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Zhou Wencai looked behind Liu Qi and was disappointed when he did not see Liu Jiayi.

Liu Qi shook his head and said, "Yin 'Er has been arguing with me recently. She doesn't want to hang out with me anymore."

"Oh, why is that?" Zhou Wencai asked curiously.

Liu Qi said, "Actually, this has something to do with the girl you saw. For some reason, Yin 'Er became very close to her. When we sent her back to the Lin Family village, I heard how she was the village jinx from the villagers. Therefore, I wanted Yin 'Er to stay away from her."

"However, Yin 'Er doesn't want to listen to me. In the past, she would listen to me, but now she doesn't even want to talk to me." Liu Qi smiled bitterly.

Ever since he returned from the Lin family Village, he and his sister had stopped interacting with Lin Yuelan. However, Liu Jiayin often wanted to sneak out to find Lin Yuelan.

Liu Qi was afraid that something might happen to his sister, so he didn't dare to let her go to the Lin family Village alone. Hence, as soon as Liu Jiayi made a move, the servants would report to him, and he would stop her. That was why his sister was angry with him.

Actually, Liu Qi did have some reflection after the message from Lin Yuelan. Smart people do smart things, and stupid people listen to stupid people.

Although everyone in the Lin family Village said that Lin Yuelan was a jinx, what did it have to do with him and his sister, and what did it have to do with the Liu family?

First, he wasn't going to marry Lin Yuelan.

Second, he and his sister weren't related to Lin Yuelan. She wouldn't jinx them.

As for what happened to Lin Mingqing, if Lin Yuelan really was to blame, then it was because Lin Mingqing and Lin Yuelan came from the same bloodline. Therefore, he didn't mind being friends with Lin Yuelan. But as for what kind of friends he would have to see first.

As for why he didn't let Liu Jiayin go to Lin Yuelan...

The reason was simple. The Lin family Village was too far away, and it was too dangerous for a girl like Liu Jiayin to go alone.

"Oh?" Zhou Wencai asked curiously, "Do you two actually know that young lady?"

"Yes." After that, Liu Qi told his friends about how he and his sister met Lin Yuelan.

Zhou Wencai burst into laughter when he heard that and said, "Brother Liu, miss Yin 'Er is really too cute and too straightforward. But the young woman is a kind person to be friends with Yin 'Er even after what Yin 'Er did."

He wasn't that interested in Lin Yuelan at first, but now that he heard she was friends with Liu Jiayin, he wanted to meet this little lady who was causing a commotion in town.

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When little twelve heard those people gossiping about Lin Yuelan, he was so angry that he wanted to go up and shut them up or give them a few slaps. However, he was stopped by Lin Yuelan.

Little twelve was so angry that his face turned red. He said angrily, "miss Lin, why are you holding me back? I must teach them a lesson!"

Lin Yuelan said indifferently, "Almost everyone in the town is talking about me. Can you stop the whole town? Plus, they are not really causing me harm. I'm used to this already."

Lin Yuelan learned that when she was in the apocalypse. If she had the time to care about gossip, she'd rather go out hunting.

Why would she stoop to their level?

Lin Yuelan would just ignore these things.

They could say whatever they wanted, as long as they didn't come in front of her to point at her nose and scold her.

Just at that moment, four people angrily walked up to her. The leader of the group was a man with a big head and big ears. He pointed at Lin Yuelan and cursed, "you little brat, I've been waiting for you."

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When Lin Yuelan saw the man's face, she burst out laughing.

She was not the only one. When little twelve and the people around him saw the men's faces, they also laughed.

Their faces had the mark left behind by Lin Yuelan with the special paint two months ago. It said, "I'm a robber!"

Of course, most of the people were illiterate, but that didn't mean that the words on the men's faces would disappear. Therefore, most people found this to be very funny.

"What are you laughing at?" the chubby man glared at the people around him and said fiercely, "laugh again, and I'll tear your mouths off!"

This man was known to all the townspeople and those who had been to town.

This man was the number one hooligan in Ning An town. He was the self-proclaimed king. Apparently, he had a powerful backer. It was said that he had a younger sister who married the county Magistrate as a concubine, so even the mayor of Ning An Town had to give him face.

After scolding the people around him, he glared at Lin Yuelan and continued to curse, "you wretched girl, you've made me wait for two months. You've finally appeared. I'll skin you this time. If not, my name is not Wang Bapi!"

Lin Yuelan giggled again when she heard the man's name. Wang Bapi translated to Dummy in the future. The name was too funny.

"Wretched girl, what are you laughing at?" Wang Bapi roared.

Lin Yuelan spread out her hands and said innocently, "Erm... Young master Wang, I have no grudges with you. Why do you want me to die?"

Wang Bapi pointed at his face and said loudly, "Girl, look at my face. Don't you remember what you did? Stop quibbling with me. I'm telling you, if you don't kneel down and kowtow to me a hundred times today, don't even think about leaving Ning An town!"

Lin Yuelan sneered at Wang Bapi, then said with a serious expression, "young master Wang Bapi, is there something on your face? What does it say?"

"I'm a robber!" A thin boy beside Wang Bapi shouted. That was because he also had the statement, I'm a robber written on his face.

Someone choked on his own saliva. "Cough cough..."

Lin Yuelan nodded and said, "Oh, so young master Wang is a robber. But..." Lin Yuelan asked innocently, "Do you have to announce that in public? Aren't you afraid that you'd be dragged to the court?"

Wang Bapi was so angry that he slapped the skinny kid beside him and scolded loudly, "who told you to say that? Now everyone knows we are robbers."

Lin Yuelan, "... Are these people blind? Do they not see the crowd around them? Is it really okay for them to say they're robbers so openly?"

However, Wang Bapi immediately reacted and said, "No. Damn girl, I almost fell for your trick again." He was almost tricked into admitting that he was a robber in public.

Wang Bapi pointed at Lin Yuelan angrily and said, "wretched girl, you're the real robber. You stole my money and even wrote on my face. Do you think I'll let you off so easily?"

When Lin Yuelan heard this, she suddenly said sternly, "Young master Wang, you said that I stole your money and even wrote on your face. Do you have any evidence? Although I am an orphan with no one to rely on, I won't let others bully me as they please."

If they were in the modern world, there might still be surveillance footage, but there was no such thing in ancient times. Furthermore, back then, Lin Yuelan purposely dealt with them in the alley where no one was angry.

Hearing Lin Yuelan, Wang Bapi was so furious he almost vomited blood.

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This was Wang Bapi's usual trick, but Lin Yuelan used it on them.

He was really infuriated!

Wang Bapi roared, "you're the one who robbed me of more than 100 taels of silver. My three brothers can be my witnesses."

Lin Yuelan snorted and said, "Do you think your words are the evidence? In that case, I can also say that you robbed me. My brother can testify for me too." Lin Yuelan pulled little twelve out.

Although little twelve was confused, he was smart and nodded his head. "Yes, I can prove that you stole my sister's money."

"Nonsense!" The thin man who had been slapped earlier argued angrily, "We clearly failed to rob you, but you robbed my brothers' silver!" However, when he finished speaking, he immediately reacted and thought to himself, 'oh no!'

He had basically confessed.

Lin Yuelan immediately sneered and said, "young master Wang, is that the testimony you speak of? You were the ones who tried to rob me!

"Besides, I can't be the one who wrote the words on your faces. The entire Lin family Village knows that I'm illiterate, so how could I do that? Don't just accuse me. I know you have plenty of enemies. Perhaps one of them did it, and you're trying to blame it on me."

Lin Yuelan refused to admit to anything. She wanted to see what they'd do.

Wang Bapi really wanted to tear Lin Yuelan apart.

This despicable, glib, and shameless woman was the most difficult woman he had ever met.

However, Ning An Town was his territory. He could do anything he wanted. No matter how sharp her tongue was, she wasn't going to escape.

Wang Bapi angrily pointed at Lin Yuelan and said hatefully, "You wretched girl, how dare you to play tricks on me in Ning An town? Today, you have to come with me even if you don't want to. I'll see what you can do to me."

Little twelve immediately stood in front of Lin Yuelan and said angrily, "if you want to take miss Lin away, you have to get past me first!"

Lin Yuelan rubbed her forehead helplessly.

She had expected that after the Lin family Village's vigorous publicity, everyone in town would know that she was the famous jinx and she had been reborn with divine power two months ago. Therefore, she was prepared for everyone's contempt and ridicule.

However, she did not expect this to happen.

These four ruffians had been taught a lesson before, but they still hadn't learned their lesson.

Wang Bapi looked at the honest-looking, well-built young man in front of Lin Yuelan and laughed, "haha, this jinx actually has a hero to protect her. That's funny!"

Then, his expression changed. He shouted sternly, “Hmph, since you want to be a hero, then be prepared to pay the price! Brothers, let’s go and capture this adulterous couple! I’m going to teach them a good lesson. We have to let them understand who the king of Ning An Town is!”

With a wave of his hand, a dozen men immediately surrounded Lin Yuelan and little twelve.

Just as Little Twelve was about to make his move, he suddenly heard a loud voice. “Wait!”

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Jiang Zhennan, Guo Bing, and the other three listened to Lin Yuelan’s words and planned to go up the mountain to hunt. After all, there were a lot of them, and they needed meat.

However, they also had another plan. They were going to chop some wood to make some bed boards.

The four of them walked along the small path towards Mount Da Ao when the sky was slightly bright.

On the way, they met some villagers who had come out early. They were carrying some water and feces. It seemed like they were going to water and tend the fields.

The villagers still hid away from them, but they didn’t point at the men anymore.

A woman in her fifties or sixties, carrying a bucket of feces, happened to meet Jiang Zhennan and the others.

She was startled and looked behind them. When she saw that there was no one else behind them, she was relieved. However, she still looked around with panic and fear. After making sure that Lin Yuelan had not followed them, she heaved a sigh of relief.

However, she still walked past carefully because the four men were quite harsh-looking too.

Guo Bing and the others held their breath as the woman walked past. It was too smelly.

Suddenly, the woman put down the bucket of feces and stood in front of them. She asked in a low voice, “Sirs, do you know that wretched girl?”

Jiang Zhennan furrowed his brows slightly. He was a little confused as to who the “wretched girl” she was referring to was.

Before they could answer, they heard a series of curses.

“That wretched girl is really bold to bring several men home. She must be at that itchy age already. What a lecherous woman. She has lost all the face of the Lin family Village...”

“Shut up! Who are you?” Jiang Zhennan said angrily. “What right do you have to scold Lady Yue ‘Er like this?”

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Jiang Zhennan, Guo Bing, and the rest were filled with disgust and anger when they heard the woman claimed to be Lin Yuelan’s former grandmother.

Guo Bing said to Li Cuihua with a fierce expression, “get out of the way. Do you know how stinky you are? Your body stinks, and your mouth stinks even more!” If they weren’t at Lin Family village and killing someone would bring trouble to Miss Lin, he would have drawn his blade to kill this stinky old woman already.

Li Cuihua turned pale. She said in disbelief, “Are you calling me smelly?”

Guo Bing said in disgust, “You are holding a shit bucket and standing in our way. Are you trying to kill us with the stinkiness?”

Guo Bing couldn’t win an argument against Lin Yuelan, but he could win others easily.

Even Li Cuihua, who was very good at acting shamelessly in the village, was scolded until her face turned green and red.

Li Cuihua dared to block the men because the village chief had kept them and did not drive them away. This meant that the men wouldn’t do anything to harm the villagers.

The villagers had always been repulsed by outsiders, especially those who looked fierce. Jiang Zhennan and his men definitely fitted the bill. They held big knives and had fierce faces. The villagers were afraid of them even if they just looked at them.

Plus, they were brought in by Lin Yuelan. Some of the villagers couldn’t stand this.

Lin Yuelan was fast growing out of their control. They were unhappy and wanted to hinder her, especially Li Cuihua.

Li Cuihua and Lin Yuelan seemed to be at odds with each other. Whenever Lin Yuelan did well, Li Cuihua would feel bad.

Therefore, the only way for her to feel good was to make sure Lin Yuelan suffered.

Jiang Zhennan and the other five men were brought back by Lin Yuelan. They were definitely going to help Lin Yuelan. Her life would get better and better. How could Li Cuihua allow that?

Therefore, early in the morning, she watched their movements from a distance. When she saw Lin Yuelan heading towards the village entrance, she was delighted.

When Lin Yuelan wasn’t around, she would sow discord between Lin Yuelan and the four men. Then, they would hate Lin Yuelan and leave her. That wretched girl would return to being alone. How great would that be?

It was a pity that Li Cuihua didn’t understand how Lin Yuelan and Jiang Zhennan had met each other, nor did she know Jiang Zhennan’s identity.

Therefore, she basically asked for an insult when she slandered Lin Yuelan before them.

Li Cuihua wanted to scold back, but when she saw Guo Bing and the others’ fierce expressions and fierce and unkind eyes, she immediately returned to her senses. She was so scared that her face turned white, and her eyes were suddenly filled with fear and uneasiness. She moved to the side, making way for them.

When Guo Bing, little three, and little six passed by Li Cuihua, they still glared at her with anger in their eyes. Li Cuihua was so frightened that she immediately lowered her head and shrank to the side.

"I really didn't expect that Miss Lin would have such a tragic past." After walking a few steps, Little Six looked at the small path in front of him and sighed.

They thought when Lin Yuelan said her parents didn't want her, she meant that she had been abandoned because she was a girl. However, from what Li Cuihua said, Miss Lin had actually been kicked out of her family three years ago because a Taoist priest said that she would curse her husband.

Because of this, miss Lin was loathed and despised by the Lin family villagers. She was even bullied.

Three years ago, Lin Yuelan was just a nine-year-old girl. Besides a small thatched house that could slightly shelter her from the wind and rain, she had almost nothing. She had no food and no money. At the time, she really had to eat the wild grass by the roadside.

"Miss Lin has such a hard life," Little three agreed.

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Guo Bing's expression was serious, and his eyes were dark. He started to understand why Lin Yuelan was so obsessed with money. This was because she grew up without money and food.

Guo Bing said pitifully and sympathetically, "I have no idea Miss Lin is a jinx. She was chased out of the family when she was young and was bullied by her so-called relatives. It's really sad."

Jiang Zhennan walked in front and didn't say anything. However, from his clenched fists, one could tell how much anger he was suppressing. He used great willpower to control his emotions and not lose his temper at a shameless person like Li Cuihua.

When he thought of the vicious words he had just heard from Li Cuihua's mouth, anger welled up in his chest. He was extremely angry.

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Earlier...

"What right do you have to scold Lady Yue 'Er like this?"

Facing Jiang Zhennan, Li Cuihua suddenly felt afraid. However, she immediately mustered up her courage and said, "I used to be that wretched girl's grandmother. That damned jinx causes my family to be miserable. Why doesn't she die? Her existence is a scourge!"

"You're the scourge!" Guo Bing suddenly roared at Li Cuihua in anger. How could there be such a vicious grandmother in this world? She not only cursed her own granddaughter but she also went around actively ruining the girl's reputation. She was really inhuman.

Li Cuihua was shocked by Guo Bing's roar and suddenly took a few steps back. Her face was also filled with fear and panic. However, she hadn't achieved her goal, so how could she leave so easily?

Li Cuihua's eyes darted about, and her previous arrogance and shrewdness were gone. Then, she said to Guo Bing a little carefully, "Warriors, one look, and I can tell that you are tricked here by that wretched girl. You don't know the truth about her, so I'm doing this for your own good."

Guo Bing pretended to be curious and asked, "May I know what you mean, Auntie?"

Li Cuihua thought that they were hooked, so she immediately said excitedly, "To be honest with you, that girl was born to jinx us. Our Lin family has been unlucky for eight generations to have such a jinx.

"Ever since that girl was born, our Lin family has been through all kinds of misfortunes. It caused our family's Dazong to fail the Imperial scholar examination. Also, my second daughter-in-law gave birth to two worthless daughters. And my fourth son couldn't find a wife for so long...

"All along, it was the jinx who had been cursing us.

"If not for a Taoist priest who pointed her identity out three years ago, my family would be in a worse state today..."

As Li Cuihua grumbled about Lin Yuelan's faults, Jiang Zhennan and the others' brows furrowed tighter and tighter.

Li Cuihua continued, "You guys don't know this, but three years ago, this wretched girl harmed the son of the village chief's family, Lin Mingqing. His title was revoked, and his marriage was annulled too. He's now lying in bed all day, needing his parents to take care of him. Tsk tsk, luckily, my family has chased the jinx out, or else we'd suffer the same fate as Lin Mingqing."

Guo Bing frowned slightly and asked, "Was the village chief's son an elementary scholar three years ago?"

From the village chief's attitude towards Lin Yuelan last night, it was obvious that he didn't hold any grudges against her. If this matter were really caused by Lin Yuelan, no matter how magnanimous a person was, he wouldn't be able to act as if nothing had happened.

Therefore, there must be a different story behind this.

Jiang Zhennan suddenly asked sharply, "What did the village chief's son do for lady Yue 'Er to end up like this?"

Li Cuihua was immediately enraged. "It's because Lin Mingqing was so nosy and stopped us from executing the jinx! They deserve that they got!"

When the few of them heard Li Cuihua's words, their pupils suddenly shrank.

Executing the jinx?

For real?!

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Jiang Zhennan suppressed his anger and asked coldly, "How did you plan to deal with Miss Yue 'Er back then?"

From the beginning to the end, Jiang Zhennan had always referred to Lin Yuelan as Miss or Lady Yue 'Er. If Li Cuihua was smart, she would have left after noticing that. Then, she wouldn't be in trouble. It was a pity that Li Cuihua was not smart.

When Li Cuihua heard Jiang Zhennan's question, she said angrily, "It's embarrassing that my family has a jinx. However, once she is dead, the Lin Family will be able to enjoy peace and quiet.

"Anyway, she was just a little girl. If she's dead, so be it. It's best that she dies so that my family is not harmed. We'll just announce to the public that there was an accident.

"However, that brat actually dared to run out to call for help. She brought the village chief and his son over. Lin Mingqing saved that wretched brat with just a few words.

"I'm actually very happy that Lin Mingqing has ended up like this. That's what he deserves for being a busybody!"

Three years ago, it was Lin Mingqing's fault that the jinx survived, so Li Cuihua was very glad that Lin Mingqing was a cripple now.

Jiang Zhennan and the men were shocked. They couldn't imagine how despairing Lin Yuelan must have felt when her closest family wanted to kill her when she was only nine. If this were any other girl, they would have killed themselves already.

Li Cuihua didn't notice the anger in the men's eyes and continued, "You guys don't know this, but ever since Lin Mingqing's incident, all the villagers hated the jinx to the core. When the villagers were unhappy, they would go to look for her. Even the children in the village would bully her for fun." The more Li Cuihua spoke, the more excited she became. She was so excited that she was almost dancing with joy. She completely ignored the expressions of the people in front of her. They were as dark and terrifying as a storm.

"That wretched girl deserves to have a lowly life, to be defiled and disdained by others..."

"Shut up!" Jiang Zhennan shouted in anger.

Li Cuihua's voice halted. When she saw the ugly expressions of the men, her face immediately turned pale, and she immediately shut up!

"Get lost!" Guo Bing said in annoyance.

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The journey to Mount Da Ao continued.

Jiang Zhennan would never have thought that someone's fate would be so similar to his.

However, no matter what, he was still the legitimate son of the Zhengguo court. Even though they hated him, the servants didn't dare to do anything to him. He was abandoned by his father but it couldn't change the fact that he was the future heir of the Zhengguo Court. As long as the Emperor didn't strip him of his inheritance right, no matter how much his father disliked him, it couldn't change the fact that Jiang Zhennan would inherit Zhengguo court in the future.

This was something everyone in Zhengguo court knew. Therefore, although the servants were very contemptuous and disdainful of this young master who had no mother's love and father's love, they did not dare to lay a hand on him.

They would only treat him poorly in terms of material goods. For example, they would not give him food or give him plain soup. Or, in the middle of winter, they would not give him a quilt or a heater...

After Jiang Zhennan was assigned a side courtyard to live his life, his life became more difficult. However, Jiang Zhennan only saw it as training.

In comparison, Lin Yuelan had it much worse. Lin Yuelan was bullied both physically and mentally. Just how tenacious her mental constitution must be to survive until now?

Jiang Zhennan clenched his fists tightly, and his blue veins bulged. The purplish-black blood vessels seemed to be on the verge of exploding at any moment.

Guo Bing and the others were lamenting the tragedy of Lin Yuelan's fate. Lin Yuelan, they knew, was so clever, knowledgeable, and loved money. She was agile, strong in martial arts, and also had a special technique that no one understood.

In fact, Lin Yuelan they knew was completely different from the young woman the old woman described.

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Based on what they knew of Lin Yuelan, even if the soldiers wanted to fight her, they might not be able to win, so how could the normal villagers bully her?

Plus, it sounded like the villagers kicked and punched her until she couldn't get up. This didn't seem right.

Furthermore, from the first time they met Lin Yuelan, she had been moving freely in the deep mountains and wild forests. She was not afraid of those fierce beasts at all. Even the king of beasts had become her mount. How could she not have money and food to eat? This didn't make any sense.

Lastly, the villagers were clearly afraid of Lin Yuelan. At first, they thought the villagers were afraid of them, but now they understood they were really afraid of Lin Yuelan.

These didn't add up.

Guo Bing said with a serious expression, "boss, the Lin Yuelan we're seeing now is not the one that the old lady described. What's going on?"

Lin Yuelan had saved their lives, but Guo Bing was afraid that...

After all, they met Lin Yuelan for the first time in the mountains. Could things really be that coincidental? If what the old woman said was true, Lin Yuelan was a coward and would never go up the mountain alone.

Guo Bing suspected that Lin Yuelan had been replaced and the Lin Yuelan they met might be a spy from an enemy country. He suspected their first meeting was not a coincidence. It was a scheme arranged by

the enemy. The enemy would know the route they took, so they had set up this trap. Then, Lin Yuelan would be able to infiltrate their ranks and break them down from within.

As Jiang Zhennan's military counselor, it was understandable for Guo Bing to speculate about everything, but...

If Lin Yuelan knew about his guess, she would probably sneer and say disdainfully, 'You really need to have your brain checked!'

Jiang Zhennan's sharp eyes under the mask narrowed slightly as he looked in the direction of Da Ao Mountain. He then said coldly, "Guo Bing, please don't make wild guesses without any evidence. After all, lady Yue 'Er did save us. That is a fact. We can't be ungrateful.

"Besides, if Miss Yue 'Er is our enemy, don't you think she would have killed us already? Why would she keep us around?"

Guo Bing snapped out of it and patted his head. "Boss is right. I'm just making wild guesses."

Jiang Zhennan's sharp eyes stared at Guo Bing. "Make sure this doesn't happen again!"

Guo Bing quickly raised his hand and nodded. "Of course! There will be no next time! But..." He asked in confusion, "What is going on with this sudden change in Miss Lin then?" The other two soldiers were puzzled too.

Jiang Zhennan said sharply, "Judging from the reactions of the villagers, something must have happened that we don't know about. We will be living in the Lin family Village for a while. I believe we will know the truth soon."

Guo Bing and the others nodded in agreement.

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Lin Yuelan didn't ask Little Green to monitor Jiang Zhennan and his men before she left, so she had no idea what had happened.

Instead, she looked at the young master who had suddenly appeared to defend her. She had no idea who would dare to come and help her.

Based on the young master's clothes, he should be a rich young master with some power.

Then, she spotted Lu Qi, who was following behind the young master. Lin Yuelan understood it then.

Liu Qi nodded slightly at Lin Yuelan, and Lin Yuelan also nodded back at him as a form of greeting.

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Wang Bapi looked at the young master who had suddenly appeared. It was someone he didn't know. In that case, it meant that the young master didn't have any power in Ning An town. So, Wang Bapi didn't need to be afraid of him.

Wang Bapi might be a hoodlum, but he was a discerning person. He would remember those in power. Therefore, he knew who he could offend and who he couldn't.

This was also the reason why he had been safe and sound even though he had dominated Ning An Town for a few years. The commoners were afraid of him, and the mayor even turned a blind eye to his actions.

After all, Wang Bapi had a powerful backer. The people in power would let him be to please Wang Bapi's brother-in-law.

"Who are you?" Wang Bapi immediately asked sternly when he saw the busybody.

Zhou Wencai opened his folding fan and winked at the women in the crowd. Many women flushed and lowered their heads in embarrassment. 'This young master is so handsome. He's even more handsome than the eldest master Liu!'

Zhou Wencai said, "my name is Zhou Wencai. Sir, why are you bullying the weak in public? You even wanted to drag this miss away by force. Do you still have any respect for the law?"

Wang Bapi thought for a moment and was very unfamiliar with the name Zhou Wencai. In that case, he didn't need to worry.

He burst out laughing. His subordinates laughed as well.

Immediately after, Wang Bapi's expression changed, and he shouted in a mocking and sarcastic tone, "young master, I don't care if your name is Zhou Wencai or Li Wencai. I advise you not to meddle in other people's business." Then, he said loudly, "I'm telling you, in Ning An Town, I am the law. So, if you don't want trouble, leave immediately!"

Zhou Wencai wasn't intimidated by the threat at all. He still asked with a grin, "Oh, are you the law? Why is that the case? What about the town mayor?"

Wang Bapi raised his head and said arrogantly, "I'm the county magistrate's brother-in-law! Even the mayor doesn't dare to touch me."

Zhou Wencai's hand holding the folding fan paused for a moment. He asked curiously, "You're the county magistrate's brother-in-law?!"

Wang Bapi thought that this young master was afraid, so he immediately turned his head arrogantly to the side and said, "of course. My sister is the magistrate's eighth wife!"

Only then did Zhou Wencai come to a sudden realization. "Oh, so your sister is the county magistrate's eighth concubine." Then, Zhou Wencai spat at Wang Bapi. He cursed, "You dare to call yourself the law simply because your sister is the county magistrate's eighth concubine? I'm telling you. If you drag these two away, I will make sure your sister will be demoted to a servant instead. Do you want to try me?"

'This son of a bitch dares to use my dad's name to act like a tyrant in this small town. It seems that father's eighth concubine is a bit too arrogant despite her position. Since she is such a hidden threat, I might as well deal with her and her family now.'

Lin Yuelan had been observing Zhou Wencai. When she heard his words, she immediately guessed his identity.

However, she did not quite understand why this eldest young master Zhou would suddenly meddle in her business. Could it be because of Liu Qi?

Although Lin Yuelan was a little suspicious, she was happy to watch the show since someone was willing to deal with this on her behalf.

Wang Bapi was made furious by Zhou Wencai. He pointed at Zhou Wencai in a rage and shouted angrily, "You ... You shameless braggart. Do you think you can scare me with your empty words? Today, I am going to teach you a lesson for your father..."

Zhou Wencai's gaze turned sharp as he hollered in rage, "What did you say? Are you going to teach me a lesson on my father's behalf?"

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"Of course! Since your old man won't teach you manners, I will do it on his behalf!" Wang Bapi immediately shouted.

With a snap, Zhou Wencai folded his folding fan. He stared at Wang Bapi's eyes with an ambiguous smile. Instead of anger, he laughed. Immediately after, he called out to someone, "Xiao Tong, come here!"

Immediately, an adorable 11 or 12-year-old boy with a round face, a round head, and a slightly round body squeezed through the crowd. He bent over and put his hands on his knees. He asked, panting, "young master, what's the matter?"

Zhou Wencai noticed the grease on his face and said in a slightly disdainful manner, "how many chicken legs did you eat just now? Look at your greasy face. Bring it over."

Xiao Tong immediately said, "Five chicken legs." Then, he took out a paper bag from his arms unwillingly and said reluctantly, "young master, I only have this chicken leg left. Can I not hand it over?"

Zhou Wencai smacked the child's head with his folding fan and lectured him, "Eat, eat, eat. All you know is to eat. Look at you. What do you look like now? Even pigs aren't as fat as you."

"But I love to eat." Xiao Tong lowered his head and said softly, "Also, I'm not as fat as a pig."

Zhou Wencai seemed to be a little angry as he said, "you still dare to talk back. You're so caught up in your gluttony that you didn't even realize your young master is being bullied."

Xiao Tong's heart trembled. He looked around with a sharp gaze and shouted, "who is it? Who dares to bully my young master?"

"It's him!" Zhou Wencai pointed at Wang Bapi and said, "this person wants to teach me a lesson on Dad's behalf!"

Xiao Tong was furious. He walked up and grabbed Wang Bapi's collar. He wasn't as tall as Wang Bapi so he yanked Wang Bapi down to shout at him. "Who are you to teach our young master a lesson on the county magistrate's behalf? Do you want to die?" Then, he threw a punch at Wang Bapi's face.

Xiao Tong was surprisingly strong because his punch sent Wang Bapi flying to the ground. There was a loud thud. The ground was covered with bluestone bricks. This was a tragedy for Wang Bapi. He didn't wear many layers since it was summer. The ground was hard, so his fall injured him immediately.

However, the real tragedy was what Xiao Tong told him.

Zhou Wencai was actually County Magistrate Zhou's only son?!

Even the surrounding crowd was shocked.

"This young master is actually the county magistrate's son. No wonder he's not afraid of offending Wang Bapi."

"Haha. Wang Bapi has lorded over us all this while because his sister is the magistrate's concubine. But now he's really done for."

"I heard that the county Magistrate only has one son. He adores his son a lot. To think that Wang Dapi dares to offend his son. He even wanted to teach the young master on the magistrate's behalf. He must be crazy!"

Wang Bapi's subordinates immediately escaped. They didn't care about the screaming Wang Bapi on the ground. They only worked for Wang Bapi because Wang Bapi's sister was the county magistrate's concubine. However, this time, Wang Bapi had directly offended the magistrate's son. Wang Bapi should consider himself lucky if the magistrate didn't tear him apart.

This was Wang Bapi's fault for finding trouble with the young master.

Everyone knew that Wang Bapi's days were numbered.

Therefore, those who had been bullied by Wang Bapi in the past finally found an outlet to vent their anger. They began to punch and kick him.

Lin Yuelan pouted and was about to leave with little twelve.

"Hey, lady," Zhou Wencai immediately called out to Lin Yuelan, "I've already rescued you from your predicament. Aren't you going to thank me?"

Lin Yuelan said with a smile, "Young master Zhou, I didn't ask you to rescue me. Even if you don't come to my rescue, I can save myself."

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Zhou Wencai choked. Indeed, he was the one being the busybody.

But...

Zhou Wencai was immediately displeased. He said, "Hey, young lady, how can you be like this? No matter what, it's a fact that I've dealt with Wang Bapi for you. Since that's the case, it's not too much for you to thank me, right?"

Lin Yuelan nodded and said, "Alright. Thank you, young master Zhou for helping me out. I'm busy. Can I leave now?"

Zhou Wencao immediately felt stumped. 'Is she immune to my suave charm? Why else would her eyes not light up when such a handsome young man comes to her rescue? Why doesn't she throw herself at me like any other woman? This is not the ending I expected after saving the damsel in distress. Has my charm failed?'

Zhou Wencai winked at the women around him again.

However, looking at the red and shy faces of the girls proved that his charm had not declined.

Since it wasn't his problem, it meant that there was something wrong with this woman's taste.

"Miss, didn't you notice?" Zhou Wencai looked at Lin Yuelan and said, without rhyme or reason.

Lin Yuelan was stunned. She was confused. She asked, "What do you mean?"

"Didn't you notice that the person in front of you is a handsome, suave, and dignified man?" Zhou Wencai said in a narcissistic manner, "Why would you want to leave in such a hurry? Aren't you going to give yourself to me? Do you know how many women are clamoring to marry me?"

Lin Yuelan rolled her eyes speechlessly. 'This narcissist.'

Lin Yuelan immediately said sternly, "young master Zhou, please be careful with your words! If a girl really begs you to marry her and you refuse, do you know how damaged that girl's reputation will become? Do you plan for her to be a nun for the rest of her life because of that? So please be careful with your words, young master Zhou!

"As for me, haven't you heard the rumors? I am a jinx who will curse my husband. Even if I dare to marry you, will you dare to accept me?"

The question was sharp, and it caused Zhou Wencai to blurt out, "Of course not!" He still wanted to enjoy life, so, of course, he wouldn't marry a jinx who would curse her husband.

Much later, when Zhou Wencai thought back to this encounter, he wondered if his life would change if he had said, 'he dares'. Would he be given a chance to pursue her then? However, there was no rewind in the world. He had missed on his chance. He could only live with his regrets.

Lin Yuelan chuckled, "Since that's the case, why should I say anything? Young master Zhou, I will take my leave!"

She didn't intend to marry Zhou Wencai anyway. She didn't like his narcissism and his self-belief that he was the most handsome man in the world.

Lin Yuelan took little twelve and left.

Zhou Wencai and Liu Qi were left looking at each other.

Zhou Wencai asked with a confused expression, "Brother Liu, what does she mean?"

Liu Qi had a look of sympathy on his face as he patted Zhou Wencai's shoulder and said, "Brother Zhou, you've just been rejected. You have my sympathy!"

Lin Yuelan didn't say a single word of disdain, but her meaning was clear. She didn't need Zhou Wencai's help. Liu Qi noticed that Lin Yuelan had no intention of currying favor with Zhou Wencai after learning of his identity. This showed her great character.

She didn't suck up to Zhou Wencai. On the contrary, through her conversation with Zhou Wencai, she held herself as his equal.

She was meant for great things in life unless, of course, she was content being a small farmer. Or else she'd eventually move the world!

Therefore, Liu Qi had made up his mind to befriend Lin Yuelan.

Zhou Wencai became even more curious about Lin Yuelan. He looked in her direction and said to Liu Qi, "brother Liu, I say, is this woman really a jinx?"

Liu Qi shook his head and said, "I don't know. No one really knows. However, I know that she doesn't like me in that manner, so I don't have to worry that she will jinx me."

When Zhou Wencai heard that, he scoffed and said, "You're speaking as if she'd jinx me. I won't really want her to marry me anyway. I was just joking with her. Who would have thought she'd take it so seriously and lectured me about it?"

Lin Yuelan was not wrong, but Young master Zhou still felt uncomfortable. He had lost some of his face after being scolded by Lin Yuelan.

Liu Qi agreed with Lin Yuelan. He said to Zhou Wen in a sincere and earnest manner, "Brother Zhou, it's not that I want to criticize you, but I think you better don't go around teasing young misses anymore. After all, this is related to a girl's reputation and integrity. One day, you might cause a girl to lose her life over this."

Zhou Wencai remained silent.

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Lin Yuelan brought little twelve to a cloth shop.

As soon as she arrived at the shop, she shouted, "shopkeeper, do you have canvas?"

When the shopkeeper saw that it was Lin Yuelan, he immediately said in horror, "You are Lin Yuelan from the Lin family Village, aren't you?"

Basically, everyone in town knew Lin Yuelan. The first reason was that Lin Yuelan had brought a tiger to the town. It was simply too shocking. The second reason was that the people at Lin Family Village had been doing a lot of promotions for her.

There were many taboos for businesses in the ancient era. One, they didn't like widows and widowers. Two, they didn't like orphans. Three, they didn't like people with bad reputations, like prostitutes, jinxes, and so on.

They believed these people brought bad luck to their businesses. Therefore, the shopkeepers would kick these people out even if their shops were open for business.

Lin Yuelan nodded and said, "That's right!"

The shop owner's expression immediately changed, and he shrieked at Lin Yuelan, "Get out! Xiangyun Ge doesn't welcome you!"