm. It shared a similar connotation to being an Absolute King! After an individual had ascended into the Heavenly Realm, they were no longer an ordinary common person, but transcendental beings. What was more, she was sure that out of a billion or so people, those who were able to reach the Heavenly Realm did not exceed a hundred. In addition, a large portion of those who were able to were over forty years of age. It was unbelievable and a miracle that Lin Wenjing had ascended before he had even reached thirty.

Xu Hua and the rest were also yelling out extremely excitedly because they had believed in Lin Wenjing's strength and ability, but Gu Hanxing had also demonstrated that his own strength was also not weak. They were all martial arts practitioners, so they were starting to see that Gu Hanxing was also quite a strong fighter, and he could easily battle all of them at one time and still win.

In the beginning, Lin Wenjing kept dodging his attacks and seemed to be on the losing end. It had made them so worried that their hearts leapt into their throats.

They did not even dare to think just how it would affect their new company if Lin Wenjing had actually been defeated.

Fortunately, Lin Wenjing had demonstrated his power with just one punch and made Gu Hanxing spit out a mouthful of blood.

In other words, Lin Wenjing had simply been fooling around with Gu Hanxing when he dodged his attacks, and he hadn't taken the fight seriously.

The one who had suffered the greatest shock was Gu Hanxing. That one punch from Lin Wenjing had almost punched a hole through his stomach, and the Hidden Energy was moving about his body relentlessly, bringing him a great deal of pain.

With just a punch, he had stripped away all of his fighting ability. Just how strong was Lin Wenjing?

What he had managed to gather from this situation was that Lin Wenjing had indeed broken through and ascended into the Heavenly Realm after he had consumed the grade-S Soul Cleansing Pill! That was why he had remained so

calm when he showed up to cause trouble, and he had even dared to duel with him before so many!
This had all been deliberately planned out by him!

After that one powerful punch of his that brought about Gu Hanxing's defeat, Lin Wenjing leisurely made his way over to him. Just as Gu Hanxing was about to painstakingly pick himself up and flee from the scene, Lin Wenjing stretched out his arm and grabbed hold of his shirt, then tossed him onto the ground with so much strength that the ceramic tiles on the ground shattered into pieces with a bang.

It could be said that with this toss of Lin Wenjing's, he had instantly thrown Gu Hanxing into a state of shock, and his bones were likely to have already fallen apart.

The most horrifying thing was, Gu Hanxing had been planning to break through to the Heavenly Realm in the next two weeks, but that one throw of Lin Wenjing's had shattered his foundation of martial arts. That entailed that Gu Hanxing would never, ever be able to ascend to the Heavenly Realm in this life.

After that, Ling Wenjing stepped on Gu Hanxing's chest with his foot, not allowing him to get back onto his feet. He looked down haughtily at him from above and, "Oh that's right, Gu Hanxing, I forgot to tell you that I've already consumed the grade-S Soul Cleansing Pill and ascended to the Heavenly Realm. As for you, you're still stuck in the Pinnacle Realm. Trash like you is simply like an ant that has gotten just a little bit stronger."

Spurt!

Gu Hanxing coughed up yet another mouthful of blood upon hearing those words of Lin Wenjing.

He was about to explode, and he felt anger, regret, remorse, and fear all at once.

"Lin Wenjing, y-you..." His trembling finger pointed weakly at Lin Wenjing as he stared at him. He couldn't even form a coherent sentence because he was thoroughly terrified of him right now. He had also consumed a grade-A Soul Cleansing Pill, and he understood just how excruciating the pain was! Even a powerful person like him couldn't ascend with the help of his father, Gu Ze, yet this Lin Wenjing had actually managed to ascend without the support of anyone other than himself.

A monster! He was definitely a monster!

With a kick of his foot, Lin Wenjing sent him flying as he said coldly, "Leave! Don't ever show your face before me ever again! Otherwise, I'll be sure to wallop you each time I see you!"

Gu Hanxing gritted his teeth as his entire body trembled, and the current him was very far from the haughty person he had been earlier. He was just a joke now, and he was very humiliated.

He wasn't able to get himself back on his feet, and in the end, he only managed to do so with the help of two of his underlings. He fixed a death stare on Lin Wenjing and wanted to throw a retort back at him, but he wasn't able to say anything.

That toss from Lin Wenjing had also shattered all of his pride and arrogance.

As he looked at Lin Wenjing right now, he felt a sense of awe and fear that was embedded deep within his bones, for his strength and ability had already surpassed his own understanding and imagination.

Just at this moment, all sorts of ridicule sounded out from the crowd that surrounded them, and that made it all the harder for him to bear.

"Ha! Here I was thinking that this man was some sort of strong dude, what with the way he ran over so confidently to the opening ceremony of someone's company to stir up trouble. In the end, he just proved himself to be a loser. He couldn't even withstand a simple punch from Chairman Lin. He really is rather useless."

"That's right! He only had just that bit of power, so I really have no clue where he got all his confidence from. He just arrived before Chairman Lin and started causing trouble. He even said that he could easily take on thirty or so bodyguards by himself. He really is a quite a dumb fella, hahahaha..."

"I heard that he's from Bei Tian Society. Is that the true power of Bei Tian Society? He's so useless!"

"No. There are still quite a fair number of strong people in Bei Tian Society. I think the only one that is useless is just this circus clown. Look at him! He was beaten up by Chairman Lin and is now almost close to tears. It's horrible, ahahahah..."

"Oh my god, he really is crying and he has snot all over his face! I think this sort of person really should just hurry home to his mother. He really is a sore sight."

Mocking words kept flowing into Gu Hanxing's ear and it was very hard for him to bear. He really wanted to unleash his anger, but he wasn't able to do so. He had really thrown away a big chunk of his reputation today. It was a hundred times worse than what he had done at Grand Skylight Pavilion!

With his arrogant attitude, how could he stand to bear this sort of torment any longer? He couldn't hold it back anymore and began to sniffle, then burst into a waterwork of tears.

When the crowd caught sight of his sniffling tears, they began to mock him even more intensely.

Even Tao Sanniang couldn't hold back her laughter as her eyes grew even more fiery and deep while she gazed at Lin Wenjing ...



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In the end, Gu Hanxing left the premises dejectedly, and he had completely become a laughing stock.

He had also placed his reputation on the line, but now even that had gone to Lin Wenjing. He had made the already lively opening ceremony of Lin Wenjing's company even more livelier!

This time, even more people came to please Lin Wenjing.

At the same time, another reputation had quickly spread from within the circle. It said, 'Lin Wenjing, Chairman of Purple Jade Studios, Leap Advertising, as well as the newly set-up Shield Service Group, is a martial arts practitioner, and his strength is unmatched! He is a legendary figure in Hua City, and even the entire G Province.'

The Chu family who was in the audience looked toward Lin Wenjing with eyes filled with even more fear and terror now, especially Chu Yao. His legs were trembling madly as he recalled just how he had humiliated Lin Wenjing back then. He was extremely terrified, and he slapped himself twice on the face hard.

How could he have been so stupid? He really did have eyes that were blind to the talents of somebody great, and he really didn't know just how powerful Lin Wenjing was. All that he could do right now was to pray incessantly that Lin Wenjing would be a generous person who wouldn't pay heed to some small existence like him.

It was within expectation that Lin Wenjing would defeat Gu Hanxing. Although he hadn't put in that much effort to do so, the results that it brought were clear and astounding. It was also clear that he would have an even better reputation after the incident today.

He had just established and opened up his business, but quite a large number of clients from within the circle had already bought his services, and they had even made reservations and appointments for the future. For one, they had seen Lin Wenjing's strength, and they trusted that he would be able to produce an excellent team. Secondly, this was one of their ways of showing respect for Lin Wenjing.

The influence Bei Tian Society had in the southern parts was at its peak, and they were not to be underestimated. They were considered very scary to many other forces in Hua City.

Truth be told, all the bodyguards that were hired by people within the circle all came from Bei Tian Society, and because they were a monopoly in this industry, they charged exorbitant prices. What was more, the bodyguards were often rebellious and proud, and it had indirectly made many big bosses angry and unsatisfied with Bei Tian Society. The only reason why they hadn't expressed their anger was simply because they were too strong, and they certainly did not dare to go against them.

Now, Lin Wenjing had appeared in the scene and dared to challenge and face the Bei Tian Society head on with his new security services company.

He had also beaten up the son of the vice master of Bei Tian Society into such a sorry state. That only served as proof that Lin Wenjing certainly possessed the power to measure up to Bei Tian Society.

They did not believe that Lin Wenjing who was able to achieve such a feat would be an impulsive idiot. When one reached a certain level, one would only make a decision after careful consideration.

With that, would anyone in their right mind be unwilling to seize this opportunity to ride on Lin Wenjing's coattails?

Of course, there were also a few of them who distanced themselves further from Lin Wenjing instead. Now, that wasn't because they disliked him in any way, it was because their fear for Bei Tian Society was much greater. Now that Lin Wenjing had openly declared war with Bei Tian Society, they figured that if they were too close to him, they would be indirectly opposing Bei Tian Society.

To this, Lin Wenjing merely took note of them and did not exert extra effort to persuade them to take his side.

Everyone was entitled to their own opinions and selections, and those were things that he couldn't control. He was very calm currently, for he knew that it was inevitable that he would come up against Bei Tian Society. He was confident of himself, and he took today's battle with them as a training session for himself that helped him to

grow even stronger. What was more, he really believed that if he wasn't a worthy opponent of Bei Tian Society, the ever mysterious Qing Shu wouldn't sit idly by and ignore him.

This was the basis of his actions.

Just as everyone had assumed, now that he had reached this stage, whatever actions and decisions that he made were all after his careful consideration. They were not whimsical ideas that he acted on just because it popped into his head. All those who made rash decisions would certainly not go very far in life.

Lin Wenjing's guess was accurate, for Qing Shu had been watching him from the shadows. As she hid within the crowd, Lin Wenjing was unable to detect her even though he had already reached the Heavenly Realm.

Very soon, a black BMW750 drove over and stopped next to her. A bodyguard dressed in a black suit quickly got out from the passenger seat of the vehicle and went to open the door for her. She got into the car and saw that Master Grim was sitting inside.

"Take me to Bei Tian Society," said Qing Shu indifferently.

Master Grim was obviously stunned when he heard that and he asked, "Miss Qing Shu, are you sure you want to go to Bei Tian Society?"

Qing Shu was calm and composed, and she didn't

have any expression on her face. She appeared to be very mysterious and powerful, and her aura was very strong. As Master Grim sat by her side, he could feel the air thickening around him, making it difficult for him to breathe.

"That's right." Qing Shu nodded indifferently again.

Now that Master Grim was sure, he felt rather confused and curious but he didn't dare to ask her why, so he just gave the driver an address and asked him to drive them there. It was the address for the headquarters of Bei Tian Society.

After a bout of silence, Master Grim spoke in a posture that displayed his submission and humility. He said, "The Young Master has acted rather recklessly this time as he had beaten Gu Hanxing to a pulp. Bei Tian Society is notorious for their horrid temper, and they will surely not let him go just like that! As per my knowledge, Shentu Zaitian, the president of Bei Tian Society, has already reached the Heavenly Realm's mid-tier cultivation stage, and he is just about to ascend into the high-tier cultivation stage! With the Young Master's current abilities, he is definitely not a match for Shentu Zaitian."

The worry was evident in Master Grim's voice. Although he wasn't physically present at the scene of the battle, he had spoken in a manner as though he was there to observe it all. He personally felt that perhaps Lin Wenjing had gone a little 'overboard' this time as he hadn't left himself any room to retreat.

Although the fact stands true that Gu Hanxing was the one who had first come to stir up trouble with Lin Wenjing, he still didn't have to deal such a heavy-handed strike and break Gu Hanxing's foundation of martial arts. Should this matter reach the ears of Gu Ze, he would surely not let Lin Wenjing go that easily.

All this while, Master Grim had always admired Lin Wenjing for his steady actions, and he had let his guard down and set his worries aside. However, this time, he felt that Lin Wenjing's actions had gone overboard and he didn't make a wise choice. In other words, it meant that Lin Wenjing had yet to grow into a mature man.

But Qing Shu said, "That's where you're wrong. He knows that I have his back, and he knows that nothing will happen to him as long as I'm watching. At the same time, he is trying to force me to appear before him. I have to admit, I have really underestimated this child of my aunt's!"

Master Grim was rather surprised when he heard that and he only regained his senses after a while. So this was all part of Lin Wenjing's plan!

"The Young Master, he... has grown to be rather good at scheming..." Mater Grim couldn't help but sigh.

Qing Shu said in reply, "This is a good sign. Only a cautious and steady person will be able to survive in this world where the sword can be drawn to your neck in an instant. It seems like it won't be too long before we meet each other..."

Following that, Qing Shu shut her eyes and didn't say anything more.

Meanwhile, Lin Wenjing had just averted his gaze from the black BMW750. Although he wasn't able to detect the presence of Qing Shu, it didn't mean that he was unable to detect Master Grim's presence. It was such a shame that he was simply a step too late, and he hadn't gotten the chance to see Qing Shu's face.



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The matter of Lin Wenjing defeating Gu Hanxing in battle wasn't considered to be a big deal to the businessmen, but when word travelled to the circles of martial arts practitioners, it managed to stir up quite a bit of a shock. All of a sudden, the name 'Lin Wenjing' had become known to many skilled martial arts practitioners.

There was a saying that went, 'different trades, world aparts', and this applied to circles as well. Following the development of society, every industry would become a circle. For example, the real estate industry would be a circle, the food industry would be a circle, and the technology industry would be another circle. However, these different circles had one thing in common—they were all operated by regular people.

But things were different within the martial arts circle, for there were only two categories of people. One consisted of regular people, while the other consisted of martial arts practitioners. For a while, regular people had been paying attention to Lin Wenjing, but now, he had attracted the attention of the martial arts practitioners.

Especially after reaching the Pinnacle Realm, even those skilled experts of the Heavenly Realm could no longer be categorized as regular people in a way.

To them, their purpose wasn't to chase after wealth or material things anymore, but to test out the limits of the human body, and to ascend the pyramid of human civilization.

A large portion of people were of the understanding that whoever practiced martial arts were those with explosive tempers and were not people who could be reasoned with, and some even thought of them as barbarians. However, the truth wasn't like that at all. Once they reached a certain level, they would endlessly pursue knowledge to increase their wisdom and their spirituality. That was the reason why many bigshots were actually martial arts practitioners behind the scenes. It was just that the common folk were not aware.

For example, Lin Wenjing had been training ever since he was young, and his mind had already developed at a much faster pace compared to the common folk. Right now, he had already ascended to the Heavenly Realm, thus he had grown even more terrifying. In scientific and concrete terms, it meant that after he ascended into the Heavenly Realm, his brain would continuously secrete hormones that would make him go through a second puberty of sorts and enhance his various traits.

That was also the reason why Ouyang Feng had behaved humbly and tried to win over him, for he knew just how powerful the Heavenly Realm was. As long as Lin Wenjing didn't die halfway through it, he would only keep advancing and progressing.

One by one, even those who were cultivating and training in remote and mysterious places knew about this matter and Lin Wenjing's name.

For example, in an old and deep mysterious forest

in the country, there was a large waterfall. Underneath the waterfall was a large piece of rock, and a man was sitting upon it as he beared the intense splashing of water from above. The waterfall was several hundred metres tall and the pressure from the water was by no means light. If that person was an ordinary person, they would have been crushed by the sheer pressure of the water.

However, to that person sitting there, he could bear the intense force and come out unscathed. He held onto those words and used them to further his own cultivation.

Suddenly, he opened his eyes and looked at the white dove that was flying in the sky. He leapt from the rock effortlessly and landed on the ground a few seconds later with the white dove in his hand. He opened the little letter that was tied on the leg of the bird and read its contents. "A man who is less than thirty years old has ascended to the Heavenly Realm. He is quite extraordinary, and he has defeated Gu Hanxing with just a punch. Hmm, how interesting..."

At the same time, in many different locations, the same thing was occuring. All those martial arts experts who were cultivating in private were all made known of the existence of Lin Wenjing, and they began to set their sights on Lin Wenjing.

However, Lin Wenjing wasn't aware of such things.

Tao Sanniang found a window of opportunity and came over to talk to him. "Young Master Lin, after

the battle that happened today, many people will surely set their sights on you."

"Is that so? That's not too bad either," Lin Wenjing said with a smile on his face.

Tao Sanniang looked slightly concerned as she said, "You don't seem to be even the slightest bit worried. You've exposed yourself and people will be targeting you."

Lin Wenjing asked in reply, "Why should I be worried? It's not like I offended them."

At that, Tao Sanniang did not have anything else to say and could only look at Lin Wenjing for a good few seconds. After that, she broke into a charming and sweet smile as she said, "Lin Wenjing, you truly are a very interesting individual, and my interest in you has certainly grown. Next month, the Reaping Tournament will be held in Feng City, so you should come and participate in it too."

"The Reaping Tournament?" Lin Wenjing felt a little curious about that. Was there always this sort of event in Feng City?

"That's right, the Reaping Tournament. It is a very meaningful event indeed. You'll understand once you get there, and I'll also send you an invitation when the time is near." Tao Sanniang fluttered her eyelids as she spoke, and there was a glimmer in her eyes. It seemed as though she could already picture him looking impressive at the tournament.

With a wave of his hand, Lin Wenjing said, "I'll

consider it."

At this point in time, Guo Lingfeng walked over and caught sight of how Tao Sanniang and Lin Wenjing were chatting with each other, and she felt incredibly annoyed because she was jealous.

"Wenjing, there you are! I was looking everywhere for you," said Guo Lingfeng in an unhappy tone. She then very naturally wrapped her arms around his arm and painted a very intimate picture by doing so.

Lin Wenjing only coughed a couple of times and said, "Weren't you supposed to return home with your father?"

Guo Lingfeng said, "I've stayed to accompany you."

Right after that, she turned to look at Tao Sanniang and said with some hostility, "Wenjing, you haven't even given me an introduction. Who might this pretty older sister be?"

"Older sister?" Lin Wenjing was taken aback when he heard that. Tao Sanniang was just a few years older than Guo Lingfeng, so it certainly didn't warrant the usage of the word 'older sister'.

When Tao Sanniang heard her words, the corners of her mouth twitched as she huffed angrily, "Who are you calling older sister?!"

"You, of course. Isn't it obvious?" Guo Lingfeng feigned surprise, but she couldn't hide the smugness on her face.

Tao Sanniang felt rather annoyed, but she immediately thought of something and resumed smiling brightly as she batted her eyelashes at Lin Wenjing. She wore a coquettish facial expression on her face as she spoke, "Wenjing, so you'll come right? I'll be picking you up then, so treat this as our little secret. Don't tell anyone about it. Bye!"

After she said that, she took her leave, behaving like a sly vixen.

At that, Guo Lingfeng immediately grew annoyed and chased after Tao Sanniang, calling her a sly vixen!

Lin Wenjing thought helplessly, You don't really have the right to call other people that.

"What secrets do you two have that you can't talk about?" Guo Lingfeng asked in an angry manner.

Lin Wenjing said, "There's no secret. She just said that to make you angry."

"Really?" Guo Lingfeng obviously didn't buy it.

Lin Wenjing then huffed at her. "Of course it's real. You should know that with that smart brain of yours, I will never be able to lie to you and get away with it."

Guo Lingfeng said smugly, "But of course."

Meanwhile, on Gu Hanxing's end, he had already returned to Bei Tian Society. He had just caught sight of Gu Ze and he immediately burst into tears and cried out, "Father! You must help me take revenge!"

When Gu Ze noticed that his son was in a bad mental state and had also suffered pretty serious injuries, he felt a little shocked and worried. He hurriedly walked over to his son and said in a deep voice, "What happened? Even though you have not reached the Heavenly Realm, it's impossible for people to actually hurt you this bad."

Gu Hanxing looked listless after being struck with such a blow, and he was already very weak and tired to begin with. Once he saw Gu Ze, all of his grief and desolation surged up and he wailed out, "Who else could it be but Lin Wenjing?! He has even smashed my foundation of martial arts! Father, I will never be able to ascend to the Heavenly Realm in this lifetime of mine."

"What?!" Gu Ze was stunned and immediately dashed toward his son for a closer look. He lifted up his shirt and there was indeed a black-colored spot on Gu Hanxing's dantian. That was an indicator that his foundation of martial arts had been broken, and that he would never be able to ascend to the Heavenly Realm in this life.

Gu Ze almost fainted and intense sorrow and anger welled up in his heart. He cried out furiously, "Lin Wenjing! How dare you destroy my sons's foundation? I swear that I will find you and obliterate you!"

At first, Gu Ze indeed did not take Lin Wenjing seriously. In his opinion, Lin Wenjing was just a spoiled brat. No matter how remarkable his skills were, he was just an ordinary man in the Pinnacle Realm. In comparison with an experienced fighter in the Heavenly Realm like him, Lin Wenjing was just a nobody who was slightly stronger than the rest.

He was also not too bothered by the fact that Lin Wenjing had bought the grade-S Soul Cleansing Pill from the auction held by Grand Skylight Pavilion. Of course, a grade-S Soul Cleansing Pill was very rare and precious, and it was much more expensive than a grade-A Soul Cleansing Pill. However, the tolerance level of someone who consumed the grade-S Soul Cleansing Pill had to be high enough to withstand its vigorous effects in order to break through to the Heavenly Realm.

More than ten years ago, he too had consumed a grade-S Soul Cleansing Pill. Therefore, he knew how torturous and agonizing the whole process was. The extent of pain was simply beyond a human's tolerance level.

It was impossible he could survive the whole process on his own. One needed to be protected by a highly-skilled fighter in at least the mid-tier of the Heavenly Realm in order to survive the process and make the breakthrough in the end.

Obviously, Lin Wenjing did not have such protection by a highly-skilled fighter, so how could he make the breakthrough to the Heavenly Realm?

Therefore, he was not intimidated by Lin Wenjing at all and allowed Gu Hanxing to fight him as he thought Lin Wenjing would be a good sparring partner for him.

He never anticipated that Lin Wenjing would have already made the breakthrough to the Heavenly Realm and managed to defeat Gu Hanxing with just a punch. On top of that, he had destroyed the foundation of his martial arts and it was no longer possible for him to reach the Heavenly Realm.

As this was akin to ruining Gu Hanxing's whole life, a deadly feud formed immediately between the two parties.

At the sight of Gu Hanxing wailing miserably as he held his thigh, Gu Ze got even more furious. "Son, cry no more. I will fight him myself and seek revenge on your behalf. I will wrench his head off to make a urine chamber for you!"

Gu Ze exuded a cold and intimidating aura and it was as though the air around him had gone frozen. Everyone at the scene found their breathing become more laborious.

"Dad, how are you going to seek revenge? In my opinion, Lin Wenjing has already achieved the Heavenly Realm and the extent of his skills is unpredictable. It's risky for you to fight him personally," said Gu Hanxing worriedly. He was still traumatized when he thought about the moment Lin Wenjing's punch landed on him. No matter how hard he tried, he could not figure out how Lin Wenjing became such a strong fighter. Was he still

a human?

Gu Ze narrowed his eyes as he spoke in a frigid tone, "The best way to ruin a person's life is to start messing with the people around him. It would be too easy on him to just kill him. I want Lin Wenjing to go through the misery of witnessing his family die one by one without being able to do anything to help."

After listening to him, Gu Hanxing immediately clapped his hands and acknowledged the idea excitedly. "Exactly! I want him to experience the pain of losing his family! Damn it, I would kidnap his wife first, r*pe her, then record it and send the video to him. I want him to have a taste of being betrayed! Thereafter, I would start killing the people around him one by one. After making his life completely miserable, I would then take his life. Only then would my anger be appeased!"

Right now, Gu Hanxing's entire face was distorted and hideous as his eyes were filled with animosity and brutality.

Gu Ze nodded in agreement. "Great! Let's bring Lin Wenjing's woman over here first!"

As the vice master of Bei Tian Society, many would have thought that Gu Ze was a decent and honest man with an impeccable background. Yet, the truth was the exact opposite. Gu Ze was unscrupulous and ruthless in his means to achieve his ends. In terms of the extent of cruelty, his son was nothing compared to himself. He could slowly ascend to his current position as the

vice master of Bei Tian Society from a nobody all because he was unscrupulous and ruthless.

Anyone who had a slight understanding of his character would be hesitant to fight him unless one was 100% sure one would be able to prevail.

Yet, who could be 100% sure they would be able to prevail over a man like Gu Ze, who was both powerful and rich and at the same time, a formidable fighter in the Heavenly Realm? Therefore, ordinary people would be hesitant to offend him.

For many years, he had not been instigated by someone in this way. Therefore, Lin Wenjing had to die!

He had made up his mind. After placating his son, Gu Hanxing, he planned to make his way to Hua City immediately to kidnap Chu Ling.

However, when he was halfway there, a woman in red suddenly appeared in front of him and blocked his way.

He could not help but be impressed by the woman.

It was because the woman in red was extremely gorgeous. It was as though her facial features were carefully carved out by God as they were flawless. Each and every part of her was perfect, especially her aura.

The woman was giving out an aura just like a fairy

from heaven. She looked like she was not bothered by worldly affairs and was about to traverse in the sky following the wind.

At the moment, some of Gu Ze's subordinates already found themselves unable to look away from the woman. They thought they had really sighted a fairy.

Other than Qing Shu, who else could the woman in red be?

Soon, Gu Ze came to his senses as he asked with a frown, "May I know who you are and why are you blocking my way?"

As a highly-skilled fighter in the Heavenly Realm, Gu Ze had not detected Qing Shu's aura in advance. Even though she was standing right in front of him now, he still could not get a clear idea of her skills. That meant that the woman in red in front of him was an unusual character.

Staring at Gu Ze, Qing Shu spoke indifferently, "Gu Ze, at any rate, you're a formidable fighter in the Heavenly Realm. Don't you think it embarrassing to fight with a lady?"

When Gu Ze heard her, his expression changed immediately as his face turned fierce. His aura too had experienced a drastic change.

"Who the heck are you?!" Right now, Gu Ze looked exceptionally terrifying and intimidating. Any fighter in the Pinnacle Realm would be deeply shaken by his glare, and their organs would

rupture and they would become weak.

However, it did not work the least bit on Qing Shu. She said, "You may seek revenge for your son, and I won't stop you. However, I will never allow you to attack Lin Wenjing's family who are innocent."

Gu Ze let out a hearty laugh as he said, "It turns out you're actually someone from Lin Wenjing's side! You're just a little girl over twenty years old, and I'm surprised that you're actually bold enough to threaten me in the area under the control of Bei Tian Society. Are you trying to get yourself killed?"

Unruffled, Qing Shu continued, "I'm not threatening you. Instead, I'm ordering you to do as I wish. Otherwise, don't blame me for being cruel."

"Hahahaha..." Once again, Gu Ze let out a hearty laugh. At that moment, he gave out a domineering aura just like an emperor of a dynasty who had just been offended by a roadside hawker. "Throughout my life, I have always been domineering and cruel, and no one has ever had the guts to threaten me! I can't believe that you, this little girl, are actually bold enough to threaten me. I suppose you are rather closely-related to Lin Wenjing. Since you're already here, don't leave just yet and stay!"

Right after he said that, he executed his attacks. In the eyes of a layman, his legs had not even moved but his body had already appeared in front of Qing Shu. He made an exceptionally powerful punch in the air and a scary hissing noise ensued as though the air particles were crushed by him. Facing his punch, Qing Shu did not even blink her eyes. She too made a punch in the air gracefully as though she had not exerted any strength at all. Her punch crashed into Gu Ze's in the middle of the air.

There was no substantial stir as expected. Gu Ze took several steps back and the ceramic tiles beneath him cracked under his weight.

Spurt! Blood spurted out from his mouth as he could not even deal with a punch from Qing Shu.

At the same time, his face was filled with shock as though he had just seen a ghost.



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