Chapter 1001 Refusing to Grow Fruit

Although there were quite a lot of spiritual plants here, they all had various problems.

Perhaps the small growing range, combined with the density of the spiritual plants, meant that every plant was reluctant to grow to the last step.

The night cereus flower was not willing to bloom, the bone lotus flower was not willing to bloom, and the green crystal bamboo was not willing to bear fruit.

The fruit of the green crystal bamboo was edible and tasted better than the best fruit on the market.

Xia Xibei had tried the fruit of the green crystal bamboo before, and it tasted very good.

Moreover, these fruits could improve one's spiritual power, although the effect was not very obvious. After all, they were only primary-level spiritual plants.

Still, in this world, the effect was enough. A little boost of spiritual power could crush 90% of ordinary people.

Too bad the green crystal bamboo had no fruit right now.

Qi Zhilan touched the smooth bamboo skin and felt a little worried.

He also knew that the fruit of green crystal bamboo could improve spiritual power.

He had eaten such fruit when he was a child. It was because he ate this fruit that his spiritual power was stronger than others and he was able to be in such a position now.

Of course, this kind of fruit should not be eaten indiscriminately.

If one's spiritual power was not strong enough, eating the fruit would not improve one's spiritual power. Rather, it would actually backfire, causing serious consequences.

The most serious was dementia.

Therefore, the green crystal bamboo fruit was a very demanding fruit, and not something simply anyone could eat.

Qi Zhi'an spent many years planting this green crystal bamboo bush and waiting for it to bear fruit, then hopefully giving the fruit to his daughter to eat.

His daughter was already 18-years-old and had previously shown the strength of belonging to the Qi family.

Although the pattern appeared on her chest, such strength was already very good.

There was no one with a pattern on an obvious part of their body among the two generations of their family.

His daughter had great potential, and if she ate the fruit, she would be even more powerful.

That was why he made an effort to grow green crystal bamboo.

It was a pity that while the green crystal bamboo grew very well, it just wouldn't bear fruit!

The green crystal bamboo that didn't bear fruit could only be used as ordinary bamboo!

Maybe if it were given to pandas, it would be treated differently.

Undeterred, Qi Zhilan searched for ways to get the bamboo to grow fruit, but the results were all disappointing. Now he had taken Xia Xibei here, and he wanted to try again.

He did not know where Xia Xibei got the ability, but since she could make the night cereus flower and the bone lotus flower bloom, she should be able to make the green crystal bamboo bear fruit... Right?!

Sure enough, Xia Xibei's brows furrowed when she arrived.

"Why did you plant them all together?" Xia Xibei asked, looking at Qi Zhilan.

"They just grew together!" Qi Zhi'an remembered his previous communication with the green crystal bamboo. The green crystal bamboo liked the feeling of growing together in a group. "If they don't have space, they won't bear fruit!"

Xia Xibei's words were like a bolt from the blue, almost knocking Qi Zhilan unconscious.

"What?!"

Xia Xibei looked at him sympathetically.

She knew that Qi Zhi'an was testing her, but she didn't mind being tested.

Sometimes, showing off one's strength could actually scare people.

However, Qi Zhilan gave her a good feeling, so that was why she confessed this.

Qi Zhi'an was definitely planting the green crystal bamboo for the fruit, but now he was suffering because of it!

Qi Zhi'an's previously mild-looking face was twitching, but he still didn't give up as he asked, "They can't be... Grown together?

Chapter 1002 Separate to Bear Fruit

Xia Xibei looked at him with pity, "If they are all gathered together, where is the space to bear fruits?"

The green crystal bamboo liked to gather together, feeling more secure, but when they felt safe enough, they didn't want to bear fruit.

When she saw this cluster of green crystal bamboo, Xia Xibei immediately knew the problem.

Undeterred, Qi Zhi'an ran his hand over the green crystal bamboo's surface and felt a rush of frantic and shocking emotions.

Don't separate! Don't bear fruit!

No separation! No fruit!

No, no, no!

Qi Zhi'an was almost dizzy from their cries and hurriedly withdrew his spiritual power without noticing that he had missed a sentence.

I don't like this sister anymore! She's too much!

He looked at Xia Xibei, the corners of his mouth pulled into a stiff smile.

"So... How do you want to separate them?"

He had originally planted these green crystal bamboo for the fruit.

Come to think of it, the fruit he ate back then did seem to be plucked from an independent green crystal bamboo.

He had never thought about it! That was why he had wasted so much time!

If he could give the fruit to his daughter to eat before she reached adulthood, she would have more strength when she became enlightened and have more room for progress afterward.

Of course, it was alright if she ate it after she reached adulthood. It was just that there was less room for progress.

If he had known this was the case, he would have planted them separately! Since childhood, his impression was that the green crystal bamboo grew together.

Who would have thought that they would have to be separated in order to bear fruit?! This was too ridiculous!

No wonder they pretended to be deaf and dumb when he asked them before?!

They were too much!

"It's easy, just separate them." Xia Xibei looked around. "Keep a distance of more than one meter in between."

"Just like that?"

"If you want them to bear fruit better, you also have to plant other bamboos around them."

The green crystal bamboo were amazing spiritual plants, and they liked the feeling of being surrounded. That was why they generally grew in groups.

If they were completely separated, they would be rebellious and the fruit they produced would not be of very good quality.

It was best to plant ordinary bamboo around them, to make sure they were surrounded.

However, the green crystal bamboo should not be allowed to gather in a group. Xia Xibei's explanation made the corners of Qi Zhi'an's mouth twitch. How was this a thing?!

The Qi family had raised plants for so many years, but it was the first time he heard such an explanation!

However, they had been raising spiritual plants for many years. Generations later, they did find that some spiritual plants were very arrogant.

If they didn't understand the plant's preferences, the plant was not willing to cooperate.

Even if there were spirit stones nearby, if they did not meet the plant's requirements, the plant would not bloom, grow, or bear fruit.

So, the green crystal bamboo didn't seem too odd.

Thinking about the bone lotus flower that had to drink sugar water, the green crystal bamboo's situation seemed to be okay.

"I'll take care of it now."

Qi Zhi'an wiped his face and began to deal with the green crystal bamboo.

He found a small shovel from the side and started digging up the green crystal bamboo.

When he accidentally touched a green crystal bamboo, he almost got drowned out by the plant's crazy whining.

He could only hurry to collect his spiritual power, not letting them pressure him.

"Is this... Should we help?" Huo Zijun asked in a small voice.

Xia Xibei, however, shook her head and stood aside hugging her chest.

"No, let's just wait here."

Huo Zijun hesitated for a moment, but followed suit.

Chapter 1003 I Want Sister

While Qi Zhi'an was working on the green crystal bamboo, the staff sent up several buckets of water.

A cubic meter of water took several large buckets, and the water had to be boiled, so it took some time.

Together with the water and sugar, there was also a large water vat. She didn't know where they found something so vintage, but she had to say, they were very good at it. To be able to handle so much stuff in half an hour was really something!

Qi Zhi'an continued to work on the green crystal bamboo, and the staff watched and stood by quietly, not daring to speak. They all knew that the things here were handled by Qi Zhi'an single-handedly, and if

he didn't give the word, no one would dare to touch a single blade of grass or plant. They even had to be careful when they came in, for fear of stepping on the grass on the side of the road.

Fortunately, the concrete road here was quite spacious, so they didn't have to worry about touching something they shouldn't. "Let's put the water vat here." Xia Xibei looked at it and pointed to an empty space.

The staff looked at each other, then at Qi Zhi'an.

This lady was likely a guest of the Huo family, but was it appropriate for her to be giving orders here?

Qi Zhi'an didn't look up or pay attention to their gazes. He just said, "Just do as she says!"

"Yes!" they hurriedly nodded.

They quickly carried the water vat in, put it down, and poured in buckets of water.

"Pour the sugar down too, and stir it."

"Okay!"

Fortunately, they had also prepared a clean stick when they came, which could be used for stirring After stirring for a while and watching the sugar melt, Xia Xibei nodded in satisfaction, "That's fine, thanks." "You're welcome, you're welcome!"

The crowd was flattered.

Although they didn't know why Qi Zhi'an would ask them to listen to her, her status and theirs was definitely not on the same level, and they wouldn't dare to accept her thanks.

"Well, you guys can go back now," Xia Xibei said.

Everyone looked at Qi Zhi'an, hesitating for a moment before nodding and leaving.

However, they were curious. What was this big water vat used for? Was the water inside for drinking?

That was a cubic meter of water!

They had to put in a lot of effort to boil the water! Almost all the utensils were used!

After all, they didn't have giant pots here, so they could only boil in separate pots.

The water was done, and Qi Zhilan had also divided the green crystal bamboo. He was just waiting for the ordinary bamboo to be transplanted and surround the green crystal bamboo afterward.

"What's next?" Qi Zhilan looked at Xia Xibei. Unknowingly, he had begun to obey Xia Xibei's words.

If others saw it, they would definitely doubt their eyes!

"Put it in," Xia Xibei lifted her chin.

"Okay."

Qi Zhi'an stepped forward and carefully moved his hand, but the next moment, he froze.

The words rushed in his mind- Not you! I want Sister!

This emotion was too exciting and active, so he had no protection against it. He almost felt dizzy.

When he shook his head to regain his senses, he was neither able to cry or laugh. He carefully touched the bone lotus flower's bud and heard its excitement once again. Sister! Little sister!

He smiled bitterly and looked back to Xia Xibei, "Can I trouble you for a moment?"

He felt that if he didn't let Xia Xibei come over, the bone lotus flower would flip out on him!

He could not help but curse to himself.

What the hell was this?!

Chapter 1004 Let Her Do It

Qi Zhi'an's proposal startled both Huo Zijun and the old man.

Did they hear it right?

This was Qi Zhi'an's garden! He had built it with his own hands! Who dared to touch it?!

Even the patients of the rehab center, all of whom were not ordinary people, would at most visit the place, and absolutely could not touch anything here.

Now Qi Zhi'an actually let Xia Xibei do it?

Wasn't he afraid that Xia Xibei would mess it up?

Seeing how he treated this plant, it must be very important to him.

He dared to let go of such an important thing?

However, thinking back to what just happened, they fell silent again.

Although they were a bit distant from the two of them just now and not clear about their every word and action, they were not blind and could see the change in Qi Zhilan before and after he talked to Xia Xibei.

At the very least, they knew that Qi Zhilan would go digging for bamboo because of Xia Xibei's words!

So, it shouldn't be that incredible that he also let Xia Xibei handle the plant...

"Let me do it?" Xia Xibei raised her eyebrows.

"Right!" Qi Zhi'an nodded his head and looked at her beseechingly, afraid that she would refuse.

Here, none of the mighty dominance of the Qi family could be seen.

Elder Huo and Huo Zijun glanced at each other, then fell silent, heartily shocked.

Xia Xibei did not refuse and just went up to it.

"Okay, I'll do it."

Qi Zhi'an found that the bone lotus flower became hyperactive as soon as Xia Xibei agreed.

The wave after wave of excitement nearly made him dizzy.

He was also alarmed.

In all his years of growing spiritual plants, it was the first time he had felt such straightforward and intense emotions from them.

Whether it was the green crystal bamboo's resistance or the bone lotus flower's excitement, it was the first time.

It should be said that even the most powerful imperial planters in their family had never experienced such a thing.

Who was this Little Xia?

Qi Zhi'an had all kinds of doubts but he still stood up, handed the small shovel in his hand to Xia Xibei, and moved out of the way.

Xia Xibei took the small shovel and squatted down, ready to work.

Qi Zhi'an, who was watching her closely, noticed that she suddenly paused, then smiled and touched the bone lotus flower's little bud.

He didn't know if it was a hallucination, but the little buds were drooping down as if they were shy.

Hmm? Qi Zhi'an blinked in shock, and his heart shook dramatically.

It seemed that... Just now, Xia Xibei did not touch the bone lotus flower at first, but laughed before touching it.

What...

Qi Zhi'an was a bit confused.

With their strength, they had to touch the spiritual plants to sense their emotions, and the plants did not always respond.

Xia Xibei didn't even have to touch the plants?

Which genius family was she from?

Was there any ancient martial arts family with the surname Xia?

The strong collision of emotions in Qi Zhilan put him in a bit of a trance.

Xia Xibei's movements were steady, and after she touched the little bud, she began to dig the soil.

Even amateurs like Huo Zijun and Elder Huo could see that she was very skilled at what she was doing. She seemed to know where the rhizomes were and moved gently and quickly, without hurting a single spot.

She quickly dug up the bone lotus flower with a little dirt on it.

Listening to the little bone lotus flower humming and pouting in her head, Xia Xibei gently knocked its little bud, then held it, found the faucet, turned it on, and began to clean off its dirt with a gentle jet of water.

With a smile on her face, she washed the dirt away and put the little bone lotus flower into the water vat.

Qi Zhi'an rubbed his eyes. He seemed to see the leaves of the little bone lotus flower "hugging" Xia Xibei. Was he seeing things?

Chapter 1005 Blossoming

Qi Zhi'an blinked, feeling like he had blurred vision!

Absolutely bleary-eyed!

Spiritual plants were not the same as ordinary plants. Besides having very magical effects, some spiritual plants could also move! However, it was very difficult for a spiritual plant to move, and it took a lot of power.

Therefore, spiritual plants generally did not move randomly.

Now the bone lotus flower was "embracing" Xia Xibei?

Definitely a mistake!

Xia Xibei, with a smile on her face, put the bone lotus flower into the water tank.

As the rhizome entered the water, the bone lotus let out a soothing sigh that reached her mind.

Xia Xibei's smile deepened.

Although spiritual plants did not usually move, they were the same as animals and had their own spiritual intelligence.

Certain spiritual plants were used for their roots and stems. The vast majority of them had their seeds, fruits, leaves, petals, or skins used for medicine, so they did not die.

So, Xia Xibei had a good relationship with spiritual plants.

When the bone lotus entered the water, the original leaves also drooped and began to absorb the sugar in the water like crazy.

Xia Xibei could feel it rejoicing while absorbing.

The others also came over and watched as the bone lotus flower began to open from its previous budding state.

The speed of this flowering was visible to the naked eye, almost as if it had been put on fast forward!

Qi Zhi'an's eyes widened, this scene really shocking him!

Although the green crystal bamboo was separated, it hadn't been planted with other bamboos yet, so it hadn't been able to bear fruit yet.

However, the change in the bone lotus flower was immediate!

This speed was just terrifying, and it spoke volumes about Xia Xibei's attainment in spiritual planting!

Qi Zhi'an had always felt that other than a few elders in the family, there was no one else who had such a skill. Even people from other ancient martial arts families would not have such a skill.

Unexpectedly, he saw such a terrifying performance from a young woman today!

Where the hell did this girl come from? This skill was unbelievable!

Qi Zhi'an was confident in his own strength, but in front of the "intuitive" Xia Xibei, he felt he couldn't bring himself to compete.

This girl had been practicing since she was in the womb, right?

Thinking of this, he couldn't help but think of his own daughter.

She had been cultivated since she was in her mother's womb, but after birth, she just had a mediocre performance.

Fortunately, in adulthood, her potential also showed up.

Originally, he thought that his daughter's strength was good enough, but in front of Xia Xibei, he felt like she couldn't measure up at

all!

Qi Zhi'an was overwhelmed with emotions as he watched the bone lotus flower bloom.

Elder Huo and Huo Zijun's reaction was similar.

It was the first time they had seen such a rapid flowering process!

Moreover, when the bone lotus flower bloomed, it was super beautiful!

In the process of blooming, the original pink color quickly gathered at the middle stamen.

The originally white pistil quickly turned pink, while the pink petals turned a transparent color, as if all the colors were pumped to the pistil.

It was simply amazing!

Even if one looked at the magical world, one had never seen such a scene!

All of this was brought about by Xia Xibei!

The place was silent except for Xia Xibei, who watched the bone lotus flower bloom with a smile, as if she were a kind, old mother.

Only after the flowers had fully bloomed did Qi Zhi'an come back to his senses.

He looked at Xia Xibei with a complicated expression, "Thank you!"

"You're welcome," Xia Xibei laughed.

Qi Zhilan turned to try and pick the pistil.

The next moment, everyone was stunned!

Chapter 1006 This Is Discrimination

The pistils could be removed within a quarter of an hour, or 15 minutes, of the bone lotus flower blooming.

If one delayed it too much, it would be very easy to be late.

By that time, the pistils would not be available.

Qi Zhi'an reached out and tried to take the pistils off, but just as his finger touched the stamen of the bone lotus flower, the originally transparent petals snapped shut! It closed up! Wrapped his finger in it!

There was a moment of consternation.

The old man and Huo Zijun were both stunned.

This flower could close at will?! What kind of strange plant was it?!

Everything from its flowering to closing just now showed that it was definitely not an ordinary plant.

There were so many plants in this world that the existence of this plant was not strange.

However, it was shocking that the open flower could close, and so fast too.

Was this a mimosa?

Qi Zhi'an's expression was interesting. He kept the same pose as before, with an embarrassed face.

After a while, he pulled his finger out.

Then, he looked at Xia Xibei.

The old man and Huo Zijun also followed and looked over.

Xia Xibei pointed to herself, "Shall I do it?"

Qi Zhi'an looked very conflicted.

"Yes."

His mind was still lingering on the excitement from the bone lotus flower just now.

Let Sister do it!

Qi Zhi'an didn't know what expression he should use to face Xia Xibei. Ever since she appeared, these spiritual plants were not treating him well.

This was simply terrible!

What kind of magic power did Xia Xibei have in her? What magic power did Xia Xibei have that made these plants so crazy?

Before, those plants were very arrogant, but the performance of the bone lotus flower today completely changed his impression!

Looking at the reaction of the bone lotus flower just now, Xia Xibei was a little embarrassed. She also did not expect that it would be so capricious. "Um... Let me do it then."

Qi Zhilan nodded and moved out of the way.

Elder Huo and Huo Zijun looked at each other, their moods very complicated.

This plant could even pick people!

This was too incredible!

They really had an eye-opening experience today!

Even Huo Zijun was shocked.

Although he knew that Xia Xibei was different from normal people and had magical abilities, he was dumbfounded when he saw it close-up with his own eyes today.

This was too exaggerated!

The old man looked at Xia Xibei with a complicated gaze, then looked back at Huo Zijun with a little frustration and dislike.

When he met his grandfather's eyes, Huo Zijun was confused.

Xia Xibei ignored their reactions and walked to the side of the water vat, then reached out to touch the bone lotus flower.

The transparent petals wrapped around the pink stamens; they looked as delicate as a work of art, enchanting people.

When Xia Xibei's hand was about to reach it, the bone lotus flower snapped open again!

This scene made the other three people's expressions very wonderful.

Qi Zhilan was even more helpless.

This was blatant discrimination!

These days, even spiritual plants could discriminate?

If other people in the family knew about this, they would definitely suspect that he was lying.

Xia Xibei smiled as she gently bent her fingers and tapped the stem of the bone lotus flower, which shook a little, as if it was pouting.

Although its swaying was not dramatic, everyone was silent.

It was too much!

Xia Xibei reached out to pick the pistils, quickly removing them.

Then, as if the petals lost their vitality instantly, they fell down and landed in the water.

Xia Xibei handed the pistils to Qi Zhi'an and asked, "Do you want the petals?" Qi Zhi'an hesitated for a moment.

"Do you want them?"

Chapter 1007 What Is the Effect

Qi Zhi'an looked at Xia Xibei in disbelief, "What do you need it for?" "To hurt people."

Xia Xibei was frank.

"To hurt people?" Qi Zhilan was even more confused. "How?"

Xia Xibei was surprised, "Don't you know what it's for?"

Qi Zhi'an shook his head, a little hesitant.

"I know a little."

They only knew that the pistils of the bone lotus could be used to treat bone injuries, but the petals?

There were not many samples of these plants, so they were not able to learn the use of these materials in depth.

It was not easy to know that the bone lotus could be used to treat bone injuries.

Over the years, the environment was getting harsher and harsher, and there were fewer and fewer spiritual plants.

Spiritual plants were so rare that they did not dare to mess around.

Without enough materials, who could research all their uses?

"Do you know how to use this?"

Qi Zhi'an looked at Xia Xibei again, his eyes glowing

"Hmm..."

Xia Xibei hesitated for a moment before nodding her head.

She was going to say she didn't know, but that wasn't convincing!

Moreover, she had already exposed a great deal, so she was not afraid to continue to expose more information.

"Then what exactly does it do?"

Qi Zhi'an's eyes brightened even more.

"The opposite of the pistils."

These words made Qi Zhi'an draw in a breath, "Indeed!"

In fact, they had speculated before that some of the petals seemed to be counter-effective.

However, they hadn't done experiments, so naturally they couldn't be sure of these effects.

Although they were able to communicate with the spiritual plants, not every spiritual plant was willing to talk to them.

Besides, it was very tiring to use spiritual power to communicate with spiritual plants!

Now, Xia Xibei said such words and managed to let him know what the petals did!

He learned so much!

Qi Zhi'an fished the petals up.

The transparent petals looked like thin crystals, clear and beautiful, and they smelled fresh and invigorating If Xia Xibei hadn't said it, he wouldn't have believed that these petals could be so useful!

If they were rashly used to treat bone injuries, it would be an injury on top of an injury!

Qi Zhilan handed over half of the flower petals, "Here."

"Thank you," Xia Xibei nonchalantly took it.

This was her payment, no need to be polite at

all.

"Well..." Qi Zhi'an stumbled for a moment, but held back his blush and asked, "What should we do next?"

After flowering and fruiting, the spiritual plants would grow again.

As long as the environment was right, they were able to keep on growing.

However, who wouldn't want them to grow a little faster?

He was just a little ashamed.

His own skills were not used here at all.

"Pick it up and put it in the soil. Oh, and add more sugar water."

Xia Xibei got the flower petals and didn't mind saying something.

Anyway, so much has been said, it was okay to say a little more. "Sugar water?" Qi Zhi'an repeated.

"Yes," Xia Xibei nodded, "Give it a liter of sugar water every day. For sugar, half a catty is enough."

"OK!"

Qi Zhi'an wanted to use a notebook to write down these words.

"Thank you!" he said seriously to Xia Xibei.

"You're welcome." Xia Xibei held up the flower petals in her hand and said, "You've paid me a lot too."

"I still want to thank you!" Qi Zhilan said seriously.

If it weren't for Xia Xibei, the bone lotus wouldn't know when to bloom!

Xia Xibei smiled and didn't say anything.

However, just as she was about to leave, Qi Zhilan couldn't help but call out to her again, "Do you know what to do with the fruit of the green crystal bamboo?"

Chapter 1008 Like to Eat Salty

Xia Xibei stopped and looked at him in surprise, 'The fruit of the green crystal bamboo?"

"Yes!" Qi Zhilan nodded. "How do we eat it to achieve the best results?"

In fact, he only asked casually.

Was there another way to eat the green crystal bamboo's fruit other than directly?

Anyway, he was grown up, and the family elders had lived for many years too, but they'd never tried other ways to eat those fruits.

Moreover, the effect would easily dissipate if the fruit was cut open.

He just didn't expect Xia Xibei to frown and think for a while.

"If you want to achieve the best effect, soak it in saltwater for an hour before eating it. Use a 10 to one ratio, I think."

"Saltwater?" Qi Zhilan stared wide-eyed, thinking he had heard wrong.

The bone lotus liked sweet and the green crystal bamboo liked salty?

What the- Were all these spiritual plants so individualistic?

Did some plants like spicy things? And some plants preferred aa bitter taste? Qi Zhi'an felt like he had opened the door to a new world!

Xia Xibei nodded, "Yes, saltwater. After soaking it in saltwater, freeze it for two hours, take it out and let it defrost, and then you can eat it."

The corners of Qi Zhi'an's mouth twitched.

These practices... It felt like they were cooking some kind of food!

First freeze and then melt! This tactic was simply divine!

"Is this... Really okay?" "The effect will be twice as good as just eating it straight."

Xia Xibei's statement made Qi Zhi'an draw a breath backward.

Twice as much? Was she kidding?

If it was double, then it was like eating two fruits!

Thinking about it made him feel a little excited.

He couldn't wait to do it right away. However, the fruit hadn't been born yet.

"Okay, I'll try it out!" Qi Zhi'an nodded seriously.

Xia Xibei's performance today had managed to showcase her unbelievable strength.

If not for her, things wouldn't have gone so smoothly.

Therefore, her words needed to be listened to.

"I wanted to ask, is your family..."

"We are not a dynasty of any kind," Xia Xibei shook her head. "Just an ordinary family."

Although the Xia family was affluent, it was much less powerful than a behemoth like the Qi family. "Okay."

Qi Zhi'an did not pursue the question.

Xia Xibei's ability was too rare!

If it was anyone else, they might have chosen to recruit Xia Xibei to their staff, or else they would have chosen to destroy her.

However, Qi Zhi'an was not this kind of person.

Xia Xibei had helped him, and her strength was unbelievable. Of course she should be treated well!

"Well, we have to go back. It's time to eat."

Xia Xibei touched her stomach, a little hungry.

Hearing her say that, Qi Zhi'an couldn't delay her.

Before she left, Xia Xibei went to the water vat, reached out and touched the bone lotus, which was already bare, with only its branches left, and channeled a little spiritual energy.

Soon, the bone lotus sent back a little spiritual energy, which was much purer than before.

Xia Xibei couldn't help but smile.

That was why she preferred to interact with plants and animals! They were so cute!

Qi Zhi'an watched Xia Xibei's movements, silent.

When they left, he called his assistant and asked them to prepare a big meal and send it to Elder Huo's courtyard.

Just after they returned to the courtyard, they stopped in their tracks.

Huo Zijun's face darkened, and his eyes glared deeply at

the father and son who appeared.

"Dad!"

"Grandpa!"

Seeing that the old man had returned, Huo Zhan and Huo Zifeng immediately greeted him, smiling brightly.

Chapter 1009 A Lucrative Deal

Huo Zhan and Huo Zifeng's sudden arrival really affected Huo Zijun's mood.

However, both of them pretended not to see his expression and walked up to them with a smile. "Dad, where did you guys go just now?"

"Grandpa, we've been waiting for you guys for a long time!"

If other people were here, they would definitely think that these two people were so nice to the old man.

It was just a pity that those who were here knew the truth, so naturally, they wouldn't be fooled by these reactions.

The old man looked at them with a deep gaze and asked in a low voice, "Why are you free to come over today?"

Usually, the old man was taken care of by the nursing staff. As for this father and son, they rarely had time to come over.

Even if they did, it was only a face-saving affair. They always came and went in a hurry, staying at most an hour.

When he saw the two of them, the old man was surprised.

Huo Zhan laughed, "I just got an amazing business deal, so I wanted to come over and share the good news!"

Huo Zijun's face became even grimmer.

The so-called business he mentioned... Was it Hongyan?

While they had been here the last few days, Hongyan had no change, and things were calm.

People did not know that Hongyan's inventory was almost gone. So, their previously scheduled opening of counters in other cities had to be postponed. If the raw materials were not available, how could they continue?

Some customers who bought products from the Hongyan counters found that some products were out of stock and it would take time for them to restock.

People didn't mind. They thought it was just hunger marketing.

Many companies used hunger marketing to tell consumers that their sales were too good, so their production speed couldn't keep up.

So, hurry up and buy it now!

This kind of marketing tactic was familiar to many people.

People didn't even think that Hongyan had internal problems.

Only Huo Zhan and the others knew that Hongyan was now facing difficulties. As long as they did not relent, Hongyan would not be able to solve their supply problem.

"Is that so?"

The old man didn't know about this matter, so naturally he didn't think too much about it, but he was a bit happy.

For a while now, Huo Zhan and his son had not done anything good and had not gained much businesswise.

Now that they were finally going in a good direction, the old man felt happy.

He was afraid that all the properties he had handed over to Huo Zhan would be lost.

"Of course!" Huo Zhan's smile was incomparably bright, and his face was blooming like a flower. "Don't worry, we will definitely work hard!" "That's good." The old man nodded gratefully, then with a turn of his head, he saw Huo Zijun's upset face. "Little Jun, what's wrong?"

Huo Zijun pulled the corner of his mouth and smiled stiffly, "Nothing."

"Little Jun, if there's anything, you can tell big uncle!" Huo Zhan patted Huo Zijun's shoulder with a smile. "Don't worry, big uncle will definitely help you!" Huo Zijun avoided his palm without a trace, "No, thank you."

"You're welcome!"

Huo Zifeng also came over, laughing and trying to pat him on the shoulder.

It was one of their pleasures to watch him be upset but not be able to retaliate!

However, Huo Zijun dodged harder this time, avoiding his hand and leaving it frozen in mid-air.

Huo Zifeng's smile froze.

The old man finally noticed the problem and his brows furrowed.

Chapter 1010 A Bit Strange

Huo Zifeng gave Huo Zijun a fierce glare, then laughed again.

It was fine. Anyway, they were the ones who won.

However, with a twinkle in his eye, he saw Xia Xibei on the side.

"This is..."

"My friend." "Little Jun's friend." Huo Zijun and the old man spoke at the same time.

"Oh!" Understanding dawned on Huo Zifeng. "A girlfriend!"

"No!" Huo Zijun immediately denied.

He wouldn't dare to take on Xia Xibei as his girlfriend. If he dared to do so, Qiao Yanjue would absolutely kill him!

As they stayed here for a few days, he got a call from Qiao Yanjue every night.

On the phone, Qiao Yanjue told him to take good care of Xia Xibei and never let her suffer.

With all of his nagging, none of the cold, arrogant Qiao Yanjue could be seen.

Huo Zijun was sad. He and Qiao Yanjue had years of friendship, how come he was not worried about his suffering?

To this, Qiao Yanjue's reply was an indifferent "eh."

Huo Zijun almost died of anger!

Although he told Qiao Yanjue that Xia Xibei was very powerful and that others could not bully her, Qiao Yanjue was still uneasy and could not wait to fly over himself.

However, in the end, Qiao Yanjue still did not come over.

Huo Zijun thought that it was very likely Xia Xibei had appeased him. Not to mention that Huo Zijun had never had any indecent thoughts about Xia Xibei, and after today, knowing Xia Xibei's unbelievable strength, he would not dare to.

Xia Xibei was too powerful; he simply could not handle her!

No way, he was a wimp!

"Don't be shy!" Huo Zifeng laughed, not taking Huo Zijun's words at face value. "I understand!"

Huo Zijun and Xia Xibei looked at him at the same time, the sarcasm in their eyes overflowing, successfully freezing his smile.

The old man looked at them and could not help but feel helpless in his heart.

"All right, let's all go in!"

When the patriarch gave an order, the people followed.

Huo Zhan and Huo Zifeng followed behind, suddenly stopping in their tracks.

"Wasn't... Your grandfather a little strange just now?"

Huo Zhan looked at the old man's back in disbelief.

He was very proud before, so he didn't notice the old man's change. Now, after a look, he saw the old man was acting differently!

The last time he came over to see the old man, his movements and reactions were a bit sluggish, a symptom of the beginning of the illness.

Today, his reaction was very crisp and sharp, not a bit of sluggishness to be seen!

This... It was too strange!

Alzheimer's disease was not a reversible disease! Was it possible that he was getting better?!

It couldn't be!

Huo Zhan was shocked.

Huo Zifeng did not react fast enough, "It's not a problem, right?"

"You-" Huo Zhan patted him lightly, "When you came before, was your grandfather this alert?"

"It seems like... No." Huo Zifeng shook his head before reacting, and was immediately shocked. "You mean grandpa is starting to get better?!"

He became even more anxious.

"If grandpa is getting better, then we-".

"Shut up!" Huo Zhan glared at him. "No way! You think he just has a common cold?!"

Then he smiled confidently again, "Besides, even if grandpa did get better, will it change anything?"

He looked at Huo Zifeng.

"Didn't your side already take care of it?"

Reminded by him, Huo Zifeng instantly smiled, "Yes! My side is fine!"

Huo Zifeng was very proud, "Don't worry, your son is so great, how can anyone resist my charm?!"

Chapter 1011 Don't Go Too Far

Huo Zifeng was very proud of himself for speaking of this matter.

After all, to be able to hook such a high and mighty girl was like a dream!

"Whatever is going on with your grandfather, talk properly when you go in later. Huo Zhan admonished his son.

"Don't worry, I know!" Huo Zifeng waved his hand.

He was in a good mood and didn't dwell on these things at all.

No matter what the old man's current situation was, how could he possibly make a difference?

No way!

Father and son straightened their expressions, then walked in.

The old man asked someone to prepare dinner, then greeted everyone and sat down to talk.

Huo Zijun's expression gave the old man an ominous feeling in his heart.

He was much more clear-headed these days and his body was relaxed like never before.

So, he could clearly feel that Huo Zijun was not doing well.

Moreover, wasn't Huo Zijun doing well in G City? How come he suddenly ran here? Also, after Huo Zhan and Huo Zifeng appeared, his whole attitude became even more different.

With all his years of experience, he would be really stupid if he didn't see the problem.

"Say, what's going on?"

He boldly sat down in his chair with a very serious expression.

He was used to being high and mighty, and he was used to being this way, so he naturally put on a majestic air.

The patriarch's change once again made Huo Zhan's heart skip a beat.

The patriarch had really changed!

Obviously, the last time he came over, he was like other old people with dementia: confused and muddled, with speech that was vague and indistinct. It was clear at a glance that there was something wrong with him.

Now, he'd changed so much! What the hell was going on here? Huo Zifeng, however, was cheeky.

"Grandpa, you're thinking too much! What could be wrong?" He smiled, "By the way, we have a report for you, grandpa."

He glanced at Huo Zijun, his eyes full of provocation and smugness. "We will soon take over a skincare company. This company has great potential for growth. I believe that under our leadership, it will definitely be able to go international!"

Once these words came out, Huo Zijun could no longer hold back and stood up with a "clang," flipping over the chair behind him.

"Huo Zifeng!" He gritted his teeth. "Don't go too far!"

Earlier on the phone, it was fine for them to say so, but now, in front of grandpa, they were treating Hongyan Company as if it was in their pocket.

This was too much!

"Too much?" Huo Zifeng looked innocent. "How is it too much? Are we not talking properly? Don't worry, we will definitely run the company properly."

"Yes," Huo Zhan nodded along. "Little Jun, you are still young, you don't understand things in the business world. Don't worry, we will help

you."

At this point in time, it would be really silly if the old man couldn't see the problem.

Previously, Huo Zijun told him that he had opened a skincare company in G City and it was doing very well.

Now Huo Zhan and Huo Zifeng also said that they would soon acquire a skincare company...

Looking at Huo Zijun, who was very angry, to say that there was not something fishy here would be ridiculous. "What the hell is going on here?! Give me a clear explanation!"

He angrily slapped the table with a lot of momentum.

His sudden outburst startled a few people. After all, he had years of accumulated authority, which was very powerful.

However, Huo Zhan quickly laughed, "Dad, I have to tell you some happy news! Zifeng is about to be married!"

Chapter 1012 Miss Qi

Married?

The people were shocked. Why was Huo Zifeng going to get married? It was so sudden!

Even if the old man was angry, he couldn't help but ask at this time, "Who is the other

party?"

"She's a very outstanding young lady!" Huo Zhan was very proud, and he looked at Huo Zifeng, beaming with joy.

To them, this matter was simply a heavenly blessing!

They had never thought that they would cross paths with such a young lady. Now, the two of them were going to get married!

"Which young lady?" the old man asked.

"The Qi family!" Huo Zhan said loudly and proudly.

"The Qi family?!"

The patriarch and Huo Zijun looked at each other in surprise.

Huo Zifeng had actually gotten together with Miss Qi?

This was really shocking!

They both knew that the Qi family had a superb status and did not have much interaction with them, the ordinary families.

It should be said that the Qi family would interact with other people, but, in terms of marriage, they were generally arranged internally within the few families.

After all, they were all ancient martial arts families. They had different resources, and experienced different things than ordinary families.

Moreover, they had to join forces to maintain their current supremacy.

So, when it came to marriage, they were very cautious.

They may accept a daughter-in-law from outside the circle, but usually, their daughters did not marry outsiders.

Now Huo Zifeng was actually connected to the Qi family's daughter?

And he was getting married?!

"Yes!"

Huo Zhan wished he could run to the TV station, buy some prime-time advertising, and announce this matter to the world.

This was a glorious thing for the ancestors! "That young lady is pregnant!" Huo Zhan laughed with a red face, as if that was his own doing

Huo Zifeng also giggled along, very excited.

"Pregnant?"

The old man was even more shocked that so many things had happened to them during that time. He was very confused! "Yes," Huo Zifeng nodded, his face flushed and a bit silly.

This kind of thing would definitely make people die of envy if they were to tell them. "She's almost three months along, so we're going to prepare for the wedding." Huo Zhan nodded his head, very satisfied. "Dad, you also know that the Qi family is different from us. So, we have to work hard to be worthy of her!"

That also explained why they wanted to steal Huo Zijun's company.

The reason was to be "worthy" of Miss Qi!

The old man's expression also froze, very complicated.

Huo Zijun's face was not pleasant either.

He finally understood why Huo Zhan and Huo Zifeng were able to block the source of their herbs.

The Qi family had a hand in it!

He just said it!

Huo Zhan and Huo Zifeng, no matter how capable they were, could not have done such a thing!

The only thing was, with Huo Zifeng's ability, he was somehow able to get Miss Qi to marry him, which was amazing.

"Dad, if there's nothing wrong with your health, let's celebrate together at home!" Huo Zhan said with a smile. That way, all the properties could be handed over to him.

Although the old man was now suffering from illness, even if he signed the document, it might not have legal effect.

However, he didn't care.

The family's affairs were to be handed over to him anyway, this was just par for the course. "Which young lady of the Qi family is it?" Huo Zijun couldn't help but ask.

"You don't know her."

That's what Huo Zhan said, but Huo Zifeng still said proudly, "Her name is Qi Xuanran."

At this time, a sound came from outside.

The housekeeper walked in, very surprised.

"The director had a table of dishes sent over!"

Chapter 1013 Who Is It For?

The director?

Wasn't the director of this rehab center the boss of the Qi family?

Huo Zhan and Huo Zifeng looked at each other, then drew in a breath and were immediately overjoyed.

They immediately stood up, "They must have known we were coming over, so they brought us food!"

Huo Zhan patted Huo Zifeng's shoulder with the proud confidence of honoring one's ancestor, "We'll have to go over later and thank him!"

Huo Zifeng was also so excited that his face was red and he could not wait to roar out his excitement.

Qi Xuanran was a daughter of the Qi family. She was not a direct descendant, but from an offshoot.

The Qi family had a large population and lasted for many years, so naturally, there was a distinction between the direct and offshoot branches.

Qi Xuanran was a young lady from a better-developed family in the offshoot branches, who had a better relationship with the first line and usually had more interaction with them.

The ladies of the first line of the Qi family usually did not marry outside their circle. The fact that Huo Zifeng was able to marry a young lady from the Qi family's offshoot branch was very enviable.

Surprisingly, the future head of the Qi family had brought them food. Didn't this just show how much he valued and liked them?

Thinking about this, both of them could not wait to laugh out loud.

Meanwhile, behind them, several people's expressions were a bit strange.

The old man asked someone to bring in the meal, even more puzzled.

This was the food Qi Zhilan had sent, that was for sure.

However, Qi Zhilan should have sent it as a thank you to Xia Xibei! What did this have to do with Huo Zhan and Huo Zifeng, the father and son?!

However, looking at them so excited, the old man couldn't help but doubt his own thoughts.

This couldn't really be a gift from Qi Zhilan to the two of them, right?

After all, Qi Xuanran was the Qi family's young lady and was quite close to Qi Zhi'an's lineage.

To send some food to the niece's fiancé... It seemed reasonable! The old man was confused and didn't have time to entertain the staff who brought the food over.

Huo Zhan immediately took the initiative and walked over with a smile, saying haughtily, "Thanks for your efforts. We'll go over to visit Mr. Qi later."

"No need." The manager-like person smiled and shook his head. "He is quite busy right now."

"Oh, that's fine." Huo Zhan's smile was a little lost, but he still put up a front. "Then let's go over next time." The manager nodded with a smile on his face and didn't say anything.

Then, he turned to look at the only lady present and walked up to her, bowing his head slightly in a salute before speaking, "Miss Xia, the meal has been delivered. If there is anything that doesn't suit your taste, you can let us know."

"Thanks. Sorry for troubling you," Xia Xibei replied calmly.

"No trouble at all!" The manager looked a bit flattered. "It's our honor to be able to serve

you!"

He was in an unusual position, a member of Qi Zhilan's inner circle, so he knew some things.

Although he didn't know what Xia Xibei had done, if Qi Zhi'an was so cautious as to make them entertain her properly, then she was not an ordinary person!

So, his attitude was very low and humble.

When the food was set up, the manager left with his assistants.

After they left, Huo Zhan and Huo Zifeng stood frozen in place for a while, their expressions a little twisted.

Did they... Did they just hear right?

Who was this Miss Xia?

They had thought that this meal was given to them, but after such a display, if they were still so naive, then they were really too stupid!

Looking at the old man's expression, they were even more embarrassed.

Chapter 1014 Stop Acting

The old man's expression was hard to describe.

Just now, looking at Huo Zhan's confident look, he couldn't help but think that this table of dishes was for them.

At that time, he also couldn't help but have a surge of pride in his heart.

Although he felt that Huo Zhan and Huo Zifeng were not capable, they were his own offspring, and they had made their mark. As an elder, how could he not be happy?

In the next second, however, the manager's reaction was like a big slap in the face!

They were not here for Huo Zhan and Huo Zifeng at all; Xia Xibei was the VIP guest!

Thinking of Huo Zhan's smugness and pride just now, the corners of the old man's mouth twitched and he felt his face being thrown to the ground and stomped on several times.

What a disgrace!

It was simply too humiliating!

He was as embarrassed now as he had been proud earlier!

The others didn't know that the old man had seen how Qi Zhi'an and Xia Xibei got along with each other.

He even saw with his own eyes how Xia Xibei got along with those strange plants!

So, Xia Xibei was the most amazing person and a legend they had never had the chance to contact before.

However, he had just been fooled by Huo Zhan's confidence!

Thinking about what just happened, the old man's face turned red.

After living for so many years, the most humiliating day was today!

Although the manager didn't have any special reaction, he might go back and tell Qi Zhilan about all of these humiliating things!

The scene seemed to be filled with awkwardness, so that people could not breathe.

Huo Zijun was also in a very special mood.

He had also been fooled by Huo Zhan, thinking that the manager was here for them, that father and son.

At that time, he was furious.

After these two hitched a ride with the Qi family, they started acting up, and now they were eyeing Hongyan!

However, he also did not have the confidence to go against the Qi family. Even among the other families, not many dared to go against the Qi family.

He had thought that he would have to be suffocated to death.

Unexpectedly, in one moment, things had been reversed!

It was as if he could hear the loud slap in the air!

It was simply too wonderful!

He clenched his fist and bit his lip, looking a little agitated, but was actually really overjoyed.

If he was not biting his lip, he probably couldn't help but laugh out loud.

Don't pretend to be who you weren't, or you could be struck by lightning!

Huo Zijun was about to have internal injuries from not showing his emotions.

It was quite awkward.

Only Xia Xibei was calm. She looked at the faces of a few people, gave a light cough, and said, "Let's eat! It won't taste good if it's cold!"

She walked over to the old man and held his arm, "Grandpa Huo, let's eat first! Let's talk after we eat."

The corners of the old man's mouth twitched for a moment and he obediently walked forward.

Huo Zijun followed with an expressionless face.

Huo Zhan and Huo Zifeng, the father and son, on the other hand, looked at each other with expressions of shock.

They finally came back to their senses, but they also wanted to crawl into a hole in the ground!

However, they were puzzled as to who this woman really was.

Why would Qi Zhi'an have someone bring food to her?

What exactly was their relationship?

With their minds full of doubts, they walked to the table and were shocked again after looking at the food with the lids removed.

They often ate out, and had eaten at all kinds of five-star restaurants.

So, at first glance, they recognized that this table had only dishes from the best restaurant in the imperial capital: Qi Tian Restaurant!

The dishes were full of good ingredients! Something one couldn't get without six figures!

Who the hell was this woman?

Looking at Xia Xibei's exquisite figure, they felt as if they had found the reason.

Chapter 1015 How to Choose

An ordinary family's income for a whole year was not enough to pay for this meal, but now, this table of meals was brought to them!

Huo Zhan and Huo Zifeng glanced at each other, their minds filled with thoughts.

At the dinner table, everyone ate quietly, and the atmosphere seemed very harmonious. During the process, Huo Zhan became even more suspicious.

The old man did not need to be served! He finished the meal by himself!

Was he healthy now?

However, who had the skill to heal him?

Did the Qi family help?

The Qi family did have very special medicines, but their prices were also very formidable. The old man wouldn't have that much money, right?

Huo Zhan's eyes couldn't help but look at Xia Xibei.

He felt as if this woman, who appeared inexplicably, had brought about a lot of changes.

After eating, Huo Zhan and Huo Zifeng returned to the room with the old man, wanting to ask about Xia Xibei's identity.

Before they could say anything, the old man spoke first.

"Just forget about that. Just remember, stay away from her!"

Huo Zhan and Huo Zifeng glanced at each other, understanding dawning on them. Xia Xibei really did have something going on with Qi Zhilan!

Otherwise, the old man wouldn't have this kind of attitude!

"Since you have said so, we certainly won't fool around." Huo Zhan smiled, "By the way, in half a month, Zifeng's wedding will take place. We will pick you up then."

The old man looked at the two, his expression a bit complicated. "What's going on with the skincare company?" he couldn't help but ask.

"It's no big deal!" Huo Zhan said with a smile. "We are just going to acquire a skincare company with a lot of potential. Don't worry, Xuanran's side will also help."

Huo Zhan knew that the old man must have guessed the problem.

However, if this was related to the Qi family, it would not be so easy to solve.

The Qi family usually did not bully people with their power, but if they really wanted to do something, others could not resist.

Now, it was up to the old man to choose which side to take.

It was a matter of choosing Huo Zijun, or choosing the Qi family. The smile on Huo Zhan's face deepened, and he believed that the old man would know what to choose!

How good would their development be once they hooked up with the Qi family?!

"Well, we're going back first. We'll come over to see you soon."

After the old man sent the two away, he turned back to Huo Zijun.

"Tell me what's going on."

Huo Zhan's side didn't have any useful information, but Huo Zijun's side could definitely make it clear. "Grandpa-"

Huo Zijun was very angry, but before he could say anything, he was stopped by Xia Xibei.

Xia Xibei reached out to stop Huo Zijun and said with a smile, "Let me explain."

"You?"

The old man was even more puzzled. What did this have to do with her?

"Right, because that company is mine." Xia Xibei's words made the old man's eyes widen. "Yours?"

Wasn't it Huo Zijun's?

"Yes, it's mine. I'm the boss," Xia Xibei nodded. "Zijun is the manager."

Looking at the old man's shocked expression, Xia Xibei smiled.

"The company is mine, and the formula is also mine."

The formula was also hers?

The old man was even more surprised.

Wasn't a skincare company all about the formula?

Without a good formula, how could anyone produce products?

Therefore, the importance of the formula needed no explanation.

However, thinking about what Xia Xibei had done before, the old man understood.

If she had such skills, how could she not deliver a good formula?

Thinking of this, the old man's heart sank slightly.

The formula was Xia Xibei's, and the company was hers too.

So, whose side should he take?

Chapter 1016 Two Days to Heal

"Hongyan was founded by us, but Mr. Huo and the others thought it was your Huo family's property, so they wanted to take the company away. We didn't agree, so they cut off our supply channels. Now, all the suppliers are refusing to work with us." Xia Xibei's expression was calm, as if it was not her who was experiencing these things.

The old man's face couldn't help but turn red.

He knew how domineering Huo Zhan and his son were, and it wasn't really surprising that they would do such a thing, and it made him feel humiliated.

To steal someone's company by such means!

If this company was really the Huo family's property, this would barely make sense.

However, Xia Xibei and the others had already stated that Huo Zijun was just a staff member of the company. However, they still didn't give up and used such terrible tactics!

This was simply too much! The old man's face was red with shame, and his mood was very complicated.

"So, you guys came to me because you want me to step in and solve this matter?"

"Right. You are the head of the Huo family, they will listen to you."

Xia Xibei nodded her head.

"Now that I'm sick, they won't listen to me."

The old man's smile was a little bitter.

Xia Xibei, however, had a calm face.

"You will soon be well. In two more days, you will be completely cured."

The old man stiffened, his expression freezing.

"What did you... What did you say?".

What did she mean that in two days he would be completely cured?

Huo Zijun couldn't help but interject, "Grandpa, don't you feel the changes?"

Being reminded by Huo Zijun, the old man realized that his body really seemed to feel a lot better!

The most important thing was that he was alert!

In fact, he felt different in the past two days, but he did not think too much.

Now that he was reminded of this, he realized with a start that he was really much better!

He snapped his eyes to Xia Xibei.

"It's you?"

"Yes," Xia Xibei nodded. "I'm the one who helped you with the treatment."

The old man drew in a breath and took a few steps backward.

He was the patient, so naturally he knew exactly how serious his problem was.

Moreover, he was also a doctor, so he knew a lot about this disease.

He knew exactly how difficult this disease was to cure!

However, Xia Xibei actually had such strength!

She had only been here for a few days and he was already so much better and so alert!

Before that, when he knew he was sick, he also sought many doctors and used a lot of medicine.

He spent so much money, but in the end, he could only delay his illness, not cure it.

So, he gave up.

He could feel the changes in his body. His body and mind were slowly being imprisoned, but he could only accept such pain powerlessly and helplessly.

But now!

He looked down at himself and tried again to recall in his mind what had happened before, and his expression was even more different.

"How were you able to do this?"

He looked at Xia Xibei incredulously.

"She's very good!" Huo Zijun said with a little pride. Xia Xibei was not his girlfriend, but she was his friend and partner!

Shouldn't one be proud of a friend being able to treat such a condition?

"How long will it take for me to get completely

well?"

"Didn't I say it already? Two days."

The old man's eyes widened. That night, after being awake and feeling Xia Xibei's treatment, he didn't sleep all night. When he got up the next morning, Qi Zhi'an came over again.

Chapter 1017 The Scales Tilt

Qi Zhi'an came over for the green crystal bamboo fruit.

Yesterday, when Xia Xibei and the others left, the ordinary bamboo was delivered.

After he planted the bamboo, the green crystal bamboo slowly calmed down.

After it calmed down, it really started to bear fruit!

The thing that made spiritual plants different from ordinary plants was that they bloomed and grew fruit, sometimes very slowly. However, when they did grow fruit, they did so very quickly.

This morning, Qi Zhi'an went over to take a look, and was stunned!

The bamboo was really bearing fruit!

It was so fast and amazing!

Last night, to make the green crystal bamboo feel more "safe," Qi Zhi'an planted a lot of ordinary bamboo around them.

With these bamboos, in one night, the fruit came out and was ripe!

This was not scientific at all!

What made even less sense was that there were ten fruits!

Although not every bamboo bear fruit, the ratio of 80% was already very scary!

You know, after so many years of effort, the entire Qi family had not gotten so many fruits.

If such a result were to come out, other families would be shocked!

Who could produce ten fruits at once?!

They should be happy to have even one!

There were ten!

Therefore, Qi Zhilan was so excited that he rushed over early, eager to share the good news with Xia Xibei.

Looking at Qi Zhi'an's outward joy and craziness, the old man was also stunned, and then silent.

He lived here, so he and Qi Zhi'an would often interact with each other.

It could be said that the two of them had a pretty good relationship.

However, Qi Zhi'an had always been gentle and very calm.

At least, the old man had never seen Qi Zhilan so excited.

Yesterday, he saw an emotional outburst from Qi Zhilan.

He thought that was the limit, but today's Qi Zhilan seemed to be singing and dancing with ecstasy, which completely changed the old man's impression of the man.

Qi Zhi'an could be this crazy too, and all of this was brought about by Xia Xibei!

It was Xia Xibei who made him so excited.

Although he didn't know what use Qi Zhilan had for the fruit, he thought that something the Qi family would value so highly would not be something ordinary.

Of course, no ordinary plant could bear fruit and ripen in one night.

Looking at Qi Zhi'an's joyful and excited appearance, the scales in the old man's heart tilted completely.

Before this, he was a little hesitant.

After all, Huo Zhan was his son, and if the Huo family developed well, it would be good for them.

Most importantly, there was the Qi family! Still, Xia Xibei was the one who healed him, so how could he not return the favor?

Moreover, someone with terrible potential like Xia Xibei was not someone he could offend.

Who could guarantee that he would not get sick?

Even if he was a doctor before, once he got sick, he couldn't help himself.

After all, even doctors could get sick.

Now, Qi Zhi'an's reaction made him see more clearly Xia Xibei's unbelievable potential.

If he still couldn't figure out which side he should be on, then the Huo family would really be finished. Qi Zhi'an did not know the old man's complicated thoughts, and after his excitement, he gave Xia Xibei a card. It was a super VIP card that allowed you to shop at all the major malls under the Qi family, all for free!

In other words, Xia Xibei could go inside and buy as much as she wanted.

When she received such a gift, Xia Xibei did not refuse it.

She had a lot of money, but she didn't have to refuse the perks that were offered to her!

Chapter 1018 There is Progress

After Qi Zhi'an finished delivering his gift, he left.

Looking at his brisk pace as he left, as if he was about to jump up in the next second, the old man's mood became even more complicated.

"Don't worry, I will fix it for you guys," he reassured Xia Xibei and Huo Zijun.

"Thank you," Xia Xibei smiled.

Huo Zijun looked at his grandfather and couldn't help but sigh in his heart.

He could probably guess what Grandpa was thinking.

From his point of view, Grandpa's hesitation was certainly a big mistake.

However, from the Huo family's point of view, it was also normal that Grandpa would hesitate.

Wasn't it because of Xia Xibei's ability that Grandpa made a decision now?

Huo Zijun was in a low mood.

Grandpa was so snobbish that he felt ashamed to face Xia Xibei.

Xia Xibei looked over but saw his gaze dodging away.

She thought about it and quickly understood.

She waited for the old man to go inside to rest before she and Huo Zijun walked outside to the courtyard.

"I'm sorry," Huo Zijun said with a bowed head.

"What's there to be sorry for?" Xia Xibei glanced at him with a smile.

"My grandfather is like this..." Huo Zijun's head lowered even more. "I'm sorry!"

"It's fine!" Xia Xibei patted him on the back and laughed. "Don't say sorry for anything. Things were resolved. Isn't that good?"

She wouldn't have exactly put all her chips on the old man.

She befriended Qi Zhi'an because of this reason as well.

After all, the old man was very shrewd. Why would he act impulsively? He definitely had to mull over all the options.

As long as the result was good, it was enough.

Huo Zijun looked at Xia Xibei in shame, wanting to say something, but

finally just sighed.

"Come on, don't sigh anymore, I'd think you were sick or something!" Xia Xibei continued to pat him on the back. "Anyway, just run the company well afterward. That'll be your payment to me."

Huo Zijun's ability was good, and she could see the efforts he had made over the past few days.

However, he also had a shortcoming: he was too soft-hearted.

Still, it was better to get along with a soft-hearted person than to hang out with a cruel one. At least you didn't have to worry about being stabbed in the back.

"Don't worry, I will!" Huo Zijun said with a clenched fist.

After this incident, he definitely would not be soft-hearted again.

Wasn't it because he had given in, time and time again over the years, that people walked all over him?

If he had been tough before, things would not have turned out like this at all.

"Okay, I believe you," Xia Xibei smiled.

Huo Zijun had just returned to his room when the old man came over.

"Grandpa," he said while standing up.

"Little Jun." The old man's expression was a bit complicated. "Don't worry, I'll definitely fix this matter properly when I go back!"

"Well, I trust you!" Huo Zijun nodded. "By the way, I forgot to mention that Little Xia is Big Qiao's girlfriend."

"Big Qiao? Qiao Yanjue?" The old man's eyes widened. "Isn't she your girlfriend?"

"No way!" Huo Zijun shook his head. "She is Big Qiao's girlfriend. I don't have this kind of luck. However, they haven't announced it to the public yet."

While speaking, he also turned his phone on and tapped on the voice note sent by Qiao Yanjue.

"Take care of Beibei for me, or else ... "

The old man could hear that this was indeed Qiao Yanjue's voice.

He gave Huo Zijun a deep look.

"Not bad. You have made some progress."

At least he was not as simple and naive as before.

The kid knew how to play the game now. There was progress. At least there was no worry of him being bullied.

"Don't worry, I know how it is."

The old man finished speaking before turning and going back to his room.

Chapter 1019 Already Left

The next day, after Xia Xibei helped the old man with his last treatment and made sure there were no more problems, she quickly left.

If she didn't go back by now, Pan Yan would vomit blood!

As for Huo Zijun, he stayed to settle things before going back.

The old man looked at himself in the mirror, and his heart was filled with rolling waves of

awe.

He really didn't think that Xia Xibei's medical skills would be so amazing!

After experiencing Xia Xibei's strength, he realized that there really were unscientific things in this world!

It was just a pity that Xia Xibei was not from their Huo family, nor was

she Huo Zijun's girlfriend.

Under his grandfather's regretful gaze, Huo Zijun drew the corners of his mouth, not saying anything.

Not long after Xia Xibei left, Qi Zhi'an came over again.

This time, he was accompanied by a middle-aged lady with a very elegant demeanor, his wife.

Qi Zhi'an wanted his wife to get to know this amazing girl, but to his surprise, Xia Xibei had already left.

Ling Xiao patted her husband's hand and said comfortingly, "It's okay, we'll meet next time." "Can you give me her phone number?" Qi Zhilan asked Huo Zijun.

"Um..." Huo Zijun hesitated, but shook his head. "I'll let you know after I ask her." Xia Xibei did not explain anything before leaving, so he naturally could not just give out her number.

Moreover, Xia Xibei concealed her identity to come here. If her phone number was given out, wouldn't everything be exposed?

Even though he knew that with the strength of the Qi family, as long as they wanted to investigate a person, they would be able to find out, he'd hold them off for as long as he could.

Qi Zhi'an also knew that Huo Zijun had concerns and did not dare to let himself come into contact with Xia Xibei, so he did not force

it.

"Okay then. Next time. If you see her, make sure to mention it to her."

"Okay."

Qi Zhilan left with his wife.

Only after they returned to her house did Qi Zhilan sigh.

"I had thought that she would stay here for a few more days!"

"This girl is that powerful?!" his wife asked curiously.

She had received a call from Qi Zhi'an yesterday, asking her to come over to the rehab center quickly, and that something magical was happening

At that time, she happened to be out of town and couldn't make it back in time.

Today, she rushed back, but unexpectedly, she missed seeing that girl. "Yes!"

Speaking of Xia Xibei, Qi Zhi'an got even more excited.

"You have no idea how powerful she is! If it weren't for her, none of those three spirit plants would have blossomed and borne fruit!" Speaking of which, he couldn't help but pull his wife outside, "Come with me!"

Soon, the two of them arrived at the garden.

After reaching the location where the spiritual plants were, his wife froze.

When she came over last time, it didn't seem like this.

The green crystal bamboo was surrounded by ordinary bamboo. What kind of layout was this?

However, the most surprising thing was that the green crystal bamboo was bearing fruit! A careful count showed more than 10 fruits! This number was too scary!

No wonder when she came over just now, she noticed that there were many more guards around here.

With so many fruits here, how could they not step up security?!

"Come and take a look!"

Qi Zhi'an waved at her again.

She walked over and looked, stunned again.

The bone lotus was in bloom?

After looking at the yard, she was stunned.

It was such a big change! No wonder Qi Zhilan was so excited!

"It's just a pity that Xinxin is not available right now. Otherwise, how nice it would be to have them make friends!" Qi Zhilan sighed.

Chapter 1020 She's Even Better

Ling Xiao couldn't help but pat her husband, "Xinxin is at school!"

Although Qi Xin had shown her potential, she couldn't waste her schooling either!

The Qi family was generally very low-key, but their grades were very good, so they all attended good public schools and were able to get into great universities.

Qi Xin was very busy right now and needed to go to school and learn all kinds of things at the same time. After all, she was Qi Zhi'an's daughter.

Now that Qi Zhi'an had grown so many green crystal bamboo fruits, his position as the head of the family was a sure thing.

As the daughter of the future family head, Qi Xin had to take on more responsibilities while enjoying more privileges.

"What are you going to do next?" Ling Xiao asked.

"First, give Xinxin a fruit to raise her spiritual power." Qi Zhi'an had already made plans. "As for the rest of the fruits, we'll hand them over to the treasury and give them as rewards based on performance."

Used as rewards, the fruits would definitely inspire everyone's enthusiasm. When there was an increase in spiritual power, intelligence would also rise.

The Qi family had a lot of geniuses.

Their daughter, Qi Xin, was a notorious genius and a notorious scholar, always winning all kinds of rankings and competitions.

If she ate this fruit, she would be even better!

"However, Xinxin is still no match for that girl," Qi Zhi'an sighed. "If you let Xinxin hear that, she'll get mad at you!" Ling Xiao laughed and rolled her eyes at him. "She will definitely say that you're not doing yourself any favors."

"I'm telling you the truth!" Qi Zhi'an argued. "Haven't you already seen what's going on here? It's all because of what she taught me!"

Ling Xiao's eyes widened, "How did she teach you that?"

The change here was big, but she hadn't thought too much about it just now.

Qi Zhi'an repeated the words so much, making her more curious. "You still remember what it was like the last time you came over, right?"

"I remember."

The last time Ling Xiao came over was a week or so ago, so not long.

"Then look at everything now! They have changed so much!" Qi Zhilan pointed around. "All these changes... She brought them on!" His expression was rare and exaggerated, "And she's probably also a royal plant master!"

A royal plant master?

Ling Xiao's expression changed slightly.

"Are you sure?"

Qi Zhi'an carefully told her what Xia Xibei had done before, his expression hard to describe.

"I just found out now that the bone lotus likes to eat sugar!"

Ling Xiao's mouth also twitched.

If he was not her husband, she'd really think this was someone talking nonsense! The bone lotus actually liked sweet water!

Only, looking at the bone lotus planted in the ground, Ling Xiao was silent.

"Moreover, she is still young. She should be about the same age as Xinxin!" Qi Zhi'an said again.

Looking at her excited husband, Ling Xiao shook her head helplessly.

It was also the first time she saw her husband like this.

"Is that girl pretty?" she couldn't help but ask.

"I don't know," he shook his head.

"What do you mean you don't know?" Ling Xiao was speechless. "She's not wearing a mask, is she?"

"Yes!" Qi Zhi'an nodded. "She did have a mask on her face, and it was particularly delicate! If I didn't have sharp eyes, I wouldn't have been able to spot the disguise!"

However, looking at her temperament and figure, she should be a beauty.

Of course, Qi Zhi'an didn't dare to say this.

Although Ling Xiao would not necessarily be jealous, there was no need to make a problem. "She really wore a mask?" Ling Xiao was even more curious. "Whose child is she?"