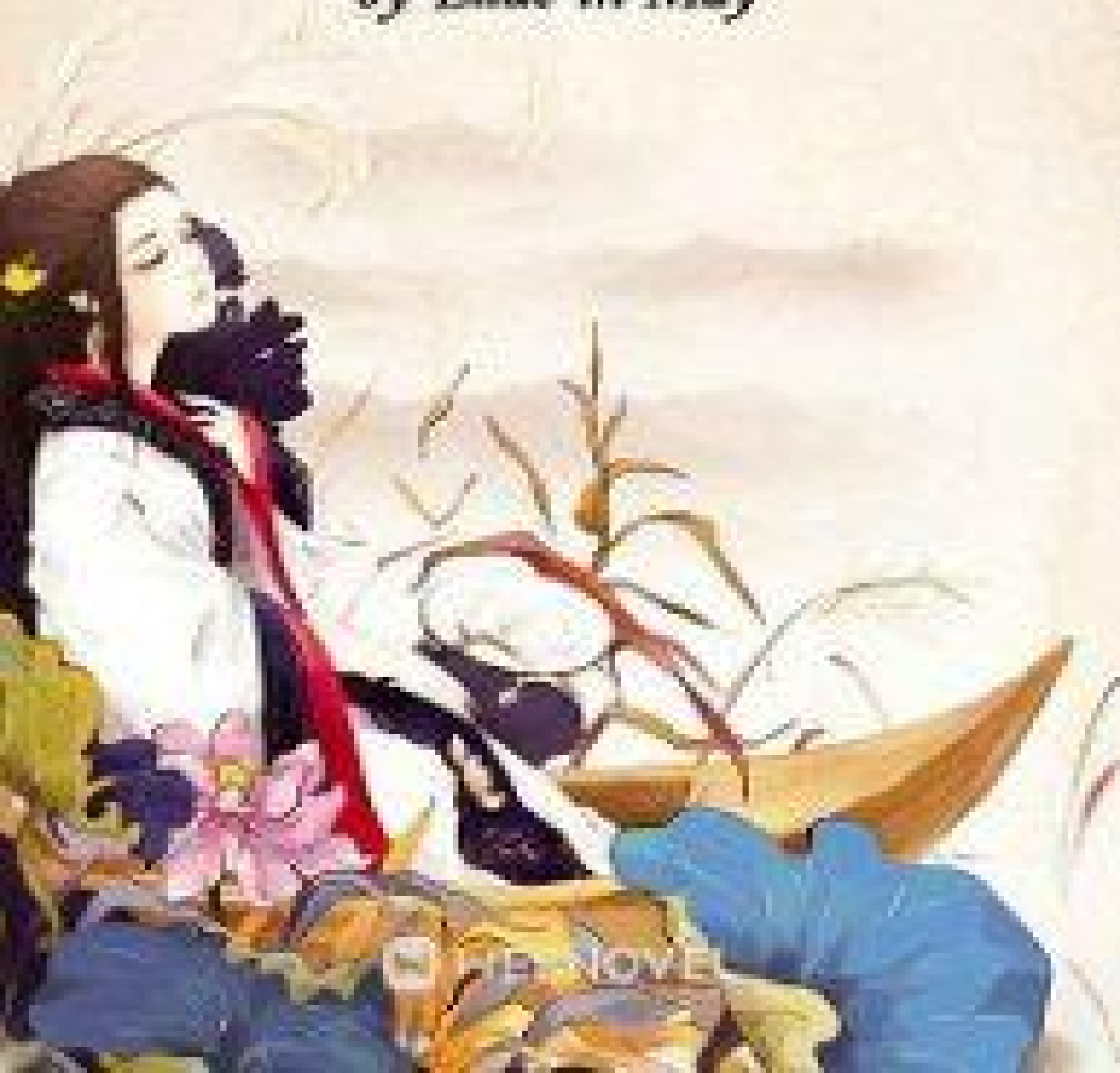


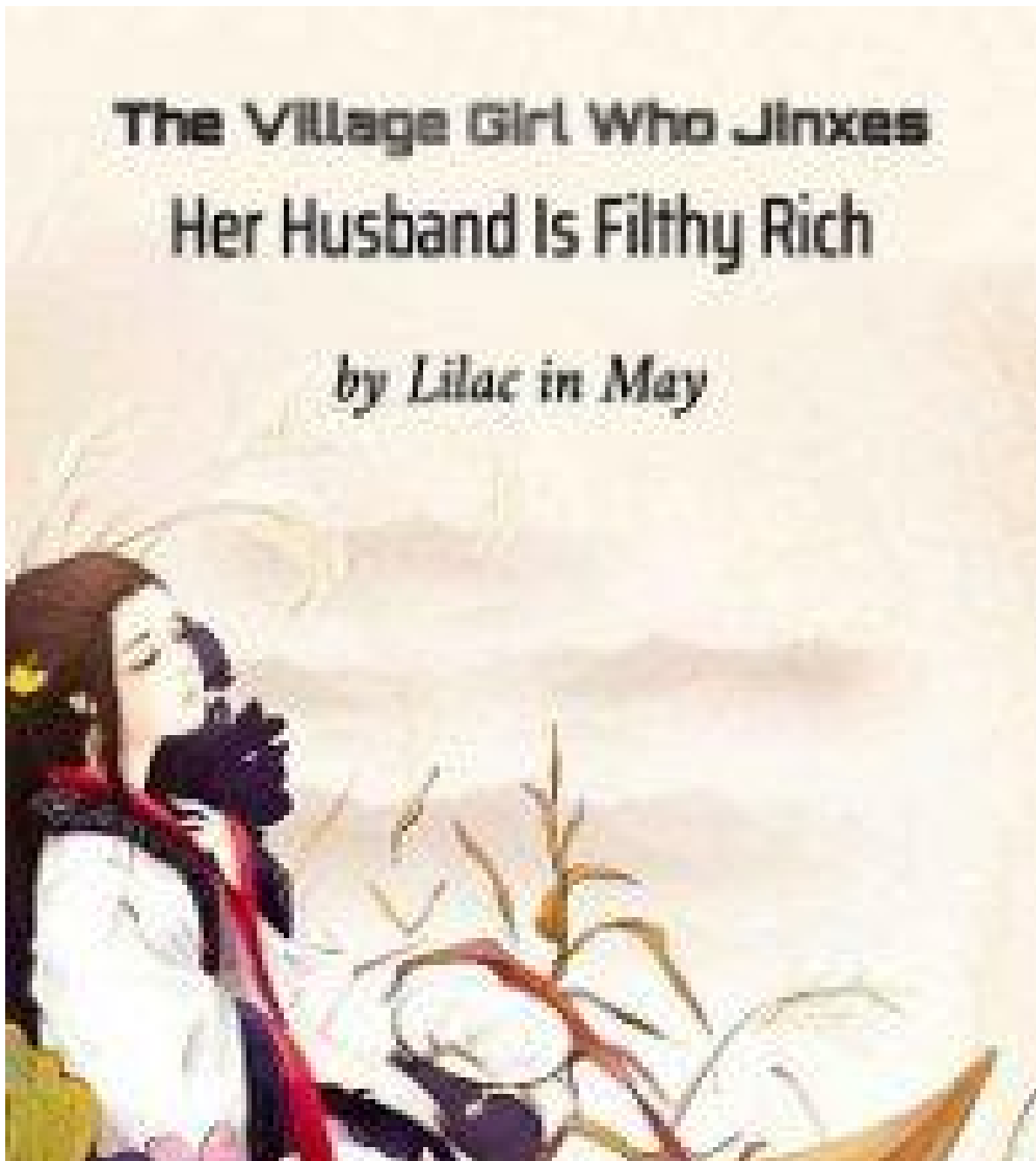
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At this point, his voice immediately became colder and even sharper. "I can guarantee that in the entire world, only NI Lai Wo Wang has vegetables to be sold now. As the saying goes, the rarer an item is, the more expensive it is. Would you think that it was sold at a high price? Do you think that we are scamming people? Hmph, the prices of these vegetables are clearly marked. If you need them, please register and pay the deposit. If you think they are too expensive, you can choose not to order or buy them. No one is forcing you to buy them! So, it's up to you whether you want to buy it or not!"

The servant's face turned pale when he heard Zhang Yuanbin's words.

Shopkeeper Zhang was obviously angry.

Master Liu glared at the incompetent servant and immediately smiled apologetically at Zhang Yuanbin, "shopkeeper Zhang, he said something wrong. Please don't take it to heart. Just like you said, the rarer something is, the more expensive it is. It's only right to sell the vegetables at a higher price in this winter season." As he spoke, he reprimanded the servant again, "What are you looking at? Hurry up and finish your business."

The servant reacted and said, "Oh, it's master!"

In fact, the scene between Zhang Yuanbin and master Liu had been happening a lot recently.

Ultimately, it was because the things in this restaurant were too expensive.

No matter if it was food, use, or accommodation, the high cost was not something that ordinary families could afford.

Spending often in this restaurant wasn't something that normal families could do. Only a very rich family could afford it.

For example, an ordinary room in this restaurant cost three taels of silver, which was half a year's living expenses for an ordinary family. One day of stay cost them half a year's living expenses. Another example was the Presidential Suite on the fifth floor. It cost 30 taels a day, which was ten times more expensive than an ordinary room.

In addition, the food in this restaurant was expensive too. The buffet cost 30 copper coins each time, and it was enough for one to eat and drink to their heart's content.

However, if they didn't want to eat a buffet and wanted to order individual dishes, the cost would be more expensive. It would cost at least two taels of silver. The so-called hot pot here would also cost more than two taels of silver.

Therefore, after calculating all the expenses in a day, the ordinary expenses would be at least four to five taels, not to mention staying in these high-class rooms and eating high-end food.

Half a month later, Zhang Yuanbin personally delivered the account book to the Lin family Village and to Lin yuelan.

When Lin yuelan opened the account and saw the neat Records of the income and expenditure, she raised her eyebrows and thought to herself, 'the business of this restaurant is really better than I expected. In just half a month's time, this restaurant has already made a profit of ten thousand taels.'

Jiang Zhennan, Guo Bing, Zhou wencai, and the others surrounded Lin yuelan in the middle. They saw Lin yuelan seemed to be looking through the account book quickly. In a moment, she had flipped through a page. They were surprised, puzzled, and curious, and there was a faint sense of joy and nervousness in their hearts.

Why?

It was also because they knew that this restaurant was Lin yuelan's business. As for Zhou wencai, who was a shareholder, he could be ignored.

This time, the account book recorded the restaurant's business situation for the past half a month.

They had heard that the business was booming, but they believed that no one except Zhang Yuanbin, the new boss, knew how it had gone so well.

After a long time, Lin yuelan finally flipped to the last page of the account book. Then, she looked up and said to Zhang Yuanbin, who had been standing nervously beside her, "well, not bad!"

Zhang Yuanbin's nervous heart immediately relaxed.

As long as there was no problem with the account book, it was fine.

Otherwise, it would really be hard for him to explain.

"Miss Lin, how is the profit of this restaurant been for the past half a month?" Guo Bing asked more urgently.

"Thirteen thousand two hundred and sixty taels!" Lin yuelan replied indifferently.

"What?" Guo Bing picked his ear and asked in disbelief, "Miss Lin, how much did you say?"

"Thirteen thousand two hundred and sixty taels," Lin yuelan said indifferently again.

"So many!" Everyone had shocked expressions on their faces.

In just half a month's time, she had made a profit of 13260 taels. This was simply an incredible miracle.

They had never heard of such a high profit from a restaurant.

"Does this include the money for the vegetables?" Guo Bing asked.

Lin yuelan shook her head and said, ” not included! We’ve sold a total of 25000 catties of these take-out vegetables, which is a total of 1020 taels.” The prices of these vegetables varied.

That was so much!

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Zhou Wencai's eyes were red with envy as he looked at the account books.

In just half a month's time, Ni Lai Wo Wang restaurant had made a profit of more than ten thousand taels, but he could only take a small twenty percent, which was only about two thousand taels. It was really a huge gap.

However, so what if he was envious? He couldn't snatch any more profits from the restaurant from Lin yuelan, so he could only watch as Lin yuelan took the money.

He felt that it was unbelievable that they could sell these vegetables for more than 10000 taels.

For example, the most expensive spring vegetables were two to three Wen per 500 grams. 20000 to 30000 grams would only be one to two thousand taels. However, she sold them several times more expensive than others.

"Sister Yuelan, you're the only person I know who can get rich from selling vegetables." Zhou wencai exclaimed in surprise after feeling envious and bitter.

"brat, even I have not seen people make a fortune by selling vegetables. This is the first time I've seen someone make a fortune by growing vegetables." Lin Deshan stroked his beard and said proudly, " girl, you're really good! I don't know how I got such a great fortune to have such a good granddaughter!"

Lin yuelan immediately smiled and said, " Grandpa, I'm already lucky to have you!"

Hearing that, Lin Deshan immediately shouted, " haha! Haha! Haha! I... can die without regrets now!"

The others also laughed.

“I say, miss Lin, is there anything you don’t know?” Guo Bing asked curiously, “look. If you plant rice, you can produce a yield of eight stones per mu. If you cook, you can open a unique restaurant. If you plant vegetables, you can also make a fortune.”

“That’s right, miss Lin, ” Little Six suddenly interjected and said with a smile, “if I hadn’t seen it with my own eyes, we would have thought that we had met a God.”

“haha... Isn’t that so? ” Little twelve agreed.

Doctor Zhang stroked his beard and agreed. “that’s right. She’s a ‘young Divine Doctor’ now, but she has the air of a God.”

“Grandpa Zhang is right.”

Indeed, “little Divine Doctor” just had the word “divine” in it.

Besides, apart from Doctor Zhang, Lin Deshan and Zhou Wencai knew that Lin yuelan could fly on roofs and vault over walls.

One had to know that their lives were saved by this twelve-year-old child.

Because the business development of Ni Lai Wo Wang restaurant was exposed by Lin yuelan, she didn’t mind revealing the profit of the restaurant in front of everyone.

The other businesses that were exposed were the Lin pharmacy, the grain plantation, and the greenhouse vegetables.

Four in the dark and four in the light. No one would have thought that Lin yuelan, a twelve-year-old child, would have such great ambitions.

“Speaking of the young miracle doctor, it reminds me of Chen Xiaoqing’s appearance when I first came to the Lin family Village a few days ago.” Zhou wencai seemed to be in disbelief. “her face is dark yellow and blue. She’s as thin as a stick, and her entire body is lifeless. If I hadn’t heard

sister yuelan say with my own eyes that she was starved to this state, I would've really thought that she was seriously ill and dying.”

Zhou Wencai recalled the time when he first saw Chen Xiaoqing and was truly shocked.

He had never thought that Lin Laosan and his wife, as well as Lin Sanniu, would be so cruel and cold. In order to sue Lin yuelan and prove her unfilial behavior, they starved Chen Xiaoqing to such an extent.

The moment Zhou Wencai said that everyone fell silent. Then, they looked at Lin yuelan with worried expressions.

They couldn't meddle in the Lin family's Affairs.

But no matter what, Chen Xiaoqing was still Lin yuelan's mother. Anyone who saw her mother in this state would feel pity for her.

However, all of this was because Chen Xiaoqing was too pedantic and weak.

If she had tried her best to help Lin yuelan, or if she had secretly taken care of her poor eldest daughter after she cut off all ties with Lin Laosan and his family, perhaps Lin yuelan would not have been so cold to her now.

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They could only blame themselves for being too ruthless.

Seeing everyone's worried eyes, Lin yuelan reacted. She looked at everyone with a 'puzzled' look and asked, "what's wrong? Is there something wrong with my face?"

"No!" Seeing that Lin yuelan's face didn't change at all, they all shook their heads.

"Well, that's good." As she spoke, she touched her little face and said softly, "you scared me. I thought there was something dirty on my face. You guys laughed at me."

Then, she seemed to have realized something and said, "you don't have to worry about me. From the moment they tried to force me to my death, I had nothing to do with them. As for Chen Xiaoqing, I'll make sure that she can get up and work now, just like before she 'fell sick'. Oh, she's healthier."

In fact, Lin yuelan knew that they were concerned about her, so she made a small joke to adjust the atmosphere.

Hearing Lin yuelan's words, the others all nodded.

However, only one person was confused, and that was Zhang Yuanbin, who had brought the account book.

Although he knew that Lin yuelan had cut off all ties with her family, he didn't know how it was done.

He had heard that Chen Xiaoqing was Lin yuelan's mother. Didn't most children have a strong attachment to their mothers?

Even if they had broken off their family ties, she should not be so cold and indifferent.

Of course, this was Lin yuelan's business. He was not stupid enough to ask her.

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Just like a few days ago, Lin yuelan brought Zhou Wencai to the cowshed that Lin Sanniu and his wife had borrowed from the neighbors to treat Chen Xiaoqing.

Lin yuelan's three siblings were already standing guard at the door. When they saw Lin yuelan, their numb and dazed eyes immediately lit up. However, their eyes were soon filled with anger and jealousy.

If it was an ordinary person who had cut off ties with them, one would definitely feel heartache for the three children. Then, one would soften one's heart and bring one back to one's new house.

However, it was a pity that Lin yuelan, who had been betrayed by both friendship and love, was a cold person. No matter what happened, no matter how tragic it was or how pitiful the person was, her heart would not be moved at all, and she would not have any sympathy.

She only looked at people and things based on her mood and value!

Her three siblings had developed an inexplicable hatred for her at a young age, which made her feel very bad.

Therefore, she would turn a blind eye to her three siblings no matter how they were.

Just like now, she did not even spare them a glance as she walked straight into the house. This made Zhou Wencai, who was by her side, look at the three scrawny children. He shook his head and sighed. 'what a pitiful and lamentable person!' As for who was pitiful and who was pathetic, who knew?

He followed Lin yuelan into the house and saw two people lying on a wooden bed. One of them was Chen Xiaoqing, and the other was Lin Sanniu.

Lin Sanniu failed to sue Lin yuelan. Not only did he not receive any money, he even lost all his assets. He even made Lin Laosan suffer a beating and spent a huge sum of money to treat Lin Laosan's injuries. Therefore, the Lin family was very angry with Lin Sanniu. As soon as the group returned to the Lin family, li Cuihua immediately ordered Lin Siniu and Lin Daniu to throw Lin Sanniu out of the Lin family house. She did not care about his life or death.

Due to his serious injuries, Lin Sanniu caught a fever after a long journey in the carriage. When he was thrown out of the house, his entire body was burning red. If it weren't for the passerby who noticed Lin Sanniu's abnormality and called for some people to carry him home in time, as well as the anxious doctor Zhang who treated his wound and prescribed him a few free antipyretics, perhaps he would not be lying in bed today, but in the mud.

When Lin Sanniu saw Lin yuelan entering with the first aid kit, his eyes immediately burned with rage. He glared at Lin yuelan and shouted, " get lost! We don't need you to treat us!"

It was a pity that his body was weak and powerless, and his angry shout was like a wolf's final struggle in the ears of Lin yuelan and the others.

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Lin yuelan didn't even look at him. She just said indifferently, "I'm not here to treat you. I'm here to treat your poor wife. As your former daughter, this is a token of my filial piety!"

Hearing this, Lin Sanniu became even angrier. "you unfilial daughter, get lost! I don't want your filial piety. You jinx, you jinxed your mother, and now you're jinxing me! Get lost, get lost!"

Lin yuelan sneered, "It's too late for you to reject my filial piety. I've promised the county Magistrate that I'll be filial to my mother. So, it's a pity that no matter how much you hate seeing me, I will still come every day until the face of the woman next to you is no longer blue and she has some meat on her body. She can get out of bed and work and looks like a normal person. Only then will I not be an eyesore in front of you. As for now?"

Lin yuelan looked coldly at the furious Lin Sanniu and said, "You're just half a cripple who can't even move."

Zhou Wencai frowned slightly when he heard that, but he didn't say a word.

However, Lin Sanniu, who was lying on the bed, did move. He wanted to jump up and hit Lin yuelan, but he could only scold angrily, "you unfilial daughter, you deserve to be struck by lightning. The heavens are blind!"

Lin yuelan continued to sneer, "that's right. The heavens are indeed blind. Otherwise, there wouldn't be so many evil people in the world, especially those who would kill their own children!"

As she replied to Lin Sanniu, she retracted the silver needles she had placed on Chen Xiaoqing's body. Then, she swiftly put the medicine box back and did not look at the couple again.

After she left the door and walked about a dozen steps, she flicked five or six copper coins out of her palm without looking back and said, " go and exchange them for some food. Otherwise, if you starve to death, I'll have to clean up your corpses for you, and I am a person who has cut off all ties with her family!

Lin Sanniu's family of five. Two of them were lying on the hospital bed and could not even get down to the ground. Without any work, they had no food to eat. As for the three younger ones, where could they find food in the middle of winter? As for the villagers and neighbors, they had a difficult life in winter. If they were to save Lin Sanniu's family, how would they survive?

These days, every time Lin Yuelan came to see Chen Xiaoqing, she would give a few copper coins to them before leaving. Although it was not much, it was enough to buy a few coarse grain balls to fill their stomachs so that they would not starve to death.

It wasn't that she pitied the family of five, but if they really starved to death, not only would it prove that she was a jinx, but it was also possible that she would be condemned.

Therefore, she really could not watch them starve to death.

Of course, the money was only enough to fill their stomachs.

Zhou Wencai, who was following behind her, shook his head in amusement when he saw Lin Yuelan's swift and fierce actions.

If he had not been following her for the past few days, he would have thought that she was really a cold-hearted person with a heart of stone. In fact, she was only stubborn in her words and soft in her heart. She did not really let them starve to death.

If Lin Sanniu and the rest were to starve to death, her reputation would be ruined.

After Lin yuelan returned home, Jiang Zhennan was sitting in the living room, frowning. His expression was very serious as if there was something that was bothering him.

Lin yuelan raised her eyebrows and put the first aid kit aside. Then, she sat next to him and asked with a smile, “Our general seems to be troubled by something. Tell me, what’s the matter that made you unhappy?”

However, Jiang Zhennan raised his head and stared at Lin yuelan’s bright and clear eyes with his sharp eyes. Then, he said very seriously, ” miss Yue ‘Er, there’s a letter!

Lin yuelan was stunned for a moment, and then her expression suddenly became serious. She asked softly, ” you mean...”

Jiang Zhennan nodded and said, ” yes!

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In a hidden courtyard at the capital, a young man wearing a purple robe and a gold-threaded orchid belt stood in front of the window of the small house. He held a green jade cup in one hand and placed the other hand on the windowsill. His eyes were deep and unfathomable.

He said indifferently, ” I heard that father has sent a decree to the general’s residence!” Standing behind the young man was a person with slightly white hair and a horsetail whisk. His voice was feminine yet sharp as he replied, ” yes, Your Highness!” His attitude was very respectful and reverent.

“Do you know what important matter father has that requires an imperial edict to be sent to the general’s residence?” The young man’s voice was dignified and fierce.

“I don’t know,” The man deliberately shook his head and said, ” however, I heard the Emperor say that the new year is approaching, and he misses general Jiang a little!”

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After Lin yuelan heard Jiang Zhennan say that there was a letter from the capital, she was silent for a moment before she asked again, " when do you plan to leave? "

Jiang Zhennan must have been so honest with her because this letter was an opportunity for them to return to the capital.

Jiang Zhennan's slightly hoarse and magnetic voice said, " in three days!"

Lin yuelan nodded and said, " okay!"

After that, she turned around and left.

Jiang Zhennan looked at Lin yuelan's small and exquisite figure, and his expression suddenly became a little overwhelmed.

He really couldn't understand what Lin yuelan meant. Did she not care, or was she angry?

He recalled how he had been looking forward to the opportunity to return to the capital when he first entered the Lin family Village.

He was not going back to the capital for the glory and wealth of his defender-general position but for the safety of his hundreds of thousands of soldiers and the entire country.

As the defender-general of the state, he led 300000 troops of the Longyan Kingdom. He was also the God of War and protector in the hearts of the people.

As there was no war at the moment, he received orders to return to the capital to assist the Emperor in dealing with some troublesome matters in secret.

When he first returned to the capital, he took 30000 troops and horses and stationed them outside the walls of the capital. Then, he took 300 subordinates and personal guards and returned to the defender General's mansion.

He had been poisoned, and his life was in danger. Then, he left the general's mansion in a hurry. It was hard to say whether he was dead or alive. Other than a few personal guards who knew about it, no one else could leak any information. Otherwise, whether it was the 30000 soldiers on the outskirts of the capital or the 300000 soldiers on the border, it was easy for them to lose their morale. Once the enemy found out, they were likely to take advantage of the chaos to attack. Therefore, he believed that the enemy who had secretly poisoned him would not be so stupid as to spread the news of his disappearance. Once His Majesty investigated, they would be in a difficult situation. Thus, they had to hide his disappearance in secret and wait for the right time.

However, he, the general, had not shown his face in front of the soldiers for almost half a year.

If he still didn't appear, then there would really be a big problem.

Firstly, the morale of the army was low. Secondly, the enemies in the dark were probably looking for an excuse to make him appear. If he didn't appear, they would charge him with all kinds of crimes, such as looking down on the Emperor, disloyalty, and attempting to seize power.

Therefore, now that the letter came, he had no choice but to return to the capital.

However, he was very reluctant to leave.

He was reluctant to part with everything here, whether it was the peace or the people here.

If he could, he really wanted to give up his identity as the defender-general of the state and live in seclusion in the mountain village. He wanted to live a life of an ordinary farmer who worked at sunrise and rested at sunset. He really wanted to enjoy the peace and tranquility here. Although there were some small quarrels between the people here, he enjoyed his life there. He wanted to talk about the world and daily life with the person he liked.

However, from the moment Lin yuelan saved them, it was destined that his dream of living in the countryside would be completely destroyed.

Not to mention Lin yuelan's current ability, which was only the tip of the iceberg, her wealth, and so on. All these things would attract the coveting of those rich, powerful, and greedy people. If she didn't have a certain power to protect her, she would be in a lot of trouble.

Therefore, he wanted to be the force that stood behind her to protect her. With the protection of the defender general's mansion, he believed that any force that wanted to touch Lin yuelan would have to think twice and not dare to act rashly.

The second was that Lin yuelan had saved all of them. Those forces that had secretly harmed him would definitely find Lin yuelan as soon as they received the news. They would definitely be disadvantageous to her.

This was why he had to return to the capital as soon as possible to stop those people from tracking her down.

Therefore, he had to return to the capital!

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“Boss, are we just going to leave like this?”

In the dead of the night, five tall figures stood at an intersection, and the person who had just spoken was obviously Guo Bing, whose tone was full of reluctance.

Jiang Zhennan turned around. His eyes, which were as sharp as an eagle's, looked at the tall house that was faintly discernible in the dark night. His eyes were full of reluctance, and there was also an inexplicable emotion in his eyes.

After a moment, he said coldly, "let's go!"

"Boss, are we really not going to say goodbye to Miss Lin?" Guo Bing was obviously a little worried as he said, "ever since the boss told miss Lin that we would be leaving in three days, she has not appeared in front of us again. Everything has been handed over to the Butler to arrange. I wonder what she's been up to these past three days."

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“Could it be that miss Lin couldn’t bear for us to leave, so she went to hide?” Little twelve guessed, ” after all, the five of us have been with her for almost half a year. To be honest, I’m also very reluctant to part with Miss Lin.”

When he heard little twelve say that he was very reluctant to part with Lin yuelan, Jiang Zhennan’s sharp eyes immediately shot straight at little twelve. Little twelve suddenly felt even colder, and he couldn’t help but shrink his neck. He muttered softly, ” it’s really cold today, especially on a winter night.”

However, when he could not help but look into Jiang Zhennan’s eyes, he immediately realized that Jiang Zhennan might have misunderstood what he had said.

“boss, don’t misunderstand. I mean, I can’t bear to part with miss Lin because of her excellent cooking, ” little twelve said.

When it came to cooking, everyone fell silent again.

After they returned to the capital, how could they have such delicious food again?

“Yes, Speaking of which, I can’t bear to part with Miss Lin. I can’t bear to part with her good cooking skills.” Little three and little six also lowered their eyebrows and said.

Guo Bing smacked them on their heads and said, ” why don’t you think about how to get miss Lin to bring that delicious food to Beijing? Since she was able to open a restaurant in anding County at such a young age, why

can't she open another restaurant in the capital with the boss and I looking after her? Although miss Lin won't personally cook there, it's definitely better than the food in the big restaurants in the capital!"

Their eyes brightened. They patted the back of their heads and said loudly, "that's right. We can ask miss Lin to open a restaurant in the capital." After that, the few of them immediately looked at Jiang Zhennan in unison, with a strong desire to ask questions.

In the dark night, Jiang Zhennan's face suddenly sank, and it became even darker in the darkness.

He said, "then why don't you go to Miss Yue 'Er now and ask her to open a restaurant in the capital?"

That was because it wasn't realistic for Lin yuelan to open a restaurant in the capital.

Not to mention the capital, where every inch of land was worth an inch of gold, Lin yuelan's tens of thousands of taels of silver was simply not enough to buy a restaurant. Plus, the Lin family Village still had all of Lin yuelan's property-houses, fields, and medicine shops. She could not simply abandon them and follow them to the capital.

Moreover, it would be dangerous for them to return to the capital this time. They couldn't let Lin yuelan be in constant danger.

A few of them lowered their heads and no longer spoke.

However, after living here for half a year, they seemed to have gotten used to the peace and tranquility, happiness and peace here. So, they were reluctant to leave this place suddenly. However, they would never forget their other duty, which was to be soldiers.

As a soldier, he had to fulfill his duty as a soldier.

Jiang Zhennan glanced at his subordinates, who had their heads lowered and were unhappy. He then looked at the tall building at the end of the

village. Jiang Zhennan's eyes hid his reluctance to part with the building. He sighed softly and then said sharply, "let's go!"

Jiang Zhennan held the reins in his hand, led Lie Feng, and planned to leave with the others.

Lie Feng had not restored his original appearance. Jiang Zhennan planned to restore Lie Feng's original appearance after he returned to the capital. He also planned to put on the mask on his face when he returned to the general's office.

If he wore it now, it would definitely be very eye-catching.

Other than Guo Bing, the young master of the Guo family, who was a little eye-catching, those people did not know the others.

Fortunately, Guo Bing was also an expert at disguising himself. He made some slight adjustments to his face, and his entire person, whether it was his temperament or his facial features, was very different from before. He believed that as long as he was not particularly familiar with someone, they would definitely not recognize him.

If there were no accidents, they could return to the general's residence without a hitch.

Lie Feng also knew that it was going to leave with its master.

However, it really couldn't bear to.

Although the little demoness would come over to rub it and make it do this and that, after doing these things, it could always drink that fragrant water.

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Thus, it spent every day in pain and happiness, going back and forth between the Lin family Village and the other desolate places.

Now that it was about to leave the place, it really didn't want to leave, and it was even more reluctant to leave the little devil.

However, it had to leave with its master and return to the battlefield to fight.

“Let's go!” Jiang Zhennan touched Lie Feng's head and said softly, ” I know that you are also very reluctant to leave, but I am even more reluctant to leave. But, do you know? If we don't leave, Miss Yue 'Er will be in great danger when those people realize what's going on. So, in order to not put Miss Yue 'Er in any more danger, we must leave. The best choice is to return to the capital as soon as possible.”

Lie Feng seemed to understand his words. It rubbed against Jiang Zhennan's palm, indicating that it understood.

Jiang Zhennan grinned and said, ” Feng 'Er, you're a good boy!”

After that, the group of people silently headed toward the village entrance, getting closer and closer.

However, when they got close to the village entrance, their eyes widened in an instant. They stared at the White figure in disbelief and the black figure beside him.

Obviously, the White silver was little white, and the black shadow was...

“What, are you planning to leave without saying goodbye?” A tender and cold voice entered everyone’s ears.

“Miss... Miss... Miss Lin!” Little Three and the others stammered in surprise, “Why are you here? ”

“Hehe, brother Little Six, I haven’t spoken to you for only three days. Why are you stuttering so much?” Lin yuelan sneered.

Little Six’s face turned red, and he was even more embarrassed and nervous as he replied, ” I’m sorry. I was just surprised to see you here.”

However, as soon as he finished speaking, Lin yuelan said coldly, ” so, if I didn’t show up here, you guys would have left without saying goodbye, right? ”

Guo Bing and the others lowered their heads slightly, then looked at Jiang Zhennan with the same expression.

The meaning was obvious. The person who had made them leave without saying goodbye was their boss, Jiang Zhennan.

Jiang Zhennan’s expression immediately returned to normal after his slight surprise, but his heart was trembling with excitement.

He kept repeating the same sentence in his heart: ‘She actually appeared. She actually appeared...’

However, when he saw that his subordinates had pushed the blame onto him, he held the reins with one hand and put the other hand to his lips to fake a few coughs. He said, “Miss Yue ‘Er, we really didn’t want to leave without saying goodbye. It was you...” it was you who had been avoiding us.

Although he didn’t say it out loud, everyone present understood.

However, Lin yuelan stood on the White Tiger’s back and looked down at them with a sharp gaze. Then, her eyes met Jiang Zhennan’s, and she asked

in an even colder voice, ” so, you guys just left without saying goodbye, right? ”

At this point, she immediately sneered and continued, “Firstly, I saved your lives, and secondly, we’ve been good friends for the past six months. Even if we’re not friends, I can be considered your savior, right? Just because you can’t wait to go back to the capital to enjoy your life, you don’t even have time to say goodbye to your savior?”

A few of them blushed.

When Jiang Zhennan saw Lin yuelan’s cold attitude toward them, he immediately became flustered and nervous. He took a few steps forward and explained very anxiously, ” it’s not like that, miss Yue ‘Er. It’s not like that. Please don’t misunderstand what we mean. We didn’t say goodbye to you and the others because, because of...”

Jiang Zhennan rambled a bit, but he could not come up with a reason.

Lin yuelan still looked on coldly, standing on the White Tiger’s back as if waiting for Jiang Zhennan’s explanation.

When Jiang Zhennan suddenly met Lin yuelan’s eyes, his gaze suddenly became filled with reluctance and affection. He suddenly said to Lin yuelan in a very serious and serious manner, ” I’m afraid that once we go and say goodbye, we will be even more reluctant to leave. We won’t be willing to leave the countryside life here, we won’t be willing to leave the villagers here, we won’t be willing to leave Doctor Zhang, we won’t be willing to leave Grandpa Lin, and we won’t be willing to leave...” his eyes were fixed on Lin yuelan, then he continued, ” we won’t be willing to leave you, Miss Yue ‘Er!

When Jiang Zhennan said the last sentence, he was so shocked that Guo Bing and the others’ jaws dropped. But then, he seemed to be relieved and said to himself, ” wow, the boss finally said it.

After saying that, Jiang Zhennan finally realized what he had just said. Immediately, his face turned red, and he lowered his head slightly, looking

very embarrassed and nervous.

He was nervous, afraid, and terrified, but he was even more worried, worried about Lin yuelan's aversion to him.

“There are twelve emergency pills in this Jade bottle. As long as a person is still breathing, they can be pulled back from the gates of hell after eating these pills! I'll see you in the capital in half a year!”

When Jiang Zhennan came back to his senses and raised his head, he saw a white shadow coming toward him. He reached out to catch it, and then he heard these two sentences. Finally, the white shadow went away.

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The emperor's imperial edict arrived at the general's residence.

At that time, Jiang Zhenye and Jiang Wen treated the general's mansion as their own. They were arrogant and domineering to the guards and servants of the general's mansion, ordering them to do this and that.

They even found an opportunity to send out the guards and servants who were usually not pleasing to the eye, or who did not listen to their orders.

However, the guards of the general's residence were personally hired by Jiang Zhennan to protect the people of the general's residence. Jiang Zhenye and Jiang Wen could not send them away so easily.

Even Jiang Zhennan's most trusted Butler could not get rid of them easily. Unless Jiang Zhennan did not want them, they would not leave the general's residence.

Therefore, whether it was Jiang Zhenye, Jiang Wen, or the Butler, they should not think of any excuse to send the guards away.

This matter made Jiang Zhenye and Jiang Wen both angry and annoyed.

When the guards once again ignored them, Jiang Wen's face turned red with anger. She stomped her feet and shouted at them angrily, "Hmph, are you waiting for your general Jiang Zhennan to return? Let me tell you, stop dreaming. I'm afraid that your general will never come back!"

"Wen 'Er!" As soon as Jiang Wen finished shouting, Jiang Zhenye, who was standing beside her, stopped her with a stern expression.

When Jiang Wen realized what she was saying, her face turned pale, and she looked at her brother, not knowing what to do.

“What did you just say?” Guard, Little Nine, immediately reacted and asked sternly, “Miss Jiang, what did you just say? What did you mean by our great general might never come back? Please make yourself clear.”

Although these people were called guards, they were actually Jiang Zhennan’s brothers who had gone through life and death with him. On the battlefield, they had killed at least a hundred enemies, if not a thousand. Therefore, although the murderous aura on this person was not as strong as Jiang Zhennan’s, it was enough to scare the weak Jiang siblings.

“Impudent!” It was Jiang Zhenye who reacted first. He roared in an imposing manner, “Who allowed you to speak to your Masters like this? Do you know that you’re going against your superior?”

It was a pity that Jiang Zhennan’s soldiers were not so easily frightened. Moreover, this person was only shouting loudly, but his fists and legs were shaking.

Little Nine sneered, “To all the guards in the general’s residence, only the general is our master. As for you...” with that, he sneered and left with the other guards.

Their actions were self-evident. The siblings were not worthy of being the Masters of the general’s residence.

After Little Nine and the others left, Jiang Wen looked at her brother with a pale face and asked, “Brother, what should we do? I-I’m in trouble. If mother finds out, she’ll definitely curse me to death.”

Although Jiang Zhenye was angry at Jiang Wen’s impulsiveness, Jiang Wen was still his most beloved sister. He closed the folding fan he had opened with a snap and comforted Jiang Wen, “Wen ‘Er, don’t worry!” He looked sharply at the backs of the guards and said ruthlessly, “For a while, they will never believe that Jiang Zhennan, that bastard, would go missing. So, you don’t have to worry that they will make a big move and alert the

higher-ups. If they really do take action, we must report to mother. She will definitely have a way to deal with it. ”

Back then, when she was just a concubine, she was able to use underhanded means to secretly cause the head lady of the Zhengguo’s mansion to die of dystocia. She took over the position, and after that, she firmly stabilized the head lady of the mansion. It could be seen how powerful his mother was.

Therefore, their mother would definitely have a way to solve all this.

At the thought of her mother, Jiang Wen broke into a smile and nodded. “okay, I’ll listen to brother!” Jiang Zhennan’s disappearance was currently an absolute secret in the eyes of the defender General’s residence, and even that person. Otherwise, if the Emperor or the enemy countries knew about Jiang Zhennan’s disappearance, it would definitely set off bloody chaos.

Jiang Zhennan’s disappearance was overheard by his siblings. Then, they were caught red-handed by Jiang Yunfeng and Wen Yujing. After that, they were severely warned not to tell anyone about this matter. Otherwise, it might cause big trouble.

On one side, Jiang Zhenye and Jiang Wen were secretly happy about Jiang Zhennan’s disappearance. It was unknown if he was still alive or not. On the other hand, they had to keep Jiang Zhennan’s disappearance an absolute secret, which seemed to make them particularly depressed. They wanted to tell the whole world that Jiang Zhennan was dead and that they were the Masters of the general’s residence.

It was just that the brother and sister seemed to have never thought that even if the defender general’s residence did not have a defender-general, it would still be the defender general’s residence. Could they still be the Masters here?

On the other side, Little Nine and company came to a hidden corner and started whispering.

“Did you guys hear what Jiang Wen said just now?” Little 9th asked sternly, ” how much of her words do you think we can trust? ”

The other guards looked at each other, then shook their heads in unison. “Little Nine, you can’t trust her words. You also know that this woman usually doesn’t like the general and often curses him to die. If the general had really disappeared for no reason, according to her temperament, she should have been shouting loudly a long time ago. How could she have held it in until now? Besides, our general is wise, brave, and wise. How could he disappear for no reason? As his guards, how could we not know?”

After hearing this, although little Nine felt that these words made sense, he still had some doubts and worries in his heart. “But don’t you think that our general has really disappeared for too long this time? As the housekeeper said, our general went on a tour, but you should know that he’s not such a leisurely person, right? Besides, even if the general went out to play, he should at least let our boss know. But our boss hasn’t received any news from the general recently, right?”

With his doubts pointed out, the others immediately fell silent, their expressions solemn.

After a while, little sixteen asked, ” you mean, something might have happened to the general? ”

Little nine nodded and said, ” yes. Listening to the meaning of Jiang Wen’s words, the general’s accident is likely to be related to the Marquis’ family, and maybe our general has already...”

What?

He was most likely dead.

However, they did not dare to say it out loud.

Just as they were silent, the emperor’s imperial edict arrived.

The Butler, Jiang Tianping, hurriedly led the army to receive the Imperial edict.

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“The Imperial edict has arrived!”

When they heard a soft and shrill voice outside the general's residence, all the guards looked at each other, their eyes filled with unknown doubt and worry.

“What should we do? The great general hasn't been in the manor recently, so he can't receive the Imperial edict now.” Little Nine said worriedly.

Little thirty-eight and little forty-two looked at each other when they saw their companions' anxious expressions. They wanted to say something but stopped. However, when they saw their leader rushing over, they secretly heaved a sigh of relief.

It was good that the leader was back.

When little Nine and the rest saw their leader rushing over, they immediately went up and said worriedly, “boss, the Imperial edict is about to reach the general's residence, but the general is not in residence. What should we do?”

The leader, Little One, raised his hand and looked at his companions. Although his face was also filled with anxiety and worry, he comforted his companions and said, “don't worry! The general was on his way back to the manor. The problem now is that we have to think of a way to delay eunuch Liu, who is delivering the decree so that he won't enter the residence so quickly. The general will be back soon!”

“Boss, is what you said true?” The eyes of little Nine and the others immediately lit up. “is the general really on his way back to the manor?”

“That’s right!” little one nodded.

After that, he instructed little Nine, ” little Nine, you’re usually the smartest. Bring two or three brothers to the outside of the residence and intercept eunuch Liu who is delivering the Imperial edict. Stall for as long as you can, understand? ”

“Yes!” little Nine replied seriously. Then, he turned around and called his two brothers, and rushed out of the mansion.

“Little 38 and little 42, go and delay the Butler and delay the time when he meets eunuch Liu. Don’t let him cause any trouble for the general!”

“yes, boss!” Little 38 and little 42 replied immediately.

If little 38 and little 42 hadn’t reported to him the real reason why the general wasn’t in the mansion, perhaps they would still think that the head butler was a loyal man in the defender General’s mansion.

However, who would have thought that the Butler, who they all thought was loyal and devoted, was the real culprit who caused the general not to return? He had betrayed the general a long time ago.

Hmph, in any case, the great general had sent a letter to tell them to let the butler be free and unfettered for a period of time. When he returned, his good days would be over.

Therefore, even though the guards knew the truth, they didn’t touch a single hair on the Butler.

After the arrangements were made, Little one looked at his remaining companions and said, ” let’s go. We’ll take the great general’s armor and go to the back door to receive the general!”

“Yes!” Then, under the leadership of the leader, the group of people walked towards the back door with silver armor.

When the Butler, Jiang Tianping, heard the arrival of the Imperial edict, he was also as anxious as ants on a hot pan.

“What do we do? What to do? Why would His Majesty suddenly issue an imperial edict to the general’s residence?” Jiang Tianping said doubtfully, “if the great general doesn’t appear, then the entire General’s residence will be charged with disrespecting the Emperor. At that time, no one will be in a good position!”

The first to bear the brunt of this was him, the Butler of the defender general’s residence. That was why he was so anxious. Otherwise, he would not be so worried.

When the Jiang siblings heard the Imperial edict and arrived at the general’s residence, they immediately went to find the Butler.

Seeing Jiang Tianping’s anxiousness, Jiang Zhenye patted his palm with his folding fan and comforted Jiang Tianping, “Butler, don’t worry. I’m here today to give you some ideas. In a while, you can just tell eunuch Liu that your Lord has gone to court a beauty. With the emperor’s trust in Jiang Zhennan, I believe that he would be very happy to hear this kind of news, wouldn’t he?”

Jiang Zhennan himself didn’t care about his marriage, but the Emperor had always kept it in his heart.

The Emperor had intended to arrange a marriage for Jiang Zhennan several times, but unfortunately, as soon as the woman heard that she was going to marry Jiang Zhennan, she immediately sought death at home and refused to marry him. Jiang Zhennan had also turned down the offer several times and said that he would not marry anyone for the rest of his life and would only protect the country.

However, Jiang Zhennan needed to get married.

A man needed a wife to take care of the insides of the general’s residence.

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Therefore, even if Jiang Zhennan was unwilling to marry a wife, the Emperor had always taken this matter to heart.

If the Emperor were to hear such news now, he would definitely be overjoyed and would not care about Jiang Zhennan not appearing to receive the Imperial edict.

As for why Jiang Zhenye would suddenly give Jiang Tianping such an idea?

In fact, it was not his idea, but his mother Wen Yujing's idea, and he just shared it.

Wen Yujing and Jiang Yunfeng had long known that the Emperor had the intention to invite Jiang Zhennan to participate in the Royal New Year's Eve conference at the end of the year, so it was only a matter of time before the Imperial edict was sent to the general's residence.

Since Jiang Zhennan's disappearance, the Jiang siblings had become the Masters of the Jiang family. Therefore, in order for the Jiang siblings to stay in the general's residence so that her son, Jiang Zhenye, could inherit everything in the general's residence in the future, Wen Yujing had to come up with these ideas.

Otherwise, she wanted the defender General's family to be exterminated.

As soon as Jiang Tian heard this idea, he immediately smiled and gave Jiang Zhenye a thumbs up. "brilliant, brilliant, eldest young master is really smart. You've understood the emperor's mind!"

Jiang Zhenzhen raised his head and looked like a proud rooster as he said, "of course. Only an extremely intelligent person like this young master would be able to come up with such a brilliant idea."

Jiang Tianping quickly agreed and said, "yes, yes!"

Then, he remembered something and asked, "if eunuch Liu asks which family's daughter Jiang Zhennan is pursuing, how should I answer?"

Jiang Zhenye was stunned.

He really didn't know about this. At that time, his mother gave him this idea. As for which family's daughter, they didn't think carefully at all.

Jiang Zhenye reacted and said, "Hmph, which family's daughter can she be? Which family's daughter would he, Jiang Zhennan, be able to enjoy? You can just say that she's a prostitute in a brothel, a beggar, or a woman from the countryside. In short, don't make that woman's status too noble! He's not worthy!"

In short, he was full of anger when he talked about Jiang Zhennan.

Although Jiang Zhennan was missing, he still could not get over this.

Jiang Tianping bent down and lowered his head. He seemed to be very respectful as he replied, "yes!"

Then, he raised his head slightly and said, "eldest young master, if there is nothing else, I will go down to prepare to receive the Imperial edict!"

Jiang Zhenye waved his hand and said impatiently, "go!"

Butler Jiang led a group of servants to clean the main hall and the incense table. Then, he burned the incense burner and prepared to receive the Imperial edict.

Just as he was about to leave, he was stopped by little 38 and little 42.

No. 38 asked anxiously, "Butler, you said that our general went on a tour, but now the Imperial edict has come to the residence. What should we do? Can you get in touch with the great general and have him return to the residence as soon as possible to receive the decree?"

Jiang Tianping looked at them and heard the question from the little 38. He thought to himself disdainfully, 'I was just saying that to coax you. Now that Jiang Zhennan is poisoned, he should have died long ago. How are you going to get him to come back?'

However, at this moment, Jiang Tianping knew very well that it was not the time for him to fall out with these people. He said, "Little 38, I was lying when I said that the general went on a tour. In fact, the great general went to pursue a woman!"

"Ah?" Hearing Jiang Tianping's answer, little 38 and little 42 were stunned. Then, they frowned and thought to themselves, 'This Butler is really talking nonsense. He has harmed the general and made him unable to return home. Now, he can still say that general has gone to chase a girl! He's really shameless!'

However, now was not the time to confront Jiang Tianping. They had an important mission to delay him.

Hearing that, little 42 immediately said happily, "Butler, is it true? Did the general really go after a lady? Which girl did the general like? Where was that girl from? And how did our general take a fancy to her? Butler, please tell us!"

Jiang Tianping's expression darkened as he said somewhat angrily, "what nonsense are you talking about? We're not in a hurry to receive the Imperial decree, and you're actually in the mood to ask about the general? When His Majesty punishes you for looking down on him, can you bear the responsibility?"

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However, little 38 and little 42 were not scared. Little 38 smiled and said, "Butler, don't worry. Little Nine is entertaining eunuch Liu and the others with good food and drinks. They won't be in a hurry. So, you'd better tell us which girl the general has taken a fancy to." In fact, when he said the last sentence, he gritted his teeth.

Jiang Tianping was pestered by the two, so he had to make up a story about Cinderella meeting her Prince Charming.

Outside the general's residence, it was supposed to be an extremely cold day, but eunuch Liu and the rest of the Imperial decree-issuing team members were standing at the entrance of the cold and chilly gate.

After standing there for a moment, eunuch Liu felt a sharp pain as if he was being cut by a knife. He immediately felt a little resentful.

However, he, who served the Emperor, still had patience. So, he still stood at the door of the general's mansion without a word, waiting for the defender-general of the state, Jiang Zhennan, to receive the Imperial edict.

However, just because he didn't say anything, it didn't mean that the others didn't say anything.

A guard standing next to him observed eunuch Liu's expression. When he saw eunuch Liu frown slightly, he immediately guessed that eunuch Liu was dissatisfied with the fact that the people from the general's residence had not appeared.

He immediately stepped forward and said indignantly, "eunuch Liu, what do you think the people from the defender General's residence are doing?"

We've been standing here for a whole day, and we still haven't seen a single person. They're clearly looking down on His Majesty!"

"Shut up!" Eunuch Liu immediately said sternly, "how can you speak so disdainfully of His Majesty? If there's a next time, you're not going to keep your head!"

After reprimanding the guard who was spouting nonsense, he looked at the plaque of the defender General's mansion. The five big golden words were dazzling. He continued, "the defender General of the state is a general who has made great contributions to the peace of our Long Yan Kingdom. How can you evaluate him as you please?"

Even he didn't dare to say anything bad about the defender general.

The group continued to wait.

At this moment, a few guards walked out of the defender general's residence. One of them immediately looked anxious and apologetic. He cupped his hands and explained to eunuch Liu apologetically, "I'm sorry, eunuch Liu. The general had a cold last night and did not expect to have a fever this morning. If the servants had not noticed it, his fever would have been worse."

When eunuch Liu heard that the war god of a Kingdom was sick, his anger immediately dissipated. He immediately asked with concern, "the great general is sick?! Is it serious? Did you get an Imperial physician to take a look?"

Little Nine shook his head and said, "eunuch Liu, please don't worry. Although the general had a fever, he found it early and invited a doctor to take a look. It did not cause the symptoms to worsen. He was prescribed a few doses of medicine and fell asleep after taking it.

"However, he heard that eunuch Liu has brought the emperor's imperial decree and is currently tidying up his clothes. I ask eunuch Liu to wait for a moment!"

Eunuch Liu immediately understood and said, " we can! Since great general is not feeling well, then we'll take it slow. We can still wait!"

Little nine immediately expressed his gratitude, " thank you for your understanding, eunuch Liu! On behalf of the great general, I thank eunuch Liu!"

Eunuch Liu immediately waved his hand and said, " this is what we should do!"

Little Nine immediately gave his companions a look. The three companions who were holding teapots and teacups received little Nine's look and immediately came forward to say, " eunuch Liu, you've really worked hard! Come, have a cup of hot tea to warm your body!"

Eunuch Liu and the others had been standing there for a long time. They were indeed a little thirsty and cold. They took the tea and said, " thank you!"

After pouring a cup of tea for each of them, little nine and the other three looked at each other, and only they could understand the meaning in their eyes.

A moment later, one of the guards who came with Eunuch Liu could not bear it any longer. He said to eunuch Liu, " eunuch Liu, I can't bear it any longer. I have to go to the toilet!"

In reality, eunuch Liu also had the urge to pee. However, at this moment, he could still bear with it for a while. When he heard that his subordinates wanted to go to the toilet, he could only nod and say, " mm, go!"

Little Jiu immediately stepped forward and said, " eunuch Liu, shall I bring this brother to the toilet? "

Eunuch Liu replied, " mm." However, the more he resisted the urge to pee, the more urgent it became.

A moment later, people, including eunuch Liu, rushed into the toilet one after another.

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At the back door of the general's office, Little One stood at the door and looked around anxiously. He looked at the time and became more and more anxious.

Little sixteen walked over and said with the same anxious and worried expression, "boss, will our general really come back? Will the great general be able to arrive in time to receive the Imperial edict?"

At this moment, Little one was also a little uncertain. He still said firmly, "the general's words have always carried enormous weight. If he says he will rush back today, then he will definitely rush back!"

The others were encouraged by his words and immediately said with confidence, "yes, the general will definitely come back!"

A moment later, they heard the sound of horse hooves.

Their eyes lit up, and they shouted in surprise, "the great general is back!"

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Jiang Tianping's finally explained how Jiang Zhennan had passed by a village when he was touring the mountains and rivers and fell in love with a village girl at first sight. Then, the girl had been hiding from him out of fear, and Jiang Zhennan had been chasing after her all this time.

After little 38 and little 42 heard that, they said in understanding, " Oh, I see. No wonder we couldn't see great general for the past few months. It turns out that he went to chase after the lady."

However, after that, the two of them asked in confusion, " hey, Butler, even us close guards don't know about this. How did you know? Could it be that the general would write to you from time to time to tell you about his experience in wooing girls? Or is the general sending a letter asking you about your unique skill in chasing girls? But that's not right. Although you're old, you've been managing the general's residence diligently all these years. You don't even have a wife, and I've never heard of you pursuing any girl. Where did you get the experience to teach the great general to fall in love? Great Butler, tell us!"

Jiang Tianping's heart skipped a beat when he heard No. 38's persistent question.

He was only thinking about how to cover up this lie, but he never thought that they would have such determination to shamelessly ask him.

However, even if they were just curious and doubtful, shouldn't they have received the Imperial edict first before asking? Weren't they afraid that Eunuch Liu would be angry and complain to the Emperor? This would be very disadvantageous to the general.

Jiang Tianping's face turned pale, and he reprimanded the two of them with slight anger, "are you guys done? Even if you have big questions, can't you wait until eunuch Liu comes over and receive the Imperial edict first? If we delay any longer, the crime of disrespecting the emperor's dignity is not something you and I can bear!"

He was also afraid that the longer the time dragged on, the more trouble would arise, so he could only reprimand the two of them.

After all, even if they were Jiang Zhennan's personal guards, in the general's residence, other than the general, he, the Butler, had the highest authority.

Little 38 and little 42 saw that Jiang Tianping was angry and looked at each other.

Little 42 immediately stepped forward and smiled apologetically. "head butler, please calm down! Little thirty-eight and I were just too curious. When we heard that the general was going to a village to chase a girl, we were immediately excited. In our excitement, we forgot that eunuch Liu is still standing at the entrance of the general's military headquarters, waiting to pass on the Imperial edict to our general."

Little 42 was too excited. For a moment, Jiang Tianping couldn't be angry anymore.

After all, the great general actually knew how to pursue a lady. Although the servants were happy and excited, the Emperor would also be very happy to hear it. That was why they made up such a lie.

After all, the general was already twenty-four years old. Other men of his age might have children a few years old, but he had never even held a girl's hand before, let alone married a wife. Everyone could only watch anxiously.

"Head butler, aren't you going to receive the Imperial edict? Why are you still here?" A sharp female voice was heard.

Without even looking, the soldiers knew that they were the gorgeously dressed, arrogant, and unreasonable eldest daughter of the Jiang family, Jiang Wen.

“Hmph, are you the ones who stopped the head butler from leaving?” As soon as Jiang Wen came to them, she looked at little 38 and little 42. Without asking anything, she immediately used this as an excuse to scold them. Anyway, for the siblings, disobedient dogs should be taught a lesson. “You dog slaves, how dare you look down on the Imperial decree and the majesty of the Emperor? Are you tired of living?”

At this point, Jiang Wen looked at Jiang Tianping and said with a serious and ruthless expression, “head butler, these disobedient dog slaves should be taken out and beaten to death. What are you still standing there for? Hurry up and call someone to pull these two dog slaves out and beat them to death!”

When Jiang Tianping heard Jiang Wen’s words, he said awkwardly, “miss, I’m afraid this... isn’t appropriate, right? After all, they’re the personal guards of the great Xuanji general. Without a contract, they...”

Without the slave contract, they were free soldiers. Even if the Marquis, Jiang Yunfeng came, he would not have the right to beat them to death, let alone a Butler.

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Unfortunately, Jiang Wen could not care less. She immediately shouted and said, "Hmph, so what? So what if they were the dogs of that bastard Jiang Zhennan? That bastard had gone missing and was most likely already dead. How could he care about his bullshit personal guards? Jiang Tianping, this young miss orders you to immediately drive these two dogs out. Oh, no, drive out all the dogs that used to stay with that bastard in the defender general's mansion. If you can't drive them out, then drag them out and beat them to death!"

Little 38 and little 42's faces turned green with anger when they heard him calling their most respected general a bastard.

Little 38 said angrily to Jiang Wen, "please be careful of your words, miss Jiang! If the general is a bastard, then what kind of bastard are you and young master Jiang? And what kind of bastard is your father, Lord Jiang?"

The other meaning of his words was that if the general was a bastard, then Jiang Wen and Jiang Zhenye were also bastards. Without a doubt, their father was even more of a bastard.

Because only a bastard can give birth to a bastard, right?

Jiang Wen was not a fool. Of course, she understood the meaning of the little thirty-two.

Jiang Wen's face turned red with anger, and her small chest heaved up and down. She shouted at the little thirty-two angrily, "you dog slave, how dare you talk to me like this? It looks like you really don't want to live anymore.

Men, arrest this servant who has openly rebutted her master and beat him to death!”

As soon as she finished speaking, a deep, magnetic, and slightly hoarse voice of a man shouted sharply, ” I’d like to see who dares!

Everyone turned to look at the source of the voice.

Immediately, some people were overjoyed, some were terrified, and some turned pale with fright.

Little 38 and little 42 saw the general wearing a set of silver armor and a silver mask. The general looked very majestic as he walked over from the garden road. They immediately shouted in surprise, ” general!”

Jiang Tianping heard Jiang Zhennan’s voice, and the moment he saw Jiang Zhennan, his face was filled with disbelief. He said in a panic, ” this... this... how is this possible? How is this possible?”

The heart-eating poison was personally given to him by Wen Yujing. Then, he personally put the poison into the soup and watched Jiang Zhennan drink it.

With that kind of poison, even if they found the divine Doctor Wu Yazhi, it would be too late. There was no way they could pull Jiang Zhennan back from the gates of hell.

Where did this go wrong?

Didn’t they say that Jiang Zhennan had disappeared for the past six months, most likely because of the poison?

Why did he come back perfectly fine?

With Jiang Zhennan’s sudden appearance, Jiang Tianping would not have thought that this person was someone else pretending to be Jiang Zhennan.

Because even if someone tried to impersonate him, they could only do so on the outside. After all, Jiang Zhennan always wore a silver mask.

However, the murderous aura that Jiang Zhennan had trained on the battlefield was not something that ordinary people could impersonate.

That was why Jiang Tianping's face was filled with fear and uneasiness the moment Jiang Zhennan appeared.

“Ah, a ghost!”

The moment Jiang Wen heard Jiang Zhennan's voice and saw Jiang Zhennan, her beautiful face immediately turned pale with fright. She screamed loudly and immediately lost her rationality and thought. She asked in horror, “why are you here?”

Guo Bing had also changed into a set of silver-gray armor. When he heard Jiang Wen's words, he suddenly found it funny and said, “Miss Jiang, isn't it funny that you asked this? This was the defender general's residence. If the general didn't appear in the residence, where would he appear? On the other hand, you guys ...”

Guo Bing looked at the shocked Jiang Wen and the flustered Jiang Zhenye. He asked them with a sneer and curiosity, “why are you in the general's office? This young master remembers that you were chased out of the residence by big brother and were never allowed to take a step into the defender General's residence, right?”

As Guo Bing spoke, he glanced at the head butler, Jiang Tianping, who still couldn't believe it and was in a daze.

Jiang Zhenye and Jiang Wen's faces suddenly turned pale, then green and red. They were obviously frightened, panicked, and angry. All kinds of other emotions intertwined on their faces.

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Guo Bing then turned to the dazed head butler Jiang Tianping and said sarcastically, "I say, head butler Jiang, what are you mumbling about? What did you mean by that? Are you not happy that the general is back? So that's why you said it's impossible?"

Jiang Tianping took a while to react. Jiang Zhennan had really returned unscathed.

The uneasiness and fear in his heart instantly swelled. Listening to Guo Bing's words, he was as if he was on edge. He immediately knelt down in front of Jiang Zhennan and cried, "general, you're finally back. I thought, I thought, I thought..."

Jiang Zhennan continued his words sharply, "you think that I will never come back, right?"

After Jiang Zhennan finished speaking, he sneered and immediately ordered, "guards! Take the butler to the woodshed and guard him strictly. We will deal with him later!"

"yes, general!" little 38 and little 42 immediately replied.

Then, they took away the head butler, Jiang Tianping, who was lying on the ground with an ashen face.

Seeing Jiang Zhennan lock Jiang Tianping up in the woodshed without any mercy, waiting for his punishment, Jiang Wen and Jiang Zhenye were immediately so scared that they didn't even dare to breathe. They no longer had the overbearing aura that they had when they were about to beat and kill the general's soldiers. They lowered their heads, their hands trembled,

and their legs couldn't help but tremble. At this moment, if there was a gap that they could crawl into, they would immediately escape.

“Men, ” Jiang Zhennan did not even look at them. He only called for his subordinates to come over.

“Your subordinate is here!” Two guards immediately stepped forward.

“Send young master Jiang and young lady Jiang back to the Marquis mansion safely. Also, send a message to the Marquis and his wife. The defender general's Manor is small and cannot accommodate young master Jiang and young miss Jiang. If there's a next time, then I don't mind personally going to the Marquis' mansion to have a chat!”

These words were very obvious. This was a warning to Jiang Yunfeng and Wen Yujing, not to have any ideas about the defender General's mansion. Otherwise, he would use his identity as the first young master of the Marquis' court to fight for the title of Marquis!

He believed that with the emperor's favoritism for Jiang Zhennan, there was still a certain chance of winning the title.

He believed that as long as Jiang Yunfeng and Wen Yujing were smart people, they would naturally know what to do.

“Yes, general!” The subordinate immediately replied excitedly.

In the past, before the general returned, Jiang Zhenye and Jiang Wen had acted arrogantly in the general's residence. The general had only ordered people to drive them out but had not given any warning to the Marquis' court.

This time, the general who had been missing for half a year had returned and given the Marquis' court a warning.

He believed that the Marquis, Jiang Yunfeng, and the Marquis' wife, Wen Yujing, would not dare to make any rash moves for a period of time!

After finishing these two things, Jiang Zhennan no longer said anything. Wearing his silver armor, he walked towards the entrance of the defender General's mansion.

The answer was obvious. He was going to the entrance to receive eunuch Liu and the others to receive the Imperial edict!

Just as eunuch Liu and the others were secretly wondering if they should make another trip to the toilet, they saw the general. He was wearing silver armor and leading a group of people of all sizes from the general's residence to welcome them with big strides.

As soon as Jiang Zhennan came out, he stepped forward and apologized, "Eunuch Liu, I've made you wait for a long time! It's all my fault for wasting too much time." He coughed a few times as he spoke.

He was pretending to be sick.

Little sixteen had already given him a secret signal earlier, so of course, he had to continue acting.

Eunuch Liu immediately greeted him with a smile, "general-in-chief, you're being too serious! You're sick, so you should rest well. After all, you're the protector of our country, and we can't afford to lose you!"

Then, he saw Guo Bing and immediately beamed with joy. Oh, young master Guo, you're here too!

Guo Bing replied with a smile, "Eunuch Liu, don't you know that I've admired general Jiang since I was a child? Why won't I be with the general?"

Eunuch Liu smiled but did not answer.

Jiang Zhennan made an inviting gesture and said, "eunuch Liu, please!

Just as they were about to step into the general's residence, two sharp voices came from inside.

“Let go of this young miss, you dog slaves. Let go of me!”

“Batard things, you don’t even know who this young master is. Quickly take your dirty hands away!”

When the guards led Jiang Zhenye and Jiang Wen out of the gate, they happened to meet eunuch Liu and the others.

Eunuch Liu frowned and asked, “great general, this ...”

“I’m just sending them back to where they came from, ” Jiang Zhennan said coldly.

Chapter 615 - 615 After Returning

615 After Returning

When Wen Yujing's son and daughter were forcibly sent back to the Marquis' mansion from the general's residence, she was flustered and uneasy.

"Mother, what should we do? that bastard actually came back," Jiang Wen said angrily and unwillingly. "As soon as he came back, not only did he lock up his most trusted Butler, but he also forced big brother and me to come back. Mother, that bastard is really too hateful!"

As soon as she heard Jiang Wen say that Jiang Tianping had been locked up by Jiang Zhennan, the uneasiness and fear in her heart grew even stronger. She kept comforting herself and said, "calm down, calm down. I must calm down. I can't panic!"

She was the one who had given Jiang Tianping the poison, so she couldn't let Jiang Tianping rat her out.

The only way now was to kill him.

Without Jiang Tianping as a witness, even if Jiang Zhennan knew very well that she was the one who had given him the poison, he still couldn't do anything to her.

But the problem now was, how could she quietly kill Jiang Tianping?

Jiang Zhennan had already returned to his residence, and those guards were not to be trifled with. Once someone broke into the general's residence, they would definitely be discovered very quickly.

What should she do now?

Even if Wen Yujing had some schemes, at this moment, she couldn't think of any good ideas.

“Mother, did you hear what I just said?” After talking and cursing for a long time, her mouth was dry, and she realized that her mother was completely distracted. Jiang Wen was immediately a little unhappy.

“Wen ‘Er, what did you say? ” Wen Yujing asked, confused.

Jiang Wen pouted and said unhappily, ” mother, I knew you weren't listening to me. It's fine if I say that bastard is arrogant, but the detestable thing is that those guards in that bastard's mansion are all so arrogant. I'm so angry. Mother, you must find a way to teach those people a lesson.”

Wen Yujing's eyes lit up.

That's right, guards!

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In a room in a hidden house in Beijing.

“Bang!”

It was obviously the sound of something breaking.

Immediately, a furious roar came from inside the house.

“Useless thing, you can't even stop a person and let him return to the general's estate without a sound!”

The person who was angry was a young man wearing a purple brocade robe. The anger on his face was gloomy and cold, making his originally handsome face look ferocious and twisted.

“Master, please calm your anger!”

The Man in Black knelt on the ground with his head lowered. He kowtowed to the young man in front of him and said, ” please calm down, master. It's

your subordinate who didn't do his job well. Please punish me, master!"

The purple-robed young man's face was gloomy and filled with anger as he looked at the black-robed man and said coldly, "I've already told you that if this happens again, you can forget about being the leader. Now, Jiang Zhennan has returned to the general's residence unscathed. Such a major mistake is not as simple as being dismissed as a leader!"

When the Man in Black heard this, his face suddenly turned pale. He kept kowtowing and apologizing, "master, please spare my life."

The lives he spoke of were not only his life alone but also the lives of his family, his wife, and his children.

Although they were men of sacrifice, they were also an assassin organization. Some of them would marry and have children. At the same time, they were the center of their master's control.

The young man in purple sneered, "Hmph! He immediately shouted, "men, take him away!"

Immediately, two guards in black came in. Without a word, they pulled the leader and left to carry out their master's orders.

The moment he was pulled away, the leader in black's face revealed a look of despair, but he still kept shouting, "master, please spare my life! I beg master to spare my family's life!"

After the leader in black was taken away, a eunuch with a horsetail whisk walked in.

As soon as he entered, he bowed to the purple-clad young man and called out, "Your Highness!"

The man in purple was quite polite to the eunuch. He nodded and asked, "eunuch Zhang, Jiang Zhennan has returned to the general's office unscathed!"

When eunuch Zhang heard this, his expression changed slightly. Then, he smiled and said, "Third Prince, isn't that good?"

The third Prince raised his brows. Then his voice turned cold as he said sternly, "eunuch Zhang, are you joking with me? Jiang Zhennan's return is the biggest threat to my fight for the throne. What's so good about that?"

Eunuch Zhang continued to smile and said, "Third Prince, all the officials in the Imperial court know that Jiang Zhennan has always been neutral in the fight for the position of the Imperial grandson, except for his loyalty to the Emperor. In other words, His Majesty doted on Jiang Zhennan. Therefore, whoever could build a good relationship with Jiang Zhennan would have the possibility of obtaining his full support. Then, obtaining that position would be considered a success with an 80 to 90% chance of success. Third Prince, why not try to build a good relationship with Jiang Zhennan? It's better to have a friend than an enemy!"

When the third Prince heard this, he lowered his brows and pondered for a moment. His brows furrowed, and he said, "eunuch Zhang, what you said is also what I once thought. However, this Jiang Zhennan is a wooden block. No matter how I try to be nice to him, he is indifferent and even coldly looks at me as a joke. But my big brother, the Crown Prince, has some friendly relations with him, so I was anxious, that's why I would kill him like this! If in the future, he finds out that I've tried to kill him, do you still think he can help me ascend the throne?"

Eunuch Zhang was still smiling as he said, "Your Highness, you're wrong! As the saying goes, it's better to squash enmity than keep it alive! As long as the third Prince promised him certain benefits, I believe that in the future, even if Jiang Zhennan did not express his support for Your Highness, he would also not support the other princes and grandchildren. This would also increase the chances of Your Highness winning! So, third Prince, why don't we bury the hatchet?"

The third Prince said doubtfully, "previously when I tried to be friendly with Jiang Zhennan, it was to no avail. Even the beauties that I sent to him were all returned. I wonder what I am going to do this time. Please enlighten me, eunuch Zhang!"

Eunuch Zhang was still smiling as he said, " Third Prince, sometimes, pleasing someone doesn't necessarily mean pleasing the person himself!"

The third Prince was stunned for a moment, then he immediately reacted and asked, " eunuch Zhang, do you mean to express goodwill to the people around Jiang Zhennan? "

Eunuch Zhang only smiled and did not answer.

"but I still don't understand. The people around Jiang Zhennan, other than the head butler, are his subordinates who have gone through life and death with him. However, Jiang Tianping was locked up on the first day Jiang Zhennan returned. Speaking of this, I am a little angry. Do you want me to befriend those servants and guards? "

Eunuch Zhang shook his head and said, " Third Prince, have you forgotten that one of them is the young master of the Guo family of the palace of the Earl? "

The third Prince was taken aback again, but he quickly reacted and asked in surprise, " you mean Guo Bing? "

Eunuch Zhang smiled again but did not answer.

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Chapter 616 - 616 Silencing!

616 Silencing!

In the dead of night, a Man in Black suddenly appeared in the corner of the general's residence. His movements were sharp and agile, and his sharp eyes looked around the general's residence.

When he saw a lone guard on patrol, he flew over to the back of the guard.

"Who is it?" The guard called out warily.

However, he immediately fainted after shouting.

In an instant, the Man in Black took off his clothes and put them on. After that, he dragged the man into the flowers. Under the cover of the night and the protection of the flowers, he blocked the man tightly.

After getting up, the Man in Black immediately transformed into the guard and swaggered away with his weapon in hand.

A moment later, he walked to a woodshed and saw two serious-looking companions guarding the door. He smiled and said, "Brother, you must be cold and hungry. Come, I just got some wine from the boss. Drink some to warm your body."

The two guards looked at each other and shook their heads. "little 22, did you forget that our general has a strict Military Order? No one is allowed to drink while on duty!"

Hearing this, little twenty-two's smiling expression immediately turned serious. He said, "really?" After that, he moved as fast as lightning towards the two doors. When he said "is that so?", the two guards' bodies had already gone limp.

Looking at the two people who had fallen, a sneer and ridicule appeared at the corner of this man's mouth. "Hmph, the defender General's residence's guards are only so-so that Marquis' wife is making a big fuss out of nothing!

As he spoke, the man pushed the wooden door open and walked in.

Jiang Tianping had been locked up in the woodshed for a day.

He didn't know how Jiang Zhennan would deal with him, but he had spent the entire day in fear and trepidation.

When he heard the door open, he was like a frightened rat and immediately shrank to the side. When he saw the familiar face in the Guard's uniform, he immediately begged, "Little 22, please beg the general to let this old servant go. This old servant will never dare to betray the great general again!"

Little 22 slowly walked towards Jiang Tianping. There was no expression on his face, but the corners of his mouth curled up into a cold arc as if he was mocking Jiang Tianping.

He nodded and said, " alright, I'll definitely go to Jiang Zhennan and ask for mercy on your behalf. However, Jiang Zhennan might let you go, but someone else won't!"

When Jiang Tianping heard this, he immediately felt that something was wrong. He exclaimed, " Who are you? Who wouldn't let me go?" Jiang Zhennan's subordinates would never directly call Jiang Zhennan by his name.

The man smiled coldly and said, " who else do you think would want your life other than Jiang Zhennan? "

Jiang Tianping stared at himself in horror. His face was filled with fear, panic, anger, despair, and all sorts of other expressions. He said with a twisted and resentful expression, " it's her, right? She was the one who

wanted to silence him, wasn't she? Is it because she's afraid that I'll rat her out? Haha."

Jiang Tianping roared in despair, "haha, Wen Yujing, I won't let you go even if I become a ghost!

This one immediately said, "then you can go and be a ghost!

As he spoke, he stabbed a large knife into Jiang Tianping's chest!

Jiang Tianping glanced at the knife in his chest, then looked at the figure in the distance. He immediately spat out a mouthful of blood and died.

When Jiang Zhennan and the others heard the commotion and rushed over, Jiang Tianping had already stopped breathing.

Chapter 617 - 617 Thousand-Faced Man

617 Thousand-faced Man

“22, why did you kill Jiang Tianping?” Hearing the noise, little 22 rushed back from the garden in a daze.

However, as soon as he appeared at the door of the woodshed, little 16 rushed over and grabbed him by the collar in a fit of rage. He shouted angrily, “ little 22, why did you betray the general? Why did you betray the general?” He asked twice in a row.

Little twenty-two was confused. He looked at little sixteen, who was angry at him, in confusion. Then, he looked at the other brothers who were glaring at him. He asked in confusion, “ brother sixteen, what’s wrong? What’s wrong with...”

Little 16 scolded angrily, “ you still have the nerve to ask what’s wrong? We should be the ones asking you what’s wrong. Why did you betray the general and kill Jiang Tianping? Don’t you know that the great general is going to ask Jiang Tianping about the person behind this?”

Little 22 still did not understand what was going on, but when he came to his senses, he was shocked. His eyes widened in disbelief and he immediately asked loudly, “ brother 16, what did you say? You said Jiang Tianping is dead? How was that possible? Wasn’t he locked up in the woodshed? How did he suddenly die?”

Little 16 and his brothers saw that little 22’s expression did not seem to be fake and immediately felt a little suspicious. However, they still looked at little 22 doubtfully. Then, with an expression of disbelief, they said loudly, “ You’re pretending. You’re pretty good at pretending, aren’t you? You’re the

one who killed Jiang Tianping, yet you're still pretending to be innocent. Who would believe you?"

Little twenty-two, who was in a dazed state, immediately woke up after hearing the news.

"Brother 16, are you saying that I killed Jiang Tianping?" he asked in disbelief.

Little 16 roared, "if it's not you, are my eyes playing tricks on me? You brought a pot of wine and walked in. You told us to drink, but we didn't. Then, you immediately hit our acupuncture points. In the end, you went straight into the woodshed and killed Jiang Tianping. Little nineteen and I saw it with our own eyes."

Hearing this, little twenty-two finally understood that someone had impersonated him to kill Jiang Tianping.

However, could there really be such a similar person? Even his brothers couldn't tell that the person was a fake.

However, there shouldn't be anyone in the world who looked exactly the same, except for twin brothers, right? However, he knew very well that his brother did not look like him at all. They were not twin brothers.

'Wait, I have to prove to the general that I'm innocent.'

Little 22 immediately ran to Jiang Zhennan, knelt down, and said, "general, I really didn't kill Jiang Tianping. Just now, I was knocked unconscious in the back garden by someone's palm. I heard some movements in my daze and immediately rushed here after waking up. General, you must believe in this subordinate!"

Jiang Zhennan walked out of the house and said in a deep and cold voice, "Although the person who killed Jiang Tianping has the same face as you and used your knife, I have already confirmed that you did not kill Jiang Tianping."

His subordinates were confused. “Why? ”

Jiang Zhennan explained, ” I’m very clear about little twenty-two’s strength. It’s usually clean and neat. However, this person seems to be deliberately imitating little twenty-two, but he doesn’t seem to understand little twenty-two. Therefore, he unconsciously used his instinctive killing method. The tip of the knife pierced into the body, leaving a seven-centimeter blade, and there was no blood. There’s only one person in the martial world who can kill people like this!”

After hearing Jiang Zhennan’s explanation, everyone understood that it might not be little twenty-two who had killed the butler, but...

“But, general, what if he is pretending?” Little three suddenly asked.

Jiang Zhennan shook his head and said, ” I just said that the person who killed Jiang Tianping wanted to imitate him, but he revealed his instincts instead. So, little 22 couldn’t have pretended to be like that on purpose.”

Little 22 immediately nodded and said, ” that’s right! The person who killed Jiang Tianping must be the one who knocked me out and then pushed the blame on me. ” At this point, he was a little confused again. “but I’m very clear that none of my brothers and sisters look like me. Could there really be someone so similar in this world? So similar that even you brothers are mistaken?”

The others also had their doubts.

Since the general said that little twenty-two wasn’t the one who killed him, then who was the person who looked exactly like little twenty-two?

In an instant, everyone looked at Jiang Zhennan in confusion.

However, the person who explained was not Jiang Zhennan, but Guo Bing who was beside him.

He said, ” there are people in Jiang Hu who are proficient in the art of disguise. However, when it came to making masks, various complicated

processes were required. Therefore, an exquisite mask would take at least half a day to a day to come out.

“However, there is one person who can instantly create a mask that is exactly the same as a person after looking at them.”

“Who is that person?” The others were really curious.

Not only did he have a face-changing technique, but he could also instantly create a human face. When they thought of this, they were both curious and scared.

If that person wanted to kill someone, he wouldn't use his real face and would just wear a fake face. Wouldn't that mean that they wouldn't be able to find the real murderer? How unjust would that be!

Guo Bing's expression turned serious as he said, ” this is the man with a Thousand Faces!”

“Thousand-faced man!” They were really shocked.

“It's rumored that the thousand-faced man is a mysterious person, and no one has ever seen his true face, right? According to the rumors, he promised a woman that he would not kill again.”

“Then who hired him to kill Jiang Tianping?”

Other than Jiang Zhennan and Guo Bing, the others were not aware that the person who wanted to kill him, Jiang Zhennan, was actually the Marquis' wife.

Therefore, they could not guess that the Thousand-Faced man was invited by the Marquis' wife.

“Alright, you guys can take this Jiang Tianping down and bury him!” Jiang Zhennan said to his subordinates.

“Yes, general!”

In the study, Guo Bing frowned and said in disbelief, " how did Wen Yujing manage to invite Thousand Faced man to kill Jiang Tianping? "

Jiang Zhennan did not reply.

After that, Guo Bing looked at Jiang Zhennan with some worry and said, " boss, it seems that Wen Yujing's power is deeper than we thought. It looks like I'll need to put in some effort to deal with her!"

However, Jiang Zhennan said coldly, " no matter how powerful Wen Yujing is, she also has a weakness. As long as she has a weakness, everything will not be a problem!"

Guo Bing was surprised. "boss, do you mean Jiang Zhenye and Jiang Wen?"

Jiang Zhennan did not answer.

Chapter 618 - 618 Another Greenhouse

618 Another Greenhouse

In the dark, a man whose facial features could not be seen stood on the roof of a courtyard. In this dilapidated courtyard, there was a luxuriously dressed woman.

“Your first condition, kill Jiang Tianping. I have already done it for you,” the man on the roof said in a frivolous tone. What are your second and third conditions?”

The lady seemed to want to see the man’s facial features clearly, but no matter what, she could only see a shadow. Listening to the man’s words, she said in a sharp and resentful tone, “my second request is to find out where Jiang Zhennan has been hiding for the past six months. Did godly Doctor Wu Yazhi save him? if so, kill the doctor for me!” The viciousness and hatred in his eyes were exposed in the dark.

When the Man in Black heard the lady’s words, he laughed coldly and said, “I’ll only agree to two more requests, but you have three now! Madam, please think carefully!”

When the lady heard this, she was instantly furious, but she couldn’t get angry at him. She could only say, “then I’ll have the first two requests!”

As long as they could confirm that it was the godly Doctor Wu Yazhi who had saved Jiang Zhennan, they could send someone else to kill him in the future.

The black-robed man nodded and replied, “alright. Then, after these two matters, you and I don’t owe each other anything. The debt of you saving my life can be considered to be paid off!”

When the lady heard his words, her face suddenly stiffened. To be honest, she did not want to let go of the thousand-faced man, an excellent helper.

However, she knew very well that the thousand-faced man was not someone she could control, nor could she command.

The rich woman nodded and replied, " alright, after these two matters, you and I don't owe each other anything! However, " she said hesitantly, "Can I still look for you in the future? Of course, I'll definitely pay you handsomely!"

The thousand-faced man was the most mysterious person in Jiang Hu. Even if one had the money, it would be difficult to invite him.

The noblewoman's words were only meant to test the waters.

The man on the roof said, " it will depend on my mood then! It's possible that when I'm in a good mood, she'll agree to it. That'll depend on your luck, Madam! Perhaps you'll be lucky if you burn incense and pray to Buddha every day. Don't you think so?"

The lady's face was instantly filled with anger, but she could not get angry at this person. Otherwise, their future cooperation might really turn into bubbles, which was not the result she wanted to see.

Therefore, she gritted her teeth and replied, " I would like to thank you for your reminder. It's a good thing to burn incense and pray to Buddha every day."

If it weren't for the fact that she still wanted to make use of him, she would not allow him to be so arrogant in front of her.

The Man in Black waved his hand and said, " Madam, you're too polite! Then, we'll meet again!"

Then, with a whoosh sound, a black shadow disappeared into the darkness.

Wen Yujing looked at the disappearing figure and cursed through gritted teeth, " thousand-faced man, you better not fall into my hands. Otherwise,

I'll teach you a lesson and turn you into an obedient dog!"

After Wen Yujing's figure disappeared from the dilapidated courtyard, a figure gradually came out of the tree. Seeing Wen Yujing's back, he snorted and quickly left.

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"Boss, the amount of vegetables ordered in the past seven days has already reached ten thousand catties!" In the courtyard, a scholar in his 20s reported to a girl in a green dress.

When Lin yuelan heard that the order had reached more than 5000 kilograms in just seven days, she frowned and asked doubtfully, "So many?"

The number of pre-ordered vegetables and the supply from the two restaurants had reached 15000 catties. This was a little too much. Although the farm was harvested once every seven days, there was still a limited amount of vegetables.

Zhang Yuanbin wiped the sweat off his forehead and said, "boss, don't you know that I've rejected at least 40% of the orders? If I continue to refuse, I'll offend all the customers!"

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Although this result was within Lin yuelan's expectations, she still felt a little surprised.

This was because these vegetables were more than ten times more expensive than in spring, but there were still so many people who came to buy them.

Lin yuelan lowered her head and thought for a moment before saying, "in the future, when you take orders, control them to be within the range of 10000 catties. After that, let them wait for another seven days!"

Zhang Yuanbin was a little worried. "Won't we offend the customer too much?"

Lin yuelan raised her eyebrows and said indifferently, "it's up to them whether they want to buy or not. I, Lin yuelan, have never been afraid of offending my customers!"

Zhang Yuanbin replied, "yes, boss!" Anyway, there was only one store that sold winter vegetables. Those people didn't have to buy or eat it!

"Not good, not good, master." suddenly, a servant ran in hurriedly, sweating profusely. He shouted anxiously, "master, not good!"

Lin yuelan rolled her eyes and said to the man, "Ah Fu, I'm very good."

Lin Fu wiped the sweat from his forehead and said anxiously, "No, master. I mean, the Yan family is imitating us and planting greenhouse vegetables!"

Unexpectedly, Lin yuelan only replied indifferently, "Oh, that's it. I know."

Lin Fu looked at Lin yuelan's calm state of mind and was immediately at a loss. However, he thought that Lin yuelan didn't hear him clearly, so he repeated himself, "master, I meant that the Yan family also wants to plant greenhouse vegetables!"

Lin yuelan once again replied indifferently, "Didn't I say I got it?"

Lin Fu asked anxiously, "Master, aren't you anxious? The Yan family is going to plant vegetables in a greenhouse. If they really grow vegetables, won't they be snatching our business? I heard that the Yan family is going to plant more than one hundred and eighty mu, which is more than what we can grow."

However, Lin yuelan didn't seem to take this matter to heart and only said, "Ah Fu, your master isn't deaf. Do I need you to repeat this three times? If the Yan family wanted to grow those vegetables, then so be it. If they could grow them, it would be considered a skill. After all, in this world, no matter what business you do, there will always be people who will fight for it. So, Ah Fu, just relax and do what you're supposed to do, understand?"

Lin Fu could only reply, "Oh, then, master, I'll go and work!"

Lin yuelan waved her hand and said, "Go, go. Do your best. You tell everyone whoever is affected by this matter and doesn't work hard will lose their salary and bonus for this month, understand?"

"Yes, Master. I'll pass on the message." After saying that, Lin Fu left.

As soon as Lin Fu left, Zhang Yuanbin sneered.

Lin yuelan glanced at him and asked in confusion, "what are you laughing at?"

Zhang Yuanbin shook his head and said, "We were just discussing that 10000 catties is too much. Now, there's another company that wants to plant greenhouse vegetables. I guess they're going to steal our business. If the price is low, they'll probably buy from him. Then, our business will be in trouble."

After all, Lin yuelan had more than 120 mu of land, and the output value was already so shocking. Who knew how many vegetables the Yan family could grow with more than 180 mu of land?

Lin yuelan's lips curled into a mocking smile. She sneered and said, "Then we'll talk about it when the Yan family is ready!"

Zhang Yuanbin immediately asked curiously, "boss, why do you mean? Don't tell me that the Yan family can't grow any vegetables at all?"

Lin yuelan made a mysterious expression and smiled without answering.

Looking at Lin yuelan's expression, Zhang Yuanbin guessed that the Yan family would probably lose all their capital.

Thinking of that, Zhang Yuanbin immediately shuddered and made up his mind. He could offend anyone but Lin yuelan.

In fact, Zhang Yuanbin's guess was right.

Lin yuelan wanted the Yan family to go bankrupt.

The Yan family had harmed her several times, so how could she let him go?

Therefore, since Yan Lin and Lin Sanniu were in cahoots to steal her family's greenhouse vegetable planting method, she decided to beat them at their own game.

Firstly, he could use this as a reason to sue Lin Sanniu. Secondly, he could lure Yan Lin into the trap.

After Lin yuelan had sued Lin Sanniu, she had not thrown the main culprit, Yan Lin, to the back of her mind.

She had been bidding her time. This made the Yan Family think that she couldn't do anything to them.

Thus, they immediately began to raise their tail and swagger around. Then, they mobilized a large group of people and made a big move.

Did Yan Lin really think that it was so easy to grow vegetables in this greenhouse? Little did he know that he had made a huge mistake by sending Lin Sanniu as a spy back then. Hence, she ordered her subordinates to let Lin Sanniu know what he should know and not reveal anything that he should not know. Therefore, even Lin Sanniu himself did not know that those greenhouse vegetables that Lin Sanniu only had half of the knowledge.

As for what the Yan family was thinking?

It was just as Lin yuelan had expected.

After Lin Sanniu's matter was exposed, Yan Lin had been on tenterhooks for quite a few days. He was afraid that the people from the court would suddenly come to arrest him.

However, after waiting for a few days, there was no news at all. He immediately sent people to the county to inquire about the situation. After that, he received news that the county Magistrate had turned a blind eye to this matter.

After receiving the news, he immediately understood that the county Magistrate had shown him mercy on account of their past relationship. Even Lin yuelan could not do anything to him.

Therefore, he immediately became excited again and started to build a greenhouse for vegetables.

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The Yan family had gone to great lengths to build a greenhouse for vegetables with all of the Yan family's fields.

“Hey, do you guys think the Yan family will start to produce these winter vegetables?” Someone asked in doubt.

“I'm sure it can be done.” Someone pondered for a moment and immediately said, “Think about it, with the Yan family's cautiousness, if they didn't have full confidence, would they take back the farmland that was rented out to produce this kind of winter vegetable?”

“you're right,” someone immediately agreed. “But isn't Yan Lin betting too big this time? 180 mu, just the materials used for covering the land, the labor costs, and other expenses added together will cost a lot of money. What if ... He ...”

“tsk, what's the big deal,” someone immediately said. “take a look. When this girl LAN started to plant vegetables in winter, everyone thought that she was crazy about money and wanted to grow vegetables against the natural order. But now, take a look. I heard that she sells more than 10000 catties of vegetables every seven days. In a month, she sells at least 40000 catties. The price of these vegetables is more than 10 times more expensive than the spring vegetables. If you calculate it this way, you'll see ... The monthly income from selling vegetables alone is more than five or six thousand silver. I'm really envious.”

“That's right. Ever since this girl said that she had died once and was sent back by the King of Hell, she has changed completely. She has become even more fierce and terrifying. She has come up with one way after

another to make money. I heard that the King of Hell had sent little ghosts to send her money.”

“shush.” someone immediately scanned the surroundings. Don’t say those things casually. “Be careful of those crickets.” he pointed with his finger. The so-called ” crickets ” were referring to the little ghosts.

At the mention of the King of Hell and the little ghost, these people felt a chill down their backs. They believed in ghosts and gods, so of course, they were afraid of ghosts.

They had always believed Lin yuelan’s words that there were little ghosts around to protect her. Whoever bullied Lin yuelan would be retaliated by those little ghosts. That was because anyone who harbored ill intentions toward Lin yuelan would not have a good ending.

However, this also proved that Lin yuelan was a jinx. The villagers were in fear of Lin yuelan and would usually avoid her.

Of course, if there were money to be earned, they would definitely not refuse.

Lin yuelan’s family usually hired a large number of long-term and short-term workers. Not only were the wages high, but they also covered three meals a day and only needed to work eight hours a day. There were no working hours in the morning and afternoon, and there was an hour of lunch break in the afternoon. Some people were unwilling to rest, so they took advantage of this time to go home and work.

Such welfare treatment probably couldn’t be found in the whole world, let alone in the Longyan Kingdom.

Therefore, even if Lin yuelan was a jinx, there would be a large number of people fighting for the job if you were unwilling to work for her. After all, if they didn’t get too close to Lin yuelan, it was impossible for them to be jinxed, right?

Although these people were skeptical about the Yan family's sudden large-scale greenhouse vegetable production, most of them still hoped that the Yan family would succeed.

Because once the Yan family succeeded, it meant that they would have the opportunity to build a greenhouse for their vegetables during the winter when they were not growing any crops. Then, they would wait to sell them at a high price.

A new Butler of the Yan family advised him unconfidently, "old master, shouldn't we try planting a few acres of land first and then start doing it after we succeed?" If you don't grow any vegetables, you'll lose all your money.

Although he didn't say it out loud, how could Yan Lin not understand his meaning?

However, as soon as he said this, Yan Lin immediately became angry. "Hmph, are you hoping that I will lose all my money?"

The new Butler's face turned pale, and he tried to defend himself, "master, I didn't mean it that way."

Yan Lin snorted. "Hmph, then what do you mean by that, you dog slave? Do you mean that the little girl can make a fortune by making winter vegetables, but I, Yan Lin, am not even as good as a child? I'll lose everything just by making winter vegetables?"

The new Butler's face turned from pale to ghastly pale. He bent down and lowered his head as if trying his best to explain, "master, that's not what I meant!"

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“I don’t care what you mean. Just based on the fact that you don’t wish for me to be well, you are not qualified to be the Yan family’s housekeeper, ” Yan Lin said angrily. “in a while, sixth Yan will take your place. You can continue to be a lowly dog slave!”

The new Butler’s face went from pale to ashen and then red. In the end, he could only hold back his anger and leave.

At this moment, Yan Lin really wouldn’t listen to anyone. The only thought in his mind was to grow winter vegetables and make a fortune. Then, he would block that damn girl Lin yuelan’s path to making a fortune. He would control the entire An Ding County’s market of fresh winter vegetables and then monopolize the entire country’s winter vegetables.

At that time, he would just watch that wretched girl lose everything!

At this moment, Yan Lin was truly dreaming.

He didn’t know that his blind arrogance and proud character had caused him to fall into the trap that Lin yuelan had set for him. The result that awaited him would be a loss of money or bankruptcy!

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Lin yuelan stepped into the space and saw that all kinds of precious herbs and vegetable seeds, which she had collected in her previous life, were now growing in large patches. She felt comforted.

These things were simply more valuable than the hundred Mus of land outside.

In order to find the source of these vegetables, Lin yuelan had specially set aside one mu of land as a forbidden area. Except for her, who could enter and leave freely.

These fruits and vegetables included tomatoes, eggs, eggplants, golden-threaded melons, cherry fruits, dragon fruits, and so on. These fruits and vegetables had never appeared in the Long yan Kingdom before. Lin yuelan only kept them for herself or to entertain some precious guests. The rest of the fruits and vegetables were sold by Lin yuelan as special products, and the prices were outrageously high.

Things like the Golden twisted melon cost twenty taels of silver each, while tomatoes cost two taels of silver each, and the cherry tomatoes cost five taels of silver each. Some of these fruits were also very rare, and Lin yuelan had even priced them at more than a hundred taels each.

Of course, these precious things were usually used to make friends or strengthen their own social connections.

The people who received the food tasted it and used the rest to continue doing him favors and strengthening his network.

“Sir, this is something I got from a remote place as a token of respect to the old lady. Please accept it!” A wealthy man from Lin An County brought a basket of red cherries to the magistrate of Lin An County.

Although that official wasn't a perfect official, he was considered a clean official in the eyes of the common people and rarely accepted money from others.

At this moment, when he saw a basket of bright red fruits that he had never seen before, he was curious, but he wanted to refuse according to his own principles.

The official hesitated for a moment. “This...”

The rich man smiled and said, ” Sir, this fruit is called cherry. It's sweet and sour. Sir, why don't you try it first? ”

As he spoke, he picked out a bigger cherry.

Usually, he had looked for this Lord a few times and prepared to give him a few gifts, but whether it was money or gifts, he had been rejected one by one.

This time, the official was clearly hesitating. It was clear that he wanted to accept the basket of cherries, but he also wanted to refuse.

So, why not give him a push and let him have a taste? After that, it would be difficult for him to reject him again.

Sure enough, after a moment's hesitation, the official took the cherry from the man's hand and put it in his mouth. In an instant, the sweet and sour taste filled his entire mouth.

The official's chewing speed unconsciously increased. Then, he started to shove the cherries into his mouth. He wanted to eat more.

The rich man took the opportunity to ask, " Sir, how does the cherry taste? "

The official nodded and said, " yes, not bad! Then, he asked curiously, " you said this thing is called cherry? "

"yes, my Lord, " the rich man said. "the person who sells cherries said that this thing is called cherry because it looks like a peach and is small and red, so it's called cherry."

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After eating the second cherry, although he still didn't quite understand the meaning of the name, it didn't prevent him from being tempted by the basket of cherries.

However, this rare thing was obviously very precious. He could not break his own principles and accept this basket of cherries.

The rich man was also a person who observed people's expressions. Seeing that the official was obviously tempted but still hesitant, he immediately gave him a shot of stimulant and said, "Sir, I heard that the old lady's appetite hasn't been very good recently, so I've been worried about it. I tried every possible way to find something that could adjust her appetite. As a result, I finally knew that there was such a thing in a remote village, so I bought some for the old lady to try. I've heard that after eating this, people will gain their appetite!"

This adult was a filial son. If it were just about giving him a gift or something, no matter how expensive or cheap the gift was, he would refuse. But when it came to his mother's health, he rarely refused.

Therefore, this County Magistrate would occasionally be greedy.

In the end, the Magistrate accepted the basket of cherries. Although the rich man felt a little pained, after all, this basket should have cost him three hundred taels of silver, but compared to the Magistrate's promise to support him to be the chairman of the trade union, this little money was worth it.

The county Magistrate returned to the back hall with a basket of cherries. When he saw his mother looking at the table full of food with no appetite,

he frowned. If she ate such a small amount of food, her body would definitely collapse in the long run.

However, when he thought of the cherry he had just tasted, his brows relaxed again.

He brought the basket in front of his mother and said with a smile, "Mother, look at what good stuff your son brought you."

However, the old lady did not even look at it. She leaned back in the armchair, closed her eyes, and said, "alright, take it away. I don't even have the appetite to eat anything good these days!"

The official smiled and said, "mother, that might not be the case. Mother, why don't I make a bet with you? if you still don't have an appetite after eating this, then I'll stop accepting those precious herbs. How about it?"

As soon as he finished speaking, the old lady's eyes darted to him, and she said with a slightly agitated expression, "Ming 'Er, is what you said true?" The mother wanted her son for a good official. However, for the sake of her health, her filial son would not refuse those who had ulterior motives and then sent precious medicinal herbs to his door.

As a result, she felt depressed, and her health became worse. She didn't want her son to become a corrupt official.

Since ancient times, all corrupt officials had started by collecting small donations. Later on, they became more and more greedy and couldn't control their own greed. As a result, they became extremely greedy.

The son nodded and said, "mother, of course, it's true."

The old lady's eyes then fell on the fruits in the basket. She was shocked when she saw them.

"This bright red and small thing, is it really a fruit? Is this thing really not poisonous? I hear that the brighter the color of the food, the more poisonous it is."

Old Madam asked suspiciously, " Ming 'Er, can this thing really be eaten? It's not poisonous, right?"

The man shook his head and said, " mother, this thing is edible, and it's very delicious. I've already eaten two. Look, I'm standing here perfectly fine, right? "

The old lady reached out for a cherry and ate it doubtfully. Then, her eyes lit up and she said, " this thing is really delicious, really delicious!"

As she spoke, she reached out for the second, then the third.

After eating, the old lady suddenly said, " Ming 'Er, I suddenly have an appetite. I want to eat."

The Magistrate was overjoyed and quickly ordered the servants, " Quick, quickly serve the food!

At night, in the study, the magistrate sat in front of the desk and looked at the half-filled basket of cherries, deep in thought.

His mother's words rang in his ears.

His mother said, "Son, I've lived for so long, but this is the first time I've seen this kind of cherry fruit in my life. I also believe that it is rare in our Long Yan Kingdom. Son, you've been in Lin 'An County for a few years. It's time for you to leave this place!"

He understood his mother's meaning.

She hoped that he would be promoted and do more things.

So, now, this half basket of cherries would determine his future.

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“Milord, this official has found a few small things to present to you. Please kindly accept them!” Lin An County’s Wu Ming carried the half-basket of cherries and handed it to the Lord.

The lord originally disdained meeting this poor County Magistrate, Wu Ming. After all, he was a poor County Magistrate who didn’t know how to please people.

However, Wu Ming rarely came to visit him, his superior. Why did he suddenly want to visit him for no reason?

Thus, out of curiosity, the superior who disliked the poor magistrate met.

However, as soon as they met, Wu Ming gave his superior a basket.

Ji Zhongcai was just as disdainful of the basket that Wu Ming handed over as he was of Wu Ming.

But soon, he found that the things in the basket seemed to be things he had never seen before. They were bright red and small, and they were very beautiful.

Originally, it would take a day to move from Lin ‘An County to Zhou Shan city. These cherries had been in baskets all this time. Even if they were not as bright as they had just been picked, they should have lost some water and did not look as fresh.

However, these fruits were directly planted in the space by Lin Yuelan. They grew by absorbing the spiritual Qi and spiritual water in the space, so they could maintain their bright color and taste for more than half a month.

Therefore, the cherries in the basket were still red and listening, which made Ji Zhongcai curious.

He asked in surprise, "What is this? Why is it so red and watery?"

Wu Ming replied with a smile, "this thing is called cherry. It's a type of fruit found in remote mountainous areas. It's sweet and sour. Sir, please try it first!"

As he spoke, he took out a cherry and handed it to Ji Zhongcai.

Ji Zhongcai took the cherry from Wu Ming's hand. His expression was the same as Wu Ming's when he first tasted the cherry. First, he was curious, then he was surprised, and then he was shocked.

"Is this a fruit?" he asked in surprise.

"Yes, my lord. This is a fruit." Wu Ming replied with a smile. In fact, he was extremely nervous.

He had given half a basket of cherries to Ji Zhongcai in order to do him a favor.

He didn't know if this big basket of cherries would be able to move his superior.

After tasting a few cherries, Ji Zhongcai was obviously pleased. He smiled and said, "Good, good. I've never eaten such sweet and delicious fruit. I say, Sir Wu, where did you get this?"

Wu Ming did not dare to lie. "I'm not afraid of being laughed at by you, Sir. This thing was given to me by a merchant under me. I thought it was rare, so I especially gave it to you to try. I heard him say that this thing was bought from a villager in a remote mountain village in An Ding County."

"A village in An Ding County?" Ji Zhongcai was curious.

Wu Ming said, "yes, my Lord!"

Ji Zhongcai asked again, "Can we still buy this fruit at that village?"

Wu Ming immediately said hesitantly, "Sir, I don't know!"

Ji Zhongcai asked again, "I remember that Zhou Changsheng is the county magistrate of Anding County, right?"

Wu Ming frowned and thought for a moment before saying, "yes, my lord!"

Ji Zhongcai nodded and said, "yes, I understand. Don't worry, and I will definitely put in a good word for you with the higher-up!"

Wu Ming's face lit up with joy. He hurriedly bowed to Ji Zhongcai and said, "Thank you, sir!"

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Zhou Changsheng was holding a letter from Ji Zhongcai, the prefect of Zhou Shan City. He frowned and was a little confused.

Zhou Wencai happened to come to find his father. Upon seeing his father's expression, he seemed to be troubled by a problem. He immediately asked in puzzlement, "Father, what's wrong? Is there a problem with this letter?"

Zhou Changsheng handed the letter to Zhou Wencai and said, "strange, how does Lord Ji know about cherries? He actually wrote to me and asked me if I had a fruit called cherry."

Zhou Wencai took the letter and read it. Indeed, Lord Ji's standards had always been very high. He had always been disdainful of his subordinates. This was the first time he had written to Zhou Wencai's father, but it was about an edible fruit.

Zhou Wencai returned the letter to his father and said with a smile, "father, isn't that simple? Someone must have sent him the cherries. Then, he heard that the place of origin of these cherries is under your jurisdiction. Therefore, he specially sent a letter to ask you. Isn't he hoping that you can send more cherries to him?"

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The special fruits sold by Lin Yuelan were not only expensive but also limited in quantity. Even if you had money, you couldn't buy them.

If it weren't for Lin yuelan's friendship with them and the fact that she would give them some special fruits to try after a period of time, it would be difficult for him to buy those fruits even if his father was a County Magistrate. Moreover, if he bought them every day, even if they had some wealth, they couldn't afford it.

However, the magistrate suddenly sent a letter asking for cherries. This was really a little difficult to deal with.

Zhou Changsheng looked at Zhou Wencai and immediately had a fawning smile on his face. He said, "Wen 'Er, look..."

Even he couldn't buy cherries from Lin yuelan. Therefore, it depended on Zhou Wencai's relationship with Lin yuelan to see if he could obtain them. Then, he could buy some and send them to magistrate Ji Zhongcai.

When Zhou Wencai heard Zhou Changsheng's words, he shook his head with a bitter smile and said, "father, sister Yuelan is usually easy to talk to, but she has her principles. She's already giving us these cherry fruits on account of our friendship. If we're not satisfied with this and want to ask for more, I'm afraid it'll be difficult."

Zhou Changsheng was shocked. "son, we're not asking for it. We're buying it from her. Can't we?"

However, Zhou Wencai shook his head and said, "that lass will sell these special fruits, but she will sell them to the highest bidder. She will only sell

them if she thinks that this price is good enough. Father, how much do you think we can pay for this? Moreover, that girl has already said that the cherries have been sold out. If you want to buy more, you will have to wait for a few more days.”

When Zhou Changsheng heard this, he held the letter in one hand and stroked his beard with the other. He frowned and said, ” what do we do then? ”

Zhou Wencai smiled helplessly and said, ” the Prefectural magistrate’s intentions are so obvious. It seems like I will make a trip to the Lin family Village.

Zhou Changsheng nodded. “okay, you can go then!”

Zhou Wencai’s face immediately darkened. He said to his father, ” father, I’m going to help you. What’s with your nonchalant attitude? ”

Zhou Changsheng just smiled and didn’t answer.

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Lin Yuelan was at home, thinking about whether to sell durians or cantaloupes next. A servant immediately came to report, ” master, young master Zhou is waiting for you in the living room!

Lin Yuelan raised her brows, somewhat surprised that Zhou Wencai had come to the Lin family Village to find her in such cold weather.

Lin Yuelan immediately stored the durians and cantaloupes on the table in her interspace. Then, she walked out of the house and saw Zhou Wencai drinking tea in the living room. She smiled and said, ” what a rare guest. You came to the Lin family Village to suffer from the cold in such cold weather. I’m afraid you didn’t come here for no reason.”

Zhou Wencai took a sip of hot tea to warm his body before putting down the teacup. When he heard Lin yuelan’s teasing, he said with a bitter smile,

” sister Yue ‘Er, you’re right. This time, big brother Zhou has come to ask for your help!”

Lin yuelan immediately asked in surprise, ” Oh, there’s actually something that can trouble you in An Ding County? ”

Zhou Wencai shook his head and said, ” if it’s just matters within anding County, it might not be a problem for me. But what’s troubling me now is precisely matters without An Ding County.”

Lin yuelan raised her eyebrows and asked curiously, ” Oh? Then tell me, what is it that you need me, a farmer’s daughter, to solve?”

Zhou Wencai didn’t say a word. All he did was take out a letter and hand it to Lin yuelan. “sister yuelan, take a look at this letter first. You’ll naturally know what’s happening.”

Lin yuelan took it and looked at it. Then, she smiled and said, ” Oh, Brother Zhou, it’s just a few catties of cherries. It’s not a big deal. I’ll give you two baskets in a while for you to give them to Ji Zhongcai, the prefect lord. ” Why wouldn’t she do Lord Zhou a favor?

One basket was about five catties, and two baskets were only ten catties.

Upon hearing that, Zhou Wencai was immediately taken aback.

He clearly remembered that Lin yuelan was a little money-grubber, and it was really difficult for ordinary people to get a single copper from her hands. Moreover, the things she sold were all very expensive. Even people who were familiar with her would not give a discount.

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But now, he was nervous and anxious. He had thought of a lot of words to please Lin Yuelan, but he couldn't say a single word. They all disappeared.

Why was she so easy to talk to all of a sudden?

Lin Yuelan knew what Zhou wencai was thinking in his heart when she saw his expression.

She immediately smiled and asked, " what? Looking at big brother Zhou's expression, is it so strange that I gave two baskets of cherries to your father, Lord Zhou, as a favor? If you think that's wrong, then please leave..."

"Hey, don't, don't, please don't." Zhou Wencai reacted and immediately stopped her. "sister Yue Lan, you're being so generous for a moment, but I didn't manage to react in time, did I? " As soon as he said this, he immediately covered his mouth and thought to himself, 'oh no, I was in a hurry and actually told the truth.' In other words, he was saying that Lin yuelan was stingy.

As Zhou Wencai looked at Lin yuelan's expression, he anxiously explained, " Oh, I didn't mean that you weren't generous..." After saying that, he nearly slapped himself twice. It was fine if he didn't explain, but the more he did, the more he made things worse.

He covered his mouth and eyes, carefully looking at Lin Yuelan's face. As expected, her face was getting darker and darker.

Lin Yuelan's face darkened for a moment before she regained her calm expression. She smiled at Zhou wencai with an unknown meaning and said,

” Oh, so in brother Zhou’s eyes, I am such a petty person. Since that’s the case, then this young lady will not gift these two baskets of cherries...”

Zhou Wencai immediately stopped her. “hey, don’t. Sister Yuelan, don’t. Then,” with an apologetic look, he said, ” Brother Zhou is in the wrong, alright? Please don’t take these cherries back.”

Lin Yuelan immediately smiled and asked, ” big brother Zhou, who said I was going to take these two baskets of cherries back? I only said that I wouldn’t give them to you, not that I wouldn’t sell them to you.”

At this moment, Zhou Wencai was slightly stunned.

“How about this? As for me, these cherries are sold to others for at least 300 taels a catty. However, since you’re so familiar with me, I’ll sell them to you at 250 taels.” Lin Yuelan took advantage of Zhou Wencai’s daze and continued, ” one basket is five catties, so two baskets are ten catties. It’ll cost a total of 2500 taels of silver. Brother Zhou, do you want to give me cash now, or deduct the dividends from the restaurant’s profits, or do you want to buy them on credit? ”

Lin Yuelan said a lot of things before Zhou Wencai reacted. He kept hearing her say, ” you have to pay 2500 taels of silver.”

‘Holy shit, this is daylight robbery.’

It was only two baskets of cherries, yet they cost 2500 taels of silver.

But then again, these cherries were only sold in An Ding County. If they were sold in Zhou Shan city or the capital, even if they were sold for 300 taels a catty, even the officials and nobles would fight for it.

With this in mind, Zhou Wencai’s heart felt slightly balanced. He even found it a pity that Lin Yuelan was only selling these things in the corner of the mountain. If she were to sell them in Beijing, she would be rich.

However, he could have gotten these cherries for free. In the blink of an eye, he was going to spend a lot of money to buy them.

Zhou Wencai said in a fawning manner, " sister Yue Lan, with our friendship, talking about money will hurt our feelings, don't you think? Why don't you give it to big brother Zhou? Don't worry. Big brother Zhou will definitely remember your favor."

Talking about money would hurt feelings!

Why did these words sound so familiar?

Lin Yuelan frowned slightly, but then she remembered.

These words were from the first time she met Jiang Zhennan and Guo Bing. At that time, Guo Bing also wanted to save some money, so he used feelings to avoid talking about money.

Now that she heard these familiar words again, Lin yuelan suddenly began to miss Jiang Zhennan and the others.

They had been away for a month, and she did not know what their current situation was. If she had the time, she would ask Little Green to ask its friends to find out.

Zhou Wencai was a little puzzled by Lin yuelan's expression. When he saw her confused expression, he immediately muttered inwardly, 'did I say something wrong? Why is sister Yuelan's expression so strange?'

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However, he immediately called out softly, " little sister Yuelan, little sister Yuelan."

Lin Yuelan immediately reacted. She looked at him in confusion and asked, "What's wrong? "

Zhou Wencai felt that something was amiss, but he didn't say it out loud. All he did was continue to say with a fawning smile, " look, with our friendship, isn't it too vulgar to talk about money and money? isn't it too hurtful? So, how about you give these two baskets of cherries to big brother Zhou as you did just now?"

Lin Yuelan shook her head and said with a smile, " big brother Zhou, as you said, it's too vulgar and hurtful to talk about money. You should be more straightforward and give me the money directly. It's just not about money and won't hurt our relationship. Besides, even brothers should settle their accounts clearly, right? "

Zhou Wencai was choked by Lin yuelan's words. He knew that he had spoken too much and couldn't take advantage of her. He wished he could really slap himself and teach him a lesson.

In the end, Zhou Wencai spent 2500 taels of silver to buy the two baskets of cherries. However, he didn't suffer any losses.

Before they left, Lin yuelan gave them a fruit that they had never eaten before. It was called cantaloupe.

Just by smelling the sweet taste of the fruit, he was sure that it must be delicious.

Since they were fresh fruits, Lin Yuelan would definitely sell them at an expensive price. They were at least five or six catties in weight. The price would definitely not be low.

After getting someone to send Zhou Wencai out, Lin Yuelan planned on selling cantaloupes.

Speaking of which, both cherries and cantaloupes were fruits in hot weather, but she was actually selling them in winter.

Lin Yuelan immediately felt speechless.

Fortunately, the people here didn't know about these fruits, let alone the harvesting season. Otherwise, there would be new rumors.

Ten days later, on the birthday of an official in the capital, he received a surprising gift from Ji Zhongcai, the prefect of Zhou Shan.

It was not to say that this congratulatory gift was bad, but on the contrary, this congratulatory gift surprised all the officials present.

Then, after one of the officials tried it, he was overjoyed and said, "not bad, not bad. I've never tasted such fresh and delicious fruit before. My Lords, please try this fruit called cherry!"

After that, the high official asked the maidservants to add a cherry to each official's fruit plate.

That's right, one fruit for each person. This showed that this official was very generous. Otherwise, he wouldn't have given such a beautiful and delicious new fruit. Besides, there were no less than a hundred civil and military officials who had come to congratulate him. One fruit for each person was already a lot.

Many people were surprised and confused as they slowly tasted the cherry. After a while, they said to Ji Zhongcai, "Lord Ji, you're so kind."

"Lord Ji, it's my birthday on the tenth of next month. Can you give me a basket of these cherries to celebrate my birthday?"

“Lord Ji, I’ve never heard of or seen a fruit called cherry. Where does it come from?”

Although Ji zhongcai was happy to be recognized by his superiors, he was overwhelmed by the fact that all the officials with higher ranks than him were speaking to him in such a friendly manner.

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When Zhou Changsheng once again received a letter from his superior, Ji zhongcai, his face was filled with anger.

He clutched the letter tightly and said angrily, ” this is too much, too much.”

“Father, what’s wrong? why are you so angry?” Upon hearing Zhou Changsheng’s angry voice, Zhou Wencai immediately came over with worry.

“Ji Zhongcai ordered me to get him more than 50 catties of cherries. He said that many high-ranking officials in the capital are waiting for his cherries. He even warned us about what we should say to others. Don’t you think this is infuriating?”

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“Big brother, have you heard?”

Guo Bing looked at Jiang Zhennan with some worry.

Jiang Zhennan nodded and said, ” I have heard about it.

Guo Bing furrowed his brows and said, ” Today, Zhoushan prefect Ji Zhongcai gave Prime Minister Liu a congratulatory gift. Is it possible that miss Lin was the one who made that thing called cherry? ”

The reason they had such suspicions was that An Ding County was under Ji Zhongcai’s jurisdiction, and the Lin family Village was under the jurisdiction of An Ding County.

Although Ji Zhongcai didn’t say where those things were produced, their intuition told them that Lin yuelan was the one who made these cherries.

Now that this item had appeared at Prime Minister Liu’s birthday banquet and gained the recognition of all the civil and military officials, they were all asking about its origin. Naturally, it would attract the attention and investigation of those with ulterior motives.

Jiang Zhennan looked at the moon in the sky that was shining with a silver light and said with certainty, ” that must be something that Miss Yue ‘Er made.”

He knew some unusual secrets about Lin yuelan.

The things that she had made were very spiritual. They looked bright and fresh, and he knew that this must have a lot to do with Little Green.

No matter where the fruit called cherry was brought from, it was reasonable to say that it would lose some moisture and luster. However, listening to the words of the officials, it was as if it had just been picked from a fruit tree, red and lustrous.

Therefore, this thing must have been created by Lin yuelan.

Guo Bing looked at Jiang Zhennan's confident words and immediately showed a worried expression on his face. He said, "big brother, this thing has attracted the attention of the high officials and nobles in the capital. If they started with Ji Zhongcai, I believed that they would be able to find miss Lin very soon. Should we block their forces to prevent them from finding miss Lin?"

Jiang Zhennan pondered for a moment and said very seriously, "you don't have to block all of them!"

Guo Bing immediately asked in confusion, "why?"

Now that they had returned to the general's residence, although they couldn't stop these people from investigating Lin yuelan forever, they could still stop them for a few days.

But why didn't he block them all?

Jiang Zhennan shook his head and said, "Ji Zhongcai was able to bring these cherries from Zhoushan to the capital. Do you think miss Yue 'Er wouldn't know about it?"

Guo Bing was shocked. He asked in surprise, "big brother, what do you mean?"

Jiang Zhennan said, "Little Bing, with miss Yue 'Er's intelligence and ability, do you think that Ji Zhongcai would only be able to give this to Prime Minister Liu as a congratulatory gift today if she didn't want someone to bring it to the capital?"

Guo Bing was stunned for a moment before he calmed down.

He said, "so, big brother, do you mean that Lin yuelan specially asked someone to bring these cherries to the capital?"

Jiang Zhennan nodded and said, "That's right."

"But why?" Guo Bing did not understand and said worriedly, "Although she's capable, she clearly said that she didn't want any trouble. Once her cherry, she would definitely cause a sensation in the capital. If that's the case, she'll definitely be in trouble."

Jiang Zhennan looked at the moon in the sky, sighed softly, and said, "you and I both know that ever since she saved the five of us, she has been caught in the whirlpool of trouble. This time, it's probably just a prelude to her plan to appear in front of the public."

Guo Bing was silent and didn't know what to say.

Lin yuelan had said that she would come to the capital in half a year.

Perhaps this was just the beginning of her trip to Beijing.

They were well aware of Lin yuelan's strange ability. If she wanted to, she could protect the country and the people and protect herself from those greedy and ambitious people who coveted her ability.

However, she hoped that those people would not anger her. Otherwise, the consequences would be unimaginable.

Guo Bing sighed in his heart.

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Lin yuelan took the letter that Zhou Wencai had handed over. After reading it, she raised her brows and asked Zhou Wencai with an ambiguous smile, "what do you plan to do? I can still contribute another four or five catties, but don't even think about getting more than a hundred catties."

Even if she had stock, she couldn't take it out all at once to do these people a favor.

When Zhou Wencai heard that, he wore a vexed look. He sighed and said, ” I also know that it’s a little ridiculous to ask for a hundred catties of cherries. However, sister Yue Lan, you must help my father this time. Ji Zhongcai is not just only one rank higher than my father. He has written a letter ordering my father to get a hundred catties of cherries. Even if my father wants to resist, he can’t, unless he really doesn’t want to be an official anymore.”

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Lin Yuelan said with a serious face, "but big brother Zhou, whether your father becomes an official or not doesn't seem to have much to do with me, right?"

Zhou Wencai choked when he heard that. He immediately analyzed, "sister Yuelan, you're wrong. Think about it. First of all, let's not talk about the deep friendship between you and me. Just on this point, you should help me, right? Besides, don't you have my father backing you up in the restaurant and the Lin medicine shop in An Ding County? Besides, everyone in An Ding County knows that the person behind you is my father, County Magistrate Zhou, right? So, you can't say that there's no relationship between you and my father."

Lin Yuelan nodded and said, "that's right. However, big brother Zhou, if your father doesn't become the county Magistrate and lets someone else be the county Magistrate of An Ding County, I think I can still persuade him to be my backer, right?"

Zhou Wencai choked, but he immediately reacted. "sister Yuelan, you can't say that. You see, my father doesn't seem to be after you for anything, but if it's a different County Magistrate, it's not necessarily the case. Just these cherries that cost a few hundred taels a catty and these expensive special fruits are enough to make people jealous. Besides, your farming methods and your winter planting methods can both promote you to a higher position and make a fortune. How is it possible that those people won't come after you? So, in the end, my father is still the most loyal, isn't he? He's willing to be your backer and hasn't been greedy."

After hearing this, Lin Yuelan pretended to think about it seriously for a moment, then nodded and said, "from what you've said, it seems like it's natural for me to help County Magistrate Zhou, right?"

Zhou Wencai's expression froze. He could neither say yes nor no. He was stunned and did not say a word.

Lin Yuelan suddenly laughed and said, "that's enough, brother Zhou. I was just joking with you. You actually took it for real. Just like you said, with our friendship and the fact that county Magistrate Zhou is a rare good official, how could I not help you?"

Zhou Wencai was overjoyed as he immediately jumped up in joy and said, "sister Yuelan, what do you want to do? Don't tell me you're really going to sell us 50 catties of cherries?"

Lin yuelan smiled and said, "the price of my cherries has increased to 400 taels per catty. 100 catties is 40000 taels of silver. Are you really willing to fork out that much?"

The moment he heard 40000 taels, Zhou Wencai's expression immediately weakened.

The last time he had to use 2500 taels to buy this cherry, it had already made his heart ache. If he were to take out another 40000 taels, it wouldn't just be a heartache, but he would also lose everything.

In total, the Zhou family's total assets in the entire anding County were only about 40000 to 50000 taels.

Was he really going to go bankrupt to buy these 50 catties of cherries? That was not possible.

Zhou wencai immediately said with a serious expression, "what do you mean?" Was she really going to give them a hundred pounds of cherries?

Lin yuelan smiled and said, "you wish. Besides, I don't want to let that Ji Zhongcai off so easily."

She had asked Little Green to inquire about Ji Zhongcai.

He was simply a scum in human skin. Therefore, no matter what, she couldn't let Ji Zhongcai take her things and rise to a higher position, make a

fortune, and build connections.

Zhou Wencai was somewhat puzzled. “Sister Yuelan, what are you planning?”

Lin yuelan immediately said seriously, ” big brother Zhou, if I’m not mistaken, the Zhou family in An Ding County is actually a branch of the Zhou family in Beijing, right? ”

Zhou Wencai was alarmed when he heard Lin yuelan’s question.

Although this matter wasn’t a complete secret in the capital, it was a secret in anding County. Where did Lin yuelan find out?

Could it be that he had heard about it from Jiang Zhennan?

But on second thought, it was unlikely.

Jiang Zhennan was a military official who had been away for a long time. He had only returned to Beijing in the past six months. Therefore, he might not be clear about the secrets of the major families in Beijing. He would not be able to guess that he, Zhou wencai, and his father, Zhou Changsheng, were from the branch family of the Zhou family in Beijing.

Zhou Wencai mumbled, ” sister Yuelan, how did you know? ”

Lin Yuelan shook her head and said seriously, ” you don’t need to know where I found out. You just have to tell me yes or no?”

Zhou Wencai felt conflicted in his heart for a moment. Then, he seemed to have made up his mind and said, ” yes!”

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With Lin Yuelan's ability and her relationship with Jiang Zhennan, it would be absolutely beneficial for him to be on good terms with her. She could very likely help them return to the capital. In that case, there was no need for him to hide it from Lin yuelan.

He believed that Lin Yuelan had her own reasons for asking him about this.

Lin Yuelan nodded and asked seriously, "do you want to go back to the capital?"

Zhou Wencai was stunned.

He was shocked by the sudden question.

However, Zhou Wencai immediately reacted and replied in a daze, "yes, of course, I do!"

They had been in An Ding County for five years. In the process of him becoming a scholar from a small scholar, his father had been sitting in the position of anding County Magistrate.

In the past five years, the father and son had been waiting for the call of the Zhou family in Beijing. Then, they would occupy a place in Beijing.

During this process, they went from anticipation to slight disappointment and finally to despair. They believed that the capital had completely forgotten about them, abandoned them, and given up on them.

Therefore, in their despair, they lived day by day in An Ding County until Lin yuelan produced a high yield of eight stones of grain per mu.

Because this had happened in An Ding County, they suddenly had the hope of returning to the capital.

However, they didn't expect Lin yuelan to force them to suppress the matter. She only allowed the people of An Ding County to grow grain according to her method.

However, as autumn had passed and winter was coming, all the planting in An Ding County had not been carried out yet. As a result, they could not see any achievements, so they could only patiently wait for the next spring's harvest.

However, when he suddenly heard Lin yuelan ask them if they wanted to return to the capital, he suddenly felt excited and excited. He didn't know why he had this feeling.

However, his intuition told him that the girl in front of him could help them.

Hearing his answer, Lin yuelan nodded in satisfaction. "that's good."

Then, she said seriously, " Brother Zhou, I don't want to let Ji Zhongcai get away with it, so I want to support you. Do you understand what I mean? "

Zhou Wencai was truly shocked beyond words.

If these words had come from an ordinary child, he would definitely have thought that this child was indulging in a fantasy or had lost his mind. He would have thought that she was talking nonsense and could not take it seriously.

However, these words came from a child who had created one legendary story after another, so he had no choice but to take it seriously. In fact, he took it seriously.

Lin Yuelan's words were simple, but they contained a deep meaning.

What kind of support could a commoner provide an official?

As for Lin Yuelan, an ordinary farmer's daughter, other than having some assets now and knowing Jiang Zhennan, the defender-general of the state who appeared out of nowhere in the village, she had almost no money or connections. However, when she said that she would support them, Zhou Wencai believed it in his heart.

This was how strange things felt!

Zhou Wencai still couldn't believe it. "sister Yuelan, is what you said true?"

Lin yuelan nodded seriously and said, "It's all true. I just don't know if you and your father are willing to make a bet, "

Relying on a peasant girl like her to help a County Magistrate enter the capital was like a gamble on fate. They had handed everything over to Lin yuelan.

If he won, he would have a boundless future, and if he lost, he would have nothing!

Zhou Wencai felt that this matter was too serious. He didn't dare agree to it for a while.

He said, " sister yuelan, this is too serious. I have to go back and discuss it with my father!"

Lin yuelan replied, " alright. I'll only give you three days. If you don't give me an answer in three days, I'll take it that you're not willing to make a bet."

Zhou Wencai replied in a very cautious manner, " yes, I understand.

After that, he left the Lin family Village in a hurry. Lin yuelan looked at the gray sky and said coldly, " the sky should be blue!"

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At the Yan Family, the new Butler said to Yan Lin, " master, master, the greenhouse of more than 100 mu has been completed today. We can plant the seeds tomorrow. But, old master, what kind of seeds are you planning to plant?"

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That damned girl had many new species of vegetables that had never been seen before. The vegetables were extremely expensive when sold.

If the old master also got these new species, then wouldn't he make a fortune in two to three months?

Yan Lin frowned and asked, "What kind of seeds can there be? Aren't they just seeds like cabbage?"

The new Butler looked at his master's confused expression and was slightly surprised. However, he quickly asked, "master, don't you know?"

"Know what?" Yan Lin was even more confused.

"Lin yuelan's family has many new varieties of vegetables. Besides green and yellow vegetables, there are also purple and red vegetables, and so on. Those vegetables are sold at a very high price. They're at least two or three times more expensive than cabbage.

Yan Lin was stunned when he heard that. There's such a thing? "Why didn't anyone tell me about it?"

The new Butler was silent.

He didn't understand why the head of the family was so ill-informed. It had happened in the Lin family Village, and it was such a hot topic, yet he had never heard of it. It was too surprising.

"Lin Sanniu!" Yan Lin cursed angrily. "you're really dumb!"

If Lin Sanniu had told him about this, he would have asked Lin Sanniu to find a way to get him those seeds or seedlings and plant them now.

However, he had to think of a way to get these new species from Lin yuelan.

He suddenly asked, "I heard that Lin Sanniu is still working for that wretched girl, is that right?"

The new Butler was stunned for a moment before he nodded and said, "Yes. I heard that the county Magistrate ordered Lin Sanniu to work for Lin yuelan. I heard that other than food, he doesn't get a single copper coin." In any case, this was free work.

"Does that mean that Lin Sanniu is not willing to work for Lin yuelan?" Yan Lin asked.

"Yes, master!"

"Alright then. Go and find a way to contact Lin Sanniu. Tell him that I have a way to make him stop working for Lin yuelan. It all depends on whether he wants to cooperate or not."

The new Butler replied in confusion, "yes, master!"

However, what they did not expect was that Lin Sanniu seemed to have accepted his fate and completely ignored the Yan family's butler.

When Lin Sanniu saw the new butler, his heart was filled with anger. He told steward Yan angrily, "go and tell Yan Lin that unless he pays me 1400 taels of silver, he can forget about coming to find me."

He was extremely angry when he thought of the time at the county office when he was beaten up for stealing vegetables and had to pay 1400 taels.

Why did Yan Lin, the culprit, get to be safe and sound, but he had to compensate that wretched girl?

Therefore, this time, no matter what, he would not work with Yan Lin again.

Yan Lin frowned and asked, " did he really say that? He'll work for me if I give him 1400 taels?"

"Yes, master!"

Immediately, Yan Lin was furious. "this bastard, who does he think he is? Hmph, I don't believe that he's the only one who can do things among so many workers. Go and investigate Lin yuelan's workers. See if any of them are short of money."

"Yes, master!"

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Three days later, Zhou Wencai and his father, Zhou Changsheng, secretly came to the Lin family Village to find Lin yuelan.

In the living room, after the servants served them tea, they left, leaving the three of them in the living room.

Lin yuelan sat in the main seat, holding a cup of tea. She blew on it and took a sip.

After putting down the teacup, she glanced at Zhou Wencai and Zhou Changsheng and said indifferently, "since the two of you came to the Lin family Village to find me, does this mean that Lord Zhou and brother Zhou have already thought it through?"

Zhou Wencai and Zhou Changsheng looked at each other. Then, Zhou Chang Sheng put down the teacup in his hand and said in all seriousness, "Miss Lin, I just want to know what you want to do. You didn't allow me to report that farming method, and I did as you said. But now, what bargaining chip do you have to make me and my son walk back to the capital from An Ding County?"

If he were to report that farming method when it succeeded, it would be time for him to be promoted and have a bright future.

However, because of Lin yuelan's warning and Jiang Zhennan's relationship with her, he let go of this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

In fact, after Zhou Changsheng didn't use any underhanded means to get the farming method from her, Lin yuelan had a whole new level of respect for the father and son. Otherwise, she wouldn't have chosen Zhou Wencai

for future cooperation. Now, she also chose Zhou Changsheng and his son to support her as strong backing in the future.

That was because she had her eyes on the fact that the father and son would not be blinded by greed and use despicable means.

Hearing Zhou Changsheng's sharp question, Lin yuelan smiled. Then, she said calmly and seriously, " Lord Zhou, you and I have known each other for so long. Is this planting method the only way you can get a promotion and get rich? "

Zhou Changsheng was stunned by Lin Yue Lan's words. His heart was unnaturally excited.

Lin yuelan was right. In fact, there was more than one way for him to get promoted.

Because Lin yuelan still had many methods and tricks up her sleeve.

For example, these winter vegetables and these special fruits would make any ambitious person greedy. He, Zhou Changsheng, was no exception.

However, he was very clear about his own ability and weight. Unless he had the ability to compete with Jiang Zhennan, otherwise, he would never think of having such crooked ideas in his life. The most important thing was that although Lin yuelan was a child, she was actually not to be trifled with.

Zhou Changsheng immediately straightened his body and asked seriously, " then, miss Lin, what do you want to do? "

Lin yuelan immediately said seriously, "There's no hurry. Instead, I would like to know if you would ever be blinded by profit and kick me to the side to live a life of glory and wealth. Would you go against human decency to achieve your goal?"

This was referring to whether Zhou Changsheng would do something to frame and kill people in the future.

In fact, this was Lin yuelan's warning.

When Zhou Changsheng and Zhou wencai heard that, their expressions changed.

Following that, Zhou Wencai immediately said in a serious tone, " sister Yue Lan, don't worry. Father and I will definitely not do such a heartless thing. Otherwise..."

He paused for a moment. Then, he said firmly, " otherwise, I'd rather be struck by lightning.

Zhou Changsheng frowned slightly when he heard Zhou wencai's oath. He seemed a little displeased. However, when he looked at Lin yuelan, who was smiling but not smiling and then at his serious and determined son, he moved his lips but did not say anything.

Lin yuelan nodded and said, " although I don't believe that oaths are really effective, I'll believe you for the time being since you've made your stand clear. However,"

Lin yuelan's tone immediately changed. It was sharp and intimidating, with a shocking force that could strike people's minds.

She continued, " however, if you really want to betray me and go against your conscience when you're in power in the future, believe me, the consequences of this betrayal are not something you can bear. Because I can bring you to the heavens, but I can also easily drag you to hell!"

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Zhou Changsheng and Zhou Wencai immediately felt the pressure from Lin Yuelan.

They had never felt this kind of pressure from Lin Yuelan before. It was as if a huge mountain was pressing down on their backs, making it hard for them to breathe.

In an instant, the father and son's faces turned pale, and cold sweat dripped from their foreheads.

After a while, they felt that the pressure on their bodies was gone. They were relieved. They immediately wiped their foreheads, and their palms were full of sweat.

In the past, they had only seen Lin yuelan's outstanding intelligence, money-making ability, and superb medical skills. But at this moment, they deeply felt that this child in front of them was unfathomable.

Could it be that she was really blessed by the heavens because of she was a jinx?

Zhou Changsheng didn't think too much about it. He knew that if he had been a little flustered before, he wouldn't dare to have any thoughts now.

This was because he couldn't see through this child at all. This child was only twelve years old.

Zhou Changsheng said to Lin Yue Lan, "Don't worry. I'm the same as Wen 'Er. I won't do such an inhumane thing. Otherwise, I'd be struck by lightning."

Lin yuelan was just preparing for the worst, taking precautions against the greatest hidden danger in the future. What she wanted was a promise from the father and son, a promise that they would not betray her.

Lin yuelan nodded and said, " well, you just need to remember what you said!"

The two of them didn't dare to take Lin yuelan's words lightly, and they both treated them seriously.

Zhou Wencai and Zhou Changsheng exchanged glances and nodded. Then, they heaved a sigh of relief.

Lin yuelan looked at them and said, " since the two of you have no objections, let's continue our discussion.

"However, I still have a question that I have to ask, " Lin yuelan said. "Are you returning to Beijing to continue being the subsidiary of the Zhou family that they have used, or do you want to re-establish the Zhou family and make the original Zhou family your subsidiary? "

When Zhou Wencai and Zhou Changsheng heard this, their hearts skipped a beat.

This question was too sharp and incisive for them.

They were from the Zhou family. Since they were young, they had been taught to serve the Zhou family's direct descendants when they grew up. This kind of education had been instilled in their minds and had left a mark on them. They could not break free very easily.

At the end of the day, this was a slave-like mindset that was deeply ingrained in the Zhou family. All the branch families of the Zhou family were just stepping stones and slaves for the direct line to climb up.

Therefore, when Lin yuelan mentioned that she would help them return to the capital, they only thought of having a place in the Zhou family.

At first, they wanted to return to Beijing, but in reality, they wanted to return to the Zhou family to hold their heads high.

The main family had forgotten about them.

This was the main reason why they had returned to the capital.

However, Lin yuelan's words were like an epiphany, shocking and unbelievable.

After Zhou Changsheng came back to his senses, his expression was extremely shocked. His voice trembled as he asked, " what do you mean by that? "

Lin yuelan said very seriously and indifferently, " what I mean is to let you, a branch family, seize the power of the Zhou family and be the master of the family. Otherwise, the main Zhou Family would come after me when I work with you in the future."

In the future, a part of her power would be exposed to the public. If the Zhou family knew that she, Lin yuelan, had cooperated with the father and son, the Zhou family would definitely threaten the father and son as well as Lin Yuelan.

So, how could she ignore such a huge hidden danger?

When Zhou Changsheng heard Lin yuelan's words, his face immediately turned green and ugly. He grabbed the sides of the chair with both hands and looked at Lin yuelan in shock. He said angrily, "This is treason! This was treasonous! You're asking me to betray the Zhou family. That's impossible!"

Lin yuelan did not get angry. Instead, she said casually, "Although I don't know how loyal you are to your main family, I only know that everything you have worked hard for is to create a resource for the main family's direct bloodline to use."

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“They use the resources that you have created to climb higher and higher, to go further and further, to enjoy the glory and wealth that you have brought with everything you have. But they stand high up and look down on you, the branch families that have worked hard for them.

“This was fine.

“However, they treat themselves as their master and you as their dogs. They call you at will, and you are at their beck and call. They even abandon you while you are still bitterly waiting for your master to call you.

“This is your current situation in the Zhou family!”

Lin yuelan's sharp words hit the nail on the head, and the two men's faces turned pale.

“You may treat yourself as a dog of the Zhou family's direct bloodline, but what about your descendants? Do they also want a dog that has been forgotten by its owner?” Lin yuelan said sharply.

The father and son's faces were pale, their hands tightly gripping the edge of the stool, but the exposed blue veins showed their rage and anger.

Lin yuelan didn't say anything.

Then, she took a cup of tea and sipped it slowly.

After an unknown period of time, Zhou Wencai suddenly said, ” I want to start another Zhou family!”

As soon as he finished speaking, Zhou Changsheng pointed at Zhou wencai in anger and said, " Zhou wencai, you are betraying the Zhou family. You are disgraceful!"

Zhou wencai said loudly, " father, this isn't betraying the Zhou family. I'm only fighting for my own rights. If the Zhou family still remembers us, then it's fine. But look at these five years. There's been no news from the Zhou family at all. The letters we wrote back were like rocks thrown into the sea. Isn't this obvious? The Zhou family has forgotten about us. Oh no, they have completely abandoned us.

"Since we have the ability to return to the capital and take over the Zhou family, why can't we? Do you really want your descendants to be dogs who wag their tails and beg for mercy?"

"Father, even if you don't think for yourself, you have to think for your descendants. Do you really want to see your grandsons become the dogs of the Zhou family again?"

When it came to his descendants, Zhou Changsheng was instantly speechless.

That's right. He could live his life like a dog and do his best to serve the Zhou family, but what about his children and grandchildren?

Did he want them to live the same life as he did?

Zhou Changsheng's anger instantly disappeared. However, he turned to look at Lin yuelan and asked sharply, " if we can betray the Zhou family, then we can just as easily betray you. Are you assured about that? "

Many people would choose to betray a second time if they could do so once.

Just as Lin yuelan had said, those oaths had always been used to deceive people. If they were really so effective, then there would be no betrayal in this world.

Lin yuelan raised her eyebrows and said with a smile, "Your Excellency Zhou, I should know that I have the fate of bringing bad luck to my husband. Before I fulfill my fate, the heavens have always favored me! For example, I can come back to life because the King of Hell didn't accept me.

"Not only did he not accept me, but when he sent me back to the world of the living, he also gave me a bright mind and some of the abilities that you all see as shocking.

"Therefore, I'm not afraid of your betrayal because other people's oaths may not be effective, but believe me, your oath will definitely be effective. For example,"

Lin yuelan looked at the clear sky outside and said, "I said there's going to be thunder outside. Do you believe me?"

Zhou Changsheng and Zhou Wencai were shocked. Their eyes widened, and they asked in confusion, "how can there be thunder? It's winter now! There's no thunder in winter. This is common sense."

There was no snow in June and no thunder in winter.

This was something that even a three-year-old would know.

However, Lin yuelan said slowly, "Oh, is that so?" As she spoke, she looked outside and said slowly, "what if I say that there will be thunder in a moment?"

Without the Zhou father and son knowing, Lin yuelan flipped her hands, and a bolt of lightning slid out of her fingertips. Then, it flew into the sky.

In a moment, the outside was filled with rustling.

The sound of thunder and lightning could be heard outside.

When the Zhou father and son heard the thunder, their expressions froze for a moment, but then horror immediately appeared on their faces.

They asked in disbelief, " how could it be? " It was abnormal to have thunder in winter.

However, it had happened.

Lin yuelan smiled at them and said, " so, Your Excellency Zhou, don't doubt me!"

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Lin Yuelan looked at the departing carriage, and the corners of her mouth curled up. The smile on her face was like a ray of sunlight in the winter, melting the cold snow.

In the carriage, Zhou Changsheng asked Zhou Wencai uneasily, "Wen 'Er, are we really going to do this?"

Zhou Wencai said very firmly, "dad, didn't you hear what Lin Yuelan said? We, the Zhou family's side branches, have always been dogs of the direct bloodline. We can be summoned and dismissed at will. When our values and resources are used up, they will cast us aside and ignore us.

"Father, even if you want to continue to be a dog of the Zhou family, I don't want my children and grandchildren to follow our path and become their dogs.

"That's why, father, I want to fight for it. Even if it's not for myself, I want to fight for a future for my grandson and his descendants."

Upon hearing Zhou Wencai's words, Zhou Changsheng's attitude towards the Zhou family was shaken. However, he still said worriedly, "But, son, you have to know that if we work with Lin yuelan, we will lose everything if we fail!"

However, Zhou Wencai said, "but father, you also said that this is just in case we fail. If we don't fail, then our Zhou family will truly be the master of the family and become a big family in Beijing!"

Zhou Changsheng was silent. "Although we're working with Lin Yuelan, your father feels like we're being controlled by her!" This was the real reason why he was not willing to cooperate.

The feeling of being led by the nose by a little girl was not good, and what was even worse was being threatened by a little girl.

He didn't say if they would work together in the future. However, that little girl wouldn't allow them to do that.

In other words, the initiative in the cooperation with Lin yuelan had always been in her hands.

Therefore, even though he wanted to return to the capital, he did not want to lose control of himself.

However, there was only one way to return to the capital. Otherwise, they would be stuck in the poor anding County forever.

Upon hearing his father's words, Zhou Wencai fell silent for a moment before saying, "father, as long as we don't touch Lin yuelan's bottom line, I believe she won't do anything to us."

He thought of the few bolts of lightning.

The more he thought about it, the more he felt that Lin yuelan was unfathomable.

She actually caused thunder!

Thunder in winter was something that had never happened before.

He didn't think that Lin yuelan was a demon or a monster because he had heard that demons were most afraid of thunder and lightning. However, he didn't dare to think too deeply about Lin yuelan's mystery.

His intuition told him that those lightning bolts were triggered by Lin yuelan.

Therefore, he believed that as long as they didn't cross Lin yuelan's bottom line, she wouldn't be a treacherous person and would definitely not do anything to them.

However, he was just like his father. The feeling of being led by the nose, especially by a little girl, was terrible. But for now, they could only accept it.

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“Did you guys hear that?”

“Yes, I heard it! It’s a clear day in winter, and there will be thunder on this day.”

“What do you guys think happened to....?”

It was an unusual weather pattern that made people feel worried, terrified, and uneasy.

“Do you guys think it’s...”

They meant a change to the most powerful person in the imperial court.

However, they didn’t dare to say such outrageous words out loud because if they did, they would be executed.

“Shush, you can’t say it!” Someone immediately stopped him in fear.

“But this weather is really abnormal!”

“Yeah, who knows what’s going on?”

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Almost the entire village was talking about the thunder yesterday.

There was not a trace of curiosity or surprise on their faces, only shock, panic, fear, uneasiness, and fear.

At Anding County...

“Did you guys hear that?”

“Yes, I heard the sound of thunder.”

“yeah, it’s winter. Where did the lightning come from? ”

“That’s right. It’s too abnormal. It is winter, but there was actually lightning! It’s unbelievable!”

Inside the Zhou mansion, the father and son of the Zhou family sat quietly in the living room. They looked at each other without saying a word, but their hearts were not calm.

Then, Zhou Changsheng sighed and said, ” Wen ‘Er, everyone in An Ding County is talking about the lightning yesterday!

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Zhou Wencai nodded and said, " yes, father. They're all discussing it."

However, they still had lingering fears.

They didn't dare to think about whether Lin yuelan was a human or a demon, or even a fairy. However, no matter what, they had no way out.

After a while, Zhou Changsheng let out a long sigh and said, " Wen 'Er, our Zhou family will be relying on you from now on!"

This was to tell Zhou Wencai that he had already handed over the cooperation with Lin yuelan to him.

Zhou Wencai was surprised and overjoyed. He said to his father excitedly, "Thank you, Father!"

As long as he had his father's support, he would be able to open up his future cooperation with Lin yuelan.

Zhou Changsheng walked in front of him and patted him on the shoulder. Then, he said earnestly, " Wen 'Er, I'm old. Just like what you said, for the sake of our descendants, we should pull ourselves together! However, father prefers to stay in An Ding County and be a small official!"

Zhou Wencai was taken aback. He asked in puzzlement, " father..."

Zhou Changsheng extended his hand to stop him from continuing. "Father is old. I don't have the fire in me anymore. I just want to live the rest of my life in peace. From now on, the glory of the Zhou family and everything of the Zhou family will be handed over to you."

Looking at the few strands of white hair at his father's temples, Zhou Wencai suddenly understood what his father meant.

He couldn't betray the Zhou family, and he didn't want his descendants to be dogs, so he chose to watch from the side.

Zhou wencai choked with sobs and said, " yes, father!"

The next day, Zhou Wencai left anding County without a sound.

Zhou Changsheng took Ji Zhongcai's letter and lit it up in the furnace. Then, the entire piece of paper turned to ashes.

Zhou Changsheng looked at the stove and said, "If it's a disaster, you can't avoid it!"

Soon after, he spread out the paper and wrote a letter. After he sealed it, he said to the housekeeper, " get someone to deliver this letter to the Zhoushan Prefectural magistrate, Lord Ji."

"Yes!"

At the Ji mansion, Zhou Shan City, three men stood in the study.

"Damn that Zhou Changsheng!" Ji Zhongcai took the letter from An Ding County and flew into a rage.

"Father, since this Zhou Changsheng is so insensible, we have to teach him a lesson, " a man with a greasy face said angrily. "We only asked him for a small favor. How dare he refuse to do us?!"

"That's right, father. You're a magistrate, but you're asking a small county Magistrate for something. How dare he refuse? How despicable!" The other man looked younger than Ji Zhongcai. He looked like he was in his twenties.

Ji Zhongcai slammed the table and said angrily, " this Zhou Changsheng is only a rank seven official. He's just a small county Magistrate. How dare he say no to me? This is unforgivable!"

His two sons immediately nodded in agreement. “yes, father, he can’t be forgiven. Father, you can’t forgive him!”

Then, the two of them looked at each other. The man’s eyes turned, and he said to his father, ” father, big brother, and I will go to An Ding County to see if what Zhou Changsheng said in the letter is true or false. If he really intended to deceive you, father, big brother, and I will definitely not let him off. Father, what do you think?”

When Ji Zhongcai heard this, he thought for a while and said, “Alright, you two go to An Ding County and see how Zhou Changsheng deceived me. Then, teach him a lesson and make him remember who his superior is.”

After saying this, he thought for a while, then looked at his two sons seriously and said, ” Jin ‘Er, Xuan ‘Er, when you go to An Ding County this time, bring back the 50 catties of cherries no matter what. You have to know that I’ve connected with all the major officials because of this. In the future, if father wants to be promoted and our Ji family enjoys wealth and prosperity in the capital, it will all depend on this hundred catties of cherries, understand?”

The two brothers immediately replied seriously, “Yes, father! We will not fail you!”

Only then did Ji Zhongcai nod in relief. “that’s fine. You guys get ready. You’ll go to anding County tomorrow!

“Yes, father!” The two brothers said in unison.

When Ji Changjin and Ji Changxuan walked out of Ji Zhongcai’s study room and felt that their father couldn’t hear their conversation, the two immediately began to talk excitedly.

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“Brother, I heard that there’s a restaurant in An ding County called Ni Lai Wo Wang. The bed there is very soft and warm. The food there is very fragrant and delicious. What’s even more surprising is that the restaurant has recruited many female waiters. These female waiters are even more beautiful than the girls in Yicui garden. They serve wine and tea to the guests.”

However, when Ji Changjin heard this, he frowned slightly and said, “Third brother, we’re going to An Ding County with a mission father gave us. I’m not going to let you eat, drink, and play with women.”

Ji Changxuan waved his hand nonchalantly and said, “Tsk. I say, big brother, we have to look for a place to stay in An Ding County. Since that’s the case, why don’t we stay there?” Since he was going to stay there, it was only natural for him to understand the restaurant. Speaking of which, Ji Changxuan asked with a smile, ” big brother, aren’t you really curious about this restaurant? I’ve heard that the restaurant provides fresh vegetables throughout the winter.”

Ji Changjin glanced at Ji Changxuan, then strode away without a word.

At Anding County’s Zhou mansion, two arrogant young men came.

Zhou Changsheng cupped his fists at the two of them and asked politely, ” I’m sorry, young masters. Recently, my hearing has been a little bad. Can you please repeat it? Who are you? ”

Ji changxuan’s nose was up in the air, and he said arrogantly, ” Hmph, since Lord Zhou’s ears are bad, then I’ll say it again. I’m Ji Changxuan, and this is my big brother Ji Changjin. We’re the two young masters of Ji Zhongcai, the prefect of Zhushan mountain. This time, did Lord Zhou hear it clearly?”

When Zhou Changsheng heard Ji Changxuan's introduction, his heart thumped. He felt that something was wrong. However, he suppressed his uneasiness and cupped his fists at the two of them again. He smiled apologetically and said, "Haha, it's actually Lord Ji's two young masters. The two young masters have come from far away, and this official has not welcomed you. I have been disrespectful!"

Zhou Changsheng was an official. Although Ji Changjin and Ji Changxuan were the sons of the magistrate, they were neither scholars nor officials. They were just commoners.

Ji Changxuan listened to Zhou Changsheng's words. He was like a proud rooster. He snorted at Zhou Changsheng and said, "Hmph, it's good that Lord Zhou knows."

Zhou Changsheng immediately made a 'please' gesture and said, "Young masters, please sit. Then, he said to the servant, "Tea!"

After that, he sat on the main seat.

Zhou Changsheng already had a guess about the purpose of their visit. However, he still said calmly, "The two young masters' visit has really made this simple house of mine shine! Since the two of you have come from afar, I will make proper arrangements for you. May I know if the two of you have a place to stay? If not, I'll immediately arrange for servants to give you two rooms."

Upon hearing this, Ji Changxuan immediately said unhappily, "Do you think we want to stay here? We want to stay in the room at Ni Lai Wo Wang!"

Speaking of accommodation, Ji Changxuan was angry.

The moment they arrived at An Ding County, they inquired about the location of the restaurant. The brothers then brought their servants to the restaurant. When they saw the restaurant's tall and magnificent appearance, everyone's eyes lit up. Then, they walked in arrogantly, saying that they wanted to stay and that they had to arrange the best rooms for them.

It was a pity that the rooms in the Ni Lai Wo Wang restaurant had always been booked in advance. If one didn't have a reservation, then sorry, there would be no rooms.

Therefore, when they heard that there were no rooms available, they were so angry that they directly reported their names. They thought that they would respectfully arrange everything for them. In the end, the shopkeeper directly told them, "there are no more rooms. If you really want to stay in a room, please go to the front desk to make a reservation and line up."

When they asked when they could stay in the room, it was three days later.

They were furious on the spot and started making a fuss.

In the end, they were dragged out by the guards. The two young masters had lost all their faces.

Later on, some people secretly told them that this restaurant was related to the county Magistrate.

Therefore, they rushed to the Zhou mansion to show off their might.

"Lord Zhou, we want to stay in Ni Lai Wo Wang restaurant. Quickly arrange it for us! Hmph!" Ji Changxuan arrogantly emphasized once again.

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After Lin yuelan received Zhou Changsheng's letter, she said to the servant who delivered the letter, "tell Lord Zhou not to worry. I will definitely entertain the two young masters of the prefects well." When she said that she would treat them well, the corners of her mouth curled into a cold smile.

After Zhou Changsheng got the reply from the servant, he didn't know why but he suddenly felt calm.

His intuition told him that Lin yuelan could really solve this problem.

As soon as Zhou Changsheng left the study room, he met the two brothers of the Ji family who had just returned.

As soon as Ji Changxuan entered, he pointed at Zhou Changsheng and shouted angrily, "Zhou Changsheng, what are you doing? Why can't we stay in Ni Lai Wo Wang restaurant?"

After they asked Zhou Changsheng to arrange their accommodation, Zhou Changsheng agreed to talk to the owner of the restaurant to see if he could arrange their accommodation.

However, Ji Changjin and Ji Changxuan were really curious about what the inside of the restaurant looked like. So, before Zhou Changsheng had made the arrangements, they excitedly shouted at the waiter and the manager of the restaurant. They said that if they did not arrange accommodation for them immediately, Lord Zhou would definitely teach them a lesson.

Zhang Yuanbin looked at the two brothers as if they were crazy and said, "young masters, no matter who checked in, they must follow the order of first come, first serve. Even Lord Zhou himself is the same. Young masters, please!"

Seeing how the people in the restaurant treated them, the Ji brothers were once again so angry.

Ji Changxuan pointed at Zhang Yuanbin and said fiercely, "Hmph, just you wait. I'll ask my father, oh no, ask Zhou Chang Sheng to order your restaurant to be closed down.

With that, the group of people walked out in an imposing manner. When they returned to the Zhou mansion, they were furious at Zhou Changsheng.

Zhou Changsheng suppressed his anger and apologized to the two of them, "young masters, please calm down. Although I have some connections with the owner of this restaurant, she is not in An Ding County. It will take some time to contact her."

However, Ji Changxuan did not listen to his explanation. He said angrily, "Hmph, Zhou Changsheng, I don't care what reason you have. I have to stay at this restaurant. Otherwise, I will tell my father that you didn't treat us well. Then, you can wait to be removed from your position!

If he could, Zhou Changsheng would really spit at them to vent his anger.

However, he had to swallow his anger in front of them.

"Alright," Zhou Changsheng said. I'll make the necessary arrangements for you tonight!

Ji Changxuan raised his head arrogantly and said, "that's more like it."

After Ji Changjin met Zhou Changsheng, he always ordered Zhou Changsheng around. He allowed him to show off his power in front of Zhou Changsheng.

Now, after seeing Zhou Changsheng's expression, he rolled his eyes and pretended to ask casually, " Lord Zhou, I heard that the cherry was produced in An Ding County. However, we have been walking around for a day and have not seen the cherry. I wonder who has it? "

Ji Changjin was dressed in blue silk and had a square face and eyes that were neither big nor small. However, his aura was obviously more restrained than Ji Changxuan's, and he looked like a scholar.

However, Zhou Changsheng looked at him, and he knew that this person was even more sinister than his brother.

Hearing Ji Changjin's question, Zhou Changsheng collected his thoughts and carefully dealt with them in secret. He said, " eldest young master, I'm very sorry. Things like cherries don't appear in the market, so it's excusable that you can't find them."

Ji Changjin narrowed his eyes and stared at Zhou Changsheng sharply. He asked faintly, " Oh, where did that cherry come from? Lord Zhou, I'm not afraid to tell you the truth. The two of us came all the way from Zhou Shan to your small county just for those 50 catties of cherries. My father has given us a death order. He told us that we must bring back a hundred catties of cherries from An Ding County!"

Zhou Changsheng knew what Ji Changjin meant.

This was telling him that he had to get the cherries for them no matter what.

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“That’s right, Zhou Changsheng. Let me tell you. We came to An Ding County to investigate whether you hid the cherry from my father. I’m warning you. You’d better hand it over immediately. Otherwise, the crime of lying to my father will be enough to make you suffer, Lord Zhou.”

These 50 catties of cherries were related to his father’s official career. Of course, they had to do it well.

Zhou Changsheng restrained his expression and said very seriously to the Ji brothers, “Young masters, are you suggesting that I’ve been keeping cherry for myself and not handing it over? ”

Then, his face darkened, and he said in a sharp tone, ” I wonder if Lord Ji has the same thoughts? If that’s the case, then I’m too disappointed. Lord Ji is my superior, and I have to carry out his orders. Lord Ji wants the 50 catties of cherries. If there are still more, I’ll do anything to get them.

“However, I can’t even get one catty of the cherry because there’s no more of it. How do you expect me to get a hundred catties? Do you think they’ll just appear out of thin air with just a few words?”

He would never admit that they had questioned his intentions.

When they heard Zhou Changsheng’s words, the two brothers’ faces darkened. They asked unhappily, ” you mean that there’s no such thing in An Ding County anymore? ”

Zhou Changsheng nodded and said, ” yes.”

“Impossible!” Ji Changxuan didn’t believe him at all. “Who would believe that this thing is gone in just a few days? ”

Ordinary fruits could last for more than a month. Some fruits with thick peels and that did not rot easily could last for several months.

Why was the consumption period of cherries so short?

Zhou Changsheng said seriously, ” whether you believe it or not, this is the truth. If you don’t believe me, you can ask around and see if anyone else has bought cherries.”

The two young masters immediately looked a little dejected.

However, even though they were here for the cherry, their main purpose was to have a good time.

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The moment Zhou Wencai arrived in Beijing, he didn’t head straight to the Zhou family’s residence to make his presence known. Instead, he went to...

Zhou Wencai came to the general’s residence’s entrance and scanned his surroundings with a sharp gaze. After confirming that no one was paying attention to him, he raised his hand and knocked on the general’s residence door.

A moment later, the door was pulled open, and a young servant walked out. He asked, ” who are you looking for? ”

Zhou Wencai said, ” I’m here to find the defender-general of the state!

The servant looked at his travel-worn appearance and asked suspiciously, “Who are you? Why are you looking for my master?”

Zhou Wencai reported his name and said, ” I’m Zhou Wencai. I’m an old acquaintance of the defender General. Can I trouble you to inform him? ”

When the servant heard that his surname was Zhou, he asked doubtfully, “Your surname is Zhou. Could you be a member of the Zhou family?”

Zhou Wencai shook his head and said, “No.”

“Oh,” the manservant replied, then said, “then wait a moment. I’ll go and report.”

As soon as the manservant closed the door and walked into the courtyard, he ran into Guo Bing, who had just come out from inside. After the manservant greeted Guo Bing, he hurriedly left.

The other manservant who was guarding the door saw that Guo Bing was about to leave and hurriedly opened the door. Guo Bing immediately noticed Zhou wencai standing at the door.

Zhou Wencai also saw Guo Bing, and he was very surprised.

In the past, he only knew that this person was Jiang Zhennan’s subordinate, but he did not know who he was. Moreover, they did not have much communication before.

Now that he saw Guo Bing coming out of the general’s residence very contentedly, he opened his mouth wide and pointed at Guo Bing. “you, you, you, you, you...”

Guo Bing immediately stepped forward and said with a smile, “I say, young master Zhou, it’s only been a few days since we last met. How did you become a stutterer?”

As he said this, although he was smiling, his eyes were full of vigilance. His sharp eyes looked around, and when he was sure that no one had noticed, he turned back and said to the manservant, “Let young master Zhou in. He and the general are old acquaintances!”

The servant immediately replied, “this way, young master!”

Zhou Wencai walked into the general residence in a daze. Then, he suddenly said in shock, “you’re the young master of Duke Guo’s estate,

Guo Bing, aren't you? I've heard that young master Guo is the great general's subordinate."

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Guo Bing laughed and said, "not bad!"

However, his eyes were fixed on a child who had been following Zhou Wencai. The basket that the child was carrying in both hands made him very curious and tempted.

Because he smelled the sweet scent of fruit.

Zhou Wencai smacked his forehead and said loudly and excitedly, "I should have thought of this long ago."

At that time, he had only guessed Jiang Zhennan's identity. As for the other subordinates, he had thought that they were just ordinary subordinates. He had never thought that Guo Bing was the young master of the Guo family.

Guo Bing only shook his head and asked curiously, "young master Zhou, why are you in the capital? and you even came to the general's office." However, other than curiosity, there was also an extra seriousness.

This was because Zhou Wencai's arrival meant that their hiding place for the past six months might be exposed. This would bring trouble to Lin yuelan.

Back in the Lin family Village, Zhou Wencai had already recognized Jiang Zhennan, but he had been warned by Lin yuelan.

However, now that he had come to Beijing to look for Jiang Zhennan, if he was discovered by someone with ulterior motives, they would immediately find a flaw.

This was because Zhou wencai's identity was very easy to investigate. They could easily find their way to An Ding County. Then, he could find traces of them in An Ding County. It was very easy to find traces of their past.

Zhou Wencai wasn't a fool. The moment he heard Guo Bing's expression, he knew that he was displeased with his casual visit to the general's residence.

He immediately said, "Young master Guo, sister yuelan asked me to come and find the general." Since he knew that this person was the young master of the Guo family, he did not hide the reason why he was there.

He knew that he had to tell the truth, or else the consequences would be dire.

Guo Bing was a little suspicious. "Oh, really? What's the reason?"

"Because of..." Zhou Wencai replied. Jiang Zhennan was not around, so he could not tell him.

Guo Bing knew what he was worried about, so he said, "let's go!"

The manservant who had gone to report was a little taken aback when he saw Guo Bing and Zhou Wencai enter so quickly, but he quickly left.

"Wait, " Guo Bing stopped them and warned them sternly, " Don't tell anyone about the arrival of this young master Zhou, or else ..."

The manservant's face turned pale. He immediately bowed and said, " yes, young master Guo. We will be careful!"

After that, Guo Bing said to Zhou Wencai, " let's go!"

Soon, the two of them arrived in the living room. Jiang Zhennan was already sitting at the head of the table.

Seeing Guo Bing return, he didn't look surprised at all, as if he knew he would come back.

Indeed, Guo Bing wouldn't have cared if it was someone else who had come to look for Jiang Zhennan. He would have chased them out. However, Zhou Wencai was from An Ding County.

With Zhou wencai's friendship with Lin yuelan, in addition to Lin yuelan's deliberate stirring of trouble in Beijing, Zhou Wencai would definitely get him to bring a message.

How could Guo Bing miss this?

The moment Zhou Wencai saw Jiang Zhennan, he used a different method from the previous times they had met.

This time, he was even more cautious and nervous. His eyes were filled with respect and admiration for Jiang Zhennan. He shouted excitedly, "great general!"

After Jiang Zhennan gave a faint "hmm", he said to Zhou Wencai, "young master Zhou, may I know why you've come all the way here to find me?"

Zhou Wencai got the child to place the two baskets on the table and said to Jiang Zhennan, "sister Yuelan asked me to bring you something to try."

After that, he took out a letter from his sleeve and handed it to Jiang Zhennan. "she also asked me to bring a letter to the general!"

After the child put the basket on the table, Guo Bing excitedly pulled off the cloth.

Seeing the red things, he asked curiously, "are these cherries?"

As he spoke, he picked the largest one and put it in his mouth.

Cherry's appearance had long been spread around the capital's upper-class circle, so it wasn't strange at all that Guo Bing could recognize it at a glance.

The child replied, "this is cherry."

As soon as the child spoke, Jiang Zhennan's sharp eyes shot toward him. Then, he called for the servants and said, " someone, bring this child to the next room to rest."

"Yes, master!"

After Jiang Zhennan got the child to be taken away, he immediately opened the letter and read it. Then, his brows furrowed slightly before he said to Zhou Wencai in a very serious manner, "Have you really decided to do this?"

Zhou Wencai said in all seriousness, " yes, general!"

Looking at Jiang Zhennan's serious expression, Guo Bing smacked his lips and asked, " what's the matter? "

Jiang Zhennan said coldly, "There will be a takeover!" Although his words were simple, Guo Bing understood.

Guo Bing was so shocked that the cherry in his mouth fell out. His eyes widened in shock as he asked, "What?!"

Chapter 640 - 640 Scheming

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At An Ding County

“Big brother, look at this. The food here is so delicious. It’s winter, and there are all kinds of fresh vegetables and fruits. It’s simply a kind of peaceful enjoyment. Also, look at this room. There are ancient porcelain and Jade paintings. The bed is soft and warm. Even the chair is soft. It’s so comfortable to sit on!”

The Ji brothers, who had already checked into Ni Lai Wo Wang restaurant, looked at everything in the room with bright eyes. They drooled as they counted everything.

“I wonder who the owner of this restaurant is?” Ji Changxuan frowned and said, ” big brother, I heard rumors that Zhou Wencai, Zhou Changsheng’s son, is part owner of this restaurant. But we’ve been here for two days. Why haven’t we seen him? ”

Since they were the young masters of the prefects, Zhou Changsheng had to bring his entire family to welcome them.

Zhou Wencai did not show up, and it made him feel very unhappy.

In particular, he was even more displeased when he found out that Zhou wencai had a share in this restaurant.

Since the Zhou family owned half of the restaurant, they should have arranged everything for them the moment they arrived. They shouldn’t have been chased out by the restaurant manager, and caused them to lose face.

This was what Ji Changxuan was very displeased about.

“Big brother, did you see that?” Ji Changxuan could not vent his anger now, so he thought of another thing that made him happy. “this restaurant really did hire a female waiter, and all of them have beautiful faces and slender figures. They’re even more beautiful than the women in the Qi Cui Garden.”

As he spoke, he seemed to have thought of something or someone that had attracted him. His eyes shone with an obscene light, and he drooled.

Ji Changjin looked at his brother’s appearance and a look of disgust flashed through his eyes. However, his expression did not let his brother, who was still immersed in obscenity, see it.

However, Ji Changjin soon frowned as well. It was just that his thoughts were in a different direction from Ji Changxuan’s, who only knew how to eat, drink and play.

He had been thinking about where Zhou Wencai had gone.

He had sent servants to the Zhou Manor to inquire about Zhou Wencai’s whereabouts, but no one could tell them where young master Zhou had gone.

Originally, he didn’t care where Zhou Wencai went, but why was it so coincidental that this person had only disappeared when his father’s letter arrived in An Ding County?

Counting the days, his father’s letter had arrived more than ten days ago. In other words, Zhou Wencai had been missing from An Ding County for more than ten days.

Why did it seem a little abnormal?

The more Ji Changjin thought about it, the more puzzled he became. Suddenly, he felt a faint sense of uneasiness in his heart, but this uneasiness quickly passed.

“Big brother, what are you thinking?” Ji Changxuan asked curiously, “I’ve called you a few times, but you didn’t respond at all.”

Ji Changjin frowned and said in puzzlement, “I’m wondering where Zhou wencai went.”

Ji Changxuan immediately said disdainfully, “Hmph, no matter where he went, we must tell father that he didn’t come to entertain us. I heard that he’s still a scholar and is currently studying at the Xiang Lin Academy. When the time comes, I’ll ask father to talk to the Dean and tell him that he must be properly punished. He must not be allowed to pass the Academy examination so easily.”

Ji Changjin glanced at Ji Changxuan from the corner of his eyes. His eyes revealed a kind of disgust and irritation.

Then, he said, “alright, go ahead.”

At the Zhou mansion, Zhou Changsheng was very suspicious as to why Lin Yuelan had arranged for the Ji brothers to stay in Ni Lai Wo Wang restaurant. Whether it was food or accommodation, everything was free.

No matter how he thought about it, Zhou Changsheng felt that it was unbelievable.

He had heard from his son that Lin yuelan was a money-grubber and miser. Not to mention strangers, even people who were very familiar with her, would find it difficult to take advantage of her. Now, although the Ji brothers were the two young masters of the magistrate, they were just two strangers to Lin yuelan.

So, would Lin yuelan give a stranger any advantage?

The answer was obviously impossible.

Therefore, at this moment, he had been trying to figure out what Lin yuelan was up to.

In a VIP room at Ni Lai Wo Wang, Lin yuelan was sitting alone in front of the window, sipping a glass of wine while looking at the mottled eaves outside the window.

Zhang Yuanbin reported seriously, " in Presidential Suite 515, a chair was broken, a set of Jade Porcelain teacups were broken, the tablecloth was lifted, a landscape painting was broken, a fish tank was broken, three goldfish were killed, a carpet was destroyed, and a Chinese Checkers Pixiu was lost."

These damaged items had been damaged in a fit of anger when Ji Changxuan had tried to flirt with the pretty waitress and had been stopped by someone.

After reporting all this, Zhang Yuanbin said angrily, " boss, the Ji brothers have destroyed so many things, stolen so many precious things, and even tried to flirt with these female attendants. Shouldn't we do something to stop them or just drive them out?"

Lin yuelan was playing with a Jade cup, and the corners of her mouth curled up into an unbridled smile. She said, " apart from stopping them from molesting women, you can just watch them do anything else! However, all the accounts that need to be recorded must be recorded one by one. Even if there is a missing thread, it must be recorded, understand?"

Zhang Yuanbin was very confused as to why Lin yuelan would give such an order. What made him even more confused was that the Ji brothers had destroyed and stolen so many things, but she still allowed such arrogant and presumptuous behavior to happen. This was completely different from the boss's usual style.

However, since Lin yuelan had given such an order, he only had to obey it.

"yes, boss, " Zhang Yuanbin replied respectfully.

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In the throne room of the Imperial Palace.

In the middle of the hall was a two-meter-high red lacquered square platform. On it was a golden lacquered Dragon Throne, and behind it was a Dragon carved screen.

At this moment, the man sitting on the Dragon was upright and dignified. His sharp eyes were filled with shrewdness and sharpness as he looked at the officials below.

The eunuch on his left, who was holding a horsetail whisk, said in a high-pitched voice, "if you have something to report, do it now. If not, then withdraw!"

"Reporting to the Emperor, this official has a matter to report!" At this moment, the Vice Minister of the Ministry of Justice, Qin Jing, stood out and said.

After the Emperor nodded, the eunuch loudly said, "approved!"

The Vice Minister of the Ministry of Justice, Qin Jing, said, "Your Majesty, I have received a secret report that the Zhou Shan prefect, Ji Zhongcai, is corrupt and has abused the law by oppressing the common people. The most shameless thing is that this person ordered his servants to abduct beautiful boys and lock them up in a side courtyard of the Ji residence! The evidence is irrefutable, please punish him, Emperor!"

Chapter 641 - 641 Compensate

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The Ji brothers were having a great time in An Ding County. For example, they went to the streets to flirt with some women. After that, they saw that the clothes at Linyue Pavilion were very beautiful. They could even get someone to tailor-make a set of their own unique clothes, but it cost 500 taels of silver per person.

The two of them needed 1000 taels of silver, and if they were to buy other clothes in the store, they would need to spend at least 1500 taels of silver.

Also, they saw many children on the streets holding furry things in their hands. Some looked like dogs, cats, or Tigers. At first, they thought they were real and were so scared that their faces turned green. Later, they found out that these things were all fake, and they were all produced in Mengyue Pavilion.

As soon as they entered the store, they immediately began to spend money. They spent a lot of money in an instant because these things were also divided into high-end and low-end goods. The things they bought were only high-end goods, so the price was going to be higher.

In short, in the short few days they were in An Ding County, they had spent money like water. They had spent thousands of taels of silver, and this did not include the expenses in the restaurant.

The amount of money they spent at the restaurant was even more than all the money they had spent outside.

Lin Yuelan called Zhang Yuanbin in and said, "now you can go to the Ji brothers to settle the score!"

When Zhang Yuanbin heard this, he was a little puzzled. He said with some concern, "boss, these two are the two sons of the magistrate. Furthermore,

they also threatened Lord Zhou. I also heard that they wanted Lord Zhou to pay their tab.

“If we really go and settle the score with them now, wouldn’t it be too disadvantageous for the restaurant and Lord Zhou?”

After all, their status was there. As long as their father said a word, they could seal off their own restaurant.

They were officials, and they were businessmen.

Business people could not win against officials.

Moreover, this also involved Lord Zhou’s officialdom. If Ji Zhongcai made things difficult for Lord Zhou, it would be very disadvantageous for Lin yuelan.

Lin yuelan didn’t explain. A confident and calm smile appeared on her face as she said, “Go and collect the debt. Don’t think about unnecessary things!”

Since Lin yuelan said so, Zhang Yuanbin could only comply. He replied, ” yes, I’ll take my men to collect the debt immediately!”

At the same time, Zhou Changsheng received a letter from his son, Zhou Wencai.

As soon as he opened the letter and read the contents, his face was full of surprise and shock. After reading these letters, his expression was full of confusion and shock.

He burned the letter.

After that, he immediately shouted, “Men, inform Li Tie to prepare for court!” Li Tie was constable Li.

When Zhang Yuanbin brought two men to Presidential Suite 515, he heard a crackling sound coming from inside. He frowned at first, but then he relaxed.

He asked his subordinate to knock on the door, and a fierce voice came from inside. “who is it? ”

The subordinate replied, “The shopkeeper!”

The Golden wooden door was opened.

Ji Changxuan appeared in front of the crowd with a pale face. When he saw Zhang Yuanbin, he immediately laughed contemptuously and said, ” hey, shopkeeper, have you thought it through? Have you decided to send Li Yue to me? ”

As he spoke, he deliberately looked behind Zhang Yuanbin. When he did not see Li Yue, Ji Changxuan’s expression immediately changed. He asked angrily, ” where is Li Yue? ”

Zhang Yuanbin’s expression was cold as he looked at Ji Changxuan. Then, he pushed the door open. Sure enough, it was chaos inside.

He said to his subordinate beside him, ” count it. How many have been destroyed this time? ”

“Yes!” The subordinate immediately replied.

After that, the two subordinates skillfully counted the things in the room while making a detailed registration with a booklet.

A moment later, the two returned to Zhang Yuanbin’s side and reported, ” a vase, a tea set, a swivel chair, and a floral tablecloth were broken.”

Zhang Yuanbin nodded and took the book from his hand. He flipped through it and said to Ji Changjin, ” young master Ji, the two of you stayed at the restaurant. In seven days, a total of twelve vases, fifteen tea sets, one set of leather sofas, three swivel chairs, two fish tanks, twenty-two dead goldfish, six damaged calligraphy and paintings, one destroyed Simmons beds, three sets of bedsheets, two bed covers, and two missing sets of glass Chinese Checkers. Take a look, am I right?”

Chapter 642 - 642 Compensate

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As he spoke, Zhang Yuanbin handed the booklet to Ji Changjin, who had been watching coldly from the side without a word.

Ji Changjin first furrowed his brows, then took the booklet with a belly full of doubts. When he saw the things clearly recorded on it, his furrowed brows did not relax.

After that, he asked in confusion, “Shopkeeper, what do you mean by this?”

Zhang Yuanbin smiled at first, then said in a serious tone, “ young master Ji, our restaurant is just a small restaurant.

“However, for the customers who come here, we will serve them with the most sincere and enthusiastic attitude. It is a kind of peaceful and comfortable enjoyment for each customer to come to this restaurant.

“However, there were also rules in this restaurant.

“All the guests who came here had to follow the rules and regulations of the restaurant. You’re not allowed to scold or fight, you’re not allowed to destroy any property of the restaurant, and you’re not allowed to take liberties with the female servants and customers. Otherwise, don’t blame the restaurant for being impolite.”

“So?” Ji Changjin pursed his lips and asked with a gloomy expression.

He could vaguely guess what Zhang Yuanbin meant by these words.

Zhang Yuanbin smiled and said, “Therefore, whoever damages the property of the restaurant will have to compensate.

“If the property was destroyed by accident, and after investigation, the damage would be compensated according to the original price of the damage. If you intentionally destroyed the property, then I’m sorry, you will have to pay ten times the original price!”

Ji Changjin’s face was dark. He stared at Zhang Yuanbin with his deep eyes and said through gritted teeth, ” you mean you want us to compensate for all the destroyed property? ”

If these things were only a few dozen taels or a few hundred taels, they would just pay.

However, these items were obviously expensive. The compensation would definitely be a large sum.

As soon as Ji Changjin finished speaking, Ji Changxuan immediately shouted in disbelief, ” what? You want us to compensate?”

He immediately reacted and shouted in anger, ” You want us to compensate?! dream on!”

He would rather use the money to drink and visit prostitutes than use it as compensation.

Zhang Yuanbin’s face darkened when he heard the brothers’ words. He said seriously, ” young masters, I’ve said just now that anyone who damages the restaurant’s property must compensate. As for you, not only do you have to compensate me, you have to compensate me ten times the original price! It’s because you intentionally damaged the restaurant’s property.”

Ji Changjin’s face turned even gloomier when he heard that. He stared at Zhang Yuanbin with a pair of malicious eyes and said, ” you said that we intentionally damaged the restaurant’s property, right? ”

On the side, Ji Changxuan did not care and shouted angrily, ” Hmph, so what if we deliberately damaged the property? Let’s see what your small restaurant can do to me. ”

As he spoke, he crossed his arms in front of his chest and raised his head high to the ceiling.

It was as if he wanted to see what they could do to him.

Zhang Yuanbin did not get angry but continued, " 30 taels for a flower vase, 80 taels for a tea set, and 350 taels for a set of leather sofas."

Zhang Yuanbin reported the price of each item. "finally, this glass Chinese Checkers is 1500 taels a set. The total price of all the items is 7500 taels. However, because you intentionally damaged it, you will have to pay ten times the price. So, young masters, you will have to pay seventy-five thousand silver taels!"

When Zhang Yuanbin first reported the price of the vases and tea sets, the Ji brothers didn't take it seriously. However, the further they went, the more they were shocked by the numbers.

Especially when they heard that the compensation was 75000 taels, both of them widened their eyes in disbelief and shouted, " it's so expensive! Why don't you just rob a bank? "

Zhang Yuanbin said in a serious tone, " young masters, I'm already using the lowest price of each item. Even if you think it's expensive, that's because you've destroyed too many things!"

Ji Changxuan and Ji Changjin were used to being ruthless.

Not to mention that in this small place, their willfulness and recklessness were even more unscrupulous.

Every day, they would throw things. Who would have thought that one day, these small restaurants, which needed to flatter them and please them, would actually chase them and ask for compensation? What a joke.

Ji Changxuan immediately laughed mockingly, " haha, do you think you can make us compensate just because you want to? Don't you know who

we are? How dare you ask us for compensation? What a joke! I will immediately ask Zhou Changsheng to close down your restaurant!”

Zhang Yuanbin acted as if he did not hear Ji Changxuan’s words. He continued to speak in a serious tone, ” then please settle all the accounts before you close the restaurant, including the compensation. Even if you have spent a total of 3000 taels for the past seven days, you will have to pay 78000 taels.” Ji Changjin’s face turned cold, and he shouted coldly, ” Zhang Yuanbin, don’t go too far!”

Seventy-eight thousand taels, did he really think they were fools?

However, Zhang Yuanbin insisted, ” young master Ji, our restaurant is only judging and doing things according to the situation. We have not gone overboard. So, are you using silver notes, cash, or other items as collateral to compensate?”

“no, no, ” Ji Changxuan immediately shouted. “we don’t have that much money. Even if we did, we wouldn’t compensate you.”

Zhang Yuanbin asked Ji Changjin with a serious expression, ” does the other young master Ji also agree to this? ”

Ji Changjin was silent.

This meant that he agreed tacitly.

Zhang Yuanbin said in a low voice, ” in that case, we can only report it to the authorities!”

Chapter 643 - 643 Currently Unmarried

643 Currently Unmarried

At the Imperial Palace in the capital, after the court session, the eunuch stopped Jiang Zhennan and said to him very respectfully, "general, the Emperor has invited you!"

Jiang Zhennan replied, "yes, thank you, eunuch Zhang!"

Eunuch Zhang smiled and said, "general-in-chief, you're too polite! Then I'll take our leave first."

In the Emperor's study, Emperor Yuwen Xuanji was holding a scroll. His brows were tightly furrowed, and the more he looked at it, the more his brows furrowed. However, he quickly said with great joy, "good, good, this is really great! Haha, why didn't I think of this before?"

Eunuch Liu, who was standing at the side, saw the Emperor's happy expression and immediately asked curiously, "Your Majesty, are you very happy?"

The Emperor nodded and said, "yes, I'm happy. I'm really happy."

Then, he put down the scroll and looked out of the study. "is Minister Jiang not here yet?"

Eunuch Liu said, "Your Majesty, the general is here. He is waiting outside the door!"

When the Emperor heard this, he immediately said happily, "yes, quickly invite Minister Jiang!"

"Yes, Your Majesty!" Eunuch Liu replied respectfully.

After a while, Jiang Zhennan walked in.

“Greetings to the Emperor, long live the Emperor!”

“Please get up, Minister Jiang!” The Emperor was overjoyed when he saw Jiang Zhennan.

After Jiang Zhennan stood up, the Emperor could not wait to ask, ” Minister Jiang, you said in the scroll that the country could unify the language and then compile a book so that everyone can recognize their own words. Why did you have such an idea? ”

Jiang Zhennan bowed and said, ” Your Majesty, I went out to travel for the past six months. When I passed by a small mountain village, I was inspired and hinted at by a lady there. That’s how I came up with this idea.”

Once he returned to the capital and received the Imperial edict, he reported to the Emperor that he had not been in the capital for the past six months. Instead, he had been traveling and had settled down in a village.

Of course, he concealed the fact that he was assassinated and poisoned.

When the Emperor heard Jiang Zhennan’s words, his eyes immediately lit up. He asked curiously, ” Minister Jiang, did you just say that it was a girl? How old is that young lady? Is she engaged?”

Jiang Zhennan immediately felt a little embarrassed, but because he was wearing a silver mask, the old Emperor did not see that his face was red.

He replied, ” Your Majesty, it’s a 12-year-old girl who is currently unmarried.”

When the Emperor heard that it was a twelve-year-old child, his eyes were a little disappointed, but he immediately asked excitedly, ” Oh, it’s a twelve-year-old girl. Isn’t she afraid of you? ”

It must be known that in the capital, no matter if it was the old, the young, the women, or the children, they all kept a respectful distance from Jiang Zhennan, and they were all afraid.

Suddenly hearing that Jiang Zhennan was communicating with a twelve-year-old child, of course, his curiosity was ignited.

Jiang Zhennan smiled and replied, "Your Majesty, that child is not afraid of me." At this point, he paused for a moment and continued, "that child is an amazing person!"

The Emperor was surprised to hear Jiang Zhennan praise someone.

Especially when he praised a child as a "wonderful person." This was an incredible compliment.

The Emperor smiled and said, "if they came up with the idea of a unified language and that everyone needs the opportunity to study and read, such a child is indeed an amazing person!"

When Jiang Zhennan heard the Emperor praise Lin yuelan, he continued, "Your Majesty, that child knows a lot of things. It's just that I can't tell Your Majesty everything in such a short time. I can only tell Your Majesty slowly in the future!"

The Emperor was even more curious. "Oh, that child actually knows a lot of things?"

Jiang Zhennan nodded and said, "yes, Your Majesty!"

The Emperor thought for a moment and said, "then let's talk about it in the future. At this point, the Emperor thought of something else and asked very seriously, "Minister Jiang, were you the one behind the expose of the corruption and human trafficking of Zhou Shan Mountain Prefect Ji Zhongcai?"

Jiang Zhennan knew that he would not be able to hide it from the Emperor. He nodded and said, "yes, Your Majesty."

"Why?" The Emperor was puzzled.

He knew that Jiang Zhennan had never been involved in these things.

“Your Majesty, when I passed by Zhou Shan city, I heard the people there complaining about Ji Zhongcai,” Jiang Zhennan said.

At the Ji mansion in Zhou Shan, the Vice Minister of the capital’s Ministry of Justice led a group of soldiers and horses to surround the Ji residence.

The Vice Minister of the Ministry of Justice said sternly, ” go in and search. No one from the Ji family is allowed to leave!”

Chapter 644 - 644 Currently Unmarried

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“Your Excellency, miss Lin is here!” The servant reported to Zhou Changsheng.

Zhou Changsheng was already dressed in his official robes. When he suddenly heard the servant’s report, he was stunned for a moment. He quickly came back to his senses and said, ” quickly, invite her in!”

He had finally experienced Lin yuelan’s divine foresight.

Perhaps, it wouldn’t be so difficult for his son, Zhou Wencai, to replace the Zhou family.

After Lin yuelan was led in by the servant, Zhou Changsheng quickly came over and greeted her respectfully, ” miss Lin!”

Lin yuelan smiled and said, ” Lord Zhou, looking at you, are you going to work? ”

Zhou Changsheng smiled bitterly and said, ” this is all thanks to miss Lin!”

Both sides understood the meaning of his words.

Lin yuelan said, ” since I agreed to cooperate with you, I naturally had to plan everything well, right? ”

Zhou Changsheng cupped his fists at Lin yuelan and said, “Miss Lin is resourceful and wise. I admire you! Miss Lin, please!” Zhou Changsheng gestured for her to enter.

Lin yuelan nodded, and the two of them walked into the living room.

After the tea was served, Zhou Changsheng asked directly, " I wonder why Miss Lin is here this time? "

After Lin yuelan took a sip of tea, she went straight to the point and said, " Lord Zhou, we both know who the person we're going to interrogate in court later. Then I won't beat around the bush and just say it. "

Zhou Changsheng nodded and said, " it's all thanks to missing Lin's divine foresight. In a while, I'll be able to vent the grievances I suffered a few days ago. Miss Lin, if you have anything to say, just say it. "

Lin yuelan nodded and said, " my subordinates have calculated the accounts for the Ji brothers. They owe Ni Lai Wo Wang restaurant a total of 78000 taels. As far as I know, these two brothers brought thirty thousand taels of silver from Zhou Shan to spend. Other than some things that Lord Zhou bought, the rest is the money they spent on women. They still have more than twenty thousand left.

"However, this 20000 is not enough to compensate.

"However, I know that Ji Changjin has a jade pendant on him. I hope that Your Excellency Zhou can make Ji Changjin hand over the jade pendant to pay off this debt before the news of what happened at Zhou Shan reaches the ears of the brothers."

Zhou Changsheng was a little confused. "Miss Lin, do you mean that you need the jade pendant on Ji Changjin? "

"That's right!" Lin yuelan replied in a clear voice.

That jade pendant was the Ji family's heirloom. Ji Changjin was the Ji family's first grandson. When he was one year old, the Ji family's head, who was Ji Changjin's grandfather and Ji zhongcai's father, personally wore it on his first grandson.

This jade pendant had been kept in the Ji family for several generations, so it had more spiritual energy than ordinary jade pendants.

And she was in desperate need of these jade stones with spiritual energy.

When Zhou Changsheng heard this, he furrowed his eyebrows. He was a little confused. “what if he doesn’t want to give it to me?”

Lin yuelan smiled faintly and said sharply, ” so, I need Lord Zhou to think of a way to make him use that jade pendant as collateral.”

Zhou Changsheng looked at Lin yuelan’s insistence and said, “Alright. I’ll try my best!”

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Ji Changxuan laughed when he heard that Zhang Yuanbin was going to report this to the officials.

“Haha, ” Ji Changxuan laughed and said, ” then let’s go. I want to see if that Zhou Changsheng dares to do anything about it.”

Then, he looked at his elder brother and said, ” elder brother, let him go to the authorities. We’ll also go to court and feel the taste of being the defendant. What do you think? ”

However, when Zhang Yuanbin said that he wanted them to compensate seventy-eight thousand taels, Ji Changjin suddenly felt uneasy, especially when Zhang Yuanbin said that he was going to report it to the officials. His heart tightened, and for some reason, he had a very bad feeling.

But he couldn’t tell where this uneasiness and ominous feeling came from.

If it was really because of the compensation, he felt that it was very impossible.

Ji Changjin’s face darkened, and he said sternly, ” shopkeeper Zhang, this is such a small matter, and you actually want to report it to the officials? Are you looking down on our Ji family and the magistrate? ”

Zhang Yuanbin said seriously, ” I wouldn’t dare, young master Ji. In fact, we don’t have to report this matter to the authorities, as long as you pay for

all the damages.

“And I just said that we’re a small business here, and we can’t afford such deliberate damage.

“If you intentionally destroy our stuff, then how can our restaurant continue to do business?”

“As such, it is only natural for our restaurant to ask for compensation for the damage done to these items. If you insist on not compensating, then we can only report it to the court to resolve it, right?”

“So, I wonder what Young Master Ji meant by looking down on the Ji family and the magistrate?”

Zhang Yuanbin’s words were clear and logical. Even if Ji Changjin wanted to refute, he didn’t know where to start.

“young masters Ji, are you going to pay or not? ” Zhang Yuanbin asked politely and coldly.

Ji Changxuan said loudly without thinking, ” No. I’d like to see what a small restaurant like yours can do to me.” He looked at Zhang Yuanbin and his men with a mocking look.

Zhang Yuanbin coldly stared at Ji Changjin.

Ji Changjin’s ears were burning from being stared at, but he had the same opinion as his younger brother and said, ” it’s fine if it’s three to five thousand taels, but it’s impossible to ask for seventy to eighty thousand taels.”

Zhang Yuanbin then said coldly, ” since that’s the case, I’ll see you in court.”

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While Zhou Changsheng and Lin Yuelan were talking, the drum in front of the court was hit.

When Lin yuelan heard the drum, she smiled at Zhou Changsheng and said, " Lord Zhou, I'll leave this to you! After this is done, I'll give you a basket of fruits and a basket of cherries!"

When Zhou Changsheng heard this, he roared in his heart. This was a bribe.

However, these two fruits were his favorite, so for the sake of his favorite food, he had to do this well, even if it meant risking his life.

Chapter 645 - 645 Hand Over The Jade Pendant

645 Hand over the Jade Pendant

After Zhang Yuanbin finished beating the drum, the court began.

When the Ji brothers became the defendant and were brought to court, they didn't kneel when they saw Zhou Changsheng.

Zhou Changsheng was wearing an official's uniform and hat. He walked out with a serious expression.

Sitting in the hall, he held the gavel and smacked it, saying, "who is this?"

Zhang Yuanbin knelt down and said, "I, Zhang Yuanbin, pay my respects to you, Sir!"

Zhou Changsheng asked again, "Zhang Yuan bin, were you the one who beat the drum just now?"

Zhang Yuanbin replied, "yes, my Lord!"

Zhou Changsheng asked, "who are you suing?"

Zhang Yuanbin said, "my Lord, the people I want to sue are Ji Changjin and Ji Changxuan. They owed me 78000 taels of silver, but they reneged on their debt and refused to pay the fee. I have no choice but to ask you to make the decision!"

When they heard Zhang Yuanbin say that the two of them owed 78000 taels, the crowd was shocked.

What on earth did they eat and live in that they spent so much?

After hearing Zhang Yuanbin's words, Ji Changjin immediately stomped his feet. He pointed at Zhang Yuanbin's nose and scolded, "you're talking nonsense. We just accidentally broke some cheap things, and you're asking for compensation at such an exorbitant price. You're extorting!" Of course, he wouldn't say that they had intentionally broken and damaged these things.

However, Zhang Yuanbin and Zhou Changsheng didn't care about Ji Changxuan's anger.

Zhou Changsheng smacked the gavel and shouted, "Who are you? How dare you make such a loud noise in court?"

Ji Changxuan turned to Zhou Changsheng and said in disdain, "Hmph, Zhou Changsheng, what are you pretending for? Do you not know me?"

Zhou Changsheng's brows furrowed. His eyes were sharp, and his expression was serious as he shouted angrily, "How dare you! I'm a rank 7 County Magistrate. How can you be so presumptuous? Men, take this person away and give him ten heavy beatings!"

Ji Changxuan's face immediately turned red with anger. "How dare you!" he said angrily.

"Men, take him away!" Zhou Changsheng immediately shouted.

When he saw that the bailiffs were really going to drag Ji Changxuan down, Ji Changjin frowned and said to Zhou Changsheng with a gloomy face, "Lord Zhou, my brother is still young and doesn't know the severity of his actions. Please forgive him this once, Lord Zhou."

Although they had used their father's light in Zhou Shan city to gain power and influence, when they arrived in Anding County, they were alone and weak. If Zhou Changsheng really wanted to do something to them, they could only suffer in silence.

Hearing Ji Changjin's words, Zhou Changsheng turned his head and asked, "Who are you?"

Ji Changjin choked. Then, he said with a dark expression, " I am Ji Changjin, the eldest son of the prefect of Zhou Shan, Lord Ji. I am also his elder brother!"

However, he was furious in his heart.

He cursed in his heart, 'Zhou Changsheng, you actually dared to secretly intimidate us.'

When Zhou Changsheng heard him voluntarily report his name, he immediately shouted, " Ji Changjin, so what if you're the son of Zhou Shan magistrate, Lord Ji? You two don't have any achievements or an official position. You have to kneel down in court! "

Then, he turned around and asked, " Zhang Yuanbin, are these two the people you're suing today? "

Zhang Yuanbin replied, " yes, my Lord!"

Immediately, Zhou Changsheng picked up the gavel and slammed it heavily. He shouted, " How dare you! Ji Changjin, Ji Changxuan, this is the court! How can you be so presumptuous? Kneel down!"

However, Ji Changxuan stubbornly raised his head and said arrogantly, " I'm the son of Lord Ji, the Excellency prefect of Zhou Shan. If I don't kneel, I'd like to see if you dare to hit me!" He still relied on his status to bully others, so what?

This was to tell everyone in the court that they were the sons of the magistrate. Therefore, they would not kneel to someone who was lower in rank than their father.

Zhou Changsheng held the gavel and shouted sternly, " How dare you! This is the court. All those without achievements or official positions must kneel before me! The two of you have no achievements or official positions. You're just the sons of officials. How can you not kneel? Men, make them kneel!"

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This was already the third time Lord Zhou told them to kneel.

Ji Changjin's heart skipped a beat. The feeling of uneasiness in his heart began to stir again.

Zhou Changsheng's attitude was too unusual!

His attitude was clearly too different from a few days ago.

Seeing that a few bailiffs were coming over aggressively to make them kneel, Ji Changjin knew what to do and immediately said to Zhou Changsheng, " Lord Zhou, we brothers have only knelt to our parents and the heavens since we were young. We have never knelt to anyone else. So, we didn't react in time. Please forgive us!"

As he spoke, he pretended to kneel down.

Ji Changjin's words were to tell Zhou Changsheng that with their status, they had never knelt before anyone. If he knew what was good for him, he should ask them to waive their fees. Otherwise, he would regret it later.

However, Zhou Changsheng didn't know his place.

He even shouted at Ji Changxuan, " kneel!"

Seeing this, Ji Changjin could only suppress his anger and kneel down. At the same time, he pulled Ji Changxuan, who was beside him, to kneel down with him.

Ji Changxuan was unwilling at first.

Ji Changjin said to him, " third brother, the other party is a local tyrant after all. Let's endure this for the time being. We'll find them later to settle the scores! Otherwise, you'll have to face the 10 flogging punishments."

Although Ji Changxuan was usually willful and arrogant, he usually listened to his big brother.

Ji Changxuan could only kneel down unwillingly, but he glared at Zhou Changsheng.

Zhou Changsheng saw that the two of them had knelt down, and he asked, " Zhang Yuanbin, you said that this person didn't pay up. What happened? Tell me in detail!

Zhang Yuanbin replied, " Yes, sir! As long as a guest came to this commoner's restaurant to eat, drink, and stay, this commoner and my subordinates would treat them with great courtesy. However..."

Then, Zhang Yuanbin told them that the two of them had started to break and destroy things in the hotel room since the first day they stayed in the hotel. In seven days, the total amount of damage was huge. According to the rules and regulations of the hotel, they had intentionally damaged things, so they had to pay ten times the original price. The whole process was recorded one by one!

In the end, Zhang Yuanbin took out an account book and handed it to Zhou Changsheng. "Sir, this account book records all the accounts and property that they destroyed. This is the evidence."

Zhou Changsheng took the book and flipped through it a few times. Then, he slammed the gavel and shouted at the two, " Ji Changjin, Ji Changxuan, you have to pay back what you owe. It's only right and proper to compensate for the damage done to property! The two of you are the young masters of the prefects, yet you refuse to return the money. What is the reason for that?"

Zhou Changsheng had called them out in public and said that the two of them, the young masters of the prefects, owed money and didn't pay it

back. It was simply embarrassing for them.

Ji Changjin looked at the contemptuous looks around him, and his face turned red. He immediately gritted his teeth and said, " Lord Zhou, we didn't say that we wouldn't return the money. It's just that we don't have that much money on us, so we can only owe the restaurant first."

Zhou Changsheng sneered in his heart, but he nodded and said, " Oh, I see! Alright, then tell me first, how much can you pay for the damages now?"

Ji Changjin looked at Zhou Changsheng, who was closing in on him step by step. He gritted his teeth and said, " twenty-three thousand taels! We can return the twenty thousand taels first!"

"big brother!" Ji Changxuan cried out in shock. He clearly didn't want to pay.

However, Ji Changjin's eyes glared fiercely at Ji Changxuan. There was an obvious warning in his eyes.

If Ji Changxuan had not broken these things in anger every day, they would not have been forced to kneel and pay back the money. These embarrassing things would not happen.

When Ji Changxuan saw the warning in his big brother's eyes, he immediately shrank his neck and did not dare to make any more movements.

When Zhou Changsheng heard this, he said, " since that's the case, you can pay the 20000 taels first. Then, you can take out something as collateral. When you pay off the debt, this thing will be returned to its owner. How about it? "

Zhou Changsheng said it very directly, which made Ji Changjin surprised.

He had never thought that Zhou Changsheng would treat them like this and be so aggressive.

However, the two of them had nothing else they could use as collateral other than the family heirloom jade pendant he had on him.

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Ji Changjin's expression was faintly angry as he said, " Lord Zhou, we brothers don't have anything on us that can be used as collateral. But don't worry, Your Excellency. Since this young master has said that I will pay the remaining money, I will!"

Zhou Changsheng didn't respond to Ji Changjin. Instead, he asked Zhang Yuanbin, " Zhang Yuanbin, do you agree to Ji Changjin's request? "

Zhang Yuanbin shook his head and said, " my Lord, if we had done this from the beginning, we would have agreed. However, these two people had been loudly complaining from the start that they were not willing to compensate, so this commoner had no choice but to report it to the officials and let the Lord decide.

"Besides, even if they pay back the twenty thousand taels now, they still owe fifty-eight thousand taels. If they use their status and power to oppress us and refuse to pay back the money, then small restaurants like ours can only suffer in silence. So, Sir, I agree to use a valuable item on their bodies as collateral. When they return the money, they will return it to its owner!"

This was to tell Zhou Changsheng that he no longer believed Ji Changjin's words.

Before Zhang Yuanbin came, he had already received orders from Lin Yuelan to cooperate with Zhou Changsheng.

Lin Yuelan's told him not to be lenient to the Ji brothers, so Zhang Yuanbin would not let them off so easily.

Zhang Yuanbin's words were very clear, and anyone who was not a fool could understand.

Zhou Changsheng nodded, then turned to Ji Changjin and said, "Ji Changjin, the plaintiff, Zhang Yuanbin, does not agree with your actions. So, you must take out your own valuable items as collateral. How about it?"

Of course, Ji Changjin was unwilling. He said, "Sir, aren't you making things too difficult for me? This young master said that he would return the debt, so why do such unnecessary things?"

Zhou Changsheng said, "Young master Ji, you also said that you are the young masters of the prefects. You have great power and influence. What if you return to Zhou Shan and regret it? Wouldn't that be disadvantageous to Ni Lai Wo Wang restaurant?"

Ji Changjin's face turned green with anger. He glared at Zhou Changsheng and said, "Sir, you're talking nonsense!"

Zhou Changsheng didn't reply and just looked at them coldly.

Ji Changjin looked at Zhou Changsheng's unyielding expression. He could only grit his teeth and say, "how about this? Between the two of us, one of us will continue to stay in An Ding County, and the other will return to Zhou Shan to get the money. Is that okay?"

"No!" After Ji Changjin finished speaking, Zhou Changsheng immediately rejected his idea. He said, "if one of you returns to Zhou Shan and uses your power to pressure me, I will have no choice but to do something against my will." Zhou Changsheng's meaning was clear.

Looking at Zhou Changsheng, Ji Changjin was really angry.

He gritted his teeth and said, "we brothers don't have anything on us that we can use as collateral. Then, Sir, what do you think we should do?"

He pushed the question back to Zhou Changsheng.

Zhou Changsheng said solemnly, " then I'm sorry to the two of you. According to the law, those who owe money and don't return it will be judged according to the amount of money and the severity of the matter. Even if the two of you have paid back the twenty thousand taels, you still owe fifty thousand taels. If you don't pay it back on time, according to the law, you will be sentenced to ten years in prison until you pay off your debt!"

When he heard that the two of them were going to be sentenced to prison, Ji Changxuan jumped up in anger. He pointed at Zhou Changsheng's nose and shouted, " Zhou Changsheng, how dare you?! I'm going to ask my father to remove you from your position as an official!"

Zhou Changsheng ignored Ji Changxuan's threat and immediately ordered, "Someone, write down the charges and let Ji Changjin and Ji Changxuan sign!"

"Yes, my Lord!" The people below immediately did as they were told.

"hold on!" Ji Changjin immediately stopped them.

Then, he took out a piece of Jade from his neck and said to Zhou Changsheng ruthlessly, " Sir, this is my family heirloom. How about I use this Jade as collateral? "

Zhou Changsheng looked at Ji Changjin taking out a jade pendant and was shocked.

Because he had never thought that, as Lin yuelan said, Ji Changjin really had a family heirloom jade pendant.

He didn't know where Lin yuelan had found out about this.

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Zhou Changsheng brought Zhang Yuanbin to the back of the hall with the Jade. He saw Lin Yuelan drinking tea and basking in the sun. His mouth twitched. 'She's really in the mood!'

As he thought about it, he stood in front of Lin yuelan.

Zhang Yuanbin was a little surprised to see Lin yuelan in the Zhou mansion. He thought that Lord Zhou had called him over for something, but it turned out that it was because the boss was there.

Zhang Yuanbin greeted her respectfully, " boss!"

Lin yuelan nodded and asked, " have you settled everything? "

"Yes!" Zhang Yuanbin replied.

Zhou Changsheng, who was standing beside her, handed the jade pendant to Lin Yuelan and asked, " Miss Lin, is this the jade pendant you're talking about? "

Hearing Zhou Changsheng's words, Zhang Yuanbin was a little surprised.

How could he not know that Lin yuelan was so interested in this jade pendant?

Lin yuelan planned for the Ji brothers to stay in Ni Lai Wo Wang restaurant. That was why she didn't ask them to stop the Ji brothers from destroying things.

It turned out that from the beginning to the end, it was all because of a jade pendant.

However, the Ji brothers had a deep background. Even if Lin yuelan wanted the jade pendant, she might not be able to handle it.

Zhang Yuanbin only knew one part of it.

The second reason was that Lin yuelan's scheme against the Ji brothers was just a side effect. The person she was really scheming against was Ji Zhongcai, the prefect of Zhou Shan mountain.

The news of Ji Zhongcai's fall hadn't reached the Ji brothers' ears yet, so she had to make them hand over all their money before those people came.

Otherwise, it wouldn't be long before they were all confiscated, and it would be difficult to get the jade pendant again.

Lin yuelan took the jade pendant.

This jade pendant was dark green in color. Although it was a family heirloom, it did not have much luster. Therefore, to the Ji family, this jade pendant was completely worthless. Therefore, the Ji family did not fight for this jade pendant that symbolized the family's significance. Thus, no one was envious or jealous of this jade pendant hanging on Ji Changjin's body.

However, only Lin yuelan knew that this lusterless jade pendant was a piece of nourishing jade pendant full of spiritual Qi. It could protect one's health and prevent them from being corroded by any evil Qi.

Lin yuelan nodded and said, "that's right. This is the jade pendant!"

Zhou Changsheng looked at the round green jade pendant and wanted to ask Lin yuelan what she wanted this jade pendant for. Why did she need to spend so much effort to get it? But after thinking about it, he felt that it was inappropriate, so he suppressed the curiosity and doubts in his heart.

Zhou Changsheng asked, "Miss Lin, what should we do with these two people?"

Lin yuelan said with a smile, "get someone to keep an eye on them. Once the people from Zhou Shan arrive, we'll hand them over!"

When Zhou Changsheng heard this, he thought for a while and nodded. "okay!"

Zhang Yuanbin didn't know what the two were talking about and just stood there.

Lin yuelan said to Zhang Yuanbin, "clean up the restaurant in the next two days. We have an important guest!"

Zhang Yuanbin suppressed his doubts and answered seriously, "yes, boss!"

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“Minister Jiang, since Ji Zhongcai knowingly broke the law and there is irrefutable evidence, he has committed the crime of deceiving the Emperor and will be beheaded. In that case, the position of Zhou Shan Mountain Prefecture’s position will be vacant. My Dear Minister, you’ve been traveling for more than half a year. Do you have any suitable candidates in mind to replace this vacant position?” The Emperor asked.

Generally speaking, the Emperor rarely asked Jiang Zhennan about these political matters.

However, this time, Jiang Zhennan must have his own purpose for interfering in Ji Zhongcai’s matter. That was why the Emperor had asked Jiang Zhennan.

He was not afraid that Jiang Zhennan would take this opportunity to plant his own men and forces. For him, the Emperor, anyone could betray him, including his concubines, princes, and grandchildren. Only Jiang Zhennan would not betray him.

He believed in Jiang Zhennan’s loyalty to him.

That was why he was so assured to let Jiang Zhennan secretly intervene in some things.

Jiang Zhennan lowered his head slightly, thought for a moment, and said, “Your Majesty, when I passed by Anding County, I found that the county Magistrate Zhou Changsheng is a diligent and loving official. He is a good official who is honest and upright.”

At this point, Jiang Zhennan did not continue. The Emperor must have understood Jiang Zhennan’s meaning.

When the Emperor heard this, he frowned and thought for a moment. He asked with some doubt, "Zhou Changsheng from the Zhou family?"

If it was someone from the Zhou family, he had to be careful.

The Zhou family was the third Prince's external family. They had great power and influence and had long stood on the third Prince's side.

Jiang Zhennan replied, "Your Majesty, although Zhou Changsheng is a member of the Zhou family, the Zhou family seems to have forgotten that there is such a person in the Zhou family."

This was to tell the Emperor that Zhou Changsheng had been abandoned by the Zhou family.

The Emperor said, "but, he is still a member of the Zhou family."

Jiang Zhennan suddenly knelt down and said to the Emperor, "Your Majesty, please take a look at this!"

As he spoke, Jiang Zhennan took out a letter from his arms and handed it to the Emperor.

After the Emperor took the letter, he opened it and read it. He said, "my Dear Minister, you should stand up and talk."

Jiang Zhennan replied, "yes, Your Majesty!"

The Emperor held the letter and asked with a serious expression, "is what the letter says true?"

Jiang Zhennan nodded and said, "Your Majesty, it's true!"

After a moment of contemplation, the Emperor said, "alright, we'll do as you say! "However, "the Emperor changed the topic and said with some concern, "if Zhou Changsheng is put in an important position, the Zhou family will definitely not let the Zhou father and son off. Will they continue to be loyal?"

No matter how the Zhou family gave up on the Zhou father and son five years ago, once they entered the emperor's eyes, how could the Zhou family give up such a good chess piece?

If the father and son of the Zhou family were really persuaded by the Zhou family and returned to the Zhou family, then they would use Zhou Changsheng. Wouldn't that increase the power of the third prince?

Jiang Zhennan said, "Your Majesty, as long as you treat Zhou Changsheng as one of your people, then Zhou Chang Sheng and his son will be the power to win over in everyone's eyes. Especially the Zhou family will think of it as a bargaining chip. However, Your Majesty, since Zhou Changsheng and his son have already made up their minds, I'm sure they won't be easily persuaded."

Jiang Zhennan had opened up about the Zhou father and son's matter in order to open a path for them.

Since Lin yuelan had decided to 'support' the Zhou father and son, they would definitely be her supporters in the future.

Another hidden meaning was that the Emperor would be Lin yuelan's biggest backer.

At that time, when Lin yuelan came to the capital, those who wanted to suppress her would have to consider it further.

The Emperor nodded and said, "since you strongly recommend it, then I will order Zhou Changsheng to immediately go to Zhou Shan city and take up the position of magistrate!"

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The moment Zhou Changsheng received the Imperial edict, he was happy, excited, and surprised. At the same time, he was a little worried.

"Congratulations, Lord Zhou!" The eunuch who was holding the horsetail whisk smiled at Zhou Changsheng and said, "from tomorrow onwards, you

will be the prefect of Zhou Shan!

“Many thanks, eunuch Liu!” Zhou Changsheng replied politely, ” it’s just a small token of respect! He took a tray with a few silver ingots from his hand and placed it in front of the eunuch. He continued, “Your group is tired from the journey. Take these small gifts and have a drink to relieve your fatigue!”

The eunuch accepted the silver and said to Zhou Changsheng, ” thank you, Lord Zhou!”

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After the eunuchs and guards left, Zhou Changsheng walked into the mansion. Lin Yuelan came out and smiled at Zhou Changsheng. “congratulations, my Lord!”

Zhou Changsheng frowned. His eyes were sharp and he asked Lin yuelan with a serious expression, ” Miss Lin, what is going on? ”

He was questioning Lin yuelan. How could he have jumped from a seventh-rank County Magistrate to a fifth-rank magistrate so quickly? it was like a dream.

He knew that this credit belonged to Lin yuelan.

However, he had clearly told his son that he only wanted to be a bystander. So what was happening now?

The smile on Lin yuelan’s face was calm and casual. She said very naturally, ” Lord Zhou, what are you so anxious about? I, Lin yuelan, have said that I will support you, and I will keep my word.”

Zhou Changsheng’s furrowed brows didn’t relax as he continued to ask, ” and then? How did you manage to do that?”

Lin yuelan replied, ” it’s very simple! I got someone to bring the criminal Evidence of the original Zhoushan prefect, Ji Zhongcai, to the capital and send it to the Vice Minister of the Ministry of Justice. In addition, your son, Zhou wencai, found the defender-general, Jiang Zhennan. With Jiang Zhennan’s interference, it’ll be a piece of cake to make Ji Zhongcai fall from power.”

At this point, Lin yuelan didn’t have any qualms about telling Zhou Changsheng her plan.

“After Ji Zhongcai fell, the post of Zhou San Prefecture magistrate became vacant. I wrote a letter to the defender General of the state and asked your son to bring it to him. In the letter, I instructed the masked uncle on what to do. After that, it’s history.”

Zhou Changsheng asked, ” Jiang Zhennan is the person who came here with you before, right? ”

Although they had long known Jiang Zhennan’s identity, they did not reveal it. Therefore, he still wanted to confirm it.

Lin yuelan nodded and said, ” yes.”

After hearing Lin yuelan’s answer, Zhou Changsheng knew that he had to follow their arrangement.

Because even if he didn’t do it for himself, he had to do it for his son.

In any case, the Zhou family would never let them off, so he could only continue to protect his children and grandchildren.

Zhou Changsheng held the Imperial edict and asked seriously, ” then, what should I do next? ”

Since he was still in the game, he could only play accordingly.

Lin yuelan smiled and said, ” my Lord, you don’t have to do anything for now. Just pack your things and be a good prefect of Zhou Shan.”

Zhou Changsheng immediately asked, ” what about you? ”

Lin yuelan said, ” as for me, of course, I’ll follow you, Lord Zhou!”

Zhou Changsheng looked at Lin yuelan in confusion.

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Back at the restaurant, Zhang yuanbin said to Lin yuelan, ” boss, Lord Zhou is going to Zhou Shan city to take up his new post. Then, our County

Magistrate...”

Previously, their restaurant had a close relationship with the Zhou family, so the people in An Ding County didn't dare to cause trouble.

But now that Zhou Changsheng had been transferred away, he didn't know what the new county Magistrate would be like. He was worried that if the county Magistrate weren't a good person, then the benefits of the restaurant would be targeted. This was very disadvantageous to them.

Lin yuelan shook her head and said, ” don't worry. No matter what kind of person this County Magistrate is, he won't dare to do anything to our restaurant. Don't tell me you've forgotten that Lord Zhou has been promoted and is now the magistrate in charge of An Ding County. Any intelligent County Magistrate would not go after our restaurant.”

Zhang yuanbin was enlightened. He patted the back of his head and smiled. “You're right.”

Lin yuelan said to Zhang yuanbin, ” have you finished training the people I asked you to train a while ago? ”

“Alright! Three men and three women!” Zhang yuanbin said, ” they don't have a family. Therefore, they have nothing holding them back.”

Lin yuelan nodded and said, ” yes, tell them to pack up. They'll be going to Zhou Shan city soon!”

“Yes, boss!”

Zhou Shan city, in a house.

Master Hu asked Lin Jinmei, ” Miss Lin, when will the boss arrive in Zhou Shan city? ”

Lin Jinmei was holding a book and seemed to be calculating something. When she heard master Hu's question, she said, ” master will arrive at Zhou Shan in three days!

When master Hu heard that Lin yuelan would be arriving at Zhoushan in three days, he asked anxiously, " has the boss arranged a place to stay? "

"Yes, at Fuhua garden on East Street!" Lin Jinmei replied.

"Fuhua Garden, East Street!" Master Hu said in surprise, " that's a wealthy District. The houses there are extraordinarily expensive!"

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Lin Jinmei raised her head and said lightly, "it's not very expensive. According to the master's request, I spent 50000 taels of silver on buying a big house."

The prices of houses in Zhou Shan were definitely sky-high compared to those in mountain villages.

Lin yuelan had spent less than ten thousand taels on building her own big house in the Lin family Village. However, a second-hand house in Zhou Shan city costs fifty thousand taels. One could see the difference between the city and the mountains.

Master Hu was even more surprised. "so expensive!" His eyes were filled with heartache.

It was not easy to earn money. Lin yuelan had spent 50000 taels of silver in one go.

Lin Jinmei said, "master is very casual in everything she does, but in terms of accommodation, she has a requirement. It has to be bright, spacious, and comfortable. So, I looked around and could only find a house in Fu Hua garden that met the master's requirements. Of course, I have to buy it."

Hearing Lin Jinmei's words, master Hu didn't know if he was lamenting about the magic of fate or the teasing of fate.

Half a year ago, Lin yuelan was still a poor child living in a small thatched house. But in just half a year, she had built a large house and bought another one in Zhou Shan city.

Master Hu nodded and said, "have you bought all the things you need to buy, such as furniture?"

Lin Jinmei said, " yes, boss Lin from the woodshop sent a few new pieces of furniture." The boss Lin she was talking about was actually Lin Shuangju, her big brother, who also worked for Lin yuelan.

However, this secret was only known to the four of them and Lin yuelan. No one else knew about their relationship.

When master Hu heard that boss Lin from the woodworking workshop had already sent the furniture over, he nodded and said, " mm, it's good that you've arranged it."

He and his brothers were all grateful to Lin yuelan.

If it weren't for Lin yuelan's suggestion to set up a housing construction company and make the two brothers the supervisors before recruiting people to form a team, they would still be working as mud workers in the countryside.

Now, Lin yuelan built another restaurant in Zhou Shan. Everything was settled, and they were just waiting to open for business.

They couldn't help but admire Lin yuelan. She was only 12 or 13 years old, but she had to open a medicine shop and a restaurant. Her business was getting better and better.

Lin Jinmei took the booklet and drew, then said, " master Hu, arrange for people to work on these two orders tomorrow."

He took the booklet and looked at the design of the house on the booklet. He said, " has President Hua and Minister Chen already decided on this design? "

Lin Jinmei nodded and said, " yes, I've confirmed it. Tomorrow, make the necessary arrangements."

Master Hu nodded and said, " alright!"

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Lin yuelan was sitting on the peak of Mount da ao. She closed her eyes and entered the space.

She held the jade pendant that she had gotten from Ji Changjin in her hand and walked to the side of the spirit River. She said to the little Spirit River, " little River, where should I put this jade pendant? "

However, neither little space nor little river could speak, so the only one who could speak for them was little green.

Little Green pointed to the source of the spring and said, " master, just throw it into this spring.

Lin yuelan followed Little Green's instructions and threw the jade pendant into the spring. A moment later, both the small Spirit River and the space around them had obvious changes.

This meant that the spirit Spring River had become clearer and cooler. The flowers and plants on the side had clearly sprouted in a moment, and the changes in the entire space were not only the things she had planted before but also the bare land. Some saplings had also emerged.

However, these were only small buds. It seemed impossible for there to be any more changes.

Lin yuelan knew that the jade pendant's spiritual Qi was only enough to support the space.

Lin yuelan sighed and said, " it seems that we have to hurry up and find more jadeites."

Otherwise, the more things she had to plant in the future, the more spiritual Qi the space would need to consume. In this way, the spiritual Qi in this space would be exhausted very soon.

Little Green and Lin yuelan stood side by side and said to Lin yuelan, " master, I've asked around. There are many Jade shops in Zhou Shan. We can go and have a look."

“yes, ” Lin yuelan replied.

After Lin yuelan came out of the space, she sat down in a meditative position. Then, a kind of green qi from all directions surged toward her left wrist.

This was the source of life for the plants and vegetation of Mount da Ao.

Lin yuelan wanted to make sufficient preparations for this trip to Zhou Shan.

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Lin yuelan called Lin Dawei and Lin Jiawei to her house and said, "uncle Wei, brother Jiawei, I'm going to Zhou Shan soon, so I want to ask you to take care of the people in my family."

Lin Dawei and Lin Jiawei were surprised to hear that Lin yuelan was going to Zhou Shan city.

Lin Dawei asked in surprise, "Lan 'Er, you're going to Zhou Shan city?"

Lin yuelan nodded and said, "yes. I'm also opening a restaurant in Zhou Shan city, and it's going to open in a few days. As the owner, I have to show up."

Lin Dawei and his son were surprised to hear that Lin yuelan wanted to open another restaurant in Zhou Shan city.

Lin Jiawei was stunned for a moment before he said excitedly, "Sister Lin, is it true?"

Lin yuelan nodded and replied, "yes."

"That's great!" Lin Jiawei exclaimed, "congratulations, sister Lin!"

Lin yuelan nodded and said, "thank you, brother Jiawei!"

Lin Dawei said, "Lan 'Er, don't worry, and go to Zhou Shan city. Take care of the restaurant. I will definitely help you look after this house. I'll definitely take good care of your family."

The old and the young in the family referred to Lin Deshan, Doctor Zhang, and Doctor Zhang's attendant, Xiao Tong. Xiao Tong was only ten years old and was still a child.

Lin yuelan said, "uncle Wei, the restaurants in Zhou Shan are similar to the restaurants in Ning An city. They are both high-end restaurants. Therefore, when you pick fresh vegetables, you must cover them with an oilcloth to prevent them from getting frostbite. Do you understand?"

Lin Dawei nodded. "okay, I'll remember."

However, he then asked suspiciously, "Lan 'Er, other than supplying these vegetables to a few restaurants, are you still selling them to others?"

More than a hundred mu of land sounded like a lot, but the consumption of the three restaurants alone was also a lot. They would need a few thousand catties of vegetables a day.

However, did they still need to sell them now?

Lin yuelan said, "Yes. However, the previous limit was 100 catties, but now it's 50 catties.

"I'll hold on for one or two months first. When I reach Zhou Shan, I'll start a farm there. Otherwise, in the spring and summer, the distance would be long, and these dishes would not be fresh in Zhou Shan city."

"If the dishes are not fresh, the taste will change, which will affect the reputation of the restaurant."

Lin Dawei nodded and said, "That's good. I was a little worried before. On cold days, these vegetables were better, as they did not change color, smell, or rot easily. However, in spring and summer, these root vegetables were better, but these green-leafed vegetables were difficult to preserve. Planting them directly in Zhou Shan would save him time, effort, and trouble. However,"

Lin Dawei asked doubtfully, "is it easy to buy or rent the land there?"

Lin yuelan smiled and said, " don't worry, uncle Wei. I've already asked someone to make the arrangements.

Since she had plans to develop in Zhou Shan mountain, of course, everything had to be prepared.

Lin Dawei was surprised at Lin yuelan's speed, but he quickly nodded and said, " well, that's good!"

Lin yuelan suddenly took out 5000 taels of silver and said to Lin Dawei, " uncle Wei, the Yan family can't grow any vegetables this time. Not only can they not grow any, but they will also lose all their capital. By then, Yan Lin will definitely sell his land. You should buy all of them."

Hearing Lin yuelan say this, Lin Dawei was very surprised. He said doubtfully, " the Yan family is... How is this possible? I've heard that some of his seeds have sprouted in the past two days."

Lin yuelan smiled mysteriously and didn't answer the question. Instead, she said, " if the Yan family has really reached that stage, you just have to buy all the land. And you have to get it at the lowest price." She wasn't afraid that Yan Lin wouldn't sell it to him. As long as those debt collectors came to him, he would have to sell it even if he didn't want to.

Lin Weidong muttered in his heart as he took the silver notes from Lin yuelan's hands. He was shocked when he counted them. He said, " Lan 'Er, there's no need for so much money, right? "

One hundred and eighty mu, even if it were fifteen thousand per mu, it would only be two thousand taels. Why would he need five thousand taels?

Lin yuelan smiled and said, " uncle Wei, listen to me. These 5000 taels of silver are not only for the land but also for the labor, materials, and management fees for you and brother Jiawei."

Because there were many workers on the land, Lin yuelan directly asked Lin Dawei and his son to supervise them.

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Their monthly salary was fifteen taels.

To the people in the countryside, a salary of 15 taels of silver was simply a sky-high price.

They couldn't even save up ten taels a year, while the other party could easily get fifteen taels a month. The father and son could get thirty taels a month. This kind of good fortune made many people in the Lin family Village envious and jealous.

However, because of this, the father and son were also targeted by some young ladies and widows.

Who wouldn't want to get married?

Even if their family had a tradition of jinxing wives, Lin Dawei had already jinxed his wife to death. Didn't widows like them also jinx one husband to death? It was a perfect match.

Therefore, the people who had designs on Lin Dawei were usually widows, married women, or unmarried girls.

As for Lin Jiawei, he was tall, strong, and handsome. He was very attractive to young girls. Therefore, many girls ignored his reputation of being a wife-killer, or ignored the opposition of this man, and insisted on taking a fancy to Lin Jiawei.

However, the father and son were unmoved.

They only wanted to manage everything for Lin yuelan, so they decided to leave this matter for later.

Lin Dawei also reacted and took the money from Lin yuelan's hands without being polite.

Lin Dawei said, "Lan 'Er, I won't waste a single copper."

Lin yuelan nodded and said, " yes, I believe in uncle Wei."

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Lin yuelan knocked on the door of the Liu residence, and the door opened with a clack.

Lin yuelan had come to the Liu residence to bid farewell to the Liu siblings.

A manservant walked out. When he saw that it was Lin yuelan, he asked with an unsightly expression, " Oh, little Divine Doctor, what's the matter? "

Because Lin yuelan had cured several patients on the verge of death, the people in Ning An town didn't call her shopkeeper Lin, but the young Divine Doctor.

Lin yuelan looked at the servant's dark face and coldly asked, " I'm here to look for Jiaying."

The manservant's face darkened, and he refused without thinking, " my family's eldest miss doesn't want to see you. You can go back!"

With that, he closed the door again.

Lin yuelan's face darkened, and she immediately ordered Little Green, "Little Green, go and see what happened to Jiaying."

The people in the Liu residence knew that she and Liu Jiaying were good friends. In the past, they would welcome her into the residence with a smile.

However, they were not like today, where they locked her out with a black face.

Little Green obediently let go of Lin yuelan's wrist. Then, it shrunk into a small green worm and climbed into the wall.

A moment later, little green crawled out and returned to Lin yuelan's wrist.

Then, he told Lin yuelan what he had seen and heard.

Little Green replied, " master, sister Jiaying has been locked up."

Lin yuelan was expressionless. She asked coldly, " what's going on? "

Little Green said, " the daughter of sister Jiaying's douchebag father, Liu Yunfeng's beloved concubine, was jealous that sister Jia Ying could wear the beautiful clothes you designed for her every day. She cut all of sister Jiaying's clothes when she wasn't paying attention.

"Then, when sister Jiaying found out, she was so angry that she rushed over to fight with her. "

Although Liu Jiaying was the eldest daughter of the DI family, she was not doted on by her biological father. Although the concubine's daughter, Liu Jiaxin, was the child of a concubine, she was very doted on by the family head.

"At first, sister Jiaying was going to win and teach Liu Jiaxin a lesson. Suddenly, Liu Jiaxin's mother rushed out. Liu Jiaxin's mother, Chen Meilang, immediately pushed Sister Jiaying.

"They fought.

"Chen Meilang fell. It harmed her stomach, and Liu Yunfeng was furious. He locked up sister Jiaying without any regard for the situation and scolded sister Jiaying's mother for not being able to teach her daughter. He even threatened to divorce her and drive her out of the Liu residence."

"What about Liu Qi?" Lin yuelan asked.

If Liu Qi were at home and saw the mother and daughter being bullied like this, she would immediately cancel the cooperation with Liu Qi.

She didn't want to cooperate with such a selfish and unkind person.

Little Green said, "Yesterday, Liu Qi was sent by Liu Yunfeng to Lin County to inspect the Liu family's property."

This was it.

A sneer appeared on Lin yuelan's face. "it seems that they deliberately diverted Liu Qi away. Then, they took advantage of Liu Qi's absence to plot against Jiaying and her mother. The purpose of this plan was very obvious. It was to divorce Liu Qi and Jiaying's mother and let the concubine, Chen Meifang, take over."

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“When Liu Qi returned, everything would be set in stone.

“Once Jiaying’s mother is divorced, Liu Qi and Jiaying will no longer be the legitimate son and daughter. Liu Qi’s property can be taken back by them, and Liu Qi and his mother will most likely be homeless!”

When Little Green heard Lin yuelan’s analysis, he said angrily, ” this Liu Yunfeng is really a scumbag. Even a vicious Tiger would not eat its Cubs. He set up his own wife and biological children like this. Isn’t he afraid of retribution? ”

After a while, Little Green asked anxiously, ” master, what do we do now? Now that we can’t enter the Liu residence, are we just going to watch as the scumbags and his concubine’s plan succeeds?”

After all, little Green’s intelligence was not as high as Lin yuelan’s.

Lin yuelan sneered, ” hehe, since I have found out about this, how could I let their evil plan succeed? Besides, they bullied Jiaying so much. How could I let them off so easily? ”

The people she hated the most now were people who betrayed her.

Liu Yunfeng relied on Liu Qi’s mother, Zeng Yuehua, to make his fortune. However, the moment his father-in-law passed away, he immediately turned hostile and took over all of Liu Qi’s assets.

Fortunately, the old men from the Liu family still had some sense of shame and did not allow him to divorce Zeng Yuehua. They even fought hard to

keep the inheritance that belonged to Liu Qi. Otherwise, there would not be any property left for Liu Qi.

Little Green immediately asked, " then, master, what should we do now? "

Lin yuelan said coldly, " everything started from this concubine's stomach, so we'll start from her stomach."

Little Green was puzzled, indicating that he did not understand.

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At the Liu mansion...

"Master, master, bad news, bad news!" The servant boy shouted with an anxious expression.

Liu Yunfeng was in a good mood because he was about to achieve his goal and did not need to see the faces of Liu Qi and his mother anymore.

His mood was immediately dampened when he heard the servants shouting. He said sternly, " why are you shouting?"

The servant panted and said, " no, old master, there's a man outside. He said that our second madam, Oh, no, Madam is pregnant with his child now, and he wants to take Madam back."

"What?" When Liu Yunfeng heard this, he jumped up in shock. He grabbed the servant's collar in anger and asked, " what did you say? say it again!"

The servant boy said, " there's a man outside who's loudly saying that since Madam is pregnant with his child, he wants to take Madam to his house."

Liu Yunfeng was immediately enraged. "that Zeng Yuehua! She thought that she was a virtuous woman, but she was actually a slut! Hmph, let's see what she has to say!"

The manservant's face turned pale. He reminded Liu Yunfeng, " old master, the man outside is referring to Madam Meizhen, not the first madam!"

When Liu Yunfeng heard this, he immediately denied it, " impossible! My Meizhen truly loves me. How could she betray me? Let's go outside and take a look. This old master wants to see which son of a bitch dares to slander my dear Meizhen."

As soon as Liu Yunfeng came out, he saw a group of people surrounding the front door, pointing at his house. He immediately shouted angrily, " What are you looking at? "

Then, he saw a young man in green walking over to Liu Yunfeng and saying, " master Liu, Meizhen and I are truly in love, and I even had a child with her. Master Liu, please fulfill our wish. I'm extremely grateful!

Liu Yunfeng's face was livid with rage. He pointed at this man and cursed, " you're talking nonsense! Meizhen has always loved me. How could she be in love with you? Who are you, and why did you suddenly come to slander my Meizhen?"

Mr. Zhao's face immediately turned pale as if he couldn't believe it. He said sadly, " Meizhen told me that she had never loved you. It was just that you kept pestering her. She was worried about her son and daughter, so she kept dealing with you.

"It's just that last month, she suddenly told me that she's pregnant with our child. So, for the sake of the child, she decided to come back to my side.

"I was very happy to hear this news. Then, I tidied up the house inside and out and waited for Meizhen to return.

"However, I waited and waited, but she didn't come back. Later, I asked around and heard that she had a miscarriage.

"I was so anxious that I came here to beg old master Liu to help Meizhen and me. I don't want Meizhen to be in so much pain because of the miscarriage, right?"

When Liu Yunfeng heard this man's words, he was so angry that he wanted to jump up. He pointed at the man and scolded, " you're slandering us!"

Mr. Zhao painfully took out something and said, " master Liu, I didn't lie to you. This silk handkerchief with Meizhen's name embroidered on it was a gift from her. I've always treasured it. "

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“Master, what’s going on outside? I heard that Zeng Yuehua hooked up with a man. Is that true?” Chen Meizhen asked excitedly the moment Liu Yunfeng returned home.

As the servant only said that Madam had a wild man outside who came to her door, Chen Meizhen automatically assumed it was Liu Qi and Liu Jiaying’s mother, Zeng Yuehua.

Little did she know that the madam the servants were referring to was her.

She was gloating in her heart, and she even scolded Zeng Yuehua for being a slut who seduced other men.

With this incident, she secured her position as the wife of the family.

In the future, Zeng Yuehua and her two other children could be easily bullied.

However, as soon as Chen Meizhen moved forward, Liu Yunfeng gave her a big slap on the face and shouted angrily, “Bitch!

After slapping her, he was still not satisfied. He raised his leg and kicked Chen Meizhen’s stomach.

He scolded angrily, “Bitch, you’ve been saying that you love me every day in vain. You actually have a man outside.”

As he said that, he kicked her in the chest a few more times, unwilling to give up.

This sudden turn of events stunned Chen Meizhen.

By the time she came back to her senses, she had already been kicked several times by Liu Yunfeng. It was so painful that her face turned pale and she began to wail in pain.

She shouted, " Master, what are you doing? "

Liu Yunfeng said angrily, " what am I doing? I'm beating you, you bitch! If it wasn't for that man, I would still be in the dark."

When a man turned hostile, he would be so cold and heartless.

No matter how loving and sweet they were in the past, he was certain that Chen Meizhen had made him a cuckold and immediately turned against her.

Chen Meizhen panicked when she heard Liu Yunfeng's words. She anxiously explained, "Master, are you mistaken? I don't have any men outside, and you're the only one in my heart. You can't just listen to one side of the story and be deceived, right?."

However, Liu Yunfeng did not listen to her at all. He asked angrily, "Bitch, tell me, is the child you were carrying that other man's? Speak!"

Chen Meizhen frantically explained, "What child? Master, have you forgotten that I don't have any child in my stomach? We were pretending to scheme against that wretched girl!"

However, as soon as she finished speaking, she felt that something was wrong. Her face turned even paler. She held her stomach and shouted, " ah, it hurts. My stomach hurts. Master, call the doctor. My stomach hurts."

Then, she felt liquid flowing out of her lower body. She immediately had a bad feeling.

However, the pain had taken over her entire body and mind at the moment, making her unable to think about what was going on.

Liu Yunfeng was so angry that he didn't see Chen Meifeng's painful expression.

The servants saw the blood flowing out of Chen Meizhen's lower body and immediately felt that something was wrong. They immediately advised, "Master, Madam's condition doesn't look too good. Should we call a doctor?"

After locking Liu Jiaying up, Liu Yunfeng ordered the servants to call Chen Meizhen 'Madam'. Even though Liu Yunfeng had beaten Chen Meizhen into a sorry state, the servants still called her 'Madam'.

When Liu Yunfeng heard the servant's words and saw Chen Meizhen's dying appearance, he started to panic. He was afraid that he would kill her.

He immediately ordered, "go and get the doctor!"

"Doctor Hua, please!"

The Liu family's servants invited the physician in charge of Lin's medicine Hall, physician Hua, to the Liu family.

After doctor Hua took Chen Meizhen's pulse, he said to Liu Yunfeng with a serious expression, "old master Liu, your concubine had a miscarriage because of serious physical trauma. She's very weak now and needs to be recuperated well. Otherwise, she'll have a whole body of illnesses."

Doctor Hua called Chen Meizhen his concubine because he had not officially divorced Zeng Yuehua yet.

In An Ding town, everyone knew that Liu Yunfeng loved his concubine and neglected his wife. Doctor Hua looked down on their behavior, so he did not give them any face.

After Liu Yunfeng heard doctor Hua's words, he asked in disbelief, "doctor Hua, did you make a mistake? How could this bitch have a child?"

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She was pretending to have a miscarriage when she was pushed down by Ying 'Er. So what was happening now?

When Liu Yunfeng thought of this, he thought of the man outside yelling that Chen Meizhen was pregnant with his child. He was suspicious.

When doctor Hua heard that Liu Yunfeng doubted his judgment, his expression immediately turned ugly. He said angrily, " your concubine is clearly four months pregnant, but she had a miscarriage. This pulse can be read at once. If you don't believe this old man, then you can invite a more brilliant doctor. Goodbye!"

As he spoke, he angrily took his medicine box and left. Neither the servants nor Liu Yunfeng stopped him.

Once doctor Hua left, Chen Meizhen woke up.

When she woke up, she thought that Liu Yunfeng's anger had subsided. She acted coquettishly and called out weakly, " old master!"

Liu Yunfeng's anger rose again when Chen Meizhen woke up.

He grabbed Chen Meizhen's hair and scolded, " you bitch, you actually wanted to hide it from me. Tell me, How long have you been with that wild man? Explain it properly!"

Chen Meizhen's hair was being pulled, and her scalp hurt. Her face was pale as she said, " old master, there is no other man...! Master, you've wronged Zhen 'Er!"

However, the naked truth was right in front of him, and Liu Yunfeng did not believe her at all.

He said, ” that man has already taken out the token between the two of you. It’s a silk handkerchief with your name embroidered on it, yet you still say that I have wronged you. I’m telling you, Chen Meizhen, I, Liu Yunfeng, am not stupid.”

He was not stupid. He abandoned his wife. He was not stupid. As a father, he actually set up his own daughter.

When Chen Meizhen heard Liu Yunfeng talking about the silk handkerchief, she panicked and tried her best to defend herself, ” old master, someone must have framed me. Someone must have stolen the silk handkerchief from me and given it to that man to frame Zhen ‘Er. Old master, you must believe me!

Liu Yunfeng immediately became suspicious when he heard Chen Meizhen’s explanation.

However, when he thought of something else, he threw his suspicions to the back of his mind and asked loudly, ” Hmph, silk can be stolen, but how do you explain that wild man knew about the red mole on your body, huh? You bitch!”

Who else would know except for the people closest to her?

Liu Yunfeng grabbed Chen Meizhen’s hair and slammed her against the head of the bed. He didn’t show any of his usual doting and tender love.

“You bitch, I’ve been so good to you, but you betrayed me like this!”

When the two siblings, Liu Jiaxin and Liu Yufu, arrived, they saw their mother, who had been grabbed by their father and had her head covered in blood.

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In a dark alley, Lin yuelan took out 500 taels of silver and nodded gently at the man who had caused trouble at the entrance of the Liu residence. “well done! However, you should know what to do now, right?”

The green-robed man took the silver from Lin yuelan’s hands and immediately lowered his head ,and said in a flattering manner, ” I know, I know. Little Divine Doctor, don’t worry. I’ll definitely do what you’ve asked me to do!”

With these five hundred taels of silver, he could eat and drink well. He could also find younger and more beautiful women to play with. As for Chen Meizhen, she was no longer important to him.

Mr. Zhao was indeed Chen Meizhen’s adulterer. In other words, he was just Chen Meizhen’s kept gigolo.

Lin yuelan used this man’s gluttonous, lazy, and greedy personality to pay him to betray Chen Meizhen.

Lin yuelan looked at him and warned him, ” remember, don’t say what you shouldn’t say! Otherwise, my little white hasn’t had any raw meat for a long time!”

This was an undisguised threat.

He was very excited when I took the five hundred taels of silver, but when he heard Lin yuelan say ‘little white’, he was so scared that his face turned pale, and my legs trembled.

There was no one in town who did not know that the little boss of the Lin pharmacy had a big white Tiger called little white.

At the thought of being swallowed alive by little white, Mr. Zhao immediately promised, ” little Divine Doctor, don’t worry. I won’t say anything that should be said!”

Lin yuelan said with satisfaction.

Little Green looked at the man's back and asked unwillingly, "master, are we really going to give him five hundred taels? Isn't that too much?"

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Lin yuelan sneered, " I gave him the money. As for whether he can use it or not, that will depend on his own ability."

She had already made arrangements. Once the Liu family's matter was settled, his five hundred taels would disappear into thin air.

The news of Madam Chen betraying the old master, having a wild man outside, and even being pregnant with a bastard child, spread throughout the Liu residence.

Naturally, the news reached Zeng Yuehua and Liu Jiaying's ears.

Liu Jiaying laughed out loud when she heard this.

Then, she said to her mother, " mother, did you hear that? The woman that man loves the most actually has a man outside. Haha, this is so funny."

As she spoke and laughed, tears fell from the corners of her eyes.

She didn't know if these tears were tears of grievance or tears of excitement from being too happy.

"Mother, look, the woman that man treats like a treasure every day actually has a wild man outside and betrays him. It's really satisfying! This is karma for that man. "

"Ying 'Er, shut up!" The plainly dressed middle-aged woman immediately shouted, " no matter what, he is still your father! Anyone can say bad things about him, but you and Qi 'Er can't. Do you understand?"

Liu Jiaying looked at her stern mother and bit her lower lip pitifully. She then argued, “Is he a father? Ever since I was born, he’s never hugged me or gotten close to me. Now, he was even using despicable means to frame me. Is this what a father should do?”

However, her mother was a woman who regarded her husband as the most important person in the world. Therefore, no matter how much Liu Yunfeng had gone overboard, she still demanded that her children be filial to their father. This made Liu Jiaying so angry.

“he’s your father, ” Zeng Yuehua said sternly. “he doesn’t need your judgment on what he has done.”

Someone was knocking on the door.

Then, she heard the voice of a servant outside saying, ” eldest miss, Lin yuelan is outside the Liu residence. She was stopped by someone earlier. Should we invite her in now? ”

The servants were clever people. When they saw that Chen Meizhen’s power had been lost, they knew that Zeng Yuehua and Liu Jiaying, the legitimate wife and eldest young miss, would return.

Therefore, the servants who were trying to please Liu Jiaying immediately reported Lin yuelan’s arrival to her.

When she heard that Lin yuelan was outside the Liu Manor, Liu Jiaying immediately said, ” of course, we have to invite her in!”

As she spoke, she immediately knocked on the door and said, ” open the door for me. I want to go out. Otherwise, you’ll be in for a bad time!”

Although Liu Jiaying was not favored by Liu Yunfeng in the Liu residence, her status was still there. In addition, she was used to being arrogant, so the servants were afraid of her.

It was just that previously, they had fallen in power, so those servants listened to the family head’s words and stopped bowing down to her.

But now, everyone in the Liu residence knew that the concubine had been caught with an adulterer. She had also lost her power in the Liu residence, and even her son and daughter had been implicated. Now, they were locked in the backyard by the family head and were not allowed to go anywhere.

Therefore, everyone understood that Liu Jiaying, the eldest daughter of the Tang family, had regained her power after losing it for a moment.

Thus, the servants who were supposed to guard the mother and daughter looked at each other and hesitated for a moment before obediently opening the door.

The moment Liu Jiaying stepped out of the room, she was stopped by her mother. “Ying ‘Er, where are you going? ”

Liu Jiaying said, ” I want to see my good friend!”

“Good friend?” Zeng Yuehua was puzzled for a moment before she immediately understood. Are you talking about the Lin family Village’s Lin yuelan, the jinx? ” she asked.

Liu Jiaying immediately said angrily, ” mother, she’s not a jinx. She’s a young Divine Doctor now. Alright, I won’t talk to you anymore. I’m leaving, mother!”

“Stop!” However, before Liu Jiaying could step out of the room, her mother stopped her. “don’t go!”

“why? ” Liu Jiaying was confused.

Zeng Yuehua said sternly, ” you’re still asking why? This time, if it weren’t for her, we wouldn’t have gotten ourselves into such an undeserved disaster!”

When Liu Jiaying heard her mother’s words, she immediately frowned and said angrily, ” mother, how can you say that? What does this have to do with sister yuelan?”

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Zeng Yuehua asked, "how is it none of her business? Have you forgotten how this happened? This matter was caused by the clothes you're wearing. If it weren't for these clothes, would your father have locked you up? Could your father take advantage of this opportunity to divorce mother?"

Hearing Zeng Yuehua's words, Liu Jiaying's face turned red with anger. "mother, how can you say that? It's clearly Liu Jiaxin who's jealous of me for wearing such beautiful clothes every day, and that's why I'm angry. What does it have to do with sister yuelan? Is it a sin for her to give me a few beautiful clothes? Mother, you're being unreasonable. You can't do this."

However, in Zeng Yuehua's opinion, all of this was caused by the jinx, Lin yuelan.

If she hadn't given Liu Jiaying these beautiful clothes, Liu Jiaxin wouldn't have been jealous of her. Then, Liu Jiaying wouldn't have fought with Liu Jiaxin, and Liu Jiaying wouldn't have pushed Chen Meizhen down, causing her to have a miscarriage. Then, Liu Yunfeng wouldn't have angered her, locked her up, and even threatened to divorce her.

In short, it was difficult to reason with someone who was prejudiced.

Liu Jiaying was a stubborn person. No matter how her mother tried to stop her, she stomped her feet and ran out angrily. Zeng Yuehua was so angry that her face turned green.

"Sister yuelan, sob, sob, sob." as soon as Liu Jiaying saw Lin yuelan, she couldn't hold back her tears and started crying while holding Lin yuelan.

Lin yuelan patted her shoulder and comforted her, " it's okay, it's okay."

After Liu Jiaying cried for a while, she wiped her tears and said, " sister yuelan, why did you come today? "

Lin yuelan glanced at the Liu Manor's main gate. There were a few servants standing there. She said to Liu Jiaying, " let's go. We'll talk at your restaurant."

Many things happened in the Liu residence today, so it was not convenient for Lin yuelan to go in. Moreover, Liu Jiaying's mother strongly opposed her, so Liu Jiaying agreed to go to the restaurant to talk.

Originally, it would be uncomfortable for two girls to go to a public place like a restaurant. However, this was the Liu family's business after all, so it was only natural for miss Liu to go to her family's restaurant.

In a private room of Yuelai Inn...

"what? " Liu Jiaying was surprised to hear that Lin yuelan was going to Zhou Shan city and that she had come to say goodbye to her. "you're going to Zhou Shan city? "

"yes, " Lin yuelan replied.

Liu Jiaying was very reluctant. She asked, " when are you coming back? "

Lin yuelan replied, " I'll be back at the beginning of spring."

At the beginning of spring, she would come back to plant grapes. Next year, she would make a large amount of wine.

Liu Jiaying thought for a moment and said, " there are still more than two months before spring. Sister yuelan, won't it be a long time before we can see each other again? "

Lin yuelan only smiled and shook her head. She then asked, "Ying 'Er, do you want to go to Zhou Shan city to have some fun? "

Liu Jiaying was naturally lively and didn't have the elegance and restraint of a lady from a big family. Lin yuelan didn't want to bury Liu Jiaying's nature and only hoped that she would be happier and more lively.

When Liu Jiaying heard Lin yuelan's suggestion, she was stunned.

This suggestion moved her, and she even had an impulse to do so.

However, it was a little awkward.

Liu Jiaying smiled bitterly and said, "sister, I really want to go to Zhou Shan city to have some fun, but I'm afraid my brother and mother will object."

Previously, when she came out to see Lin yuelan, her mother was so against it. If she knew that she wanted to go to Zhou Shan city with Lin yuelan, she would be so angry that she would fall ill.

Therefore, even though she was used to being willful and arrogant, she still had some scruples when it came to her family.

Lin yuelan thought for a moment and nodded.

After all, this wasn't the modern era where people were open-minded. It was the feudal and conservative ancient times, and Liu Jiaying happened to be one of them.

If the girls went missing, they would be accused of being impure.

She could understand Liu Jiaying's concerns.

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“Isn’t this our Liu residence’s second young miss Liu?” Liu Jiaying was holding a small leather whip as she looked at Liu Jiaxin, who was crying in the garden. She gloated,

“I say, second miss Liu, what’s wrong? Two days ago, didn’t you run to me and brag that you were going to replace me and be the Miss of the family? At that time, didn’t you swagger around and say that you wanted me, the young miss, to do the lowliest work?”

“It’s only been a short time since we last met, and you’ve become like this, crying and wailing as if you’ve been bullied by someone.”

Liu Jiaying had always hated the Liu Jiaxin siblings.

In the past, the two of them had relied on their father’s love to show off. They had even ridiculed them for being bastards that no father wanted.

However, for Liu Jiaying, having a father was equivalent to not having one.

Now, their mother had a man outside and lost her power. Her son and daughter were also seriously suspected by Liu Yunfeng. He suspected that they were not his biological children. However, for his face and reputation, even if they were not, he had to swallow his anger and accept it.

However, because of this, he especially hated his children.

The servants also noticed this.

Since Liu Yufu and Liu Jiaxin had lost their power and were inferior to servants like them, they had to return the favor of being bullied by the

siblings in the past.

Liu Jiaying was happy.

She saw Liu Jiaxin hiding in the back garden and crying secretly, so she came over to see her in a sorry state.

Liu Jiaxin could only bite her lips when she heard Liu Jiaying's taunting. Her eyes were filled with anger and hatred as she glared at Liu Jiaying.

Liu Jiaying didn't like the way this person was looking at her. She widened her eyes and glared back at her. "What are you staring at? No matter how much you stare, you can't be the eldest miss of the Liu family. Hmph!"

Liu Jiaxin gritted her teeth and said angrily, "father has been deceived for a while. One day, he will understand that mother has not betrayed him." She didn't have any confidence when she said this.

This was because the evidence of her mother's betrayal of Liu Yunfeng was conclusive.

This was just a little delusion in her heart.

Liu Jiaying sneered, "fine. We'll just wait for the day your good father understands. However, before that day comes, I will be the Liu residence's first young lady, and you will be a lowly servant."

"Ying 'Er." Liu Qi rushed back home and saw his sister scolding Liu Jiaxin in the courtyard. He ran to her and checked her body. After seeing that she was safe and sound, he immediately heaved a sigh of relief and said, "it's good that you're fine."

"Brother?" Liu Jiaying looked at Liu Qi in confusion. "why did you come back so suddenly? Didn't you go to Lin An County to inspect the family properties?"

Liu Qi said, "yes. I had just heard that something had happened at home, so I immediately rushed back. Fortunately, you're fine."

Liu Jiaying was puzzled. “Brother, how did you know that something happened at home? ”

Liu Qi looked at the servant and said, ” let’s talk in the pavilion.

After listening to Liu Qi’s entire story, Liu Jiaying said in surprise, “Brother, you said that the wild man that Chen Meizhen kept suddenly appeared in the Liu residence and caused a scene because sister yuelan bribed him? ”

Liu Qi said, ” yes. That man said that Lin yuelan gave him five hundred taels and told him to say in front of the Liu residence that he was Chen Meizhen’s man.”

It could be said that it was a complete coincidence that Liu Qi knew about this.

The man had done what Lin yuelan asked him to do. After he made Liu Yunfeng believe that Chen Meizhen had cheated on him, he took the money Lin yuelan gave him and went to Lin An County to eat and drink.

Previously, he had stayed in Lin An County for some time, so he had made some bad friends.

When he went over this time, he invited his scoundrels and friends to eat and drink in the restaurant. Coincidentally, the restaurant they were in was owned by the Liu family, and Liu Qi was also checking the accounts at the counter.

Then, he heard the man’s friends ask him where he got the money.

The man had left Ning An Town, so his mouth was loose.

“I’m so forgetful, and I’ve already left Ning An town, so I didn’t have much to worry about.” The man told his friends about how Liu Yunfeng and his concubine plotted against their daughter. How the man was approached by Lin Yuelan to destroy Liu Yunfeng and Chen Meizhen’s plan.

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After that, Mr. Zhao left. As for what would happen later, Liu Qi didn't know.

“Brother, if that's the case, then it must be that when sister Yuelan came to find me that day, she found out about the situation in our residence. In order to help us, she thought of this plan.” Liu Jiaying said very excitedly, “I was wondering why things were so coincidental. It just so happened that you weren't at home. I had a fight with Liu Jiaxin and was locked up by father. When father said that he wanted to divorce mother, Chen Meizhen's adulterer appeared.”

When Liu Qi heard Liu Jiaying's words, he was stunned. He asked, “Ying 'Er, what did you say? Father wants to divorce mother?!”

Liu Jiaying nodded and said, “yes. All of this is just a plot of that man and woman. They want to use this as an excuse to divorce our mother and let Chen Meizhen become the lady of the Liu family. Then, we will be demoted from the first children in line.”

When Liu Qi heard this, he clenched his fists and slammed them on the table. He said hatefully, “what a sinister plan. What a good father!” Liu Qi's eyes were filled with hatred. It was obvious that he was targeting his father.

Liu Jiaying looked at her brother's expression and said seriously, “brother, forget it. In any case, he is now getting his retribution. Originally, I didn't plan to forgive him for the rest of my life. However, I'm afraid that our mother's heart will soften and forgive him very soon.”

Liu Jiaying was both angry and helpless against such a father.

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After Lin yuelan had made all the necessary arrangements for the Lin family Village, she took Caixia, Mingyue, and two other guards to Zhou Shan city.

The three of them sat in the carriage. Caixia lifted the curtains in the carriage and looked at the bare land outside. Occasionally, there would be one or two people in ragged clothes with their backs hunched, looking for something. She immediately said with a little melancholy, " every winter, how many people freeze to death or starve to death? "

If Lin yuelan hadn't bought the two sisters, they might have frozen to death in the wilderness this winter.

Mingyue was also looking at the desolate scenery outside, but her eyes were filled with anticipation as she said, "Sister, perhaps from next year onwards, there won't be so many people starving to death or freezing to death."

Caixia looked at Mingyue in confusion.

Mingyue looked at her master quietly playing with a teacup and said to Caixia with a smile, "Sister, have you forgotten? Master could grow eight stones of grain per mu. If master were to promote the farming method, as long as people were diligent, even if they did not have the eight stones per mu like master, they would at least have a yield of four to five stones per mu. The yield per mu was four to five stones. With a few mu of land, how many stones would there be? Even if they paid the taxes, it would not be a problem to feed a family. Don't you agree, master?"

Mingyue could only say this because Lin yuelan would indeed promote this farming method. First, it was a measure to enter the eyes of the top. Second, she really couldn't bear to see these people struggling to fill their stomachs every day.

Caixia and Mingyue were a pair of sisters who were bought by Lin yuelan from the human trade market in An Ding County. They were three years older than Lin Yuelan and were 15 years older.

Previously, Caixia and Mingyue were also maidservants who had served the young ladies of large families. However, because the two sisters were more beautiful than the young miss, the young miss had found an excuse to sell them off. After all, no young miss liked maidservants who were more beautiful than the young miss.

Because the two sisters were relatively beautiful, when the madam brought them to the market, they immediately caught the attention of the brothel's procuress or those perverted men who wanted to buy the sisters.

However, the two sisters looked at those people with bad intentions and gritted their teeth, saying, "if we have to sell our bodies or become the toys of these stinky men, we might as well just die."

Just as they were in a deadlock, Lin yuelan opened her mouth and bought them at a high price.

For this, Caixia and Mingyue were extremely grateful.

Oh, by the way, the name Caixia and Mingyue was given by Lin yuelan.

Lin yuelan put down her teacup and smiled at Mingyue. "Mingyue, don't you think too highly of your master?"

Mingyue snorted. "Hmph, I didn't think too highly of master. This would have become a reality in the future. Master will definitely be worshipped by the world in the future." As she spoke, she clasped her hands together and placed them on her chest. Her eyes were filled with longing and respect.

Lin yuelan shook her head helplessly.

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When she first got these two girls, she thought that they were steady and mature people. However, after some time, she realized that they were both steady and mature when they did things, but they were also lively people.

However, the more lively person was the younger sister, Mingyue. Caixia was usually dignified and steady.

The two sisters' personalities complemented each other.

Lin yuelan said, "Mingyue, it seems that I have to thank you for your high opinion. Because of Mingyue's words, I have to spread out the farming method!" Of course, this was just a joke. No one would take it seriously.

Caixia covered her nose and laughed. "master, you only know how to make Mingyue laugh!"

The six of them, including the coachman, rode and stopped. After half the journey, they passed by a forest, and suddenly, a group of bandits with big sabers jumped out.

"Leave your money or leave your lives!"

"Stop, stop!"

Lin Xujie, who was Lin yuelan's chief guard, raised his hand and said, "Tell me, what do you want? "

Lin Xujie counted about 15 or 16 bandits. If it were just him and Lin Qingsong, it would be more than enough to deal with them.

At most, with their master's superb martial arts, if these people really angered their master, they would be dead.

The leader of the bandits was a one-eyed man.

After hearing Lin xujie's words, he squinted his eyes and said loudly, " Oh, this is the first time we've met such a tactful person in black wind Mountain."

As he spoke, he glanced at the other rider, then at the carriage. He smiled and said, "Actually, you should know that we're bandits from the way we look, right? Since we are bandits, we naturally want money. Brothers, don't you agree?"

"Of course!" The others immediately agreed.

"so, as long as you hand over all your money obediently, the black wind Mountain gang will let you go. What do you think? "

"Brother Jie, what happened? Why aren't you moving?" As soon as the one-eyed man finished speaking, a clear and melodious female voice rang in the ears of all the people.

Lin Xujie said, " miss Mingyue, it's nothing. It's just a few people who blocked the way."

"Oh," Mingyue replied and rolled up the window. She immediately saw more than ten people surrounding their carriage. She exclaimed, "Oh my God, master, we've encountered bandits. There are so many of them."

There was only surprise in her tone but not a hint of panic.

When Caixia saw Mingyue's reckless behavior, she immediately rolled down the curtain and lectured, " Mingyue, you are too reckless."

Mingyue's actions directly expose the master in the carriage. This would bring great trouble to their master.

Caixia's guess was correct. Mingyue's reckless action immediately caught the attention of these bandits.

"Hey, big brother, there are two little beauties in the carriage."

"Big brother, let's take them back to be the wife of the head of the village!"

"That's right, big brother. Didn't a Madam run away the day before yesterday? Isn't this just right? We'll send two more little beauties over. This is really the will of heaven."

After the one-eyed man saw Mingyue and Caixia's good looks, he was also dumbfounded for a moment.

Then, he came to his senses and said to Lin Xujie, "I've changed my mind now. Not only do we want all your property, but we also want the two beauties in the carriage. As for the rest, we'll let you go. How about it?"

Lin Xujie's expression immediately sank. He was stern and cold. His sharp eyes immediately glanced at them, and he spat out two words coldly, "dream on!"

The one-eyed bandit immediately shouted, "since you insist on doing this, then don't blame us brothers, for not being polite. Brothers, let's go and take the wives back to the village."

In an instant, in the woods, the glint of blades glowed.

Mingyue sat at the side and asked Lin yuelan worriedly, "master, will brother Jie and the others be alright?"

Lin yuelan took a sip of tea and said indifferently, "if they can't even deal with these few people, then they don't need to follow me anymore!"

Hearing Lin yuelan's words, Mingyue lifted the curtain of the car window excitedly and said loudly to the people fighting with the bandits outside, "brother Jie, brother song, master said that if you can't even deal with these little bugs, you should not follow her anymore."

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When Lin Xujie and Lin Qingsong heard Mingyue's words, they stopped fighting for a moment, giving the bandits an opportunity to take advantage of them. But very quickly, they got back into the action. Their fighting spirit was immediately high, and they quickly beat the gang of bandits to a pulp.

“Please spare me, great hero! Please spare me!”

In an instant, these bandits were beaten up until they were begging for mercy.

Lin Xujie pointed his sword at the one-eyed man and asked, “do you still want our money?”

The one-eyed man was pointed at with a sword and immediately shook his head in fear. “I won't dare to, I won't dare to. Please spare my life, hero! Please spare my life, hero!”

His subordinates also knelt down and begged for mercy, trembling in fear. “hero, please spare our lives!”

Lin Xujie asked sternly, “do you still want the two little beauties in the carriage?”

“no, no.” his face turned pale, and he shook his head even harder.

“guard Jie.” suddenly, an even clearer female voice came from the carriage.

“Master!” Lin Xujie replied respectfully.

“Three days later, have them surrender themselves to the government office of Zhou Shan City!” Lin Yuelan ordered.

“Yes, master!”

Hearing the words from the carriage asking them to turn themselves in, these bandits simply wanted to laugh their teeth off.

Asking these bandits to turn themselves in was simply a fantasy. They must be dreaming.

However, they soon realized that this was not a dream at all.

The man called guard Jie took out a Jade bottle and poured out more than ten black pills.

After that, he made them eat it.

Lin Xujie smiled and said, “this is a poison called piercing through a thousand holes. Just by hearing the name, you should know how powerful this poison is. Listen up,” he said sternly. “Three days later, all of you will go to Zhou Shan’s government office and turn yourself in. Otherwise, three days later, just wait for your body to be riddled with holes!”

These people were so scared that their faces turned pale, without a trace of blood. They quickly responded, “yes, yes, great hero. We will definitely go to the court of Zhou Shan to surrender ourselves!” But most of them sounded perfunctory.

They had been in Jiang Hu for so long, but they had never heard of poison that could penetrate a thousand holes. This person was probably just fooling them.

“Oh, I know don’t believe me,” Lin Xujie added, “this poison was personally concocted by my master. There’s no such poison in Jiang Hu. If you don’t believe me, you can see if your body will itch or if there will be bean-sized red spots in these three days. To tell you the truth, these red dots are signs that something is waiting to come out of the hole.”

Upon hearing Lin xujie's words, these people immediately promised, "hero, don't worry, we will turn ourselves in. However, what about the antidote after we turn ourselves in?"

Lin Xujie said, "for those who turn themselves in, the antidote will be given to you."

After listening to Lin Xujie's words, these people were somewhat relieved.

Although turning themselves in might lead to jail time, jail time was not as scary as losing their lives.

When the carriage passed by these bandits, a gust of wind lifted the curtain of the window. Then, these people noticed that in addition to the two little beauties who had just appeared, there was a beautiful woman in a light green dress sitting in the middle. Although she was not old, she was a real beauty.

"Big brother, could it be that the great beauty in the middle is the master they speak of?" The subordinate said in disbelief.

The one-eyed man smacked the man and said loudly, "how would I know?"

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Lin yuelan's carriage stopped in front of the restaurant in Zhou Shan city.

After Zhang Yuanbin got the news that Lin yuelan would arrive that day, he checked the inside and outside of the restaurant again. After making sure that there was nothing missing, he waited in front of the restaurant.

“Boss!” As soon as Zhang Yuanbin saw Lin yuelan's carriage, he immediately went forward.

Ni Lai Wo Wang restaurant, which had appeared out of nowhere, was not only large in scale and beauty but its design and decorations had also attracted countless people from Zhou Shan city, especially those from upper-class clans. This was because the style of this restaurant was completely different from all other restaurants.

It was a five-story building, two stories higher than the tallest restaurant in the city. Such a tall building in Zhou Shan city naturally grabbed attention.

Also, the first floor was a leisure and entertainment area, the second floor was a restaurant, and the third, fourth, and fifth floors were guest rooms.

In the entertainment area on the first floor, one could drink tea, meet friends, recite poems, and have fun, but no loud noises were allowed.

The restaurant was on the second floor. There was a buffet here. As long as you paid fifty copper coins, you could eat whatever you wanted. There were cold dishes, hot dishes, soup, fruits, and so on. Just listening to it made one's heart flutter. However, these things could only be eaten in the restaurant and could not be taken out. If they were discovered, they would have to pay ten times the amount.

The third, fourth, and fifth floors are guest rooms.

In terms of accommodation, there were three levels.

The third floor was only an ordinary Economy Class room, which ordinary people could afford. The fourth floor was called a Business Suite, which was a little more expensive. The one that was ridiculously expensive was the Presidential Suite on the fifth floor. The cost of a day's stay was 200 taels. This was too much.

Of course, these prices were only a little higher for ordinary people. For the rich and powerful, it was just a drop in the ocean.

Such a high price and high enjoyment were exactly in line with the view of consumption of these upper-class people.

This was really infuriating.

However, everyone was extremely curious about who the boss behind the restaurant was.

Although the restaurant was run by Zhang yuanbin, anyone with eyes could tell that he was not the owner of the restaurant.

Which boss would say that the owner said this and that?

This morning, some well-informed people had heard that the manager of Ni Lai Wo Wang restaurant had been standing in front of the restaurant's door since early in the morning. It was said that he was here to welcome the owner of this restaurant.

As a result, many people stood in front of the restaurant to watch the show out of curiosity. However, some people were waiting at the surrounding teahouses and restaurants in order to get information. They wanted to see for themselves the behind-the-scenes boss of this restaurant that had appeared out of nowhere.

He heard Zhang yuanbin call the person in the carriage boss.

Now, everyone knew that the person sitting in the carriage was the boss behind the back of the restaurant.

After Zhang Yuanbin called out to the man, a fair and slender hand lifted the curtain of the carriage. The people around them saw the beautiful hand and knew that the person sitting in the carriage must be a beauty. Could the owner of the restaurant be a woman?

After that, the owner of the small hand came out.

She didn't disappoint. Although she wasn't a great beauty, she could be considered a little beauty.

After Caixia came out, she saluted Zhang Yuanbin in a very dignified manner and called out, "shopkeeper Zhang!"

Zhang Yuanbin cupped his fists at Caixia and said, "miss Caixia!"

Hearing the way Zhang Yuanbin addressed the girl, the people around immediately understood that this person was probably not the boss.

However, very quickly, a very beautiful little hand stretched out from the carriage and grabbed the carriage door. Before anyone could react and wonder if this person was the boss, this person jumped down from the carriage.

As soon as Mingyue got off the carriage, she smiled and said to Zhang Yuanbin, "shopkeeper Zhang, long time no see!"

Zhang Yuanbin bowed to Mingyue and replied with a smile, "Miss Mingyue!"

Fine, this wasn't the boss.

This time, it made people's hearts itch even more.

The two little beauties that jumped out of the carriage made people guess that the master of the carriage was definitely a flirtatious young master.

After Caixia and Mingyue alighted from the carriage, one went to lift the curtain of the carriage door, and the other took a small bench and placed it at the place where they got off. The two smiled and said, " master, we've arrived."

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Then, under everyone's expectant eyes, Lin yuelan, dressed in green, appeared in front of everyone.

When they saw a twelve or thirteen-year-old child jump out of the carriage, the shock in everyone's eyes was indescribable.

They had never thought that the master that these people were talking about was only a twelve or thirteen-year-old child and a little girl at that.

Although this master was also a great beauty, it did not change the fact that this great beauty was a child.

"Is this really the owner of Ni Lai Wo Wang restaurant and not the owner's daughter?" No matter what, no one believed this fact.

To their knowledge, the owner of such a big restaurant had to be a middle-aged man in his thirties or forties or even a young man from a rich family.

However, a little girl suddenly appeared and was supposed to be the owner of such a big restaurant. This was too surprising.

"No, a little girl is the owner of this restaurant?"

"That's not possible, is it?" Someone immediately asked suspiciously, "how old is this child? She looks like she's only twelve or thirteen years old. She hasn't even reached fifteen years of age yet.

"Actually, nothing is impossible. Maybe she's the daughter of some big family, and it's not a bad idea to allow her to run this restaurant, right?"

“You’re right.” Someone immediately agreed.

In any case, these people would rather believe that this child was the daughter of some rich family who had come out to gain experience and built a big restaurant with the family’s funds. No one would believe that this restaurant was built by a child.

As soon as Lin yuelan came out, Zhang yuanbin cupped his hands at her and called out respectfully, ” master!

Lin yuelan’s face was expressionless. She glanced at the Ni Lai Wo Wang signboard and replied indifferently, “Hmm.”

Then, Lin yuelan ignored everyone’s surprised expressions and walked into the restaurant under Zhang yuanbin’s lead.

Zhou Shan city was a big city, and there were many powerful people there.

Therefore, the number of consumers here was much more than that of the small town in An Ding County. Therefore, the scale of this restaurant was at least twice as large as that of An Ding County.

Other than the expansion of the area, the other designs and decorations were exactly the same as those in An Ding County.

After Lin yuelan entered the restaurant, her sharp eyes scanned every corner. When she didn’t see any problems, she nodded slightly and said, ” yes, not bad!”

Zhang yuanbin was very familiar with the management of the restaurant and knew everything about it.

However, Zhang yuanbin was still very happy to hear Lin yuelan’s praise.

He said, ” thank you for the compliment, boss!”

Then, he said, ” master, everything is ready. We can open for business in three days. Is there anything else to prepare? ”

Lin yuelan thought for a moment and said, " this place is different from a small place like An Ding County. If you're not careful, you might offend those rich and powerful people. Although I'm not afraid of trouble, it's better to avoid the trouble!"

Zhang yuanbin replied, " master, you're right!

Lin yuelan said, " empty the most exquisite, luxurious, and largest private room on the second floor in three days."

Zhang yuanbin was confused. "boss, why? "

Lin yuelan said, "Invite the big shots of Zhou Shan city, the Dean of the fragrant book Academy, the four vice presidents of the Chamber of Commerce Alliance, the Zhou Shan perfect, and the four famous families of Zhou Shan city! There are also four highly respected elders."

Zhang yuanbin frowned slightly and said worriedly, " boss, we just arrived. I'm afraid these people won't accept our invitation. "

Lin yuelan said with a confident and overbearing smile, " it's okay. You can go ahead and invite as many as you want. As long as we are polite enough, it's fine. In the future, if they want to find trouble, don't blame me for being impolite!"

When Zhang yuanbin heard Lin yuelan's words, he immediately understood the intention of the banquet and said, " yes, boss. I will arrange it immediately!"

They were new here, but they had already done their part. If they wanted to use this as an excuse to find trouble in the future, it would be their provocation. Of course, they would respond back rudely, and no one would be able to say a word of criticism.

Therefore, in the past three days, the upper layer of zhou Shan city was shaken because of an invitation from Ni Lai Wo Wang restaurant.

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One by one, arguments and reasons for support were debated among upper-class families.

“I’m not going!” A small restaurant actually wants to invite us to come out and help them build their reputation. Don’t even think about it.

“Why not? I’d like to see what’s so mysterious about this small restaurant. Is the owner a little kid?”

“I’m not going. They’re just a businessman, yet they delusionally try to climb up to powerful and famous families like us. Dream on!”

“Go! This restaurant had appeared out of nowhere and was even able to invite the new magistrate to accept the invitation. It could be seen that the power behind this was extraordinary. Although he is a businessman, there is no harm in being on good terms with him.”

“But, master, this person’s identity is unknown. Will he do us harm in the future? ”

“It’s fine!”

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In a house in Zhou Shan City.

“Lin Shuangju!”

“Lin Jinmei!”

“Lin Jinlan!”

“Lin Qingzhu!”

“Greetings, master!”

“Mm, get up!”

Lin yuelan said coldly, ” take a seat!”

“Thank you, master!”

After that, the four of them sat down in their respective seats and looked at their master with excitement.

Lin yuelan looked at the four of them. They didn’t look dispirited at all. Instead, they were steady, mature, confident, and calm.

Lin yuelan nodded in satisfaction.

Sure enough, these four people didn’t let her down. They managed the four major industries well. For example, the woodshop had opened several branches, and the Linyue Pavilion and Mengyue Pavilion had also opened several branches, and they were all doing very well.

As for the housing construction Group, they could not open branches everywhere for the time being due to limited conditions. As for Lin’s medicine shop, they could only do it step by step due to the limited number of herbs and staff.

Lin yuelan looked at the four siblings and said indifferently, ” come on, report your situation one by one! Shuangju, you first.”

Upon hearing the name Shuangju, Lin Shuangju’s expression twisted for a moment.

His name, Wu Jinxia, had been changed into a woman’s name. Lin Shuangju wanted to vomit blood.

However, Lin yuelan had forced him to change his name, so he had to use it even if he didn't.

Lin Shuangju immediately adjusted his state of mind and reported very seriously, "currently, the woodshop has opened branch stores in every Prefecture and city with Zhou Shan as the center. Currently, the furniture and farm tools in each branch are in short supply. However, this subordinate is following master's policy. We will only do the best work and not crude work!

"As for Zhou Shan, there is a long backlog!"

The furniture in Lin's woodshop was new and comfortable. Those who were rich and powerful would not save money on furniture.

The result of Lin Shuangju's report was that business was booming.

Lin yuelan nodded and replied, "Not bad!"

Lin Shuangju's first stop was Zhou Shan. Among all the industries, only the wood workshop had not developed in a small county but had started in Zhou Shan.

When the businesses in Zhousan were mature, Lin Shuangju would be the head supervisor and assigned the subordinates to go to various big cities. With Zhousan as the development model, Lin woodshop's business would be fully developed.

They would open it in every corner of the Long Yan Kingdom and then all over the world.

Lin Shuangju smiled and replied, "it's master who is extremely smart and has a good plan!

Lin yuelan smiled and said, "I have to thank you for your praise!"

Lin Shuangju smiled and said, "master, you're too kind!"

“Pfft!” Listening to their eldest brother and master’s back-and-forth conversation, the other three siblings laughed without restraint.

“Big brother, master, stop teasing each other.” Lin Jinmei smiled and said, ” big brother is done with his report, so it’s my turn now!”

Lin Shuangju nodded and said, “Okay, then you can continue!”

Lin Jinmei immediately stopped smiling and said with a serious expression, ” at present, Lin’s real estate construction Group has received a lot of orders, most of which are from rich and powerful aristocrats. I used the drawings designed by master and let them choose what they liked. Then, they will wait for the house transfer date.”

Lin yuelan’s original intention of developing Lin’s real estate construction Group was to target those noble businessmen. How could ordinary people have the money to build houses?

Lin Jinmei continued, ” in addition, according to master’s plan, we have built an apartment in the East Block as a special rental house.”

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“However, because the houses there are beautiful and the environment is good, and the rent is cheap, as master expected, many scholars choose to rent houses there.”

Lin yuelan nodded and said, ” yes, don’t underestimate these scholars. In the future, they might be the connections we need. Therefore, you must pay more attention when dealing with things.”

Lin Jinmei replied, ” yes, master!”

Lin yuelan nodded and said, ” in the future, work well with master Hu. If you encounter any difficulties, report them to me immediately. Do you understand? ”

Master Hu and the others were only partners, not her subordinates, so it was inevitable that Lin Jinmei would have conflicts with them when dealing with things.

However, master Hu and his brothers were still kind enough to keep her identity a secret.

However, money moved people’s hearts. As the business grew in the future, master Hu and the others would inevitably be tempted as well. Some things were better to be taken precautions early.

Lin Jinmei replied, ” Yes, Master.”

Lin yuelan reminded her, ” when we set up branch companies in other cities, the person in charge of the craftsmen will sign a labor contract with them just in case. Do you understand? ”

Hearing Lin yuelan's words, Lin Jinmei was momentarily stunned. "master?" " Was master starting to guard against master Hu and his brothers?"

Lin yuelan shook her head and said, " Jinmei, you must always be on guard! Haven't you noticed the thoughts of master Hu's brothers recently?"

Hearing Lin yuelan's reminder, Lin Jinmei immediately thought of how apart from master Hu, his brothers seemed to be avoiding her and were very mysterious.

At that time, she thought that it was a woman. Perhaps it was not appropriate for her to get involved in these men's affairs, so she did not think too much about it.

Now that she thought about it, it seemed like these brothers were on guard against her.

If it was a private man's matter, they could do anything they wanted, but if it was a business matter, Lin Jinmei, as the manager, they had to report everything to her, no matter how big or small it was.

However, during this period of time, other than master Hu, these people had not reported to her. This was very abnormal.

With Lin yuelan's reminder, Lin Jinmei immediately understood what she had to do.

She stood up and bowed to Lin yuelan, saying, " thank you for your reminder, master!"

Although she didn't know how her master found out that master Hu's brothers were acting unusually, she now knew that her master was amazing. Nothing could escape her eyes and ears.

Listening to the conversation between Lin yuelan and Lin Jinmei, the other three were immediately shocked.

One was fear of the fickleness of the human heart. At this moment, they finally understood why Lin yuelan had asked them to make such a heavy

oath. This made their resentment towards Lin yuelan dissipate.

Second, they were shocked that Lin yuelan, who was thousands of miles away, knew so much about their affairs. They couldn't help but wonder if there was someone watching them or if she had some other way to know everything about them.

As they thought about it, they were more shocked by Lin yuelan's methods.

Lin yuelan nodded and said, " Jinlan, it's your turn."

Lin Jinlan suppressed the shock in her heart and said very calmly, " previously, the reputation of An Ding County's Lin Yue Pavilion and Meng Yue Pavilion had already spread to Zhou Shan city. Moreover, our products are deeply loved by those young masters. Therefore, when Lin Yue Pavilion and Meng Yue Pavilion arrived at Zhou Shan, they were favored by the public and protected by those forces. Thus, everything has been going smoothly!

Lin yuelan also nodded and said, " mm, very good!"

To be able to receive protection from those forces meant that Lin Jinlan's connections were not bad. Otherwise, no matter how popular this thing was, no one would take the initiative to protect it.

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“Mistress, I’ve noticed that someone has been investigating the Lin’s medicine Hall recently.” When it was Lin Qingzhu’s turn, he immediately reported what he had discovered to Lin yuelan.

Lin yuelan asked, “Do you know the background of those people?”

Lin Qingzhu shook his head and said, ” I don’t know. However, from their accent, I can tell that they are from Qingfeng provincial city, and they seem to be asking about the milkvetch flower or something.”

Lin yuelan squinted her eyes and immediately thought of the flower that she had asked Lin Deshan to sell.

Back then, her request was for Lin Deshan to go to the provincial capital and sell the milkvetch flower to the auction house. Her only request was to seek their protection so that the flower wouldn’t be traced back to her.

However, it had been so long, and they had only found out about Lin’s medicine Hall now. This meant that the auction house that Lin Deshan had found back then was true to its word.

Lin yuelan nodded and said, ” don’t worry about them.

Although these people could find out about Lin’s medicine hall, only Jiang Zhennan and a few other people knew that the milkvetch flower had come from her. Therefore, those people would not be able to find anything.

Lin Qingzhu nodded to show that he understood.

He continued, " everything in the medicine shop is based on Ning An town's model. At the moment, we don't lack medicinal herbs, and the chief physicians are in place. It's just that there are some tricky conditions that we'd like to wait for master to take a look at."

Although he was also talented in medicine, he had only studied for a short period of time and did not have any cheating methods like Lin yuelan. Therefore, he had a lot of restrictions when it came to looking at serious illnesses. He could not analyze the illness well and treat it accordingly.

As for the other two chief physicians, their medical skills were not even as good as his.

Lin yuelan nodded and said, " okay, I know. You can categorize the patients according to their severity. After the meeting is over, I'll go and take a look at the situation."

Lin Qingzhu nodded and replied, " yes, master!"

Lin yuelan continued, " alright. I'll say it again, if there's any major situation that you can't handle, you must report to me on time, understand?"

"Yes, master!"

Lin yuelan nodded and said, " yes, very good."

Then, she smiled and said, " since you're here, I'll cook a delicious meal as a reward for you!"

As soon as they heard that they would be able to eat Lin yuelan's personally cooked food, the four siblings immediately became excited, " thank you, master!"

Their master's cooking was the best they had ever eaten.

After eating her cooking, they would think about it in their dream.

Therefore, Lin yuelan's cooking was both a form of enjoyment and a form of torture.

They enjoyed it because it was indeed a kind of enjoyment. They were tortured because after eating this meal, they still wanted to eat another meal, but they didn't know when the next meal would be!

Although it was a newly bought yard, Lin Jinmei also bought a few servants to manage the house.

When Lin yuelan arrived, Lin Jinmei introduced to these people the real master.

The servants would never have thought that the master they had been waiting for was actually a child.

Of course, even if it was a child, she was their master. They could not underestimate her.

When Lin yuelan entered the kitchen, she rarely asked anyone to help her, except the fact that she had to wash the vegetables in advance.

Thus, other than the fire-making servant girl, Lin yuelan was left alone in the kitchen, holding a spatula and stirring the food.

A moment later, the fragrance of the stir-fried vegetables spread in all directions.

“hey, what did aunt li cook today? Why is it so fragrant? it's so delicious.”

“shush, it's not aunt li who cooked today. It's the new chef, our little master, who personally cooked.”

“What, you're saying that the little master personally cooked?”

“It was really too shocking. Little master looked like a high and mighty person, so how could she personally cook for us?”

“I've heard from steward Lin that this little master's cooking skills are unparalleled. The food she makes is so delicious.”

“Yeah, I’ve heard of it too. I’ve also heard that the highest reward little master gives her subordinates is to personally cook a delicious meal to reward them.”

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“Oh, so you’re saying that the master is cooking now to reward the stewards?”

“It should be!”

“I’m so envious!”

Once he smelled it, he was sure that the cooking was the best in the world.

Not long after, the servant girl who made the fire ran out of the kitchen and shouted, “come over quickly. The master said that there’s some extra food in the kitchen and she’s saving it for us.”

After saying that, she ran back to the kitchen without caring about the others’ reactions. It looked like she wanted to make the first move.

The servants thought they had heard wrong. When they came back to their senses, they all rushed into the kitchen.

After that, a food-snatching battle occurred in the kitchen. It was a lively scene that had never happened before!

After they finished eating, the servants took their empty plates and bowls and licked them. Then, they asked the fire-making servant girl in confusion, “Xiao Hua, did the little master really cook this personally?”

Xiao Hua had the advantage and ate the most. However, she also didn’t feel full. She nodded and said, “of course.”

The others nodded and said in confusion, "I thought that little master was only cooking for the four managers. I didn't expect that even us servants would have a share."

"Ah, it's worth it to eat the most delicious food in my life."

"That's right, no wonder manager Lin said that the highest reward for them was not money or jewelry, but a meal. After eating it, I realized that this food can't be bought even with money."

"Do you think we servants will get the highest reward?" Someone immediately asked expectantly.

Xiao Hua said, "little master asked me to pass on a message to everyone. If everyone is loyal and honest and doesn't have the intention to betray master, she will give everyone this reward every year!"

"Xiao Hua, is it true?" Everyone looked at Xiao Hua with anticipation.

"Of course it's true!" Lin Jinmei, who was the steward Lin that the servants were talking about, suddenly appeared outside the kitchen.

Seeing Lin Jinmei, everyone's expressions immediately became serious. They respectfully called out to Lin Jinmei, "manager Lin!"

Lin Jinmei nodded and said, "in master's heart, there's no distinction between rich and poor. As long as everyone thinks of themselves as a human and not a dog, they can live their own wonderful lives. This is the true nature of humans. Therefore, in master's heart, as long as you don't seek death by betraying her, she will protect and love you so that everyone should treat this place as a real home."

"Her master was a person who clearly distinguished between good and evil. If one did well, one would be rewarded. But on the contrary, those who betray her... She will skin those who betray her and pull out their tendons. So, the consequences are not something you can bear."

Hearing Lin Jinmei's words, the servants were instantly excited.

The people who were sold were just dogs of the rich families. If they wanted to beat or scold them, it was up to their master's mood.

This was the first time they had heard of a master who said that there was no distinction between rich and poor and that one should live with confidence and dignity.

This was the first time that a master's family had treated a servant like a human. Besides, the master also said that since they had entered the manor, they were a family.

Servants and masters were families. They instantly felt a little ridiculous and incredulous, but they immediately felt warm in their hearts. Even if these words were just casual and perfunctory, they felt warm.

In an instant, everyone immediately followed Lin Jinmei and promised, "steward Lin, please don't worry. We will definitely not betray our master! Otherwise, we will be struck by lightning as punishment!"

If Lin yuelan were here, she would definitely roll her eyes.

Why were the people here so fond of punishing themselves with lightning?

However, after thinking about it, it was excusable.

This was because, in everyone's understanding, being struck by lightning was the same as being punished by the heavens. They were receiving retribution from the heavens.

Therefore, using the lightning strike to make a solemn vow was the best.

Lin Jinmei saw that the effect had been achieved, so she nodded and walked back.

Then she started to run because if she were any slower, the food would have been snatched up by her other brothers and sisters.

Lin yuelan sat there with a smile. Then, the others didn't care about their master and started to fight over the food at the table.

With delicious food in front of them, they didn't care about any brotherly or sisterly feelings. Snatching the food and putting it into their mouths was more important.

After eating and drinking to their fill, they all touched their round bellies and said, "master, you're so young. How did you practice your cooking skills? It's so delicious." Even brothers and sisters had to fight over a meal.

Lin yuelan just smiled and didn't say anything.

Although her cooking skills were not the best in modern times, it was more than enough to compete with other chefs in ancient times.

She looked at Lin Jinmei and asked, "are these servants all bound to life contract?"

Lin Jinmei didn't understand what her master meant. After a moment of shock, she replied, "yes."

She considered the master's situation and confidentiality, so she got the servants who had a life contract.

Lin yuelan wasn't someone who would give anyone freedom just because she said so.

Since they had signed a life contract back then, that was their fate.

Lin yuelan replied, "yes, I'll pick people to train in the future. However, I still have one thing to say. It's fine if my people are not the smartest or the most capable, but they must be the most loyal, understand?"

Lin Jinmei immediately reacted and said, "yes, master!"

Lin yuelan looked at the time and said, "alright, go and rest!"

The four siblings immediately went to rest.

After they left, Lin yuelan called out, "guard Jie!"

“Master!” Guard Jie immediately appeared in front of Lin yuelan.

Lin yuelan asked, ” are those people here now? ”

Guard Jie replied, “Yes, master!”

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A strange thing happened in Zhou Shan City.

The bandits from black wind mountain, who gave the authorities endless headaches, actually came to court to surrender themselves!

It was really a strange thing.

The bandits robbed houses, intercepted passers-by, and committed all kinds of evil. However, the government couldn't do anything to them. They couldn't be caught, and they were like cunning foxes. Whenever the court tried to do something, they would quickly hide.

In short, the former prefect, Ji Zhongcai, had tried to capture them for a few years, and they were still going about as bandits.

At this moment, they actually turned themselves in so consciously.

In the back hall of the court, the constable quickly walked towards the residence of the magistrate and shouted, "Your Excellency, Your Excellency, the bandits have turned themselves in!"

This voice made people feel excited.

Zhou Changsheng, who was wearing an official's uniform and official's hat, rushed out from inside. He asked, "Constable Zhou, what's going on?"

He had only been in office for a few days, and there were already thieves who came to surrender themselves. It was unbelievable.

If this matter were true, if it were handled well, it would be of great merit. If it was not handled well, he might lose his own position.

He also didn't understand what the outcome would be in these two situations.

Constable Zhou's eyes lit up as he said excitedly, " my Lord, it's the gang of bandits from the black wind forest. They have all come to court to surrender themselves.

Zhou Changsheng still didn't believe it. "is this true? "

Constable Zhou nodded and replied, " Yes, my lord. There were many people watching outside. The bandits in the black wind forest built a base there. I know the one-eyed man who is the leader of the bandits. The group of people outside are here to turn themselves in with the one-eyed man as their leader, my Lord!"

He had been a Constable for more than 20 years, and this was the only time he felt like he was dreaming.

A group of bandits had actually come to surrender. It sounded unbelievable, but it was the truth.

Could this have something to do with the new magistrate?

Otherwise, who would be so coincidental?

The new magistrate had only been in office for a short time, so he didn't have much power in his hands. The remaining forces left behind by the previous magistrate, Ji Zhongcai, must be against him and trying to intimidate him. They would secretly obstruct him and disobey his leadership and command.

They had been pressuring Zhou Changsheng with hints to arrest the bandits in the black wind forest. Otherwise, they would question Zhou Changsheng's ability.

Zhou Changsheng had just arrived, and even though he was the mayor of this city, he had no power to back him up, so he could only take this grievance. In the future, these people could be dealt with.

For the past two days, he had been racking his brain for a plan to exterminate the bandits, but it was to no avail.

Just as he was thinking about whether he should ask Lin yuelan for help, this group of bandits came to his door.

This was beyond his expectations.

Zhou Changsheng immediately tidied up his clothes and said with a serious expression, "let's go to the hall!"

Constable Zhou replied excitedly, "yes, Your Excellency!"

Then, the two of them couldn't help but quicken their steps in the direction of the court.

After the meeting, Zhou Changsheng immediately asked sternly, "who is this?"

The one-eyed leader kowtowed and said seriously, "my Lord, we are from the black wind forest."

Zhou Changsheng immediately asked suspiciously, "black wind forest?"

The one-eyed man immediately replied, "Yes, my lord."

Zhou Changsheng asked doubtfully, "if I remember correctly, black wind forest is the hideout of bandits, right? You actually said that you're from black wind Mountain? Then, are you bandits?"

The one-eyed man and his subordinates were angry, anxious, and afraid as they replied, "Yes, sir. I'm Hu Hansan, and I'm a bandit from black wind forest."

They didn't want to admit that they were bandits, but their lives were in the hands of others. They had no choice but to do this.

The one-eyed man hardened his heart and said, "Sir, we're here to turn ourselves in. We'll also hand over all the money we've robbed recently.

Please spare our lives.”

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When Zhou Changsheng heard that these people were indeed the bandits from black wind Mountain, he was still confused. However, he still put on a calm and serious face and shouted,

“Since you admit that you are the bandits from black wind Mountain and want me to spare your lives, do you know how much money you have robbed and how many people you have killed over the years? Even if you turn yourself in and hand over some money, you still can’t undo the sins you’ve committed. How can I forgive you?”

After the one-eyed man and his subordinates heard Zhou Changsheng’s words, they immediately said anxiously, ” no, that person clearly said that as long as we turn ourselves in, she will spare our lives! My Lord, you can’t kill us!”

Zhou Changsheng heard the one-eyed man’s words and was even more confused. He asked, ” who is it? ” He was naturally asking about the person who told them that they would spare their lives.

At this moment, Lin xujie’s guard came over.

As soon as they saw Lin Xujie, the one-eyed man and the others immediately became excited. They pointed at him and said, ” my Lord, it’s him, it’s him, he asked us to come and surrender!”

Then, the one-eyed man said to Lin Xujie excitedly, ” great hero, you said that as long as we surrender, you will spare our lives.”

Lin Xujie said to the one-eyed man and the rest softly, ” don’t worry!”

Lin Xujie was Lin yuelan’s personal bodyguard, so Zhou Changsheng naturally recognized him.

Seeing Lin Xujie appear in court and being pointed out by the one-eyed man and the others, Zhou Changsheng immediately understood that the reason why the bandits had come to surrender was most likely because of Lin yuelan.

Lin Xujie nodded slightly at Zhou Changsheng, and Zhou Changsheng immediately understood what he meant.

Zhou Changsheng immediately took the gavel and said, "Bring these bandits away. We'll interrogate them later!"

Then, Zhou Changsheng hurried to the back hall.

In the back hall, Lin yuelan was enjoying the flowers in the garden.

Zhou Changsheng walked over and called out to Lin Yue Lan, "miss Lin!"

Lin yuelan said, "Lord Zhou, I'm sorry to make things difficult for you!"

From a rank-seven County Magistrate to a rank-five magistrate, in addition to the fact that he had just arrived, his situation in Zhou Shan City would definitely be a little difficult.

However, since she had promised to support the father and son, she would naturally provide some necessary help in some difficult situations.

As a matter of fact, she had sent these bandits to him, adding to his political achievements.

A normal magistrate would have been angry to hear a peasant girl talk to him like that.

However, Zhou Changsheng didn't think so.

Ever since he and his son had agreed to Lin yuelan's support, they had deeply felt that this twelve-year-old child was unfathomable, as if everything was under her control.

She was confident and calm, and her temperament was as indifferent as an orchid, which made people deeply convinced.

People who had never interacted with others might not know the charm of her conduct.

Zhou Changsheng smiled and said, “Miss Lin gave me such a gift the moment you arrived. Even if it was difficult before, I believe that after today, those people will not dare to look down on me.”

After all, a newly appointed magistrate actually had the ability to make the bandits in the black wind forest, which had been a headache for many years, turn themselves in. It could be seen that the power behind him was extraordinary. Therefore, it was better for them not to offend the new magistrate.

However, Zhou Changsheng smiled bitterly and said, ” these people have robbed a lot of property and killed countless people. Even if they turn themselves in, they will be sentenced to death according to the law.”

Of course, his words were meant for Lin yuelan.

From the reaction of the bandits when they saw Lin Xujie, it was obvious that Lin yuelan did not want to kill them. That was why she got Lin Xujie to ask him to meet Lin yuelan.

However, Lin yuelan said, ” my Lord, you just need to do business as usual!”

Zhou Changsheng was stunned. “Really? ”

Lin yuelan nodded and said, ” yes.”

Zhou Changsheng was puzzled. ‘What was Lin yuelan up to?’

First of all, it was obvious that Lin yuelan didn’t want these people to die. However, she wanted him to do his job properly. Wasn’t this a contradiction?

Just as Zhou Changsheng was confused, Lin Yuelan suddenly said, " Sir, have you heard of the idiom 'transplant a flower into a tree'?"

Zhou Changsheng was stunned. "transplant flowers into trees?"

"yes," Lin yuelan replied.

Zhou Changsheng somewhat understood what Lin yuelan meant, but he still didn't understand why Lin yuelan would save these evil people.

If she saved them, it would be troublesome if they were exposed.

Zhou Changsheng couldn't hold back his curiosity and said, "Miss Lin, may I ask why you want to save these bandits?"

Lin yuelan did not answer him directly. She only smiled and said mysteriously, " Lord Zhou, I saved them because they were of use. As long as it's a useful person, I don't care who that person is."

Lin yuelan didn't explain much about the use of these people.

After Zhou Changsheng sighed heavily in his heart, he could only say, " in that case, these people will be arranged according to miss Lin's wishes!"

Lin yuelan suddenly took out an invitation card. It was the invitation card for the opening ceremony of the Ni Lai Wo Wang restaurant the day after tomorrow.

Lin yuelan smiled and said, " Lord Zhou, I might have to trouble you to come over."

Zhou Changsheng took the invitation and smiled. "miss Lin, don't worry. I'll definitely come!"

Zhou Changsheng returned to the court and smacked the wooden gavel heavily. He immediately said in a serious tone, " Hu Hansan and the others have taken over black wind forest and turned it into a bandit's lair. They have been robbing for many years. They have killed countless people.

According to the law, all of them should be executed! Men, take Hu Hansan and the others into the prison. They will be executed at noon tomorrow!”

As soon as Zhou Changsheng’s voice fell, the bandits were stunned. Then, they immediately started to resist.

“No!”

Chapter 670 - 670 Value

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In a suburbs farm in Zhou Shan city.

“Thank you for saving my life, miss!” Hu Hansan and his subordinates thanked the lady sitting at the head of the table.

They thought that they were dead for sure.

However, they did not expect that just as they were about to be beheaded, they would fall into a dark place. Then, they heard a cracking sound above their heads. It was obviously the sound of a beheading.

Their minds were blank, and they couldn't react at all. What was going on?

However, the higher-ups shouted, ” the execution is over!” After that, they were brought to this place with their eyes covered.

When they saw Lin Xujie standing in the hall, they immediately understood that they were saved by this person. They immediately thanked him, ” thank you for saving us!”

Lin Xujie said indifferently, ” I'm just following orders. If you want to thank someone, you should thank my master!”

Hu Hansan and the others were dumbfounded!

However, he quickly reacted and said, ” yes, yes, yes. Thank you for saving my life, great master!

Lin Xujie said coldly, ” you can keep that after you see your master later!”

After that, Lin Xujie held his sword and walked in front. The 15 people behind him looked at each other. Then, they all looked at Hu Hansan and

asked, ” big brother, should we follow? ”

Hu Hansan saw that his underling was there, then he smacked the back of his head and said fiercely, “Of course!”

He had always been suspicious. The beautiful girl who had stayed in the carriage, but had flashed past their eyes, was their master?

Therefore, the group of people followed Lin Xujie to the largest Hall. Then, when they saw an exceptionally beautiful girl who was only 12 or 13 years old sitting in the head seat, a touch of amazement flashed in their eyes, and then they were a little stunned.

Was their master really a child?

This was the poison that their master had concocted. Their master had asked them to turn themselves in. Their master had arranged for them to die before he had rescued them. Was this the child in front of them?

Very quickly, Lin Xujie gave them the answer.

As soon as Lin Xujie arrived in front of Lin yuelan, he cupped his fists and reported, ” master, your subordinate has brought them over.”

Lin yuelan replied softly, ” yes.”

Lin Xujie immediately turned around and said to Hu Hansan, ” this is master!”

When Hu Hansan heard Lin xujie’s simple and respectful introduction, he immediately reacted.

Hu Hansan and the others were still in a daze. Could it be that this master was a monster called the heavenly mountain elder?

In folklore, the heavenly Mountain elder was a bad person who captured and ate the hearts of children in order to maintain regain her youth.

Whether it was her appearance or her figure, she looked like a real twelve or thirteen-year-old.

When he saw Hu Hansan and the others staring at his master in a daze, he immediately snapped, "What are you looking at? Is master's face something you people can look at?"

Hu Hansan and the others shivered when they heard the sharp voice, and their faces turned pale.

All of their martial arts combined were not even comparable to one of them. If they really did offend him in any way, killing them would be as easy as turning his hand.

Hu Hansan and the rest immediately knelt down and kowtowed in gratitude. "Hu Hansan thanks miss for saving our lives!"

However, Lin yuelan didn't pay any attention to their thanks. She just sat there calmly and drank her tea.

In this quiet hall, it was as if a needle could be heard falling to the ground.

Hu Hansan and the others knelt on the ground, waiting for Lin yuelan's reply. They were so nervous that their hearts seemed to be about to jump out of their chests. There was an inexplicable fear in their hearts.

Just as Hu Hansan and the others' faces turned pale and they thought they were about to faint, they suddenly heard the woman speak.

Her voice was as melodious as an Oriole's, but the words she said were like a devil, tightly gripping their hearts.

Lin yuelan said straightforwardly, "Hu Hansan, I didn't save you just for a word of thanks from you. I saved you because you are worth saving. In other words, I want you all to work for me!" The last sentence was sharp and domineering, without any room for doubt or resistance.

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Hu Hansan and the others were stunned.

They would never have thought that this person would tell them directly that she had saved them because they were of use to her.

They were clearly a group of bandits, so why were they worthy of her use?

Hu Hansan squinted his only eye and asked seriously, " may I ask, what value do we have? " Since the other party said that he was useful, he might as well ask.

Lin yuelan smiled and said, " straightforward. I like this kind of straightforward people."

Then, she glanced at the brothers with a sharp gaze and asked, " do you know where this is? "

Hu Hansan and the others asked in a daze, " Where are we? "

"This is a farm in the suburbs of Zhou Shan city," Lin yuelan said.

"A farm in the suburbs?" Hu Hansan repeated himself.

Lin yuelan nodded and replied, " that's right. It was a farm! This farm isn't too big, only a thousand mu!"

Hu Hansan and the others widened their eyes in shock. A farm of a thousand mu was not considered big. What could be considered big?

Lin yuelan continued, " although the farm is small, the things I'm going to grow here in the future are all very valuable. So, in order to avoid being spied on, I have to ask someone to help me guard this farm."

Since Lin yuelan had already said so much, if Hu Hansan and the others still didn't understand, their brains were probably fried.

Hu Hansan was stunned. "you mean you want us to guard this farm? "

Lin yuelan nodded and said, " that's right!"

To Hu Hansan and the others, such a good thing was like a pie that had fallen from the sky.

Why did his brothers rob all these years? It was because they had no money or food. They were too poor to live. That was why they chose to do this. It was a dangerous spiral.

In order to survive, they could only fight with the officials. Only then did their brothers survive.

If they hadn't encountered Lin yuelan and had forced them to take poison and turn themselves in, they might have continued to be bandits.

Now, they had been given a new lease on life, and there was no need for them to live as bandits.

However, even though they were alive again, they were already used to the days of being bandits. If they stopped being bandits, how would they survive?

Therefore, now that there was a chance to choose in front of him, they would naturally choose the better one without hesitation.

Hu Hansan and the others were immediately excited. They didn't know what to do. This was a great thing.

Hu Hansan's voice trembled as he asked, " can we really do that? "

Lin yuelan nodded to them again and said, "Yes."

After hearing a definite answer, everyone cheered up in excitement.

However, Hu Hansan did not lose his calm in his excitement. He asked in a serious tone, "Why us? Miss, you also know that we are bandits. In everyone's eyes, we kill, rob, and do all kinds of evil. Why do you want us to guard this farm? Aren't you afraid that we will escape after robbing the things here?"

Lin yuelan nodded and said, "Good question. That's right, you're indeed bandits, but that's your previous identity. I don't care what you were like in the past.

"However, I asked you to protect this farm because I'm sure you won't escape. Haven't you experienced my methods? If you really want to escape, it won't be as simple. If I can save you from the execution ground in front of so many people, I can also send you back. Do you want to try?"

This was clearly a threat!

This child was really vicious and full of tricks.

Hu Hansan gulped in fear and immediately shook his head.

A poison that could pierce thousands of holes had already let them know the bitter taste of pain. Moreover, they had committed the sin of murder. If they were really sent back, they would really die.

However, it was better to live than to die. They did not want to die.

Although they didn't quite understand why Lin yuelan wanted them to guard this farm, they could only obey.

"Oh, big brother, we finally have a proper job and not be bandits who live in fear all day."

However, after these people were happy for a while, Hu Hansan immediately frowned.

His subordinate, Hu Dong, asked him, "big brother, what's wrong? are you unhappy?"

Hu Hanhan was a little worried. “Xiao Dong, big brother is happy. You all can start a new life, but big brother can’t.”

The others immediately asked in confusion, ” why? ”

But then, they all understood.

Therefore, this joy and anger quickly dissipated.

None of them had any special characteristics. In addition, they usually hid in the black wind forest, so not many people recognized them.

However, the leader of the black wind forest, Hu Hansan, was different.

That was because he had only one eye.

Anyone who had seen him before would know at a glance that he was the leader of the bandits in the black wind forest.

Although this farm was a little secretive, he couldn’t stay here forever, right?

If anyone saw him and spread the rumor that the bandits from the black wind forest were still alive, they would be exposed.

At this moment, everyone looked at Lin yuelan, wanting to know what she had in mind.

However, Lin yuelan said casually, ” I can make him have two eyes again!

Those who were present were so shocked that their jaws almost fell off.

Chapter 672 - 672 Hard

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The defender-General's mansion in the capital city, Jiang Zhennan, Guo Bing, and Zhou Wencai were in the study room.

Guo Bing patted his palm with a folding fan and smiled. "I didn't expect miss Lin to give Lord Zhou such a big gift as soon as she arrived in Zhou Shan city."

She actually had the ability to make this gang of robbers turns themselves in.

With how evil the bandits were, even if they surrendered, they would not be given a lighter sentence. They could only be beheaded in public to reduce their sins.

This was a brilliant political achievement after Zhou Changsheng was promoted to magistrate.

Zhou Wencai never expected his father to be supported by Lin yuelan. It was like a dream.

Previously, they had been waiting for the Zhou family in An Ding County, hoping to display their grand plans and talents. However, they had been abandoned by the Zhou family.

Now, things were changing.

He had been promoted from a seventh-rank County Magistrate to a fifth-rank magistrate in a short time, and he had even managed to deal with the group of bandits that had caused the previous magistrate a headache.

It was hard for people not to pay attention to such an achievement.

Zhou Wencai exclaimed in admiration, " how is miss Lin's brain constructed? It's really impressive.

Guo Bing smiled and said, "Young master Zhou, miss Lin is a genius. A genius is definitely not someone ordinary people like us can compare to, right?"

Zhou Wencai nodded with a smile and replied, " indeed."

Then, Guo Bing looked at Jiang Zhennan and asked seriously, " big brother, did the Emperor say anything? "

As soon as Zhou Changsheng, the prefect of Zhoushan, took office, he arrested the bandits in the Black Mountain forest. The next day, all of them were beheaded in public. This time, the merchants, tourists, and ordinary people who passed by all praised him. Such a big case must have made its way to the capital and then to the emperor's ears.

Therefore, the Emperor was overjoyed and called Jiang Zhennan to the study.

Jiang Zhennan responded to Guo Bing and said, " Your Majesty is just curious. Why would the bandits from black wind Mountain surrender themselves? " It was obvious that the crime of execution would not be reduced even if they surrendered.

Speaking of this, Guo Bing was also very curious. "Speaking of which, big brother, this matter is really strange. What exactly did miss Lin do to make the bandits send themselves to their deaths? "

Zhou Wencai also looked at Jiang Zhennan with a curious gaze as if he wanted to hear an answer from Jiang Zhennan's mouth.

Jiang Zhennan shook his head and said, " I don't know either."

However, he could guess that Lin yuelan definitely had a plan.

Guo Bing didn't hear an answer from Jiang Zhennan's mouth. He immediately shook his head in disappointment and said, "Hey, big brother,

how did you answer the Emperor? ”

To the Emperor, Jiang Zhennan contributed a lot to Zhou Changsheng’s achievements. In that case, Zhou Changsheng must have had some kind of connection with Jiang Zhennan. Therefore, the Emperor wanted to ask Jiang Zhennan about this case personally.

Jiang Zhennan shook his head and said, ” I can only tell his majesty the truth.”

Guo Bing was stunned and asked suspiciously, “What do you mean?”

Jiang Zhennan said, ” it’s just that the group of bandits suddenly had a stroke of inspiration one day and suddenly realized that they had done too many bad things. They felt extremely guilty, so they turned themselves in.”

Jiang Zhennan said in a very serious manner.

“Pfft!” Guo Bing spat out the tea he was drinking, then choked and coughed violently.

Guo Bing’s face and ears were red from choking. He looked at Jiang Zhennan and asked suspiciously, ” big brother, did you really say that to the Emperor? ”

Anyone who heard these words would feel that it was especially fake, let alone the Emperor of a country.

Jiang Zhennan said in a serious tone, ” The Majesty listened to me. His expression and actions are just like yours. Whether his majesty believes it or not is not my business.”

In fact, the Emperor didn’t really believe this.

It was just that Jiang Zhennan’s words were too serious, and he had to wonder.

Of course, the Emperor also believed that Jiang Zhennan really didn’t know why the robbers suddenly turned themselves in.

Guo Bing could only give up. This matter was like a headless case, hovering in the ears of everyone in the capital. Unless someone personally interrogated those bandits, it was obviously impossible.

That was because the robbers had already gone to hell.

Guo Bing continued, “Miss Lin has already opened another restaurant in Zhou Shan city. I wonder how the business is there? ”

Chapter 673 - 673 Hard

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Since they returned to the capital, they, including Jiang Zhennan, had cut off all contact with Lin yuelan. They did not even write to each other, so they had no idea about Lin yuelan's situation.

However, why did they say that Lin yuelan was giving Zhou Changsheng a big gift? It was because they had guessed it.

The reason for his guess was, of course, based on Zhou Shan City's restaurant.

They couldn't follow Lin yuelan's situation, but they had to know about Zhou Changsheng's situation. That was how they knew about the business of the restaurant.

According to his reasoning, Lin yuelan would definitely be there when the restaurant opened.

From An Ding County to Zhou Shan city, they had to pass through the black wind forest.

That gang of bandits was hiding in the black wind forest, intercepting passersby there to carry out their robbery.

Therefore, judging from the time when the restaurant opened, and the time when the robber surrendered, this matter was most likely related to Lin yuelan.

Zhou Wencai had just received his father's letter, so he said, "I heard that this business is booming. Before the opening, little sister Yuelan invited the three business chambers' vice presidents, my father, the four great families, and the four respected elders of Zhou Shan city. More than half of them came."

Guo Bing and Jiang Zhennan were very surprised when they heard Zhou Wencai's words.

For a restaurant to open for business, Lin yuelan had actually invited all the powers from Zhou Shan to a banquet. This was a big and difficult matter, but Lin yuelan actually had the ability to handle it.

Guo Bing suddenly wanted to rip open Lin yuelan's brain and wonder if she was really a monster.

Guo Bing and Jiang Zhennan took a moment to digest this piece of news. Then, they looked at Zhou Wencai and asked, "the Zhou family has already tried to pull you and your father back to the Zhou family. What are your plans now?"

Zhou Wencai shook his head and said, "sister Yuelan told me to return if the Zhou family calls me back. Then, we'll deal with the Zhou family from the inside."

"Deal with the Zhou family?" Guo Bing was a little confused.

Zhou Wencai replied, "that's right. I'm only a scholar now. If I want to enter the Imperial court, I have to be a high scholar. Only then will I be more valuable. If the Zhou family wants to make use of me but doesn't want me to be in the limelight and suppress the Zhou family's direct bloodline, they'll definitely do something in the dark. At that time, I'll get hold of their weakness, and my father and I can leave the Zhou family."

After Guo Bing heard that, he said, "Damn."

This was like entering the tiger's den.

They were trying to force the Zhou family head to give up on the Zhou father and son.

Jiang Zhennan asked, "so, you are going to appear in front of the Zhou family now?"

Zhou wencai replied, "yes."

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A middle-aged man looked at the white-bearded elder and frowned. "father, there's something wrong with Zhou Changsheng's promotion."

Zhou Changsheng was from the main branch, but because he didn't have much value, he was sent to a small county like An Ding County.

But who would have thought that five years later, he would be able to gain the emperor's favor for no reason?

He was promoted directly from a seventh-grade County Magistrate to a fifth-grade magistrate. He was so lucky that he gained credit again not long after he was promoted to the magistrate.

The most confusing thing was, why did the bandits turn themselves in?

This was the most obvious sign that something was wrong.

The white-bearded old man stroked his beard and said with a dark expression, "Hong 'Er, no matter what, Zhou Changsheng is still a member of the Zhou family. No matter what was wrong with him, he had the emperor's favor, which meant he was on the emperor's side. The third Prince needed the emperor's people to be his spy and support. And Zhou Changsheng is the best candidate."

Zhou Dehong pondered for a moment. "then, father, what should we do now? "

The white-bearded elder, Zhou Zhenlin, who was also the head of the Zhou family, said, " yes. Write a letter to Zhou Changsheng and tell him that we have arranged for his son, Zhou Wencai, to study at the Yingtian Academy. I believe he will not refuse."

When Zhou Dehong heard his father's words, he said hesitantly, " father, our Zhou family only has two spots to go to the Yingtian Academy. Are we really going to give it to Zhou Wencai? He's a member of the Zhou family.

Zhou Changsheng has to obey our request. Isn't it a waste to give the spot to his son?"

Zhou Zhenlin looked at his eldest son and said, "Hong 'Er, if you want the fish, you have to cast some bait. Zhou Changsheng was able to get the emperor's favor from a small county. That was his ability, not the Zhou family's resources.

"So, if you want Zhou Changsheng to be loyal to the Zhou family and be grateful to us, then the Zhou family must pay the price."

Zhou Dehong was still a little worried. "father, one of the two slots to go to the Yingtian Academy is for Jing 'Er, and the other is for Cheng 'Er. Father, this ..."

Jing 'Er was his concubine's eldest son, and also his most beloved son. It was difficult for a concubine's son to enter the academy. This time, he had asked his father for it with great difficulty, just to give him, the concubine's eldest son, a future.

As for Cheng 'Er, he was his third brother's eldest son. However, his third brother was not favored by his father, and so were his children.

This time, Cheng 'Er was allowed to enter the Yingtian Academy because his younger brother had knelt down and begged his father.

Zhou Zhenlin immediately made a decision. "give up Jing 'Er's spot.

Zhou Dehong immediately turned pale with fright. "Father!"

Zhou Zhenlin's face darkened. "Hong 'Er, " he scolded. "a concubine is a concubine. No matter how much you dote on a concubine's son, the concubine will never be able to be the first wife. Otherwise, the Zhou family would have been replaced by the branch families."

Zhou Dehong immediately admitted his mistake. "father, your son knows his mistake!"

"Mm, go and make the arrangements!" Zhou Zhenlin waved his hand.

“Yes.” Zhou Dehong went down.

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“What? Are you saying that my brother’s eyes can be recovered? ”
Everyone, including Hu Hansan, could not believe it.

Their big brother’s eyes had been gouged out by a doctor after he had been seriously injured. How could such eyes recover?

Lin yuelan didn’t answer him directly but said, ” go find a dog. Its eye has to be about the same size as your big brother’s. Take care of it first. When I’m done with my business, I’ll treat his eye.”

It sounded a little confusing.

What did keeping a dog have to do with their big brother’s eyes?

No, dog eyes.

Was she going to put a dog’s eye in their big brother’s eye socket?

Thinking about it, they were a little surprised, but they were more pleasantly surprised.

After all, wouldn’t everyone be happy if their big brother could see with a pair of dog eyes?

“Young lady, could it be that you want to install a dog’s eye on big brother?” Hu Dong asked curiously.

Lin yuelan nodded and said, ” yes, do you have any questions? ”

“No, I didn’t!” The others immediately responded.

“oh, by the way, Hu Hansan, you have to take good care of your body in the next three days. When you’re in your best condition, I’ll operate on your eyes.” Lin yuelan said.

“Also, don’t call me young lady. Since I saved your lives, then your lives belong to me. You have to call me master.” Lin yuelan ordered without any room for objection.

Hu Hansan and the others were stunned. However, when they thought about how it would be her credit if they could survive after changing their appearances, they called out, ” master!”

Lin yuelan nodded and immediately said to Lin Qingsong, ” go and make the arrangements for them.”

“Yes, master!” Lin Qingsong respectfully replied.

Lin Xujie followed Lin yuelan, and when they reached the courtyard, he asked curiously, ” master, why do you want these bandits to guard this farm? Aren’t you afraid that their identities will be exposed and that it will bring trouble to master?”

This was something he didn’t understand.

Lin yuelan said, ” in fact, this group of robbers isn’t unpardonable. Many years ago, they were also a generation of commoners. However, they were forced by others, and their families were destroyed. They had no choice but to become bandits in the black wind forest. Although they were bandits, they only robbed rich merchants and those ill-gotten gains. The people they killed were also black-hearted merchants, corrupt officials who bullied the people.”

When Lin Xujie heard his Master’s words, he was a little stunned. “Then why are there rumors that they are great bandits who Rob, rape, and kill people like flies?”

Lin yuelan said, ” that’s because the previous magistrate had to say something like that. Otherwise, why do you think they’re always able to

escape every time the authorities come to arrest them?”

Lin Xujie was stunned. “Why?” After that, he came to his senses and said, ” that’s because they either have a mole in court or have help from others. Then, they’ve been allowed to escape again and again.”

“That’s right, ” Lin yuelan said. “The people who helped them were the common people. As soon as those people from the government came, they were hidden by these people.”

“Ah?” Lin Xujie was completely confused.

Lin yuelan smiled and said, ” you don’t understand, do you? In fact, it was very simple. All the money that Hu Hansan and the others had robbed had been distributed to the poor. Otherwise, they would have been able to hide and live a carefree life elsewhere after so many years of evil-doing and robbing.

“However, in the past few years, their reputation as bandits had become more and more famous, and they had attracted more and more attention from the government. It was impossible for them to keep a low profile, as they knew that if they did, their families would be destroyed. Therefore, even for the sake of their families, they had no choice but to continue being bandits.

“The previous magistrate, Ji Zhongcai, had originally wanted to burn down the black wind forest and then report to the Imperial court that he had eliminated the bandits.

“However, the people around the black wind forest were all civilians. Once a fire started, it was inevitable that they would suffer. For this reason, Hu Hansan and the others had no choice but to enter the residence and kill one of Ji Zhongcai’s capable subordinates. They also kidnapped his second son as a warning.

“If Ji Zhongcai still had the idea of burning the black wind forest to the ground, they wouldn’t mind killing everyone in the Ji residence.”

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“Ji Zhongcai was a timid person. He didn’t dare to do anything after being threatened. However, he did spread the bad name of the bandits from black wind forest.”

The guard immediately understood and said, ” in that case, they are righteous bandits. That’s why master helped them to get rid of their Bandit identity and start over with another identity. This can be considered as saving their lives and the lives of their families.”

Lin yuelan nodded and said, ” that’s right.”

“master wanted them to guard this farm. Other than giving them a job and a way out, your purpose was to help them.”

Lin yuelan shook her head and said, ” No. To me, there are only people who are useful and friends. And they happened to be people of value.

“I’ve taken a fancy to their bloodlust, so they have the right to guard this farm.”

Lin Xujie’s heart tightened a little.

This master’s heart was unstable, making him very unpredictable.

Sometimes, she was as pure as a fairy who had just entered the mortal world, making people feel that she was innocent and harmless; But sometimes, she was like an evil demon. Anyone who entered her eyes could be used by her.

Sometimes, she was kind and innocent, even treating an injured animal. Sometimes, she would see a poor beggar begging in front of her, but she would not even look at him. She would just pass by indifferently. Sometimes, she would even see a seriously injured person who was about to die from illness asking her for help, but she would just sneer and leave.

Such a master was mysterious and profound. They were scared, and at the same time, they felt a kind of reverence and respect in their hearts.

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Zhou Shan city's Ni Lai Wo Wang restaurant opened for business.

The waiters of the restaurant were all ready.

Fine wine, delicious food, and fresh fruits were all served.

It was also bustling in front of the restaurant.

There was a lion dance performance. From time to time, the crowd would clap and cheer, and the atmosphere was really lively.

Zhang Yuanbin stood in front of the restaurant and said, "Fellow villagers and neighbors, today is the opening ceremony of our restaurant. I welcome everyone to come in and have a taste.

"Three days before the opening, the top 100 customers' expenses will be free! After the 100th place, all of them will get be paid at a 50% discount, and the quota was also 100.

"So, please line up and receive your number plate at the entrance!"

As Zhang Yuanbin spoke, he pointed to a door. Two waiters were carrying a basket, and the basket was filled with bamboo numbers.

However, some people didn't understand what Zhang Yuanbin was saying.

"Shopkeeper Zhang, so you're saying that the restaurant will only accept 200 people a day for the next three days?"

Zhang Yuanbin smiled and replied, "no, it's not just the next two days. In the future, our restaurant will only serve 200 customers! Regardless of identity, as long as there are already two hundred people, we will not receive anyone else."

"Ah?"

Immediately, some people didn't understand.

This sounded like he was pushing money away.

Zhang Yuanbin didn't explain any further. He continued to smile and said, "now, please form two lines and enter the restaurant with your bamboo board."

Because the top 100 was free, many people wanted to take advantage of the situation and line up. Therefore, 90% of the people in the top 100 were poor people.

This was because these rich people disdained eating for free.

Zhou Changsheng arrived at the opening hour with two of his subordinates.

When Zhang Yuanbin saw Zhou Changsheng, he immediately went up to him with a smile. "Lord Zhou, you've come. You've made our restaurant look even more glorious. Lord Zhou, please, we've already booked a private room for you. We're just waiting for your arrival!"

Zhou Changsheng's arrival was a great promotion.

Currently, no one in Zhou Shan city knew about the relationship between Zhou Changsheng and Lin Yuelan.

Only those who were well-informed had some information. Zhou Changsheng had been transferred from An Ding County. This restaurant had also developed in An Ding County. Also, the two sons of the former prefect, Ji Zhongcai, had also met with mishaps in An Ding County. It was said that this was also inextricably linked to the restaurant.

The most important thing was that the previous magistrate, Ji Zhongcai, had just met with an accident, and the next magistrate had been transferred from An Ding County. No matter how one looked at it, it seemed that the previous magistrate's downfall was related to the current magistrate's rise.

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Of course, this was only the guess of each family in Zhou Shan city.

As for the truth, they had no way of knowing.

This was because they had all heard that Zhou Changsheng had been appointed by the Emperor to be the magistrate of Zhou Shan city.

This meant that Zhou Changsheng definitely had a powerful force behind him.

At this moment, those who were hesitating whether to accept the invitation from the owner of this restaurant saw that the head of the city's officials was the first to arrive at this restaurant to accept the invitation. Those people quickly reported to their families.

“What? Lord Zhou really went to the appointment?”

“Yes, Master. And he's the first one to arrive! ”

“Okay, I know.”

“Prepare a congratulatory gift for me. We're going to Ni Lai Wo Wang!”

“Yes, master!”

If the restaurant had opened before the new magistrate had captured the bandits from the black wind forest, they would not have taken it seriously even if the magistrate had gone to the restaurant to congratulate them.

However, after the bandits surrendered, everyone in Zhou Shan city knew that Zhou Changsheng had become a force to be reckoned with.

Therefore, even if it was to please the magistrate, they had to go to the restaurant's grand opening.

It wasn't just one family that had this thought. The four major families and the Chamber of Commerce all had the same thought.

As for the four highly respected elders of Zhou Shan city, two people refused to participate because they were pretending to be noble and proud.

There was also the Dean of the scholarly Academy, a scholar who thought himself to be virtuous and disdained mingling with the merchants who reeked of money. Of course, he also refused to go to the appointment.

The opening of the restaurant was carried out in an orderly manner. Because of Zhou Changsheng's appearance, those who wanted to make trouble didn't dare to act rashly. They could only line up obediently.

It could be said that Zhou Changsheng's appearance saved the restaurant a lot of trouble.

“Head of the Zhang family, please!”

“President li, please!”

“Oh, patriarch Lu, you're here too.”

“Yes, family head Huang. Aren't you here as well?”

“Haha!”

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In the most luxurious, exquisite, and largest private room on the second floor, the sound of lively chatter gradually came out.

When these people entered the room, they wanted to use this opportunity to build a relationship with Zhou Changsheng. However, they realized that other than the Presidents and the people from the four families, they did not see Zhou Changsheng.

Therefore, although these people were talking to each other, they were frowning slightly as if they were confused and dissatisfied.

Zhang Yuanbin walked in with a plate of fruit and said with a smile, " family heads, presidents, please have some fruit!"

When these people saw the bright fruits on the fruit platter, their eyes immediately lit up.

However, there were still people who were not very satisfied and asked, " shopkeeper Zhang, what do you mean by this? "

Zhang yuanbin pretended to be confused and asked, " Master Lu, what do you mean? "

Family head Lu said, " I'll tell you clearly. We only agreed to this meeting because of Lord Zhou, but where is Lord Zhou now?"

When Zhang yuanbin heard this, he smiled and said, " Oh, Master Lu, you're talking about that. Didn't Lord Zhou come here early? However, he's probably reminiscing about the past with our boss right now."

"Reminisce?"

Hearing Zhang yuanbin's words, these people were surprised and confused.

Zhang Yuanbin explained, " Oh, it's like this, family heads and presidents. You should know that our Lord Zhou was transferred from An Ding County to Zhou Shan city, right?"

These people nodded in unison and replied, " that's right."

"Our boss is also from An Ding County. In fact, Lord Zhou and our boss are just close friends." Zhang yuanbin explained.

“So you’re saying that Lord Zhou’s relationship with your boss is close?”
Otherwise, why would the head of an official in a city lower his status to accept a merchant’s invitation?

Zhang Yuanbin didn’t answer. He just smiled mysteriously.

Lin yuelan had told him not to hide the fact that she and Lord Zhou were acquaintances.

As for how familiar they were, it was all up to their own guesses and imaginations.

It could be said that Lin yuelan had never hidden anything from the public since the establishment of the restaurant. Zhou Changsheng was her strongest backer.

This would save her a lot of trouble.

Although some people said that the officials and merchants were colluding, Lin yuelan didn’t care. Although Zhou Changsheng cared, it was no longer something he could control.

After hearing Zhang Yuanbin’s explanation, the people in the room instantly fell silent.

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Zhang Yuanbin's words made them instantly think about how to deal with with the restaurant.

Zhou Changsheng had been transferred here from An Ding County. The restaurant was also started in An Ding County. The establishment of the restaurant was much longer than what they knew.

This meant that it had already existed when the previous prefect, Ji Zhongcai, was still an official.

What did this mean?

This meant that the restaurant had a close relationship with Zhou Changsheng.

Zhang Yuanbin looked at their thoughtful expressions and immediately slapped his forehead. He said seriously, "oh no, I actually let it slip. I wonder if the boss will be angry?"

As he said this, he turned to the people present and said, "Family heads, guild leaders, I still have some matters to attend to. Please have some fruit first. Our boss will come over to thank you for your presence in a short while."

"Shopkeeper Zhang, if you have something to do, you can go!"

Because they knew that Zhou Changsheng had a good relationship with the owner of the restaurant, everyone was more polite to Zhang Yuanbin.

After Zhang Yuanbin left, the four family heads and the three Chamber of Commerce presidents were all deep in thought.

“Master Li, look at the owner of this restaurant. What kind of person is he?”
The head of the Zhang family asked.

Master Li thought for a moment and said, “I’ve heard rumors that the owner of this restaurant is actually a 12-or 13-year-old girl.”

When Zhang Yuanbin welcomed Lin yuelan, he didn’t hide it from anyone.

The onlookers had all seen Lin yuelan before.

Therefore, there were even more speculations about the identity of Lin yuelan.

However, none of them guessed that this restaurant really belonged to this child. It was not funded by any family.

This made Lin yuelan’s identity even more mysterious.

The Zhang family head nodded in agreement. “I’ve heard the same thing. You see, for a child to be able to run such a big restaurant, she must have some background.”

However, he had another thought in his heart.

This thought sounded ridiculous, but it was also reasonable.

Lu’s family head said disdainfully, “Hmph, so what if she has a strong background? She’s just a mere merchant, a lowly merchant.”

His words immediately angered the presidents and vice presidents of the Chambers of Commerce.

However, compared to the family heads of the four great families, their status was indeed low. Thus, even if they were looked down upon, they could only endure it.

The President of the Chamber of Commerce, President Chen, still had to smile. “you’re right, patriarch Lu.”

The Lu’s family head glanced at him and nodded slightly. He was satisfied with his tactfulness.

Director Chen’s expression immediately turned joyful.

Although they were the Presidents of the Chamber of Commerce, their identities as merchants were nothing in front of the four families. They could only acknowledge this lowly identity.

However, if they could get close to the four great clans, they would be willing to say anything against their will.

However, Master Lu’s words did not receive the complete agreement of master Zhang and the rest.

The Zhang family head said, “Brother Lu, we have no way of knowing the identity of the owner of this restaurant. Perhaps he is not a merchant at all?”

Every force and family had their own business. However, they were not businessmen. This was just a requirement for a powerful family.

Only those who had no background and gave up their good records to join the business register could be considered merchants.

As soon as the Zhang family head’s words fell, everyone present fell silent again.

These words were not without reason.

“Everyone, I have a guess, ” the Zhang family head said with a mysterious expression.

Everyone looked at the head of the Zhang family, not knowing what his guess was.

However, the head of the Zhang family didn't say anything. He only wrote a few words on the table, and everyone immediately came to a realization.

Master Li immediately replied, "if that's the case, it makes sense. Moreover, looking at their age, that kind of relationship is also reasonable."

"Well, everything makes sense now."

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Zhang Yuanbin went to another room and saw Lin yuelan and Zhou Changsheng drinking tea together.

Zhang Yuanbin cupped his hands and said to Lin yuelan, "boss, the four big families, the three presidents and vice presidents of the Chamber of Commerce, senior Gu, and senior Liang are already waiting in the private room. As for the Dean of the fragrant book Academy and the other two elders, they are not here yet."

Senior Gu and senior Liang were Zhou Shan's respected elders.

Lin yuelan raised her eyebrows.

She was a little surprised that senior Gu and senior Liang would come.

One had to know that people, who had lived to this age and had a reputation, were people who cherished their reputation.

The fact that they had come to attend the opening ceremony of her small restaurant with such prestige had become the best publicity for the restaurant.

Lin yuelan nodded and said, "Okay, I know."

Then, he said to Zhou Changsheng, "Lord Zhou, let's go! After all, we're all new here. It's not good to let them wait too long."

Zhou Changsheng smiled bitterly and nodded. "that's right!"

Every step he took now was led by the nose by Lin yuelan.

However, they were helpless. This was their choice back then.

Therefore, he had to cooperate with her.

In the private room, just as everyone was discussing the relationship between Lin yuelan and Zhou Changsheng, Lin yuelan and Zhou Changsheng suddenly walked in.

They didn't know Lin yuelan, but they knew the person beside her, Zhou Changsheng.

Thus, when they saw the two of them appear, the lively scene immediately fell silent.

Then, they reacted.

They all stood up and bowed to Zhou Changsheng. "Lord Zhou!"

Zhou Changsheng put on the air of an official and nodded to everyone. "Hello, everyone!" His voice was cold and authoritative.

After they greeted Zhou Changsheng, they looked at the girl beside him and were shocked.

Because this child was too eye-catching and beautiful, it was easy for her to attract men's evil thoughts.

"Lord Zhou, who is this?" They could vaguely guess the identity of this young lady, but they did not directly expose her.

Lin yuelan didn't wait for Zhou Changsheng to introduce her. She stepped forward and smiled. Then, she said calmly, "Hello, family heads, senior Gu, senior Liang, President, and Vice President. I'm Lin yuelan, the owner of the restaurant. Please take care of me in the future!"

Lin yuelan's graceful bearing, calm confidence, and indifferent temperament, as well as her faintly discernible majesty, had shocked everyone present.

This was obviously not the self-restraint and temperament of an ordinary person.

If it was as they had guessed, Lin yuelan and Zhou Changsheng might be father and daughter. But from Lin yuelan's actions and expressions, it was obvious that she was not raised by a small county magistrate's family.

Therefore, Lin yuelan's identity still had to be speculated.

As soon as Lin yuelan introduced herself, these people were stunned for a moment before they immediately reacted and nodded. "yes, miss Lin. You're so bold at such a young age to open such a unique and attractive restaurant. I really admire you!"

Lin yuelan laughed and said, " it's just a small business. I'm sorry to have embarrassed myself!

The Zhang family's head smiled and said, " I heard that the dishes served by this restaurant are different from the rest. I wonder how different they are. "

Lin yuelan smiled and said, " we'll know in a moment!"

After that, she took a cherry fruit from the fruit platter and put it in her mouth.

When these things were sent over just now, they were somewhat on guard and afraid.

With their wealth, they had seen and eaten all kinds of fruits. However, they had never seen or eaten the fruit that had just appeared in front of them.

For example, this bright red object that was the size of a pigeon's egg, the yellow-pink fruit that emitted an alluring sweet smell, the pink thing that looked like a dragon's beard, and so on. They were both curious and wanted to eat them, but they were also afraid that these things were poisonous. Therefore, no one among them dared to touch them.

At that moment, when he saw Lin yuelan eating the fruit, he immediately widened his eyes and stared at Lin yuelan curiously. He asked in confusion, " Young miss Lin, what kind of fruit are these? "

Lin yuelan picked up a piece of honeydew and put it in her mouth. "Oh, you mean these fruits? This is the Dragon fruit, this is the cantaloupe, and this is the fragrant pear, " Lin yuelan introduced them one by one.

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“Everyone, try it. Don’t worry, these things are not poisonous.”

Zhou Changsheng picked up the fruits and put them into his mouth.

When the people present saw Zhou Changsheng take the food and eat it, they looked at each other. Then, they also took a piece and put it into their mouths.

Originally, they had only looked at and smelled these things. The sweet and fragrant smell of the fruits emitted was attractive, but now that they put them in their mouths, they were immediately amazed. These fruits were really too delicious.

It was sweet and sour, fragrant and crisp. No wonder it smelled so good.

All of a sudden, these people did not care about any etiquette and fought for the fruits. After a while, the few catties of fruits on the fruit plate were all gone.

However, to these people, this was their first time tasting these fruits. How could it be gone?

In an instant, they all looked at Lin yuelan. Their meaning was clear. There were no more fruits left, so she should serve more.

However, Lin yuelan wiped the corner of her mouth with a silk handkerchief as if she didn’t see their expressions. Then, she clapped her hands.

No one knew what Lin yuelan meant. Therefore, they all looked at Lin yuelan in confusion again.

However, they soon knew what Lin yuelan meant.

Because the door to their private room was opened by the waiter.

Then, they saw three female waiters in red cheongsam pushing something that they had never seen before. It looked like a carriage, and there were plates of hot and cold dishes inside.

These people looked at the curvaceous figures in surprise and the beautiful faces that were even fairer because of the red clothes.

If it weren't for the fact that they were in a restaurant, they would have thought that they were in some rich family's house.

This restaurant actually hired a woman to entertain guests?

These people looked at each other in confusion.

However, their surprise did not last long before they were attracted by the exquisite dishes.

Usually, the food they ate was also steamed, and they all looked the same. For example, the cabbage was white, the eggplants were black, and the meat was white after being cooked. It was also very greasy.

However, these dishes were lustrous in color and fragrant. They looked good and delicious.

Most importantly, where did the cabbage, eggplant, and vegetables come from in this cold season?

After all the dishes were served, a tall woman smiled and said, " please enjoy your meal!"

Then, the three women in cheongsam pushed the dining cart out of the room.

After the women left, they were still immersed in the dishes.

These dishes were ordinary in spring. Even in the eyes of the rich, they were cheap commoner dishes that they would not even look at.

However, in the desolate winter, every household could only eat vegetables stored in the cellar that had little water, or some dried vegetables or pickled vegetables. For those who were in better conditions, they might eat salted vegetables.

However, no matter how delicious the dishes were, one would get sick of eating them all winter.

Therefore, these fresh vegetables appeared to be particularly precious in winter.

Master Lu pointed at the dishes and said, "these.. these... these are all fresh vegetables?"

Lin yuelan nodded and said, "that's right. They're all fresh. I harvested them three days ago."

"Three days ago?" They were surprised to hear that and found it unbelievable. "how is this possible? In winter, even trees can't survive, so how can you grow these vegetables?"

Lin yuelan smiled and said, "others might not be able to grow it, but I, Lin yuelan, can!" These words were somewhat arrogant and unbridled, but Lin yuelan had such confidence.

"Milords, let's have a taste!"

After saying that, Lin yuelan turned the table's lazy susan and picked up her favorite dish.

Everyone looked on in surprise. Then, they followed Lin yuelan's example and played with the lazy susan. They laughed.

However, they didn't play for long before they picked up their chopsticks and went to the plate of stir-fried cabbage.

As soon as they put the vegetables in their mouths, they immediately felt a fresh and sweet taste. It was the taste of the cabbage, but it was even more fragrant than the spring cabbage. There was a lingering fragrance on their lips.

"This... is really too delicious!" After trying it out, they immediately joined in the fight for the vegetables.

"Why is every dish so delicious?"

"No, not only are the vegetables delicious, but the meat is even more delicious. Oh, right, is this a fish?"

Master Li asked as he picked up a piece of fish.

Lin yuelan replied, " yes, this is a fish. This is braised fish!"

"Heavens, I never thought that this fish would be so delicious. The meat is tender but not fishy, it's extremely delicious."

"Are you really talking about fish?" Another person also picked up the fish with his chopsticks.

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Ni Lai Wo Wang restaurant was like the one in An Ding County. It became a hit.

This was because in the restaurant, other than the vegetables that could only be eaten in spring, they were also delicious. After eating, they would be served some fruits. These fruits were especially beautiful and delicious, and none of them had ever seen them before.

However, the restaurant said that because the restaurant had just opened, these fruits could only be served for these three days. In the future, even if he wanted to buy them, he wouldn't be able to.

However, regardless of whether the fruit could be bought or not, the restaurant's luxury, as well as the delicious dishes, made people forget to leave.

This spread from one to ten, and from ten to a hundred. Very quickly, from the forces, and aristocrats to the common people, everyone knew that the food in this restaurant was extremely delicious and good-looking.

At the same time, the various specialties of the restaurant were also spread.

For example, the chairs in the entertainment area were big, long, and soft. The waiters said that these long chairs were called sofas. The tables here were round and could be turned.

For example, there was a kind of buffet here. For 50 copper coins, one could pick 30 to 40 dishes from the menu until they were full. There was also a kind of fruit juice here, which was sweet and sour.

For example, there were two kinds of delicious food here, one was hot pot, and the other was barbecue.

For example, the rooms here were completely different from those in other inns.

The bed was soft, and the chairs and stools were soft. The room was beautiful and comfortable. No wonder it was so expensive to stay for a night.

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No matter how many examples there were, everything in the restaurant became amazing and fresh.

Therefore, people who were curious about the restaurant's furniture would ask around about the source of the furniture. When they found out that the furniture came from a Carpenter workshop called the Lin family woodshop, they immediately made up their minds to order a few sets.

As for the hotel's guest room model, the rooms that were specially decorated with feminine characteristics were more popular with women.

In short, everything in Ni Lai Wo Wang restaurant was popular, including the people.

This was because there were female waiters in this restaurant as well.

Although the breaking of tradition by letting women work in the restaurant had been criticized by many people, it was said that the women working in the restaurant only needed to do their job well. They didn't need to worry about being harassed by customers at all, because the guards of the restaurant would definitely protect them.

Although this was the case, women working in such a chaotic place as a restaurant were always against decency and would be despised and pointed at by others.

Of course, the women who worked in this restaurant were either orphans or widows. They had no means of living, so they had to make such a choice.

As for contempt and disdain, as long as they could survive and support themselves or their entire family, it was nothing.

Lin yuelan had already achieved her goal for this banquet.

After these people returned, Lin yuelan sent people to send some fruits to each family. Of course, the variety and quantity were determined according to their status.

The people from the four families and the three Chambers of Commerce held the fruits and pondered deeply.

They were all thinking the same thing, ‘the origin of these fruits is a little strange.’

At the same time, they made a decision to secretly send people to An Ding County to investigate Lin yuelan. They had to find out what kind of relationship Lin yuelan had with Zhou Changsheng.

In the beginning, they had guessed that Lin yuelan was Zhou Changsheng’s illegitimate daughter. That was why Zhou Changsheng would spare no effort to help Lin yuelan and be his backer.

However, everyone realized in shock that they had probably guessed wrong.

Looking at the child’s temperament and majesty, she was even more impressive than Zhou Changsheng. And looking at Lin yuelan’s attitude towards Zhou Changsheng, it was not like an ordinary merchant trying to curry favor with an official, nor was it like a daughter to her father.

They seemed to be partners of equal status, and this girl seemed to be on the sovereign side.

All of a sudden, the upper echelons of Zhou Shan city were extremely curious about the identity of the owner of the restaurant, who suddenly appeared.

However, the fruits Lin yuelan gave them made them go crazy.

They all wanted to bid a high price to buy these fruits from the restaurant.

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What also made the upper echelon crazy was the fresh vegetables that appeared out of thin air in the restaurants.

There was an endless stream of people lining up to eat every day, but the rule of this restaurant was that it only accepted two hundred customers a day.

In the beginning, they thought that this restaurant was arrogant. It even restricted the number of people. In this unfamiliar place, it was already a sign of respect for others to come here to eat. It would be good if there were dozens of people a day. Two hundred people? It was simply a dream.

However, in just one day, the restaurant slapped them in the face.

There were more than 200 people who came to this restaurant for a meal. Those who came after the 200th had to register at the front desk and wait until the next day or the third day to come for a meal.

For these people who didn't lack power or money, what they lacked was a kind of enjoyment, and enjoying the food at the restaurant was a kind of enjoyment.

Therefore, for wealthy families, waiting was torture.

Therefore, they had their eyes on the source of the fresh vegetables. They wanted to buy them back and let their own chefs make them so that their entire family could have fresh vegetables to eat.

However, no matter if it was the fruits or the fresh vegetables in the restaurant, they were sky-high prices for the common people. But for the rich, it was worth it.

Whether it was fruits or vegetables, some were sold by the size of the fruit, and the price was as high as a hundred taels of silver for one. For example, the Dragon fruit was sold at 100 taels of silver for one, the cantaloupe was sold at 300 taels of silver, and even an apple, which was very ordinary in the eyes of the rich, was sold at 15 taels of silver for one. In short, these fruits were sold at sky-high prices.

As for the vegetables, cabbage was worth two taels of silver, an eggplant was worth one tael of silver, and so on.

However, such an expensive thing couldn't be bought even with money.

However, they also needed to line up to purchase these things.

These people simply wanted to curse out loud. This restaurant was really too arrogant.

Of course, the fruits and vegetables that the restaurant sold immediately attracted some merchants.

From what they knew, as long as they intercepted the source of the goods, then they could definitely rake in the profits.

Therefore, many businessmen were secretly watching the purchasers in the restaurant. However, to their disappointment, no matter how hard they watched, they could not see anything.

Apart from the spices, the purchasers didn't go out to buy anything. The vegetables and fruits appeared to materialize inside the restaurant out of thin air.

However, some of the merchants changed their strategy. If they couldn't find them in the restaurants in Zhou Shan city, they would go to An Ding County.

“What did you just say?” The biggest vegetable seller, boss li, was shocked. “these fruits and vegetables were all grown by the Lin family Village? ”

“Yes, boss!” The person who heard the news reported truthfully.

After boss li received the news, his face turned very ugly.

He thought that he had obtained a way to make a fortune, but in the end, this way did not work at all.

Because this was the restaurant's own production and sales, who could cut off this source?

Of course, boss li was not the only one who received the news. Boss Zhao, boss bi, and others also had ugly expressions.

Of course, their actions could not be hidden from Lin yuelan.

However, Lin yuelan didn't take it to heart. As long as they didn't have any evil thoughts, they would be fine.

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"Big brother, did you really change your eyes into dog eyes?" At Lin farm, Hu Hansan's subordinates surrounded him and asked.

Hu Hansan's eyes were already bandaged. He did not feel uncomfortable at all when he heard his subordinate's words. Instead, he replied graciously, "yes, it's the dog's eye that we got three days ago."

Although he had replaced his eyes with a dog's, as long as he could see, so what if he had a dog's eye?

"Big brother, when you were putting on your eyes, did it hurt?" They didn't know how the surgery worked, but they would have to open the wound again to put the eyes in.

The thought of the pain from opening up the wound again was not something that ordinary people could bear.

Hu Hansan recalled the process of putting on his eyes and shook his head. "it doesn't hurt. Lin... master gave me a pill, and I fell asleep. When I woke up, my eyes were already back to normal. However, master said that this wound will be a little painful after twelve hours."

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“Ah?” These people were really surprised when they heard this.

Fixing his eyes after a night’s sleep, was it really that magical?

“Big brother, why did it only hurt after twelve hours?” Someone asked curiously.

Hu Hansan replied, “Master said that after waking up from the anesthesia, the wound would hurt. However, I must pay attention to the wound and make sure it doesn’t get infected. If I have a fever, I must find her immediately.”

After all, these people were laymen when it came to medical skills.

However, they were still very curious. “big brother, what is anesthesia? ”

If anesthesia was really that good, in the future, if they were to be seriously injured again, would they be able to take some anesthesia to reduce the pain?

Hu Hansan shook his head and said, ” I don’t know.”

A moment later, Lin yuelan came out with a new set of clothes and two small bottles in her hands. She handed them to Hu Hansan and said, ” these two bottles of medicine. One is anti-inflammatory, and the other is to speed up the healing of wounds. Three times a day, one pill each time!”

Hu Hansan was flustered and excited as he took it over. “thank you, master!”

Lin yuelan looked at the group of people surrounding Hu Hansan and asked, ” have you brought your family members here? ”

“Yes.”

Lin yuelan nodded and said, ” yes. From now on, you can settle down on this farm and become good people. As for your previous identity as bandits, you don’t have to think about it anymore. Because in the eyes of everyone, your heads have already fallen to the ground. Do you understand? ”

“Of course!”

These people immediately echoed, ” it’s all thanks to our master that we finally got rid of our identities as bandits. How can we think of becoming bandits again? Besides, we were bandits in the past because we were forced to be. Now that we’re free, we can’t be happier.”

Lin yuelan nodded and replied, ” yes. However, your faces are still recognizable. So, you’ll have to change a little before you can go out openly.”

“Qingsong, ” Lin yuelan directly ordered Lin Qingsong, ” I’ll leave this matter to you!

“Yes, master!”

Hu Hansan and the others were confused. They didn’t know how Lin yuelan was going to modify them.

Lin yuelan then continued, ” I’ve already allocated the 1000 mu of land on my farm. I’ve already arranged what to plant on those lands and how to plant them. All you need to do is to listen to my orders. Remember, if you don’t want to obey me, you can have an opinion, but you have to bring it to me directly. Otherwise, if any of you make a scene in front of the Butler behind my back, don’t blame me for driving you out!”

These people had been bandits for so long, so they must have some guts. Sometimes, when their anger came, they might quarrel and turn the world upside down, so she had to give them a warning.

“Yes, master!”

If it had been before they had fetched their family, they would not have minded going away. However, after fetching their family, the whole family liked the quietness and peaceful days here. In addition, the Master had assigned houses to them, and they were bright new houses, so they could have a stable foothold. How could they think of leaving?

“Xujie, go and get Butler li!”

“Yes!” Lin Xujie immediately left.

After a while, Lin Xujie brought a strong man with only one arm over.

This man was from An Ding County.

Before that, his mother was on the verge of death. It was Lin yuelan who had brought her back from the gates of hell. From then on, he had called her his benefactor.

In order to repay the favor, he discussed it with his mother and decided to sell himself to Lin yuelan.

However, Lin yuelan saw that although this man had lost an arm, he was still a man who knew how to repay kindness and value relationships. In addition, he was also ambitious. For this reason, she trained him to be the manager of her farm.

The man walked in front of Lin yuelan and respectfully called out, ” master!”

Lin yuelan nodded and said, ” these people will listen to your orders from now on. I want everything to be ready before spring!”

Butler li immediately replied respectfully, ” yes, master!”

This meant that the plants should be planted and the plants should be raised well.

Lin yuelan then turned to Hu Hansan and the others and said, ” this is Butler li. In the future, you only need to obey his orders. Otherwise, don’t

blame me for being rude to those who want to cause trouble!”

“Yes, master!”

After Hu Hansan and the others responded to Lin yuelan, they immediately clasped their hands at Butler li and said, ” Butler li!”

Butler Li nodded.

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Qingfeng provincial capital, Jin Yuan auction house, Chen residence

“Master, I didn’t let you down. I’ve finally found the origin of the milkvetch flower at the guang juyuan auction house!”

Chen Shanniao looked slightly excited as he said, ” where? ” For the past four months, they had been searching for the origin of the flower.

“Anding county?”

“Anding County?” Chen Shanbiao was suspicious, ” where is this? ” Why had he never heard of this County?

“That’s right. It’s An Ding County. An Ding County is a small county under Zhou Shan city.” The subordinate reported, ” this subordinate saw people from the guang juyuan auction house in An Ding County. This subordinate also saw another person. ”

“Who is it?” Chen Shanbiao sternly asked.

“Lin Deshan!”

Bang!

It was the sound of a cup shattering on the ground.

Chen Shanbiao’s voice was slightly raised as he looked excited and flustered. “who did you say? ”

“Lin Deshan!” The subordinate reported, ” twenty years ago, he was the young master of the Lin pharmacy, Lin Deshan!

“How is that possible?” Chen Shanbiao said in disbelief, “didn’t the rumors say that he was already dead? Why did he suddenly appear again?”

The subordinate said, “old master, that is a rumor after all. After all, no one knows if Lin Deshan was alive or dead more than twenty years ago because no one has ever seen his body, right?”

“Yes, you’re right.”

After Chen Shanmiao’s excitement, he quickly calmed down.

“Heiyan, tell the old master in detail about your encounter with Linde mountain in An Ding County.”

“Yes, master!”

“My men found Lin’s medicine shop in Zhou Shan city. Even though Lin’s medicine hall had only just opened, it had many precious herbs, especially 500-year-old ginseng, which had become the shop’s treasure.

“I’ve heard that the precious medicinal herbs in the shop were all personally picked by their young master.

“Out of curiosity, I probed, ‘has your young master ever picked a milkvetch flower before?’

“They thought for a moment and shook their heads.

“I was a little disappointed, but out of curiosity, I went to find out who their young master was. They knew that their young master was in An Ding County, not far from the famous Da Ao mountain. I had a sudden idea and decided to go to An Ding County to investigate.”

“I didn’t expect to see Zhou Xingfa’s men from Guangju Yuan the moment I arrived at An Ding County. I followed him, full of doubt. Then, I saw him enter a medicine shop called Lin’s medicine shop and ask about Lin Deshan.

“Then, I received another important piece of news.”

Chen Shanbiao asked in a deep voice, " what news? "

"The previous manager of Lin's medicine store is Lin Deshan."

Chen Shanbiao stood up in shock, " how is that possible? Could they have the same name?"

The subordinate reported, " at first, I also thought that they had the same name. However, when Zhou Xingfa's subordinate saw Lin Deshan, I was hiding, and I was sure I saw Lin Deshan!"

After Chen Shanbiao heard this, he calmed down and sat down. He asked, " why did Zhou Xingfa's subordinate suddenly look for Lin Deshan? "

The subordinate hesitated for a moment and guessed, " master, I have a guess. The person who sold Zhou Xingfa the milkvetch flower could very well be Lin Deshan."

Chen Shanbiao's sharp eyes squinted and he asked, " what do you mean? "

"I found out that when Zhou Xingfa was auctioning the milkvetch flower, Lin Deshan went to Guang Juyuan to look for Zhou Xingfa. After that, he left in a hurry, and not long after, Guang Juyuan revealed that there was the milkvetch flower auction.

"This time, Zhou Xingfa sent his men to look for Lin Deshan because we've cut off the supply of goods from Guangju Yuan's auction recently, so their business has been a bit sluggish. Therefore, they went to Lin Deshan to ask for his help to see if they could get some precious items to auction."

Chen Shanbiao listened to his subordinate's analysis and thought about it seriously for a moment. Then, he immediately ordered, " immediately send someone to watch Zhou Xingfa's movements and closely watch Lin Deshan!"

"Yes, master!"

Zengji medicine shop, Zengfu

“What did you just say? You’re saying that Lin Deshan looked for Zhou Xingfa before Guang Juyuan sold the milkvetch flower?” the Zeng family head asked in disbelief.

“Yes, old master,” the Zeng family’s butler reported respectfully. “It was one of Zhou Xingfa’s subordinates who accidentally revealed it after drinking.”

“How is that possible?” Lin Deshan has been missing for more than 20 years. How did he suddenly appear in Qingfeng city?” the head of the Zeng family mumbled.

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“Have you found out where Lin Deshan is?” The head of the Zeng family asked sternly.

The Butler shook his head and said, ” old master, not yet. However, I heard that boss Chen of the Guang Juyuan auction house is also looking for Lin Deshan.”

“He’s looking for Lin Deshan? ” the head of the Zeng family asked with a frown.

The Butler nodded and said, ” yes. I heard that boss Chen suspects that the milkvetch flower sold at Guangju Yuan was sold to him by Lin Deshan.”

Bang!

The cup in the Zeng family’s head’s hand fell to the ground, and his eyes widened in disbelief as he asked,

“What did you just say? I dare you to say that again!”

“Master, Chen Shanbiao suspects that Lin Deshan is the one who sold the milkvetch flower to Zhou Xingfa!”

“Impossible!”

“How could Lin Deshan, a weak scholar, get the flower? ” the Zeng family’s master shouted angrily.

The Butler frowned and said, ” old master, that was Lin Deshan from more than 20 years ago. Ever since the Lin family went bankrupt 20 years ago, he took over the Lin family’s responsibility alone. He only disappeared after

he finished dealing with the Lin family's affairs. Now that 20 years have passed, he must have changed."

Hearing the news about Lin Deshan, the Zeng family's master was both angry and panicked.

As if he knew what the master was worried about, the Butler consoled him. "but, master, Lin Deshan couldn't do anything to you 20 years ago. Even if he does have the flower, he can't possibly use it to fight against our Zeng Ji Medicine Hall."

Hearing the housekeeper's words of comfort, the Zeng family's head relaxed slightly and nodded. "yes. If I could send Lin Deshan to hell 20 years ago, I can do the same 20 years later!"

The Butler nodded and replied, " that's right, master!"

However, the Zeng family head was still a little worried. "secretly send someone to find Lin Deshan. After you find him, " he made a throat-cutting gesture, " and then find the Lin family's heirloom, the Lin family's medical manual!"

"Yes, master!" The Butler replied.

After the housekeeper left, the Zeng family head felt a little uneasy.

Then, he slammed his fist on the table and said viciously, " Lin Deshan, you escaped with Lin's medical manual 20 years ago. This time, I, Zeng Yiming, will never let you go!"

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At An Ding County, Lin Deshan wanted to go to Lin's medicine hall to take a look. After all, Lin yuelan was not home, so he had to help take care of the medicine hall.

Who would have thought that he would be found by the subordinates of his old friend, Zhou Xingfa?

“Old master Lin, our old master sent me to look for you to ask for your help.” The man said with a bitter face, “master doesn’t want to disturb you unless it’s a last resort.”

Lin Deshan frowned and immediately asked with concern, “what’s wrong? What happened to brother Zhou?”

The person said, “this is a long story. Ever since the auction of the milkvetch flower at Guang Juyuan, our auction house’s business has been on the rise. All those high-ranking officials and nobles were willing to come to Guang Juyuan to buy things, and for a while, we were in the limelight.

“However, it was precisely because of this that it attracted the jealousy of Jin Juyuan’s boss, Chen Shanbiao, who was in the same trade as him. He joined forces with a few large business families and reported Governor Zhou for corruption and bribery. He is already locked up in prison by the third Prince.

“Old master Lin should be very clear about the relationship between Governor Zhou and our old master. Hence, in order not to attract trouble, many people no longer dared to go to Guangju Yuan to auction and buy things. In addition to Jin Juyuan’s Chen Shanbiao’s backstabbing, Guangju Yuan’s business was sliding down. What was even more excessive was that, from time to time, local ruffians would come over to harass us. It’s making old master so anxious every day.”

After hearing the report, Lin Deshan pondered for a moment and said, “wait for me. I’ll go back to Qingfeng City with you immediately!”

However, the person immediately refused, “no, old master Lin, it’s too dangerous for you to go back to Qingfeng city now. You can’t go.”

Lin Deshan said angrily, “brother Zhou is my good brother. How can I stand by and do nothing when my brother is in trouble? I must go.”

Seeing Lin Deshan’s determination, the person hesitated for a moment before saying, “old master Lin, it might be inappropriate to say this, but it’s true that only you can help old master. If there are more precious auction

items like the milkvetch flower, Guangju yuan can at least be maintained for a period of time. As long as we can survive this period of time, master will naturally have a way to bring back Guangju Yuan's business.”

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Lin Deshan thought for a moment and said, " I'll write a letter to my granddaughter. We'll go back to Qing Feng City immediately!"

After returning to Lin's Medicine Hall, he immediately wrote two letters. One was for Lin yuelan, who had gone to Zhou Shan city, and the other was for Doctor Zhang, telling him that he had returned to Qingfeng city and not to look for him!

After that, Lin Deshan followed the man to Qingfeng city without any guards.

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There was a long line in front of Zhou Shan's Lin's medicine hall.

Today was the free clinic, so patients from poor families came to the clinic early in the morning and were waiting in line.

There was a special ward in the medicine hall.

The patients in this ward were all in serious and deteriorating conditions. Lin Qingzhu and the other two doctors were helpless.

Today, Lin yuelan was wearing a light purple dress and a mask unique to Lin's Medicine Hall. She came to the ward with Lin Qingzhu following behind her.

Lin Qingzhu introduced the patients' conditions to Lin yuelan one by one.

Lin yuelan would give Lin Qingzhu some advice when she was administering acupuncture and medicine to each patient.

It didn't take long for the patient's symptoms to improve. Lin Qingzhu looked at Lin yuelan with eyes full of admiration.

He was no longer as arrogant as before, nor did he have any dissatisfaction with Lin yuelan.

He now truly admired Lin yuelan for having such earth-shaking abilities at such a young age.

No matter how troublesome the issue was, as long as Lin yuelan made a move, nothing would be a problem.

He didn't know where Lin yuelan got her skills, but they were truly admirable.

“Many thanks, miss!”

“thank you for saving my life, miss. You're really a Divine Doctor. I clearly felt like I was about to die, but after you applied the acupuncture, I clearly felt that my breathing was much smoother, and my entire body felt much more comfortable.”

“young lady's medical skills are really brilliant. It's simply a magical hand that can bring back life from the dead!”

“I don't know who you are, but I'll definitely visit you to thank you another day!”

Lin Qingzhu proudly introduced him to them, ” this is the young master of our Lin's medicine Hall!”

“What? the young master of the Lin's Medicine Hall?”

The patient immediately said in surprise, ” no wonder her medical skills are so brilliant. She's like the reincarnation of a God!”

“yes, many people call our young master the ‘Divine Doctor’!”

“A divine doctor at such a young age!”

For this reason, the young master of Lin's medicine shop, a young Divine Doctor, quickly spread throughout Zhou Shan city.

Those seriously ill patients who were on the verge of despair also came to Lin's medicine shop with the hope of giving it a try. They came to the Lin medicine shop for treatment.

Of course, most of these patients were rich people.

This was because those who did not have money would come over during the free clinic.

Therefore, for the rich, the consultation fee was at least a thousand taels. They had to pay first before seeing the doctor, and if the patient didn't get better, the fee would be refunded.

Although they were not happy with the high consultation fee, as long as their illnesses could be cured, they would pay no matter how high the consultation fee was.

Fortunately, none of the patients were disappointed. All the patients who came to Lin medicine Hall were cured.

Both the young Divine Doctor and Lin's medicine Hall's reputation rose at a tremendous pace.

One day, Lin yuelan received a letter.

A moment later, she immediately ordered coldly, "someone, prepare the carriage!"

Lin Xujie looked at Lin yuelan's serious expression and immediately asked, "master, what happened?"

Lin yuelan said, "Grandpa went to Qingfeng city alone!"

Lin xujie's cool expression immediately changed, and he asked in surprise, "old master Lin went to Qingfeng city alone. Did he not bring any guards?"

Before their master left, he had instructed the guards that were left behind to ensure the safety of the two old masters.

But why did old master Lin suddenly go to Qingfeng city alone?

“Master, what happened to old master Lin?” Lin Xujie asked worriedly.

Lin yuelan replied, ” grandfather was found by a subordinate of a good friend. He left An Ding County in a hurry without giving any instructions. No one followed him, but he was secretly protected by my guards.”

Lin Xujie heaved a sigh of relief when he heard that someone was secretly protecting Lin Deshan.

He was afraid that there would be no guards to protect Lin Deshan. If something happened to him, the master would be furious.

Lin Xujie did not dare to imagine the consequences of her anger.

The servants of the carriage were soon ready. Lin yuelan had only brought two maids, two guards, and a coachman with her, as she had come to Zhou Shan city.

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The four great families gathered again. The leader was the Zhang family.

“The people we sent to investigate have found out that Lin yuelan is actually a farmer’s daughter from a small mountain village in An Ding County. Moreover, this farmer’s daughter is a jinx to her husband and family. She’s just a jinx who’s been chased out of the house by her biological parents and cut off all ties with her family.”

Thinking of the results of the investigation, the people of the four families were so angry that they almost spat out blood.

They were angry because they had been deceived.

They thought Lin yuelan was the child of a rich family or Zhou Changsheng’s illegitimate daughter. No matter what her identity was, they felt that it was necessary to be on good terms with her for Zhou Changsheng’s sake.

Therefore, after Zhou Changsheng accepted the invitation, they all went to the restaurant. One, it was because of Zhou Changsheng, and two, it was to find out the identity of the owner of the restaurant.

The result was ridiculous. From the beginning to the end, Lin yuelan, who had fooled them, was a peasant girl with a low status. She was a lowly commoner and a jinx.

When they thought about how they had interacted with such a person before, the four family heads immediately felt humiliated and annoyed.

What made them even more embarrassed was that they actually had the thought of currying favor with her and even accepted something from a jinx.

They felt that they had been deceived by the farmer girl Lin Yuelan and Zhou Changsheng, which caused them to have such a misunderstanding.

These people were really laughable.

They were the ones who had a prejudice against Lin Yuelan. At the end, when the investigation was completed, they blamed Lin Yuelan and the others for not revealing their identities as farmers from the beginning.

“Detestable!”

The people from the four great families all shouted angrily.

“Brother Zhang, I think we need to teach that jinx a lesson, Hmph!”

Being played around by a lowly farmer’s daughter, if they didn’t vent their anger, they wouldn’t feel comfortable.

“I agree with brother Lu’s words,” The patriarch of the Huang family immediately chimed in.

They were one of the big powers in Zhou Shan city, yet they actually accepted the invitation of a lowly commoner. If word got out, they would lose face.

“However, this brat’s relationship with Zhou Changsheng is obviously not ordinary. If we were to teach that stinky girl a lesson, would Zhou Changsheng just sit back and do nothing?”

Hearing Master Li’s words, the other three all fell silent.

Indeed, if Zhou Changsheng had not dealt with the bandits, the four families might not have cared about him at all. After all, he had just arrived. Even if he was the head of the city’s hundreds of officials, he still had to please the four families. After all, the four families were the power of Zhou Shan city. Only then could he have the right to speak in Zhou Shan city.

However, Zhou Changsheng’s luck was really heaven-defying.

Not long after he arrived at Zhou Shan city, the bandits actually turned themselves in, causing Zhou Changsheng to gain all the credit for nothing. The Emperor even praised him for his conduct.

With this imperial edict, no matter if it was the civil and military officials, or the high officials and nobles, they all understood that Zhou Changsheng was on the emperor's side and he had made many contributions.

In other words, Zhou Changsheng's backing was the Emperor.

They wouldn't provoke the emperor.

It was because of this that the four families of Zhou Shan city were wary of Zhou Changsheng.

"From the investigation, Zhou Changsheng and that brat have a very good relationship. However, it's just a cooperation of interests driven by money.

"If we give Zhou Changsheng enough money, do you think he will still care about that brat?" Lu family head said.

Hearing the Lu family head's words, the other three lowered their heads in thought.

"I think brother Lu's idea is feasible." Family head Huang added, "I heard that Zhou Changsheng's son gets a share of the profits from the restaurant in An Ding County. That's why Zhou Changsheng is the backer of the restaurant.

"However, the restaurant in Zhou Shan city was only owned by that brat. It had nothing to do with Zhou Changsheng and his son.

"We have all seen how well the restaurant is doing. If we say a few more words and make Zhou Changsheng feel that the girl is giving him too little benefits, then it won't be too late for us to make a move, right?"

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Family head Lu clapped his hands and said excitedly, "that's right. I heard that in a small county like An Ding County, the restaurant would make more than ten thousand taels of silver a month. Zhou Changsheng and his son would get a share.

"In a bustling place like Zhou Shan city, the business of the restaurant is even better. The profits might even be several times higher than that of An Ding County.

"Could it be that Zhou Changsheng didn't feel jealous and didn't have any complaints when he saw that brat making so much money?"

"Yes, that's it. As long as we can sow discord between Zhou Changsheng and that brat, we can then attack the restaurant. Isn't that convenient?"

"Yes, that's it."

When they thought of the various fruits and vegetables in the restaurant, the sky-high prices they sold them at, the benefits they gained, and the benefits of the entire restaurant, it made their hearts itch, and they were suddenly moved.

If they could take all the profits of the restaurant, then force the girl to hand over all the fruit sources, and then monopolize it, wouldn't they be able to suppress the other three families?

The family heads of the four great families all had the same thought.

At this moment, a servant from the Zhang family came over and reported, "old master, there's news that the young master of Lin's medicine Hall is the owner of the restaurant!"

“What?”

The four of them were shocked when they heard the news.

“Is this information wrong?” The head of the Zhang family asked with a serious face.

“It can’t be wrong,” The servant reported, ” not long ago, Lin Qingzhu, the manager of Lin’s Medicine Hall, introduced her in public. The young master he introduced is also called Lin yuelan. Her age and appearance are exactly the same as the owner of the restaurant.”

“How is that possible?” The four of them still couldn’t accept this kind of news.

This was because they had just been planning on how to take all the benefits of the restaurant, and now they were exposed to such explosive news.

However, the news that was even more unacceptable was still coming.

“Old master, there’s even a rumor that the young master of Lin’s medicine Hall is the young Divine Doctor who pulled the patients back from the gates of hell!” The servant looked at the atmosphere that had suddenly turned cold and reported the news that had just come in from outside with some fear.”

“How did this happen?” The people led by the Lu family’s head had a look of disbelief in their eyes. They glared at the servant as if they wanted to cut him into pieces...

The servant was so frightened by such a gaze that he trembled all over, and his face turned pale. However, he continued to tremble as he said, ” old ... old master.”

The head of the Zhang family raised his hand and ordered, ” you may leave!”

After the servant left, the atmosphere was still stiff and cold.

After a while, family head Huang said in disbelief, "a child in her teens actually has such heaven-defying abilities. How is this possible?"

As soon as he said this, Master Lu seemed to immediately remember the results of the investigation.

Master Lu exclaimed, "I remember now. The people who went to the Lin family Village to investigate said that Lin yuelan was a monster. She had come back from the dead and had a new life out of thin air."

"What? there's actually such a thing?" The other three were shocked. "A monster? Isn't she a jinx?"

"Who said that a monster can't be a jinx?" The Lu family head immediately retorted.

"So, we just need to collect evidence that the girl is a demon and spread the news. If she's not a demon, then why is she the only one who has those fruits that we've never seen before? If she wasn't a demon, how could a young person like her be able to cure a condition that even senior doctors who have studied medicine for decades can't?"

"Right, we can even talk about the matter of her being a jinx."

In order to get value from Lin yuelan, the family heads of the four great families used everything they had.

However, they didn't know that Lin yuelan was even more of a monster than they thought.

Just as they were discussing the simplest and most convenient way to deal with Lin yuelan, a servant of the Zhang family hurriedly came over and reported, "family head, we've just received news that Lin yuelan has brought two girls and two guards to the city gate in a carriage."

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The four families looked at each other for a moment, then immediately shouted, "the heavens are really helping us!"

The servant was a little confused, but the head of the Zhang family waved his hand and asked him to leave.

Master Lu said, "that bitch isn't here, so the restaurant and the Lin medicine shop are like dragons without a leader. As long as we do something, the restaurant and medicine shop might immediately be destroyed. At that time, no matter how capable that girl was, when she returned, it would be too late to turn the tables.

"Then, we can take the opportunity to get that girl to hand over the source of those rare fruits. Then, with her medical skills for our use, those powerful nobles will come to us for help."

"Yes, yes!"

However, despite their words, they had their own thoughts.

There was only one Lin yuelan.

Therefore, all of them wanted to imprison Lin yuelan for their own use, especially that child's unparalleled beauty. It was even more tempting, and they would gain more benefits.

Thus, they were all thinking about how to prevent the other party from finding Lin yuelan first.

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Zhou Changsheng didn't expect that the four big families would come to him the moment Lin Yuelan left Zhou Shan city.

"May I know why the patriarchs have come to find me?" Zhou Changsheng asked in a deep voice.

The four of them looked at each other, and the Huang family head said, "I wonder if Lord Zhou has heard the rumors outside?"

Zhou Changsheng pretended not to know anything and asked, "what rumors?"

"It's about the rumor that the owner of the restaurant is a demon. My Lord, have you really not heard of it?" The Lu family head immediately said.

Zhou Changsheng slammed the cup down and said sternly, "Hmph! The rumors outside were purely baseless. Did demons need to eat grains? Why would the patriarchs actually believe the rumors outside and say that miss Lin is a demon?"

The four family heads didn't expect Zhou Changsheng to have such a reaction.

The four of them looked at each other again, and then family head Huang said hesitantly, "Sir, we actually don't believe it either. However, the rumors outside are true, saying that the fruits in the restaurant seemed to have appeared out of thin air, and you'll become addicted to eating them. This is obviously not something that ordinary people can grow, right?"

However, Zhou Changsheng retorted sternly, "I believe that the family heads had investigated miss Lin's identity before they said that she's a demon, right? However, I wonder if the patriarchs have investigated the matter of Lin yuelan being 'chosen by the heavens'?"

"What?" The four of them immediately asked in confusion, "what is that?"

"It's just that miss Lin's fate is to jinx her husband, and it's destined by the heavens. Before she fulfilled her destiny, anyone who obstructed her would

receive the corresponding retribution. Nothing good would come of it.

“Since you’ve investigated miss Lin’s matter, you should know that some of her abilities were obtained after she was resurrected. But do you know where she obtained these abilities from?” Zhou Changsheng asked sternly.

“Resurrection?”

“Gain abilities?”

“Retribution?”

The four of them immediately exclaimed in disbelief.

Because they didn’t even know about these things.

If they didn’t find anything, then what did that mean? It meant that the Lin family Village had been hiding something when they were investigating.

“Then, my Lord, where did her ability come from?” The head of the Zhang family asked seriously.

“It was given to her by the King of Hell.” Zhou Changsheng said coldly.

Hearing this, the four people’s expressions changed drastically.

“The King of Hell has also arranged for little ghosts from hell to protect her personal safety.” Zhou Changsheng threw another heavy bomb and blew them up. “So, anyone who wants to harm her will be taught a lesson.”

“How did... become like this?” The four of them were so scared that they broke out into cold sweats. “Lord Zhou, you’re not trying to scare us, are you? ”

Zhou Changsheng’s face turned cold. He looked at them with a sharp gaze and said coldly, “How free do you think I am? Do I have the time to scare you?”

“To tell you the truth, miss Lin knew it the moment you wanted to target her. But miss Lin asked me to tell you that this matter ends here. If it continues to develop, you’re on your own!”

This time, the four family heads ‘faces were extremely ugly.

They could never have imagined that the situation would develop in a completely different way from what they had imagined.

They had originally wanted to spread the rumors about Lin yuelan and then use them to sow discord between Zhou Changsheng and Lin yuelan. At that time, they could just sit back and reap the benefits.

However, before the plan could be implemented, it was completely exposed.

Moreover, it was done in such a shocking and unique way.

The will of heaven, the protection of the King of Hell, and the protection of little ghosts. Was such a person someone they could afford to offend?

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On top of a cliff, a man wearing a mask and black clothes walked to the edge of the cliff and suddenly jumped down. Then, in the process of jumping, he suddenly grabbed a vine and flew to a protruding rock. He stood on the rock and let go of the vine. Then he found a sharp stone. It was obvious that this stone was much smoother and shinier than the surrounding stones.

He grabbed the sharp stone and turned it around. A “boom” sound came from the cliff.

Very quickly, a door appeared in front of the man.

The man let go and stepped into the cave.

Inside the cave, it was completely different from the outside.

Instead, it was resplendent with gold and silver murals everywhere. Luminous night pearls were hung around the mountain walls, illuminating the cave. In the cave with eighteen curves, there was a Night Pearl every few steps. As the light, it could reflect every mural on the cave walls. There were strange people of ancient times, fairies descending to the mortal world, the eighteen levels of hell that made people feel fear, and also a Fairyland filled with white smoke.

“Welcome back to the palace, Cult Master!”

As soon as the man stepped in, two rows of people immediately knelt down on one foot to welcome him. The formation was very grand.

“Welcome back to the palace, Cult Master!”

A series of loud sounds reverberated in the empty cave.

No one had ever thought that the demonic sect's base camp, which had caused the entire imperial court a headache, was actually in a cave on a cliff.

The masked man in Black flicked his sleeves and sat down on his high seat. He then laid down lazily. The maidservant beside him immediately took out purple grapes, peeled them, and put them into the sect master's mouth.

After the man ate a few grapes, he asked in a lazy tone, "how's the investigation going?"

The left protector, who was wearing a white robe, reported seriously, "reporting to the sect master, I didn't let you down. I've finally found where Jiang Zhennan has been hiding for the past six months.

The man's voice was calm as he asked indifferently, "Oh, where?"

"there's a small mountain village in An Ding County called the Lin family Village. Jiang Zhennan has been farming in that village for half a year!

"Pfft!"

As soon as the left protector reported this, the man immediately spat out the grape in his mouth. Then, he sat up and asked in disbelief, "you said that Jiang Zhennan has been farming in a small mountain village for the past six months?"

"Yes, sect master!"

The man was stunned for a moment, then he laughed and said, "A defender-general of the state has been reduced to a small mountain village to farm. It's so funny!"

After a few laughs, he couldn't help but ask, "how did you find out?"

The left protector didn't laugh along with the sect master. Instead, he said with a serious expression, "Our spies in the army headquarters reported that

a young man named Zhou wencai has been very close to Jiang Zhennan and Guo Bing recently.

“Not long after Jiang Zhennan returned to Beijing, Zhou wencai, who seemed to have appeared out of thin air, came to look for Jiang Zhennan. Therefore, this subordinate suspects that Zhou Wencai and Jiang Zhennan’s interaction was very likely to happen in the past six months.

“It was as I had expected.

“Zhou Wencai and his father were pawns that the Zhou family had given up on. The Zhou family had long sent them to An Ding County.

“For this reason, I went to An Ding County, and through some clues, I found out that Jiang Zhennan had been hiding in the small Lin family Village for the past six months.”

After hearing the left protector’s report, the man stopped laughing and asked very seriously, ” with Jiang Zhennan’s unique appearance, wouldn’t it be easy for people to guess who he is? Why hasn’t there been any news of it in the past half a year?”

The subordinate continued to report, ” reporting to Cult Master, it’s because he didn’t wear The Silver Mask that would let people recognize his identity in the past half a year!

The man immediately asked in surprise, ” how is that possible? I know that when Jiang Zhennan was twelve years old, his face was disfigured by the enemy on the battlefield. If he didn’t wear a mask, he would probably scare those simple villagers, right?”

The left protector said, ” reporting to the sect master, that Jiang Zhennan didn’t wear a mask because he didn’t need to wear one anymore.”

“Eh? What do you mean by that?” The man frowned slightly, dissatisfied with his subordinate’s riddle.

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“Sect master, the scar on Jiang Zhennan’s face has been completely cured!” the left protector said in a serious tone.

“How is that possible?” The man looked at his subordinate in shock. “I’ve seen the scar on Jiang Zhennan’s face with my own eyes. It has hurt the muscles and bones on his face. It’s impossible to cure it completely.”

“Sect master, I’ve investigated the situation. It was a young Divine Doctor in the village who cured the injury on Jiang Zhennan’s face.” The left protector reported.

The man frowned again and said, ” the young Divine Doctor? ”

“Right!”

The man lowered his head and seemed to be in deep thought.

He pondered and said, ” Wen Yujing once told me that this Jiang Zhennan was poisoned by the heart-eating poison, so he was forced to leave the capital to find the divine Doctor Wu Yazhi. However, the divine Doctor Wu Yazhi was imprisoned in the Royal courtyard of Wulong country. It was impossible for Jiang Zhennan to find it.

“Moreover, as soon as Jiang Zhennan left the capital, he was chased by the assassins sent by the third Prince, so it’s impossible for Jiang Zhennan to live to see the divine Doctor Wu Yazhi. Even if he does see the godly Doctor Wu Yazhi, according to the time when the heart-eating poison takes effect, Jiang Zhennan was already incurable and could only wait for his death.”

The right protector frowned slightly and asked, "sect master, do you suspect that Jiang Zhennan might have been saved by that young Divine Doctor?"

The man nodded and replied, "that's right! The reason why Jiang Zhennan had stayed in the Lin family Village for the past six months was most likely because he had considered the possibility that the third Prince of the capital and Wen Yujing had set up an inescapable net for him. Because they had never seen him alive or dead, the third Prince and Wen Yujing were afraid that Jiang Zhennan would suddenly return.

"However, it was obvious that no matter how detailed the third Prince and Wen Yujing's plan was, it was not as good as a decree from the dog Emperor. They had never thought that Jiang Zhennan had secretly returned to Beijing, which caught them off guard.

"If I'm not wrong. This time, when Jiang Zhennan returned to the capital, it was very likely that he would return with his original appearance. The third Prince and Wen Yujing wanted to intercept a man who was wearing a silver mask or had ugly scars on his face. So, Jiang Zhennan received the dog Emperor's imperial edict very smoothly."

As soon as he finished speaking, his subordinates immediately said in unison, "the sect master is wise!"

"Enough. I don't need you to remind me and flatter me."

With that, he sat back in his seat lazily.

After a moment's hesitation, the left protector turned to the man and asked, "sect master, do you still want to reply to Wen Yujing?"

Wen Yujing's two requests were to find where Jiang Zhennan had been hiding for the past six months and to find out who had saved him.

There was originally a third condition, which was to kill the person who saved Jiang Zhennan, but it had been rejected by the thousand-faced man.

That's right. The demon Cult Master was the thousand-faced man.

No one in the martial world knew about this news.

Other than some of the devil cult's trusted aides, no one else knew about it.

The thousand-faced man said lazily, "I only promised to give her a reply. As for when to reply and how to reply, that will depend on my mood.

"However, I'm suddenly interested in that young Divine Doctor. Left protector, tell me, how young is that young Divine Doctor? What's his name, and who is he? And how did he save Jiang Zhennan?"

The left protector hesitated for a moment before replying, "reporting to the sect master, that little Divine Doctor is actually a farmer's daughter from the Lin family Village. Jiang Zhennan and a few of his subordinates have been working for her for the past six months."

The thousand-faced man was immediately surprised. "huh?"

"As for how she saved Jiang Zhennan and how she cured Jiang Zhennan of his poison, we have no idea at all. According to the Lin family Village's witnesses, when Jiang Zhennan and the others were brought back to the Lin family Village by the farmer girl, other than their clothes being torn and covered in blood, they didn't seem to be in any discomfort. They also rested at home for only a day or two before they were sent to work."

After hearing this, the thousand-faced man became even more interested in this little Divine Doctor.

He had a faint guess that this farmer's daughter was not simple.

The thin red lips under the thousand-faced man's mask were extremely sexy. He asked, "what's her name? How old?"

"Lin yuelan! Twelve or thirteen years old!"

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Lin Xujie and Lin Qingsong stopped the horses.

The sound of the carriage stop was heard.

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Ming Yue opened the curtains and asked, "brother Jie, what happened?"

Lin Xujie looked at the middle of the road and said, "there's a man lying in the middle of the road, blocking the carriage!"

"Ah?" Ming Yue immediately asked in surprise.

Lin Xujie jumped off the carriage and said to the people in the carriage, "master, please wait for a moment. I will go and check the situation!"

"Hmm!" A faint response came from the carriage.

Lin Qingsong stayed by the side of the carriage and did not move. Lin Xujie carefully walked towards the man.

However, Lin Xujie squatted down and pushed the man slightly as he looked at the man lying motionless on the ground. He said, "Hey, if you want to sleep, go home and sleep. Don't lie on the road and block the way."

Lin Xujie called out, but there was no response. He immediately turned the person over with some doubts.

However, when he turned the man over, he saw the blood on the man's body and a small sharp knife in his chest.

Lin Xujie checked his breath with his hand, then walked back to the carriage and reported, "master, this man is lying on the road with serious injuries, do you want him?"

Lin yuelan had just taken a sip of tea. She put down the teacup in her hand and said lightly, " we don't know this person. We won't save him!"

"Yes, master!" Lin Xujie bowed and replied.

Master was like a fairy when she was kind, but she was like the King of Hell when she was cold.

Now, she was ignoring the fact that a life had disappeared in front of her.

Lin Xujie and Lin Qingsong pushed the injured man to the side of the road and let the carriage pass.

The two of them rode back on their horses and led the way.

Just as the carriage passed by, the man suddenly opened his eyes slightly. With unusual difficulty, he weakly called out, " save... save... me."

Ming Yue had just lifted the curtain of the car window and looked at it.

What she saw was a man in white clothes. His face was pale, and he was lying on the ground covered in blood. There was a knife in his chest, and his eyes were filled with a strong desire for help.

Ming Yue couldn't bear it. She looked at the man pitifully and pleaded, " master, let's save him, okay? "

Lin yuelan was expressionless as she played with the cup in her hand.

Cai Xia immediately rebuked, " Ming Yue, what's going on with you? If Master says she won't save them, then she won't save them. How can you let master save them? Besides, how do you know if this person is a good or bad person? What if the person she saved was a bad person? Aren't you just harming master?"

Ming Yue retorted softly, " sister, this person must be a good person!" As she said that, her face was still slightly red.

When Lin yuelan heard this, she suddenly laughed and said, " Oh, I'd like to see what kind of person it is that made our miss Ming Yue think that he is a good person. "

As she spoke, she lifted the curtain and looked out the window. When she saw the man's appearance, Lin yuelan burst out laughing.

She teased, " it turns out that our Miss Ming Yue's heart has been moved. Such a handsome and beautiful young master. No wonder Miss Ming Yue defined him as a good person!"

Ming Yue heard the ridicule and immediately blushed. "master!" she said angrily.

However, Cai Xia calmly said to Lin yuelan, " master, Mingyue is only judging people by their appearance. If master doesn't want to save someone, you don't have to save them. You don't have to care about Ming Yue."

Lin yuelan smiled and shook her head. "no, if our miss Mingyue says we'll save him, then we'll save him."

After that, she ordered Lin Xujie, " guard Jie, save the man!"

Lin Xujie immediately replied, " yes, master!"

Then, the carriage also stopped, and Lin yuelan got off the carriage.

The five of them walked to the man's side and heard his weak breath. Lin yuelan nodded to Lin Xujie. Lin Xujie immediately took out a small blue Bottle from his arms, poured out a pill, and immediately put it in the man's mouth.

Lin yuelan said to Ming Yue, " Ming Yue, go get the first aid kit."

Ming Yue quickly ran to the carriage and ran back with the medicine box.

Lin yuelan instructed Lin Xujie and Lin Qingsong, " one of you press his head, and the other press his foot. Don't let him move later. I'm going to

pull out his knife. And the two of you, go away. Don't get blood on your bodies."

A few of them immediately followed her instructions.

Lin yuelan opened the medicine box, took out a few silver needles, and inserted them into the man's chest.

After that, she said, "I'm going to draw the knife. Whether you live or die will depend on your luck."

Without anyone noticing, the man's little finger moved.

Then, Lin yuelan pulled out the knife from the man's body without any hesitation.

Because of the acupuncture, he didn't spit out much blood.

After pulling out the knife, she instructed Lin Xujie and the others, "Apply medicine on him and bandage him. Later, put him on the front of the horse. When we find an inn or clinic, just drop him there."

"Yes, master!"

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Hearing her Master's words, Ming Yue looked at the man who was so seriously injured. She couldn't bear to be tormented by her master and said softly, "master, is that good? After all, he is so seriously injured. What if we really just throw him away and he dies? Wouldn't it be a waste of master's efforts to save him?"

Lin yuelan raised her eyebrows and looked at her blushing face. She said with a faint smile, "Ming Yue, what do you think we should do? There's only one carriage. Are you going to let a man covered in blood share a carriage with us three women? Mingyue,"

As she spoke, Lin yuelan patted Mingyue's shoulder and said teasingly, "I know that you're smitten and want to take care of him. It's improper for men and women to be so close to each other now. What are people going to say when they know there's a man and three women in the same carriage? So, of course, the safest way is to put him on the front of the horse carriage."

Although Mingyue looked older than Lin yuelan, in terms of mental age, she would never be older than Lin yuelan.

Now that she was teased by Lin yuelan, her face was as red as a ripened apple. She was embarrassed and said angrily, "master, why are you making fun of me again? Actually, what I mean is that it's not about putting him in the carriage, but that we should find a Medical Hall and leave him there?"

Lin yuelan immediately replied with a serious expression, "of course. Mingyue, we're going to Qingfeng city. We don't have so much time to waste on a strange man. I'm getting off the carriage to save him now

because you're soft-hearted, it's impossible for me to bring a burden with me!"

No matter how handsome this man was, he couldn't be more important than Lin Deshan's safety.

Lin yuelan turned to Lin Xujie and said, "do as I said!"

After he finished speaking, he turned around and returned to the carriage.

"Yes, master!" Lin Xujie and Lin Qingsong immediately responded.

Their master was obviously dissatisfied.

Mingyue's face immediately turned pale. She bit her lip and looked at Lin yuelan, who was getting on the carriage. She was at a loss.

She just didn't understand why Lin yuelan would be so angry when she was just saving a person.

Cai Xia looked at Ming Yue's confused appearance and sighed in her heart. She gently shook her head and then lectured Ming Yue, "Ming Yue, you're too insensible."

Ming Yue looked at Cai Xia with blankly face and called out softly, "big sister..." her face full of grievances.

Cai Xia immediately reminded her, "Ming Yue, have you forgotten why we are hurrying on our way? Do you really need me to remind you again?"

When Ming Yue heard Cai Xia's reminder, she immediately reacted and wanted to explain.

Cai Xia didn't wait for Ming Yue to speak and continued to lecture her, "master was worried about the safety of the old master in Qingfeng city, so we are hurrying.

"You, on the other hand, disregarded the old master's safety and saved a strange man on the road, delaying the master's time. It's good if the old

master is fine. If something happens to him, can you bear the responsibility?

“Besides, master has already listened to you and saved this man. She has already done her best. What else do you want? Could it be that a strange man is more important than the old master?”

Cai Xia’s lesson had indeed made Ming Yue immediately realize her mistake.

With tears in her eyes, she said, ” sister, I know I was wrong... ”

Cai Xia sighed softly, patted Ming Yue’s shoulder, and said, ” well, it’s good that you know your mistake. In a moment, you should apologize to master!”

With tears in her eyes, Ming Yue nodded and replied, ” yes.”

Cai Xia said again, ” Mingyue, master doesn’t treat us as slaves and is as good to us as sisters. However, master doesn’t mind our identities, but we must remember our own identities. A master is a master, and a servant is a servant. We servant girls must always treat the master as the center and never ignore any of the master’s wishes, do you understand?”

Ming Yue nodded and said, ” yes, sister, I know I was wrong. I forgot my responsibility as a maidservant because master treated us well. I’m going to apologize to master now.”

With that, Ming Yue ran to the carriage, knelt down, and cried, ” master, I’m sorry. You can punish me and scold me, I have no complaints!”

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Lin yuelan's voice came from the carriage, "since you know you're wrong, I will let you off this time. There won't be the next time. Do you remember?"

Ming Yue nodded and said, "yes, yes, Ming Yue will remember!"

"Then let's get on the carriage and continue our journey!"

"Mm, okay!"

After Lin Xujie and Lin Qingsong rudely carried the injured man to the front of the horse carriage, Lin yuelan and the others continued on their way.

At Qingfeng city...

"Your Highness, we've searched the entire place, but we still can't find the milkvetch flower." The guard reported to the third Prince, Yuwen Feiye.

Yuwen Feiye was wearing a purple Python robe. With his hands behind his back, his face was dark as he asked sternly, "Can't you find anything? Could it be that this thing can just disappear into thin air?"

The reason why he was in a hurry to find the milkvetch flower was so that he could present such a gift to the old Emperor at the end-of-the-year banquet.

The milkvetch flower could make a person younger by ten years. The old Emperor was more than sixty years old today, and who knew when he would stomp into the Imperial mausoleum?

This was very disadvantageous to him.

Because there was a Crown Prince in front of him blocking the way, if something happened to the old Emperor, it would not be his turn to take the throne.

Hence, he had two objectives for finding the milkvetch flower. First, he wanted to please the old Emperor and let him feel his filial piety. Secondly, he still needed the old Emperor to be in power for a few more years. In these few years, he would plan again and strive to seize that position in one fell swoop.

He had unintentionally heard from an official who was on his side about the milkvetch flower being auctioned off in Qingfeng city.

Originally, Qingfeng city was the territory of the crown prince's maternal uncle. However, he found an excuse and was ordered by the Emperor to be an Imperial envoy to investigate a case.

The crown prince's uncle's surname was Ye, and he was the governor of the nine gates Admiral's office. He was also in-laws with Zhou Anping of Qingfeng city.

Chen Shanbiao joined up with a few big merchants to Sue Governor Zhou of Qingfeng city for corruption and bribery. The third Prince's party immediately seized the opportunity and asked the Emperor to investigate Governor Zhou thoroughly. Then, the Emperor sent the third Prince, who was opposing the Crown Prince.

This made the crown prince's party anxious, but they couldn't do anything for the time being.

“keep looking!” Yuwen Feiye said sternly.

Yuwen Feiye stood in the living room with his hands behind his back. He looked at the calligraphy in front of him with a dark expression.

He didn't believe that this stalk of flower could disappear into thin air.

The guard beside him asked suspiciously, "Your Highness, could it be that this stalk of milkvetch flower has already been used?"

Yuwen Feiye immediately said, "let's go to the prison."

When he arrived at the prison, Governor Zhou sat on a straw mat with a disheveled look on his face. When he saw Yuwen feiye's arrival, he stood up and greeted, "Your Highness, the third Prince!"

"where is the milkvetch flower?" Yuwen Feiye asked.

Zhou Anping was slightly taken aback. Then, he replied, "there's no more! Third Prince, don't waste your time looking for the flower!"

The third Prince's guard immediately pointed his sword at his neck in dissatisfaction and warned, "speak to His Highness properly. Otherwise, your head will immediately fall to the ground when you're charged!"

Zhou Anping did not say a word. He only snorted.

Yuwen Feiye asked again, "you said that there are no more flowers. What happened to it?"

"I ate it!" Zhou Anping immediately replied.

"Impossible!" Yuwen Feiye did not believe him at all. "if you ate the flower, you should be at least ten years younger. However, when I look at you, not only did you not look younger, but you even looked older. Tell me, where is that thing?"

Zhou Anping looked away and did not reply.

Yuwen Feiye was so angry that he flicked his sleeves and said, "Hmph, I don't believe that we can't find the flower after digging three feet deep into the governor's manor!"

After Yuwen Feiye and the guards left the prison, Zhou Anping stared at their backs and said coldly, "Hmph, that thing is in the crown prince's

residence. If you have the guts, go and search the crown prince's residence!"

That's right, this item was given to him by the richest man in Qingfeng city, li Fazhi, and he had sent it to the crown prince's residence overnight.

When Yuwen Feiye returned to the inn, his aides immediately went up to him and asked, "Third Prince, how is it? "

Yuwen feiye's eyes were sharp as he said, " Hmph, that Zhou Anping insisted that he used the milkvetch flower."

An advisor with the surname Ma said, "That's impossible!"

Generally speaking, when one obtained such a precious item, they would definitely think of giving it to someone who could bring them great benefits.

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Advisor Ma thought for a moment and said, “Third Prince, is it possible that Zhou Anping sent the flower to the Crown Prince? ”

“Impossible!” Yuwen Feiye seemed to be unable to accept such a guess. He retorted loudly without thinking, “ if the Crown Prince has the flower, why didn’t the crown prince’s residence reveal anything? ” What he meant was that the person he had planted in the crown prince’s residence had not given him any feedback on this matter.

However, even though Yuwen Feiye denied this guess, he knew that this was the most likely possibility.

Yuwen Feiye was so angry that he threw everything on the table to the ground.

“Detestable!”

“Your Highness, please calm your anger!” The three aides immediately advised, “ the most important thing now is to find a better gift than the flower for the Emperor at the end of the year!

“Other than a thousand-year-old ginseng, what other gift could be better than the milkvetch flower? It’s even harder to get a thousand-year-old ginseng!”

The milkvetch flower could only make people younger, while the thousand-year-old ginseng could save their lives. Relatively speaking, it was naturally more important to save their lives!

“Your Highness, I heard that more than 20 years ago, Lin’s Medicine Hall in Qingfeng city went bankrupt because of a thousand-year-old ginseng in Lin’s medicine manual.” Advisor Ma said.

“So what?” Advisor Jiang said, “the Lin family disappeared without a trace more than 20 years ago. Where are we going to find the thousand-year-old ginseng unless we can find the missing Lin family members?”

“No, I heard that four months ago, the young master of Lin’s medicine Hall appeared in Qingfeng city. Furthermore, if we were to calculate the time, it should have been right before the auction for the milkvetch flower by the Guang Juyuan auction house.” advisor Ma said.

“so, brother ma, what you’re saying is that this milkvetch flower is very likely related to the young master of the Lin family? So, not only does he have the milkvetch flower, but he also has the thousand-year-old ginseng?”

Advisor ma nodded and said, “that’s right! third Prince, ” he turned around and called out to Yuwen Feiye, “since young master Lin appeared four months ago, as long as we follow this lead, it won’t be difficult to find the ginseng!”

Yuwen Feiye listened to the discussion. He sat on the table and rapped on it with one hand. “then do as you say. Find the young master of Lin’s family from twenty years ago!”

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Lin Deshan and Zhou Xingfa’s subordinates arrived at Qing Feng city in a hurry.

Because the whereabouts of Zhou Xingfa’s subordinates had been leaked, they were immediately watched by people the moment they entered the city, and they immediately reported to their respective Masters.

“You mean Lin Deshan has really come back to Qingfeng city?” Chen Shanbiao sipped his tea and asked slowly.

“Yes, Master.” The servant reported.

“Oh, it seems like even though Zhou Xingfa and Lin Deshan haven’t contacted each other for 20 years, their friendship hasn’t changed at all!” Chen Shanbiao said, ” as soon as he heard that Zhou Xingfa was in trouble, he rushed back without clarifying the whole story. This kind of loyalty is really touching.”

The servant did not speak. He only bowed and listened to Chen shanbiao’s next instructions.

Chen Shanbiao said, ” continue to keep an eye on him. If Lin Deshan can really take out something good, let the people in the dark immediately snatch it.”

“Yes!”

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“What did you just say?” The owner of Zeng’s medicine shop threw the cup in his hand angrily. “say that again!”

“Master, Lin Deshan, and Zhou Xingfa’s subordinates have safely entered the city!” The reporting servant was trembling with fear.

When the family head was angry, he would usually vent his anger on the servants.

“Bang!” manager Zeng picked up a teacup from the side and angrily threw it at the servant’s forehead. blood immediately oozed out, and he cursed loudly, ” you’re really useless! ”

The servant didn’t dare to make a sound, nor did he dare to wipe it. He just lowered his head and let the blood on his forehead flow out.

“You useless thing!” The head of the Zeng family cursed again, ” you can’t even kill a person in secret!

The servant carefully reported, ” the people we sent out were all killed!”

The head of the Zeng family looked at his servant in disbelief. His sinister gaze seemed to want to dismember the servant into pieces, causing the servant's face to turn extremely pale.

“What’s going on?” The head of the Zeng family asked while gritting his teeth.

He had thought that Lin Deshan was hiding in the corner of the mountain village and that it would be easy to kill him.

But now, not only did the people he sent not kill Lin Deshan but they were also killed.

“Is the killer Zhou Xingfa?” The head of the Zeng family asked.

“No!” The servant shook his head.

“Who is it then?”

“Your subordinate is not sure!”

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Zhou Xingfa was pacing around the living room with his hands behind his back.

After a while, a servant ran over in a hurry and reported loudly, "master, he's here, he's here!"

His voice was clearly excited.

Zhou Xingfa's eyes lit up. "Is he really here?"

"yes, master," the servant reported. "Ah Fu has brought him in."

As soon as the servant finished his report, Zhou Xingfa saw Lin Deshan stepping in and immediately went over to greet him. He then clasped his hands and said apologetically, "brother Lin, I'm really sorry!"

He knew that once Lin Deshan returned to Qingfeng city, he would immediately be noticed by his former enemies.

There were also rumors in Qingfeng city that the Lin family's young master had disappeared with the Lin family's most precious treasures, Lin's medicinal manual and the thousand-year-old ginseng.

The Lin's medicine manual recorded the prescriptions that the Lin family's ancestors had developed over the past hundred years to treat various difficult and complicated diseases.

Who knew how many people wanted to get their hands on Lin's medicine manual?

Now that Lin Deshan had suddenly returned to Qingfeng city, who knew how many people would be after him?

Lin Deshan immediately understood. “brother Zhou, what are you saying? If it wasn’t for the fact that brother Zhou helped me twenty years ago, would I still be alive now? Now that brother Zhou is in trouble, how can I turn a blind eye?”

Zhou Xingfa was still embarrassed, ” but this time, even though I need your help, I’m afraid I’ll have to trouble you greatly, brother Lin!”

Lin Deshan pretended to be angry and said, “Brother Zhou, why are you being so polite to me? There is no such thing as a burden. Now that brother Zhou is in trouble, I don’t know if I can be of much help. If I can really do my part to help Brother Zhou out of this predicament, I’ll do it even if I have to use my life in exchange.”

Zhou Xingfa was touched by Lin Deshan’s words, but he didn’t agree with them.

He said, “Brother Lin, please don’t say that. If I really need to use brother Lin’s life to exchange for the safety of the Zhou family, I would rather continue like this until I go bankrupt!”

Lin Deshan smiled helplessly. “alright, Brother Zhou, tell me what’s going on. Let’s discuss the countermeasures and solutions.”

Zhou Xingfa nodded. “brother Lin, please!”

Zhou Xingfa gestured for them to sit down.

After the two of them sat down, they talked about the cause of the incident while drinking tea.

“We had to go back to half a month ago... ” Zhou Xingfa said.

“Half a month ago, the third Prince, Yuwen Feiye, suddenly became an Imperial envoy and came to Qingfeng city to investigate the corruption and bribery of Governor Zhou Anping.

“It turned out that a month ago, the Inspectorate had received a report that the governor of Qingfeng city, Zhou Anping, had accepted a bribe from the great merchant Li Fazhi and two million taels of silver allocated by the Imperial court to save the victims of disasters.

“Qingfeng city is the territory of the crown prince’s maternal uncle. Zhou Anping and the crown prince’s uncle, ye Songyang, are in-laws. Zhou Anping’s first wife’s daughter married ye Songyang’s second wife’s son, so they were a match of equal social status.

“Thus, in his anger, the Emperor ordered the third emperor, Yuwen Feiye, to be the Imperial envoy to investigate the matter.

“As soon as Yuwen Feiye arrived, he immediately captured Zhou Anping’s family and threw them into prison. Then, he sent troops to surround the governor’s mansion. Not even a fly could escape.”

Zhou Xingfa had no way of knowing the current situation of the governor’s family.

Zhou Xingfa and Zhou Anping were related by blood. Zhou Xingfa’s grandfather and Zhou Anping’s grandfather were cousins, and Zhou Xingfa and Zhou Anping had been on good terms since they were young.

After Zhou Anping was promoted to the governor’s office, Zhou Xingfa’s business development was closely related to Zhou Anping.

After Zhou Anping’s incident, those business partners, customers, officials, and nobles did not dare to do business with Zhou Xingfa for fear of getting into trouble.

As such, Zhou Xingfa’s *guang juyuan* auction house was completely deserted, and its business plummeted. If this continued, it might never rise again.

He had no choice but to think of Lin Deshan, who had sold him the milkvetch flower.

This was because Lin Deshan had made a condition when he sold him the flower. He had also promised that they would cooperate further in the future.

Who didn't understand what that meant?

Wasn't he just telling Zhou Xingfa that in the future, there might be medicine like the milkvetch flower or even more valuable than the flower for guang juyuan auction house to sell?

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Hearing Zhou Xingfa's explanation, Lin Deshan was full of doubt, and he asked seriously, "Brother Zhou, tell me the truth, did Governor Zhou embezzle the disaster relief money? "

Zhou Xingfa immediately shook his head sternly, " no, brother Lin, trust me. He definitely didn't! The person who reported him is definitely making things up!"

Lin Deshan lowered his eyebrows and asked in confusion, " if he didn't, why did he suddenly get reported? The person who made the report must have evidence to convince the Emperor and make him furious."

Zhou Xingfa shook his head, " I don't know. However, I believe that my brother would not do something stupid like digging his own grave. Brother, he's in-law with the crown prince's uncle. In other words, he's on the crown prince's side. If he really embezzled openly, not only would the Emperor not forgive him, but the Crown Prince would also not be let off easily. Moreover, once this matter came out, the Crown Prince would definitely be greatly affected, which would likely affect the crown prince's great cause. Therefore, my brother would never be so stupid as to embezzle the disaster relief money."

Lin Deshan listened and didn't say much. He seemed to be deep in thought.

Although Zhou Xingfa said that, everyone knew that money could move people's hearts.

Since ancient times, many corrupt officials had embezzled money for disaster relief.

Lin Deshan was familiar with Zhou Anping. He used to think that Zhou Anping was an ambitious and hot-blooded young man.

It was just that they hadn't seen each other for more than 20 years, and he didn't know if this person's personality had changed.

Hence, Lin Deshan could not just listen to Zhou Xingfa's side of the story and believe Zhou Anping.

Lin Deshan said, "brother Zhou, let's not talk about this for now."

Zhou Xingfa also knew that Lin Deshan might not believe everything he said. He said, "yeah."

Then, the two of them fell silent.

After a while, Lin Deshan said to Zhou Xingfa, "brother Zhou, I know that the only way to save the Guang juyuan auction house is to take out a shocking treasure."

As he spoke, Lin Deshan took out a sandalwood box and said, "this is a thousand-year-old ginseng. Brother Zhou, please take it!"

When he heard that the item in the box was a thousand-year-old ginseng, Zhou Xingfa was so shocked that he stood up from his seat. He looked at Lin Deshan in disbelief and said in a trembling and excited voice, "Brother Lin, is this... this... a thousand-year-old ginseng inside?"

He had guessed that Lin Deshan would bring him some kind of extremely precious treasure to help Guang juyuan tide over its crisis, but he had never thought that it would be a thousand-year-old ginseng, a treasure that everyone in the royal family wanted.

Lin Deshan nodded. "that's right. It's a thousand-year-old ginseng!"

Zhou Xingfa's hands trembled as he opened the box. Then, he saw a fully grown white ginseng lying inside.

Zhou Xingfa's Zhou family had been running the auction house for decades and had long trained a pair of sharp eyes. With one look, he confirmed that this was a genuine thousand-year-old ginseng.

With this thousand-year-old ginseng, Guang Juyuan auction house's reputation could be reignited, and their business could return to its previous prosperous state.

However, Zhou Xingfa immediately put down the box and pushed the ginseng back. He shook his head and said, "Brother Lin, no, this is too precious. I can't accept it!

Lin Deshan pushed the things back to Zhou Xingfa and said, "Brother Zhou, this is a small gift from me to help you. You can't reject it!

Zhou Xingfa looked at the box, and his eyes showed that he was tempted, but he still refused, "brother Lin, I know that this thousand-year-old ginseng is your Lin family's heirloom. How can you sell it? So, brother Lin, you should take it back. I'll think of another way!"

Lin Deshan shook his head with a bitter smile. "brother Zhou, I'm afraid you've misunderstood. This thousand-year-old ginseng isn't my Lin family heirloom. When my father was sick, I gave the Lin family's heirloom to him. However, my father was angry at me for wasting the Lin family's heirloom and refused to take it. After that, the remaining ginseng roots were stolen by that servant."

Zhou Xingfa was even more surprised when he heard that.

"then, this..." he wanted to ask about the origin of this ginseng.

Lin Deshan smiled and said, " Oh, this ginseng is from my precious granddaughter."

Zhou Xingfa was taken aback. He said in surprise, " your precious granddaughter? Brother Lin... you actually have a granddaughter?"

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Lin Deshan smiled. “yes, I already have a granddaughter.”

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In front of the entrance of the Fortune Inn, the largest Inn in Qingfeng city was a very low-key and inconspicuous carriage.

As soon as the carriage arrived, a man dressed in black, like a guard, walked out of the inn.

He bowed and cupped his hands towards the carriage. “master!”

Then, Lin yuelan got off the carriage with the help of Cai Xia and Ming Yue.

Lin yuelan didn’t want to cause any commotion because of her appearance. After all, Qingfeng city wasn’t a small county.

Qingfeng city was a bustling city with many hidden talents.

She had come here for Lin Deshan, and she didn’t want to be targeted by other forces and get into trouble.

They entered the guest room of the inn.

“Master, the old master arrived at Qingfeng city at a quarter to eight this morning. Once he entered the city, he went straight to the Zhou mansion, where Guangju Yuan’s boss, Zhou Xing, made his fortune and had yet to come out. Guard Ming has been secretly following and protecting the old master.” Lin Xuxing reported.

Lin yuelan sat at the table, calmly listening to her subordinate's report.

“Also, ” Lin Xuxing continued to report, ” guard Ming and I discovered that the old master was being watched the moment he entered the city!”

Lin yuelan coldly asked, ” who is it? ” She was asking who had their eyes on Lin Deshan.

“It's Jin Juyuan auction house's Chen Shanbiao, and Zeng's medicine store's owner Zeng Yongming!”

Lin yuelan lightly tapped the table and immediately ordered, ” guard Xing and guard Ming, continue to protect grandfather in secret. Guard Jie and guard Song, immediately investigate the grudges between grandfather and the Zhou family, Jin Juyuan auction house, Zeng's medicine shop, and Zeng Yongming in Qingfeng city. I want to hear the results of the investigation before nine O 'clock tonight!

“Yes, master!”

However, Lin Xujie was a little puzzled and asked, ” master, should we inform the old master that master has come to Qingfeng city? ”

Lin yuelan shook her head and said coldly, ” no need! Since grandfather had rushed over from anding County, he must have his reasons. We just need to watch from the side and protect his safety. There's no need to get involved!”

“Yes, master!”

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At the official post house, Yuwen Feiye sat in the main seat, listening to his subordinate's report.

After hearing their subordinate's report, the three advisors immediately cried out in excitement, ” Your Highness, the heavens are truly helping Your Highness. I didn't expect that the young master of the Lin family, Lin Deshan, would come out of nowhere!”

Advisor Ma said, "Your Highness, I heard that Lin Deshan returned to Qingfeng city because the boss of Guangjuyuan auction house, Zhou Xingfa, invited him to come back."

Yuwen Feiye was confused. "Why did Zhou Xingfa ask him to come back?"

Advisor Jiang said, "I heard that after Zhou Anping was imprisoned, Zhou Xingfa's largest auction house in Qingfeng city suffered a huge blow. If I'm not wrong, Lin Deshan might have a treasure that could bring Zhou Xingfa's auction house back to life. That's why Zhou Xingfa traveled so far to get him to help."

Yuwen Feiye said excitedly, "So, Lin Deshan really does have the thousand-year-old ginseng!"

Advisor Jiang nodded and said, "That should be right."

However, Yuwen Feiye was still confused. "Will Lin Deshan give it to him?"

The three aides immediately frowned and seemed to be in deep thought.

After that, Advisor Ji said, "Your Highness, regardless of whether Lin Deshan will give the thousand-year-old ginseng to Zhou Xingfa, what we need to do now is to find out how we can get it from him."

Fei Ye smiled arrogantly and said, "That's simple. I'll just send two people to catch him in secret."

When the three aides heard this, they looked at each other and said, "This..."

They felt that this method was a little inappropriate, but Lin Deshan was a man without any power or background. It was indeed the best way to arrest him.

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“Master, this is the result of the investigation!” Lin Xujie showed the information to Lin yuelan.

Lin yuelan took the files and quickly flipped through them. Then, she asked, ” is that all? ”

Lin Xujie replied, ” yes, master! More than 20 years ago, the old master was the eldest young master of the largest medicine shop in Qingfeng city, Lin’s medicine shop. At the same time, he was also the inheritor of Lin’s medicine shop. However, twenty years ago, Lin’s medicine shop was framed. People died from consuming the medicine. After that, a vicious cycle followed. The wrong judgment of the incompetent officials and the framing of the enemies led to the death of the Lin family’s head. The Lin family was broken and destroyed. The old master hid in the Lin family Village and became an ordinary small medicine shop owner.”

After a while, Lin yuelan closed the file and asked softly, ” who was the one who framed grandpa’s family? “

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When Lin Xujie finished his report, he said, "master, we have found out that the people who were chasing after old master were the guards of the Zeng family from Zeng's medicine shop!"

Lin yuelan's face turned cold. After a moment of silence, she made a decision and said, "guard Jie, inform manager Lin to come to Qingfeng city immediately after he has arranged everything in Lin's medicine shop in Zhou Shan city!"

When Lin Xujie heard such an order, his cold expression immediately flashed with surprise. He said, "master, what are you doing?"

Lin yuelan nodded and said, "that's right! I want Lin's medicine hall, which disappeared twenty years ago, to appear in front of everyone in Qingfeng city again. I want everyone to know that the Lin family has returned for revenge. I want the enemy who framed grandpa's family twenty years ago to live in fear every day!

"I'll make them pay for what they did to grandpa's family 20 years ago!"

When Lin Xujie heard this, he couldn't help but feel excited. He immediately replied, "yes, master, I'll do it right away!"

Lin yuelan then ordered, "the situation in Qingfeng city is still unclear. Transfer ten guards from the Lin family Village and tell Lin Xuling to train another group of guards. Remember, no matter what kind of person they are, my motto is loyalty and reliability!"

"Yes, master!"

Lin Xuling was the second-in-command of the guards. After Lin yuelan's guidance and training, his martial arts improved by leaps and bounds. Lin

yuelan arranged for him to be the head instructor of the Lin family guards.

Every day, they would secretly train the guards. After training a group of guards, they would be transferred outside. As for where they would be transferred to, only Lin yuelan and her three great guards: Lin Xujie, Lin Xuling, and Lin Qingsong would know.

After Lin Xujie received the order, he immediately went to execute it.

At this moment, Lin Qingsong reported, " master, it seems that the third Prince, Yuwen Feiye, has his eyes on the old master!

Lin yuelan's expression turned cold, " Oh? Yuwen Feiye?"

Lin Qingsong nodded and replied, " that's right. Zhou Anping was reported for corruption and bribery, embezzling hundreds of taels of silver for disaster relief half a year ago. As such, the Emperor has ordered the third Prince, Yuwen Feiye, to investigate this matter on behalf of the Imperial envoy."

Lin yuelan was very interested. "Oh, then why is it the third Prince, Yuwen Feiye, and not the Crown Prince, Yuwen Yuyu? "

Lin Qingsong revealed what he had found out and said, " Qingfeng city is the territory of the crown prince's maternal uncle. In order to prevent the Crown Prince from having any selfish motives, His Majesty sent the third Prince, who is at odds with the Crown Prince!"

Lin yuelan said with understanding, " it seems that being the Emperor is not simple. Every day, he has to work hard to balance the power of all parties."

Lin Qingsong didn't dare to speak.

"Continue!" Lin yuelan said indifferently.

Lin Qingsong continued, " on the surface, the third Prince is investigating Zhou Anping's corruption, but in reality, he is secretly looking for the milkvetch flower!"

“Milkvetch flower?” Lin yuelan frowned slightly and repeated, ” they are looking for the milkvetch flower?!”

Lin Qingsong nodded his head and replied, ” yes. Your subordinate heard that the third Prince is planning to present this to the old Emperor as a New Year gift for the Royal feast at the end of the year!”

“It seems like the milkvetch flower is the cause of the trouble!” Lin yuelan muttered.

When Lin Qingsong heard this, he was instantly stunned and curious. He didn’t understand. What did this have to do with the flower?

Lin Qingsong saw that Lin yuelan did not say anything, so he continued, ” four months ago, this flower was bought by the richest man in Qingfeng city, Li Fazhi, from the guangjuyuan auction house at a high price of 150000 Liang. Then, he gave it to Governor Zhou.

“When Yuwen Feiye heard about this, he wanted the milkvetch flower. However, he had searched the entire governor’s manor and could not find it. There was no result from interrogating Zhou Anping either.

“However, a few of Yuwen Feiye’s aides guessed that the flower might have been sent to the crown prince’s residence.

“Therefore, the third Prince and the others wanted to present an even more precious gift to the Emperor. They were reminded of the legend of the Lin family from twenty years ago.”

“The legend of the Lin family from twenty years ago?” Lin yuelan asked indifferently.

“That’s right.” Lin Qingsong said, ” legend has it that 20 years ago, the Lin family had two family heirlooms. One of them was Lin’s medicinal manual, which had been passed down for 100 years. This was the foundation of the Lin family’s 100-year standing. The second is a thousand-year-old ginseng.

“However, these two items have disappeared without a trace along with the disappearance of the Lin family’s eldest young master.”

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“Right now, the third Prince, Yuwen Feiye, and the others are after the thousand-year-old ginseng that might be in the hands of the Lin family’s eldest young master. And the Lin family’s eldest young master is our old master, Lin Deshan!”

Lin yuelan knocked on the table and sneered sarcastically, ” it seems that the situation in Qingfeng city will change with grandpa’s appearance!”

Many forces had their eyes on Lin Deshan, wanting to take the thousand-year ginseng from him.

However, not many people knew the ginseng Lin Deshan had was not the Lin family’s treasure from 20 years ago, but the treasure that Lin yuelan had given to him.

Lin Qingsong looked at Lin yuelan’s disdainful expression as if she was looking down on an ant, and a hot-blooded impulse surged in his heart. This was an impulse to fight and compete.

Lin Qingsong’s expression changed and he said with some worry, ” master, since the old master has been targeted by the third Prince, I’m afraid that the third Prince will directly go to the Zhou mansion to kidnap him. Is it our people...” What he wanted to say was that they simply didn’t have enough manpower.

The third Prince’s guards were meant to protect the royal family’s descendants, so they were naturally incomparable to the guards of ordinary families.

It could be said that he and guard Jie could defeat many other guards, but against the third Prince’s guards, it was impossible for three or four guards to protect their old master and retreat safely.

This was what he was worried about.

Lin yuelan raised her hand and said, " don't worry! As long as they dare to make a move, this lady will make sure that they won't be able to return!"

Lin yuelan had always been a woman of her word. Since his master was not worried, he believed that his master must have an idea to protect the old master.

Lin yuelan suddenly thought of another matter and ordered Lin Qingsong, " go and check if Zhou Anping's Zhou family has any relationship with the Zhou family in the capital."

"Yes, master!" Lin Qingsong replied.

The capital, the Defender General's mansion...

Jiang Zhennan and Guo Bing sat opposite each other.

Guo Bing's expression was a little bad as he said, " big brother, the third Prince has been ordered to Qingfeng city to investigate Governor-General Zhou Anping's corruption of the relief funds. Zhou Anping is the in-law of the crown prince's maternal uncle. Is it possible that the third Prince will take this opportunity to pour dirty water on the Crown Prince?"

Although they were not on the side of any of the princes, they still did not want the third Prince to take the throne.

If Yuwen Feiye really had the demeanor and magnanimity of a King, it would be fine. However, not only was this Yuwen Feiye arrogant, but he was also narrow-minded and treacherous.

If a person like him became the king of a country, then the country would be destroyed sooner or later.

This was a scene that they were very unwilling to see.

However, it was impossible for them to openly support a Prince.

Because they were only loyal to the Emperor!

Jiang Zhennan said, " the Emperor would not be so foolish!"

Compared to the third Prince, Crown Prince Yuwen Yuyu was more suitable to be the king of this country.

Guo Bing thought for a moment and said, " although the Emperor wants to balance the three forces, he's willing to turn a blind eye to their open and secret fights. I'm just a little worried. If the balance is broken, will His Majesty still be able to control the entire situation?"

The three forces that Guo Bing mentioned were the crown prince's faction, the Third Prince's faction, and the emperor's eldest grandson, the only son of the former Crown Prince, Yuwen Xuhong.

What he was implying was that when one party's power was higher than the other, there might be unknown situations such as forced abdication.

However, Jiang Zhennan said, "His Majesty is a wise Emperor. I believe that His Majesty will make your own decision! The problem we're worried about won't happen."

Although Jiang Zhennan said this, Guo Bing was still a little worried. After all, the Guo family...

Guo Bing didn't dwell on this matter.

He thought of something and said with a smile, " big brother, don't you think it's funny? the third Prince suddenly sent me a few women."

Jiang Zhennan was silent at first, but then he smiled and teased, " isn't that good? At your age, you really need a few women."

Guo Bing immediately waved his hand in shock. "This is the hardest to accept a beauty's kindness. Who knows if the third Prince is trying to plant some spies around me? That way, no matter where I go, there will be a pair of eyes staring at me. It'll be very uncomfortable."

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The corner of Jiang Zhennan's mouth curled up slightly as he asked, " the Prince has bestowed beauties upon you. How can you reject it? "

Guo Bing immediately stopped talking.

He said a little gloomily, " say, why did the third Prince suddenly go crazy? Why did he suddenly give me a few women? If there's a reward, it should be given to big brother."

At this point, Guo Bing's expression suddenly froze.

He instantly figured it out.

The third Prince was trying to make use of him to get close to his real target.

He wanted to make use of Guo Bing to build a good relationship with Jiang Zhennan.

Everyone in the capital knew that the young master of Duke Guo's mansion had a very good relationship with Jiang Zhennan of the general's mansion.

Young master Guo had always listened to Jiang Zhennan. He rarely even listened to Duke Guo's words. He only listened to general Jiang Zhennan.

Jiang Zhennan's image to the outside world was that he would not get close to anyone and had no friends, but he did not refuse young master Guo's approach. He was even extremely tolerant.

In this regard, there were even rumors that Jiang Zhennan was gay.

The young master of the Guo family had a clean face and beautiful facial features. He was even more beautiful than a woman. With such a beautiful man around him, he would probably be reluctant to refuse.

Of course, this was just a rumor.

Jiang Zhennan and Guo Bing didn't pay any attention to it, nor did they take it to heart.

But the Guo family was different.

As the young master of the Guo family and the youngest son of Duke Guo, Guo Bing was very precious. His older brothers and sisters also raised him like a son because of their age difference and loved him very much.

Unlike the other families fighting for favors, status, and power, the Guo family was very loving.

Listening to the rumors outside, Duke Guo was so anxious that his hair turned white. He was afraid that his beloved youngest son would really be gay. That would be terrible.

Therefore, Duke Guo's family strictly forbade Guo Bing from entering and leaving the general's residence and even forbade him from having any contact with Jiang Zhennan.

Later, it was Guo Bing who anxiously explained to his family that he and Jiang Zhennan were purely superior and subordinate friends. Moreover, neither of them liked men, so how could they have any romantic relationship?

However, the Guo family didn't listen at all. They all thought that Guo Bing's words were just an excuse. They kept him at home and didn't let him out.

Later on, Jiang Zhennan went to the battlefield. Guo Bing's biggest dream was to be like the legendary Zhuge Liang on the battlefield, full of

strategies and making the enemy retreat step by step. He wanted this kind of pride and a sense of achievement.

Therefore, Guo Bing escaped from home and returned directly to the battlefield to fight side by side with Jiang Zhennan again.

This time, the Guo family was even more anxious.

On the one hand, he was worried about Guo Bing's safety, and on the other hand, he was worried about Guo Bing and Jiang Zhennan's blossoming romantic relationship.

Later, the Guo family sent the Guo family's guards to protect Guo Bing's safety and report to the Guo family about the relationship between Guo Bing and Jiang Zhennan.

After hearing the report of the assassin, the Guo family truly believed that Guo Bing and Jiang Zhennan were indeed superior and subordinate. For this reason, the Guo family also secretly breathed a sigh of relief. Finally, Mother Guo didn't have to worry every day about her son being carried away by Jiang Zhennan. She didn't have to be criticized by others.

Later, when the news of the young master of the Guo family chasing after his lover Jiang Zhennan spread in the capital, the Guo family immediately came out to protect him.

“You guys know nothing. My youngest son is Jiang Zhennan's military counselor. If he doesn't follow Jiang Zhennan, is he supposed to follow you guys to chase after some random woman?”

When everyone heard the Guo family say that young master Guo was actually going to be Jiang Zhennan's military counselor, they immediately fell silent. They were even curious and confused.

What they were curious about was that the young master of the Guo family had become a military counselor!

He was also puzzled. How could the young master of the Guo family be a military counselor?

The Guo family retorted once again. Their darling had been smart and intelligent since he was young. He had read a lot of books and had a thorough understanding of military tactics. Why couldn't he be a military advisor?

Jiang Zhennan had won many battles based on the strategies given by our family's baby. He had proven himself to be a great counselor.

Later, when everyone had truly confirmed that the young master of the Guo family was indeed the military counselor by Jiang Zhennan's side, no one dared to spread rumors about his sexual orientation.

It was normal for a general and a military counselor to be inseparable.

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