

Weaponsmith 211

Chapter 211: Having difficulties

That year, this little girl's talent test was conducted in the palace; a well-known truth. That was not some baseless rumor, as the Empress Dowager herself witnessed this event!

Feeling sorry over this matter, the Empress Dowager could not help herself but feel a burst of surprise when she heard Huang Yue Li's words of being able to practise again. Questioning her, she wished to know the answer.

Huang Yue Li merely smiled. Just as she was about to answer, her eyes travelled to a remote corner of the Peach Blossom Orchard. This caused her to stand up immediately.

"Wait! Do not leave like this!"

Surprised, the Empress Dowager asked: "What's wrong?"

Huang Yue Li looked in that direction and shouted: "Empress Dowager, please do not take Imperial Physician Liu away! Li'er just heard him say there is a mastermind behind this whole affair! Let him explain himself clearly, or else the culprit may escape!"

The Empress Dowager turned to see Imperial Physician Liu being dragged away.

She frowned: "How? There is a hidden story?"

Huang Yue Li nodded her head and said: "Your Highness, please consider this ah. Imperial Physician Liu is just an Imperial Physician, so why would he deliberately say that my Second Sister had a joyous pulse? Framing my sister, where is the benefit for him? Clearly someone instigated this from behind the scenes! If this person is not captured today, then my Second Sister would have suffered for nothing!"

Thinking for a while, the Empress Dowager thought this made sense.

"You're right, this.....I'm afraid really is not that simple...."

Taking the chance when the two were discussing this, Empress Shu secretly indicated for the guards to quickly tow the prisoner away.

Who knew, she was still a step too late.

"Your Highness, this is not simple! However, for such an ill hearted person to destroyed your Peach Blossom Banquet, it is the negligence of this concubine! Therefore, please allow for the Ministry of Justice to investigate this affair! While my senior, you should rest your heart and enjoy the blossoms with your full attention!"

Empress Shu was barely smiling, as she tried to convince the Empress Dowager.

Huang Yue Li wrinkled her brows and frowned, "Empress Shu, although you have good intentions, but this thing must be made clear now! My sister suffered so many condemnations, yet you intend to write

it off as a misdiagnosis? Are you even putting Wu Wei Manor in your eyes? I cannot allow for my elder sister to suffer such injustices!”

She spoke with grandeur, in a righteous and awe-inspiring manner.

Even the Empress Dowager had been touched.

“Good! You are a good child, treating your sister really well. This makes Ai Jia feel happy....”

“Second Sister is my relative.....”

“Oh, good child, good child.....”

The Empress Dowager was full of praises for Huang Yue Li.

Empress Shu and Bai Ruo Qi almost vomited blood.

Which little slut was treating her elder sister well? Should it be that she could not wait to kill her own sister?

They did not expect her cheap act to sell so well. Obviously she was the most insidious one, even the Empress Dowager Queen Mother was cheated on their very first meeting!

Experiencing great difficulties, the two people felt nauseous. Like they had just swallowed flies.

Her Highness waved her hand, “Quickly bring Imperial Physician Liu back to Ai Jia. Let him confession the identity of the mastermind! Li’er rest assured, for Ai Jia will definitely seek justice for your sister. Definitely will not allow for her to suffer for no cause!”

Bai Ruo Qi was in tears.

She would rather be wronged! She did not want the Empress Dowager to investigate!

However, those words were spoken by Huang Yue Li. There was simply no room for her to protest!

Feeling hopeful, Imperial Physician Liu’s hatred towards Bai Ruo Qi increased.

Being brought back, he immediately fell on his knees and poured everything out!

“Your Highness Empress Dowager, thank you for giving me a chance and investigate into this matter! Today’s affair of Second Young Miss Bai fainting from blood loss, truly occurred to due drugged wine. But the person who drugged the wine was no other than Bai Ruo Qi herself!”

Chapter 212: Pretending...What sisterly bond!

“What? ! Did I hear wrong?”

“How can this be?”

“Is Imperial Physician Liu crazy? Or did a problem occur with my ears?”

Imperial Physician Liu merely said a few words, and everyone turned to look at each other. The young ladies were so shocked that they momentarily forgot they were in the presence of the Empress Dowager as they all exclaimed aloud.

The Empress Dowager herself was also shocked, "This....."

Bai Ruo Qi immediately jumped up. Pointing at Imperial Physician Liu's nose, she scolded him: "Imperial Physician Liu, you.....you are spitting blood! What do you mean by that? Daring to spout such unfounded lies! Just for the sake of escaping your crimes, you are acting like a mad dog randomly biting people! Her Royal Highness will not believe nonsense such as this!"

Empress Shu also said: "That's right! This is pure slander! Shameless bullying! Not only did you deliberately misdiagnose Second Young Miss Bai, causing her loss of face, you are now biting her again. This Royal wants to ask you, what are you harboring in your heart!"

Kneeling down in front of the Empress Dowager, Bai Ruo Qi cried: "Empress Dowager, please seek justice for me ah! Because of me, Imperial Physician Liu became a persecuted criminal, so he deliberately retaliated and said such words!"

The Empress Dowager frowned, obviously quite confused by this sudden turn in situation.

She felt this was unexpected. The true 'mastermind' Imperial Physician Liu announced, turned out to be Bai Ruo Qi?

This simply does not make any sense? Why would anyone drug themselves?

It seems, like what Bai Ruo Qi said was true; Imperial Physician Liu was seeking revenge.

The Empress Dowager angrily said: "Great courage, coming to this point and you still dare to claim such nonsense! Deceiving Ai Jia like so. You will not shed tears until you see your grave!"

Empress Shu took this opportunity to add: "Guards come, drag this death seeking fool away. Give him a hundred heavy strikes first!"

"Empress Dowager, I am innocent! Wronged ah! I really did not lie, this is all the work of the insidious and vicious Bai Ruo Qi.....wu wu wu!"

Imperial Physician Liu struggled hard, but he was simply no match for the Palace guards.

"Empress Dowager, please allow Imperial Physician Liu to finish his claims!" Huang Yue Li said unhurriedly.

Bai Ruo Qi glared at her fiercely and shouted: "Bai Ruo Li, what do you mean by that? This quack Imperial Physician hurt your sister so miserably, but you insist on helping him? You.....you...do you even consider me as your elder sister?"

A few tears appearing on her tender face, along with slightly red eyes, she looked accusingly at Huang Yue Li.

As the Empress Dowager frowned, Bai Ruo Qi felt proud.

Well, I'll let you pretend this sisterly bond! You can act no longer!

Huang Yue Li reluctantly shook her head and sighed: "Second Sister, how can you say such a thing? Sister, I'm so sad ah.....for I truly hold good intentions.The reason being my insistence of keeping Imperial Physician Liu is all but for my Second Sister!"

"For me?" Bai Rui Qi gritted her teeth, "Do not lie. You just can not bear to see me well right?" Feigning an injured look, Huang Yue Li turned to look at the Empress Dowager.

"Empress Dowager, it really is for the good of my sister. Although Imperial Physician Liu's claims are very discreditable, his lie is very flawed. If we were take Imperial Physician Liu away, what will we do if the mastermind goes and poisons him to death?"

When she heard this, a flash of surprise passed through the Empress Dowager's eyes.

"Li girl, Ai Jia has underestimated you. Thinking so carefully, even taking such things into account."

Huang Yue shyly looked down and modestly replied: "Your Highness is overpraising me."

Chapter 213: The truth behind everything

"This girl isn't too bad. Thinking so considerately for your sister!"

The Empress Dowager smiled at Huang Yue Li and nodded. Turning around, she looked at Bai Ruo Qi with cold eyes.

"Unfortunately, it seems your sister does not appreciate it!"

Bai Ruo Qi not help but shiver. She became aware that her over-eager desire to pull down Huang Yue Li had caused the Empress Dowager to feel repulsed!

In the Empress Dowager's eyes, that little slut became even more innocent, while she became a wicked sister.

Once again, she fell into Huang Yue Li's word pit!

Bai Ruo Qi quickly said: "Empress Dowager, you misunderstood! Qi'er...Qi'er is just too impatient. I know that my Third Sister is doing this for my own good...Third Sister, sister here will apologize to you. You do not mind, right?"

Huang Yue Li replied with a smile: "Ah, do not mind! Since Second Sister is so anxious to know the truth, we can not waste time. Let Imperial Physician Liu continue his confession!"

The Empress Dowager nodded her head, "Precisely! Quickly, bring the person back!"

Bai Ruo Qi anxiously threw glances towards Empress Shu.

Huang Yue Li saw all this happen and said: "Second Sister, if Imperial Physician Liu says anything disrespectful, you can not be too triggered ah! Allow him to finish, before claiming your innocence! Empress Dowager, I am afraid that my elder sister can not control her emotions. So later on, please allow me to complete the questioning!"

Empress Dowager agreed: "Very well, I give you permission! When you are talking, no is to interrupt!"

Unexpectedly, Bai Ruo Qi had lost her cool so easily; completely devoid of any Royal bearing!

From the situation, no matter in terms of bearing, speaking or attitude, this Li girl is vastly superior than Bai Ruo Qi. Worthy of being the daughter of Bai Liu Feng!

Running on her wits end, Bai Ruo Qi almost fainted.

However, the Empress Dowager had passed her commands. She no longer held any power to stop this.

Imperial Physician Liu on the other hand, believed that he was destined to die. And just as he was about to endure his hundred beatings, he truly did not expect for another chance to be given to him!

This time, he did not even give his courtesies and directly tried his best to finish his sentence.

“Three days ago, Second Young Miss Bai asked me to meet her at the teahouse. She gave me a lot of money and asked me to give her a strong medicine that would stimulate blood flow. She then told me that she will frame her third sister at the Peach Blossom Banquet. At that time.....”

“What? Bai Ruo Li?”

“What is going on? This can’t be right?”

“Bai Ruo Qi wants to frame her own cousin, why?”

He just opened mouth and released such a bomb.

One after the other, loud draws of breath echoed through the room.

Even the Empress Dowager could not help but interrupted him.

“You wait, you say Qi’er wished to frame Li’er. So she asked for your assistance?”

“Yes, yes, I heard very clearly! Second Young Miss Bai wished to harm her Third Sister, because her Third Sister made her lose face at Thousand Treasure Pavilion’s auction the other day. Furthermore, Third Young Miss Bai once held an aural agreement of engagement with the Crown Prince. Harboring hard feelings, Second Young Miss Bai.....”

“What? There was such a thing?” The Empress Dowager said in surprise.

The audience also whispered about.

“In this case, it is really possible. I went to Thousand Treasure Pavilion’s auction and such a thing really did happen.....”

“Yes! It is normal to resent the other party for making you lose face right?”

“Then didn’t Bai Ruo Qi deserve it? Just now when she said she wished to reconcile with Bai Ruo Li, it turned out to be false? Such hypocrisy!”

Chapter 214: Why are you so foolish?

“You....baseless slandering!”

Listening to all the discussion and variety of despising eyes, Bai Ruo Qi could no longer control herself and jumped up.

“Your Highness, you must listen to Qi’er. Things are not like this.....”

With large strides, Huang Yue Li walked to her side with a look of concern.

“Second Sister, do not become excited. Did I not tell you just then? No matter what Imperial Physician Liu will say, do not take it to heart. Regardless of his claims, the truth will eventually come to light. No one is wronging you!”

“You.....the person who wants to wrong me, is it not you?”

“Second sister, I have not said anything towards you ah?”

“Enough!” The Empress Dowager interrupted the two, “It was already agreed that Li’er will do the questioning. No one is to intervene! Now settle down for Ai Jia! Whoever dares to speak again, will leave immediately!”

The onlookers hurriedly shut their mouths.

Facing Imperial Physician Liu again, Huang Yue Li spoke with great righteousness: “Imperial Physician Liu, how can you sow dissension, ruining the bond between sisters? I grew up with Second Sister, so our relationship is very intimate. Do you think that a casual few lying words will make us suspect each other? Let me tell you, you are wrong!”

Listening to this, Imperial Physician Liu turned even more anxious.

Feeling resentful for not reaching his expectations, he continued: “Third Young Miss Bai, why are you so foolish? Do you really think that Second Miss Bai is truly good to you? She has been secretly plotting against you, okay? Can you grow some brains, don’t help count the money after being scammed!”

Bai Ruo Qi almost fainted.

In the end who was the scammer and the one helping to count the money?

It’s Imperial Physician Liu himself okay?

This damn girl is so insidious. Not scamming others would be good enough. If she was considered foolish, then are no smart people in this world!

However, no one could hear Bai Ruo Qi’s voice.

With a face full of anger, Huang Yue Li replied with shaking hands: “Do not speak nonsense! How can Second Sister plot against me? Simply nonsense!”

Her attitude stimulated Imperial Physician Liu further.

The more she disbelieved him, the more determined Imperial Physician Liu became to show her the truth!

“Humph, she will not plot against you? Let us talk about today’s affair! If you think about it, did Second Miss Bai personally invite you to drink wine? And then immediately faint? It was no accident! I just do not know why, she was foolish enough to take the wrong glass and drink the drug herself! ”

As Huang Yue Li recalled the events, a look of shock appeared on her face. If she was hit with great force, she staggered and almost fell to the ground.

“Impossible, it can not be.....must have been caused by others. Second Sister did not know her wine was drugged!”

“Oh, you still do not believe? Well, even though there is no evidence, do not feel anything? When you were in poor health, every time you wanted to visit the Royal Palace, you will fall faint with a fever. Do you think it was due to your own health? That was the work of Bai Ruo Qi. Everytime she would come to me for a prescription, hindering your trips every single time!”

“What? How is that possible? You are talking absolute nonsense. You think you can speak without evidence.....”

“Oh well. The last time someone said you were having an immoral relationship with a an, but do you know how you ended up in the back courtyard? It is all because of your Second Sister. She drugged you. As for this sleeping powder....it happened to be me who provided her with it!”

The more Imperial Physician Liu spoke, the more vigorous his tone became. Like spilled beans, he revealed all of the past deeds Bai Ruo Qi conducted against her!

Chapter 215: This is slander!

He was just too angry. He had done so much for the Madam of Valiant Martial Manor and Bai Ruo Qi, but the result? Bai Ruo Qi instantly betrayed as soon as difficulties arose!

Empress Shu as well. Ordering for him to receive beatings without any proof!

Well, since he didn’t have much left for him, then he might as well go for broke and expose everything!

“The banquet ten years ago.....”

“Five years ago that in that Manor.....”

“...”

One affair after the other, one piece after the other, Imperial Physician Liu revealed everything down to the tiniest details!

When these words were spoken, it shocked everyone present!

Even with the Empress Dowager’s command of silence, they could not help themselves but speak out.

“God, these are not real are they?”

“You really can’t see. Bai Ruo Qi turned out to be such a sinister woman! But at the end, why did she go plot against her own cousin?”

“How can you not understand this? Is it not because of jealousy? Bai Ruo Li is the daughter of Bai Liu Feng ah, born a much higher status than her. Though they are both from Valiant Martial Manor, when you compare the two, the difference is like east and west! ”

“In other words, the reason behind Bai Ruo Li’s inability to cultivate, is because of her? Otherwise with the innate talents of her parents, she shouldn’t be a wastrel?”

For this point, everyone had wronged Bai Ruo Qi. Bai Ruo Li’s inability to cultivated mainly originated from her constitution.

However, with things reaching this point, no one will think that Bai Ruo Qi is unrelated to this matter! No matter how she proved her innocence, rumors would have spread through the capital by tomorrow!

As Bai Ruo Qi listened to her various misdeeds being exposed, she became extremely panicked. It was with great difficulty that she barely control her emotions. It wasn’t until the earlier accusation that she finally burst out.

“What nonsense are you talking? This is pure slander, slander! I have not done that! Do not believe that words of that quack!”

“Che! Whether or not it is true, he is still an Imperial Physician. Why would he know so many affairs of Valiant Martial Manor?”

“That right, that right. There are hidden schemes involved!”

As Bai Ruo Qi angrily debated, it did zero effect in proving her claims. In fact, it solidified the her guilty conscience to the crowd!

Huang Yue Li smiled ambiguously, but she kept that smile hidden. For the audience, she collapsed in her seat and began to mutter incoherently.

“Impossible, this is impossible! Whatever you say, I will not believe it!”

Kneeling on the ground, Imperial Physician Liu loudly said: “Empress Dowager, this official swears that he speaks the truth! All this is was caused by Bai Ruo Qi herself, you cannot allow yourself to be cheated by her!”

The Empress Dowager was shaking all over.

With a loud ‘crash’, the cup and dishes were swept to the ground. Smashing to pieces!

“Well, so this is how Valiant Martial Manor treats Bai Liu Feng’s daughter! Did you forget how your title was obtained? If such a thing did not happen, who knows how long Ai Jia would be left in the dark! So the Li girl had been bullied so much in her own home!”

If Huang Yue Li were to lament over her experiences today, the Empress Dowager may doubt the latter, but completely trust her words.

But now, such words originated from a third party; the credibility turned much higher.

Huang Yue Li really did not expect there to be such an unexpected gain.

She merely wished for a dogfight between Bai Ruo Qi and Imperial Physician Liu. But who would expect Imperial Physician's Liu bite to be this good; knowing such large amount of insider informations!

Chapter 216: Making a false counter-charge

The Empress Dowager could hardly believe her ears; she had been made a fool and lied to for so many years!

The fact stood, the Empress Dowager and the Emperor were people who cherished the past. They still very much treasured the friendship with Bai Liu Feng.

After all, seventh level super experts would generally leave their country of birth and set off to the centre of South Sky Region. They were not somebody the small kingdom of South Yue could keep.

Bai Liu Feng however, held quite a lot of righteousness. Due to a friendship with the Emperor from their childhood, he continued to remain in South Yue. It was also due to his presence, that quite a few surrounding Royal Families, absolute hegemon countries, did not dare to provoke them.

After the disappearance of Bai Liu Feng, the Empress Dowager remained very concerned for his only daughter.

In those days, Bai Liu Feng and Bai Liu Jing were the model example of brothers. No one would imagine that she would suffer any abuse, if left under her uncle's care.

When she heard the girl was weak in health, the Empress Dowager became further worried. She did not wish to disturb her recuperation.

How was she to know that the Manor would pull so many underhanded tricks!

However the reality was, the Empress Dowager's care for Bai Liu Feng's daughter was secondary. The main reason behind her extreme anger was the extent of time she had been fooled! More than ten years!

No one liked to be played a fool, say nothing of the Empress Dowager!

This was a capital offense; lying to the Monarchy!

"Empress Dowager calm your anger. I...I really.....can explain....."

Bai Ruo Qi hurriedly kneeled down on the ground as cold sweat rolled down her forehead. Then drop by drop, they splashed onto the ground!

She really did not expect Imperial Physician Liu to be so daring, blabbering everything out.

She was down for this time. Her mistreatment of Third Sister was a criminal offence, and her impression within the Empress Dowager's heart would become sinister and cunning woman. Once it reached the ears of the Emperor, she would no longer have any chance to become the Crown Prince's Imperial Consort!

If things were to advance in severity, might also affect the reputation of Valiant Martial Manor!

She was really finished this time!

Empress Dowager gasped angrily: "Explain? Ai Jia wants to hear how you will explain yourself?"

Bai Ruo Qi bit down her tongue and tears came tumbling down her face.

She said chokingly: "Empress Dowager, you have always treated Qi'er the best. How can you listen to an outsider, then directly condemn Qi'er?"

Looking at her cry, the Empress Dowager fell to a loss.

This was the girl she watched grow up from young. So as the Empress Dowager watched her cry so miserably, she inadvertently became a little shaken.

Did she really wrong her?

Her tone softened a little, "In that case, you must have a good explanation. If you can not explain everything clearly, you cannot blame Ai Jia!"

"Yes!"

Bai Ruo Qi's heart beat quickly as she thought.

She had to find a good reason for today, otherwise.....

Eyes flashing, she came up with a vicious idea.

"Your Royal Highness, there is a saying...I.....Qi'er don't know whether I should say it or not....."

"What happened? Humming and hawing for? Explain quickly, what should I say or not!" The Empress Dowager responded in displeasure.

Bai Ruo Qi glanced at the Huang Yue Li and whispered: "Empress Dowager, Qi'er suspects....that the poisoner today is my Third Sister Bai Ruo Li! Furthermore, she is colluding with Imperial Physician Liu to purposely frame me!"

"What??"

Empress stared at her, disbelief written inside.

"Li'er is your cousin who has been constantly speaking one your behalf today. To suspect her, don't you think you are too heartless!"

Chapter 217: The motive

Huang Yueli was a bit surprised.

Bai Ruoqi unexpectedly came up with this trick. Worthy of being her cousin; smart enough, but also....shameless enough!

In a timely manner, Huang Yueli made a frightened expression. Staring with a pair of innocent eyes she confidently said: "Second Sister, you..... how can you say that? How can I slander you?"

She bit her pinky lower lip, about to burst into tears.

In the Empress Dowager's eyes, her heart felt more pity when she thought of her many years of grievances.

"Li girl, do not be sad. Ai Jia believes you are not such a person! Qi'er, how can you say that about your sister? Ai Jia really did not think you were such a person!"

"Empress Dowager, you are too biased. Qi'er has evidence!"

Bai Ruoqi grinded her teeth, loudly crying out in defense.

"Before Qi'er fainted, she only drank that cup of wine with Third Sister. So she suspects the likelihood of her poisoning the wine is the largest!"

Surprised a moment, the Empress Dowager looked back at Huang Yueli, "Is that true?"

Huang Yueli said: "Yes, we did drink a cup. But it was obviously Second Sister who came to me. The cups and jugs were also provided by her. Furthermore, Second Sister is such a powerful cultivator, how do I have the ability poison her, under her eyes?"

"You mean, I poisoned it myself and drank the poison? Am I stupid?"

Huang Yueli pursed her mouth, a look of innocence plastered.

"I.....you are calling yourself stupid, I did not say..."

Hearing these words, a lot of people could not help themselves and laughed out.

"Pffttt....."

"It's too funny. There are still people who call themselves stupid!"

Red faced, Bai Ruoqi could not believe that a moment's carelessness caused her to fall into Huang Yueli's trap!

"You.....you are mocking me! When Imperial Physician Liu came over, is it not you who suggested the idea of examining via silk sheet? If you do not have ulterior motives, why do you perform such superfluous things? Clearly you and Imperial Physician Liu are in cahoots with each other!"

"What I am colluding in?"

Huang Yueli displayed an innocent expression.

"Second Sister, the examination through a silk sheet was indeed my proposal, but I did that under the consideration for your good name! After all, your area of bleeding...that place..... if the Imperial Physician were to see...."

"What do you mean ? !"

"Besides, I really do not understand why during the examination of silk sheet, Imperial Physician Liu would 'misdiagnose'. Are you implying that he would not misdiagnose if he saw the patient's face? In the end, who is his target?"

A pair of curious eyes, Huang Yueli asked in a very confused manner. She needed Bai Ruoqi to clear these doubts.

Faced with this question, Bai Ruoqi met with a sudden loss of words!

She did not expect Huang Yueli's reaction to be so fast. Once again seizing the flaws in her words!

If Imperial Physician Liu saw Bai Ruoqi and thus did not 'misdiagnose', it would only serve to further consolidate the hidden mastermind. Wouldn't that mean she be unable to break from that suspicion, Bai Ruoqi?

In attempts to gloss over this topic, Bai Ruoqi continued: "In short, only the two of us drank. If the poisoner isn't me then it is her, and naturally I would not poison myself. The suspect would fall to Bai Ruoli and she has quite large motive for this!"

"Oh? What motive?" The Empress Dowager asked.

Everyone also erected their ears.

Bai Ruoqi loudly said: "Bai Ruoli has always considered herself as the fiancée of the Crown Prince. So she wanted to eradicate me, one of her competitors!"

Note: I am going to change the way I write the names, Huang Yue Li → Huang Yueli

Chapter 218: Let's act together

"Wow, two sisters fighting over a man. This is a really rare show!"

"In order to be the Imperial Consort, both have torn their faces ah? Who would you be saying the truth in the end?"

"Valiant Martial Manor face really lost a big deal this time!"

All kinds of whispers echoed. Not only did Bai Ruoqi and Empress Shu's faces turn ugly looking, even the Empress Dowager's turned darker and darker.

She forcefully hit the table, exclaiming: "All of you shut your mouths! Bai Ruoqi, what are you talking about? What competition for the Imperial Concubine! Is this something an upstanding young girl like you should say?"

Bai Ruoqi was startled, and quickly fell to her knees.

She also knew that it was very shameful to say such a thing. But she had lost enough face anyway!

Why can that little slut Bai Ruoli remain virtuous?

Losing face, let's do it together! In all today, she is determined to pour a bucket of dirty water onto Bai Ruoli as well!

Bai Ruoqi disregarded everything and said: "Your Royal Highness, Qi'er also knows this is something I shouldn't say, but if it is not said, we may never know the truth! In recent years, the reason why we did

not allow Third Sister to enter the Palace, was not only because of her poor health. It was also due to countless of ugly things, only hidden because of my father! We were afraid she would do shameful things in the Royal Palace, so.....”

Huang Yueli looked coldly on at Bai Ruoqi’s performance and felt a bit of admiration!

At a time like this, she was able to respond quickly with such a story. Struggling on her deathbed, this sort of psychological quality is really good.

Just.....it is too shameless!

“Empress Dowager, you do not know, but a month ago, Third Sister had a scandal. It occurred in the back garden of the manor and was witnessed by quite a lot of people!”

“When she did such a thing, she was afraid that it would travel to the Crown Prince’s ears and affect her chances of becoming his Imperial Consort. Not only did she intend to harm my standing, she also wished to wash herself clean.”

“Empress Dowager, if this was planned in advance, why does she insist on Imperial Physician Liu’s presences again and again? This is her plot, you can not be tricked by her ah!”

Crying, Bai Ruoqi seemed to be really suffer a great injustice!

Cold faced, the Empress Dowager did not interrupt her, but allowed her to finish.

Seeing she did not speak, Bai Ruoqi bit down and loudly said: “Your Highness, you must take action for Qi’er!”

Huang Yueli let her finish and secretly hooked the corners of her mouth.

Since Ruo Bai love acting so much, then they will act together!

Choking out a few drops of tears, her eyes turned red eyes.

“Second Sister, I really did not expect this. I usually respect you, yet you think of me like this.....it’s okay, I do not want to say anything more. What you want to think, you can think.....”

Saying, she clutched her chest and tottered.

“Li’er, what happened to you? Go and support Third Miss Bai!”

Queen Mother was shocked and instructed the Palace ladies to hold her.

However, Huang Yueli did not give them the chance to hold her. Leaning over the edge, she fell to the ground.

She secretly felt lucky, her pale face instantly bleached; pale as white paper.

“What’s wrong with Li girl? Hurry, get the Imperial Physicians to examine her!”

After a burst of chaos, the Imperial Physicians gave their diagnosis: “Your Royal Highness, Third Young Miss Bai fainted due to a heart attack! This was caused from anger.”

Chapter 219: Carrying another black pot

The events that occurred in the courtyard were not explicitly said out, but of those present, not one did not understand the hidden meaning of those words. That is to say, Huang Yueli's fainting was caused from Bai Ruoqi's shameless remarks!

The Empress Dowager was naturally biased towards Huang Yueli, mainly due to her absence for the past ten years. And the chances of her colluding with Imperial Physician Liu really weren't that high.

However, with Bai Ruoqi's half-true and half-false tearful lamentations, the Empress Dowager became a little puzzled.

Of the two girls, one must be the mastermind; though the likelihood of Bai Ruoqi was much larger. But why would she take such a big risk to frame her younger sister in the Palace? Just how much hatred and resentment was there?

Bai Ruoqi often accompanied the Empress Dowager in the Palace, so she was reluctant to believe that a girl she quite liked would turn out to be such an insidious and sinister viper-like woman.

However, it was during the moment of wavering, Huang Yueli suddenly fainted!

Taking a step back to advance; really more persuasive than what words could accomplish ah!

If Huang Yueli and Bai Ruoqi were to exchange tit for tat, it would solidify the reality of a grudge between the two sisters. If both parties could not tolerate each other, then naturally there would be a hidden reason why.

No matter how reasonable Huang Yueli was, no matter how eloquent, it will inevitably reduce themselves to a bunch of shrews. This would also make it much more difficult to convince the Empress Dowager.

But the tables had completely turned with her loss of consciousness!

To outsiders, unable to accept that her beloved and respected elder sister would be so wicked to her, she fainted in a fit of shock!

As a result, Bai Ruoqi became the wicked one.

Even if both sides held no evidence, with the current situation, coupled with Imperial Physician Liu's allegations, Bai Ruoqi's image had truly become 'a vicious and cousin bullying elder sister'!

The Empress Dowager looked at Huang Yueli's pale face and felt endlessly distressed.

"This child, too pitiful. Entering the Palace for the first time in more than a decade, but to have met with so many things! Obviously kind hearted, but was misunderstood by her cousin.....Imperial Physician Hu, prescribe her some medicine alright?"

Imperial Physician Hu responded: "The Empress Dowager, Third Young Miss Bai's body is not good. Her qi and blood is poor, seemingly to have suffered a very serious internal injury. When this is coupled with long-term malnutrition, it would naturally lead to such a situation."

Hearing this, the Empress Dowager turned even more angry.

Was this not evidence to support Imperial Physician Liu's claims?

If it weren't for Valiant Martial Manor's bullying of the Li girl, how could she, a dignified Manor daughter, be injured and suffer malnutrition?

"This is too much! Hu Yuanshi, give the Li girl a few pills and nurse her back to health. Lacking any rare herbs, you may go directly to the Royal Treasury to retrieve it! Bai Liufeng has saved this Queen's life several times. And what is the result? Not even knowing his daughter is being bullied!"

Hurriedly, Imperial Physician Hu wrote down the prescription and went to retrieve the necessary ingredients.

For this part, the Empress Dowager wrongly accused Bai Ruoqi.

Malnutrition is indeed a reason, but Bai Ruoli had been constantly poisoned from young, so her body really was not that good.

But those obvious internal injuries, in fact were from Huang Yueli's forced attempt to breakthrough to the Defensive Profound Realm that day. But due to her failed attempt, the striking to the breakthrough damaged her dantian.

On this matter, not a dime was related with Bai Ruoqi.

Poor Bai Ruoqi, forced to carry another black pot, but could not get rid of it.

Empress Dowager consoled Huang Yueli and turned her gaze to Bai Ruoqi.

"Your sister has fainted from anger. What else can you say?"

Chapter 220: Empty mouthed protests

Stunned to see Huang Yueli act this away, Bai Ruoqi fell to a loss and did not know how to react.

She really did not think Huang Yueli would resort to such a trick!

It wasn't until Imperial Physician Hu finished Huang Yueli's examination, did she finally react and realised that she was in big trouble again!

This was not the first day of knowing that damn girl, would she really faint? It was nothing more than a deliberate attempt to frame her!

That little slut turned out to be so clever and such a talented actor. To come up with such a move, really left a hundred mouths speechless!

Bai Ruoqi trembled all over. When she heard the Empress Dowager's questions, she bit down on her teeth and used all her energy to kowtow.

"Your Royal Highness, Qi'er is really innocent. Bai Ruoli she...she is faking it. She really isn't..."

“Isn’t what?” Empress Dowager said with a severe tone: “Bai Ruoqi, Ai Jia really liked you before. I did not expect you would be such a sinister girl! Imperial Physician Hu has already diagnosed her with internal injuries. You better honestly confess yourself, was it not you who wounded her?”

“No....no, not me! How could it be me! I did not beat her at all!”

With a green and white complexion, Bai Ruoqi honestly did not know where Huang Yueli’s internal wounds came from.

Furthermore, the last time she went to cause trouble, not only did she fail to hurt Huang Yueli, but was turned into a pig. She really was not Huang Yueli’s opponent!

However, these words could not sound any faker in the ears of others.

Bai Ruoqi was a cultivator at the seventh level of the Qi Profound Realm, whereas Huang Yueli was a wastrel. Bai Ruoqi was unable to defeat her third sister?

Because she could not find an excuse, she began to shamefully deny everything right?

The Empress Dowager’s face became even more ugly, “I did not expect not a single truth to come from your mouth! Ai Jia is much too disappointed in you!”

Feeling her heart turn cold, Bai Ruoqi’s clothes were soaked in cold sweat.

She kowtowed and desperately tried to argue: “Your Highness, you must believe Qi’er! It is Bai Ruoli who framed me. She fancies the position of Imperial Consort, so she colluded with Imperial Physician Liu! Her fainting is also planned. You can not believe her!”

Empress Shu also aided hurriedly: “Yes ah, Empress Dowager, things have yet to be figured out. So how can we determine the cause of Bai Ruoqi’s fainting is due to Qi’er? We must gather all evidence, before determining Qi’er’s sin. Allow Li’er to gather and present evidence. Or it will be empty mouth protests. How does that sound?”

As Imperial Physician Liu listened to this reversal of black and white, he became anxious beyond belief.

“Empress Dowager, this humble servant ensures everything he has said is nothing but the truth! This humble one the witness ah!”

“If you say you are a witness, you are a witness? You are basically in cahoots with my third sister! If you have the ability, why don’t you take out some material evidence?” Bai Ruoqi retorted.

Imperial Physician Liu was temporarily speechless, “This.....material evidence.....?”

“Yes, ah. You claimed that I started framing my third sister several years ago and I have also requested you to do many immoral things. What proofs do you have? Without a shred of evidence, you dare say that you didn’t purposely plot against me?”

Looking at his dull expression, Bai Ruoqi suddenly found some little confidence.

Her meeting with Imperial Physician Liu, were secretly planned. Every time they were very careful, no witnesses or traces behind. It can be assumed.....that there would be no testimonials available to back up Imperial Physician Liu’s claims.

