

Weaponsmith 591

Chapter 591: Men are just like dogs

A vicious glint flashed past in Murong Fei's eyes.

She turned to face Murong Ni and asked, "So there's such a thing? Then do you know what that little lass's name is?"

Murong Ni recalled, "I think she's.... Yue Li? I heard Senior Brother kept addressing her as 'Li'er'."

Li'er.....

Such an affectionate and ambiguous term, it was obvious that only a couple who were passionately in love would use such a name.

Murong Fei was totally unable to link such an addressing term to that cold and aloof Senior Brother of hers!

How would that term ever come out from Li Moying, that cold-like-ice person's mouth? She could not even imagine what kind of situation that would had been!

Jealousy rose to its highest point as it filled up Murong Fei's heart.

She could no longer bear to stay in Murong Ni's room as she found an excuse and left in a hurry.

Murong Fei returned to her own courtyard and started pacing around in the garden. After pacing up and down for several rounds, her heart was still unable to quieten down.

She ordered her personal maid over, "Go, invite Senior Brother Zuo Fangping now!"

Very soon, a man dressed in navy blue robe walked in. He saw Murong Fei's silhouette and immediately strode over.

"Junior Sister Murong, why are you looking for me?"

Murong Fei looked at him and let out a smile, "Senior Brother Zuo, recently I heard that you had successfully mastered the Profound Seven Arsenopyrite Strike, which is one of the most difficult profound skills in our Sect. Congratulations!"

Zuo Fangping was stunned momentarily.

Normally, Murong Fei was a very proud woman, and besides carefully trying to please Li Moying, towards the rest of them admirers, she always held an aloof attitude.

Now that his goddess was smiling at him, Zuo Fangping suddenly got excited.

Could it be that because he had mastered this upper level profound skill and had displayed his innate skill and power, so it made Murong Fei see him in a different light now?

"Thanks to Junior Sister for your compliments. I've been working hard and my luck was slightly better." Zuo Fangping replied modestly but there was still a slight tinge of complacent on his expression.

The corners of Murong Fei's lips were all smiles but the expression in her eyes was still frosty.

Zuo Fangping was a direct disciple of an Elder in the Sect and his innate gift and power was not comparable to Murong Fei, so at his current age of twenty four years old, he had just entered the fifth degree realm's cultivation stage.

However, he was one of the most ardent pursuers of Murong Fei. Although Murong Fei scorned him quite a bit but normally she would not be so stingy and would occasionally give him a few smiles to get him hooked so that he could help her to do the dirty work.

As for now, the reason why she asked for Zuo Fangping was naturally because she had a motive.

Murong Fei conversed slightly with him before changing the topic.

"Senior Brother Zuo, there's a matter which is very important to me. But the battle with West Sky Region is about to start anytime and I'm not allowed to leave the Sect now....."

Murong Fei just started off slightly and Zuo Fangping immediately agreed.

"Junior Sister, don't worry. You don't need to leave the Sect. If there's any matter, I'll handle it on your behalf and I guarantee that you'd be duly satisfied!"

Murong Fei's lips curled upwards satisfactorily.

As expected, men were just like dogs. Once they see a beauty, in order to steal their hearts, the beauty would only need to occasionally let out a smile and a couple of praises and they would do anything for her.

Only Li Moying stood high up alone. Unlike the others, he did not win her favor but yet..... he occupied her mind every single day. She was determined to win his heart!

Chapter 592: Find a chance to kill her!

Thinking about this, Murong Fei's fingers winced tightly on the silk handkerchief.

She tried hard to compose her tone to sound natural, "That's great, with Senior Brother's help, I can rest assured! But this matter requires you to make a trip to South Yue Kingdom and the distance is rather far."

Zuo Fangping didn't hesitate and immediately responded, "No matter. Junior Sister, just tell me what's on your mind!"

Murong Fei replied, "Help me make a trip to South Yue Kingdom and find a young lady called Yue Li. She should be a Young Miss of a rich family in the South Yue Kingdom, around fourteen years of age and her cultivation is just so-so, at first degree realm. She is also the fiancée of the Second Prince of South Yue Kingdom."

Zuo Fangping nodded his head without a doubt.

Very few people knew the fact that Li Moying was from the South Yue Kingdom and most people thought he was an orphan that the Sect Master had picked up. Only a few prominent characters and people closer to him, such as Luo Jiyun, knew his background.

So Zuo Fangping didn't know that fact at all.

He only heard Murong Fei continuing, "... once you find this little lass, find a chance to kill her!"

Zuo Fangping was stumped, "This... Junior Sister, why?"

Murong Fei's expression was calm as she replied coldly, "Senior Brother Zuo, naturally I would have my own reasons, so you're not willing to help me? If you're not willing, I can find other Senior Brothers to help instead."

Zuo Fangping was originally hesitant but when he heard these words, he immediately flustered.

"D...Don't, Junior Sister. Don't find anyone else. This matter is very simple, isn't she just a first degree realm lass? Senior Brother I will settle this matter quickly and cleanly."

There were many male disciples who wanted to win Murong Fei's favour. After all, who didn't hope to become the son-in-law of the Sect Master?

Putting aside her status, just based on Murong Fei's beauty and innate talent, it was enough to make those talents pour their hearts out for her.

Zuo Fangping was very sure that if he didn't take up this task, there would be someone else who would be willing to help Murong Fei. By then, they would be able to show their faces in front of Murong Fei and win her favour.

Zuo Fangping didn't want to give up such a good opportunity to others.

What's more, wasn't it just killing a person/ As a practitioner, whose hand were not stained? The reason for killing wasn't that important at all and he was just asking because he was curious about Murong Fei.

Even if there was no answer, it wasn't important at all.

Murong Fei gave out a slight smile and replied, "Since that's the case, I'll give me advanced thanks to Senior Brother first."

Zuo Fangping stared at the faint smile as he blankly nodded his head.

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South Yue Kingdom.

Valiant Martial Manor.

Huang Yueli had been peacefully cultivating for the past few days and basically she had already refined a large portion of the fire attributed energy within her body and the remaining required quite a bit of time, before she could completely refine all the energy.

So besides cultivating daily, she would also dabble in other work.

Such as refining Profound Weapons, or taking some time out to give pointers regarding cultivation to the people in her manor.

Huang Yueli realised that ever since Mo Yi had arrived, all the people in the manor's cultivation had suddenly made tremendous improvements.

For this, Huang Yueli specially observed quite a bit.

The result was she discovered that under Mo Yi's hand, he used the spartan training method. So whoever who were not able to complete the training mission had to face severe punishment.

In this way, no one dared to laze around and were all training diligently, without a single bit of slack.

Chapter 593: Summoned to the palace

Not only that, Mo Yi had also picked amongst them, few servants with high innate talent and perseverance to become the leader of the guards.

Huang Yue was extremely satisfied with this. No wonder he was the right hand men of Li Moying, no matter what he did, it was enough to make anyone relieved as his arrangement was very well-covered.

In actual fact, Huang Yueli had thought of teaching those servants in the manor herself but unfortunately, she had been busy cultivating and refining armaments so she simply had no time.

Mo Yi had done her a huge favour this time.

During this day, Huang Yueli had just completed her cultivation and barely stepped out of her room when she saw Cai Wei running into her courtyard in a flurry.

"Third Miss, Third Miss, something bad has happened!"

"What's the matter?"

Cai Wei huffed and puffed, "The Palace... there are many people from the palace, a lot of Golden Scaled Guards, saying... saying that they are going to capture you and Sir Mo Yi into the palace. They said Crown Prince and Imperial Tutor pointed you two out, saying the robbery of the Royal Treasury had something to do with the both of you, and... they want to punish you for the crime!"

When Huang Yueli heard this, not only did she not appear flustered, she smiled and said, "Looks like Li Mojun and the rest are severely injured this time, so they could only get down their beds and fabricate accusations! Isn't that simply miserable!"

She had expected this to happen sooner or later.

The day she had made the Royal Treasury collapse, it was because of the self-destruction mechanism which buried the entire Treasury beneath the ground. It was equivalent to losing the entire South Yue Kingdom's capital.

For such a huge commotion to happen, how would the Emperor not raise the alarm?

Although it was peaceful in the Valiant Martial Manor during this entire time, the atmosphere outside had already been turned topsy-turvy.

Golden Scaled Guards were capturing people all over the kingdom in order to find the mastermind who had wrecked the Royal Treasury.

But, this was what she wanted! Only then could her next step of her plan materialise.

Huang Yueli's smile grew deeper.

Cai Wei stamped her feet as she screeched, "Third Miss, how could you still smile at this time! What should we do now?"

Huang Yueli calmly replied, "Do nothing at all. Just make sure the main gate is shut tight closely and all off you continue to cultivate in the manor. I shall make a trip with Mo Yi to the Palace!"

"Huh? But... Third Miss, the Palace is filled with Golden Scaled Guards and the Imperial Tutor is also present! If you and Sir Mo Yi were to enter, if Crown Prince were to resort to underhanded methods to harm you, what should you do?"

"Harm me? He needs to have that potential to do so first!"

Huang Yueli didn't even think anything of it.

The Palace's Imperial Tutor and Emperor's uncle's cultivation were only at the fourth degree realm. Not to mention that Imperial Tutor had been injured by Mo Yi several days ago. Judging from that, his injuries should not have recovered fully yet.

Even if they were to combine their efforts together, they were still unable to defeat Mo Yi.

If they were to really enter the palace, the one who fall into bad luck would definitely not be Huang Yueli!

Under the worrying eyes of Cai Wei, Huang Yueli along with Mo Yi left the manor leisurely.

Outside the manor entrance stood a team of Golden Scaled Guards waiting.

Different from the usual bossy and domineering attitude, these Golden Scaled Guards had heard what happened in the Valiant Martial Manor on that day and no one dared to act rashly on Huang Yueli's turf.

All of them stood upright, not daring to enter directly.

When they saw Huang Yueli coming out, they even bowed politely.

The lead commander got off his steed and went forward to politely ask, "Third Miss Bai, the emperor had a verbal edict to invite you and Master Mo Yi into the palace immediately. I will like to trouble you to follow me to enter the palace."

Huang Yueli raised her brow as she replied, "Then lead the way."

Chapter 594: Shameless as always

Huang Yueli had not expected the Golden Scaled Guards to be so courteous along the way so she couldn't get angry with them.

She wasn't an unreasonable person so when others treated her with respect, she naturally won't make things difficult for them.

Once they've entered the palace, she was brought quickly to the main hall.

From afar, she had already heard the Empress's wailing and howling.

"Your Majesty, oh your Majesty, please seek justice for Mojun!! Mojun.... He's simply too pitiful!"

The Empress cried pitifully.

"My child the Crown Prince had his meridians severed by Li Moying that brat. He had been bedridden for such a long time and it was only after Xue'er finally reached home before he had recovered but we had never expected that he would be harmed by Bai Ruoli, that source of calamity!"

Following that was the Emperor's voice.

"Enough! We still don't know what is the truth yet! What's more, since Mojun had just recovered, why didn't he stay at home to recuperate? Instead why did he create trouble for Bai Ruoli, just what was he trying to do?"

"Your Majesty, Bai Ruoli definitely have something to do with Xue'er incident too..."

In the midst of the sobbing and shouting, Huang Yueli had already strode into the main hall.

Upon hearing the Empress's words, she smiled slightly and cut into her words.

"Your Majesty, why am I not able to understand what you're saying? What happened to the Seventh Princess? Why did you say..... it has something to do with me?"

Empress's crying came to an end spontaneously, and as her eyes were locked dead on Huang Yueli as she spun around.

Gnashing her teeth, she hissed, "Bai Ruoli, you still dare to come here!"

Huang Yueli innocently blinked her big eyes as she replied, "Your Majesty, His Majesty summoned for me, how can I not come? And why don't I dare to come? Earlier when I was at the door, I could hear Your Majesty claiming that I had harmed the Seventh Princess. Where did that come from?"

"You're still pretending!"

Huang Yueli's calm and composed attitude thoroughly infuriated the Empress.

Empress had never thought that this lass had the nerve to deal such a heavy blow to the country's Crown Prince and the Princess and after everything had been brought to light and she had been captured to be condemned, she was showing an unafraid look!

And she still had the cheek to smile!

Empress was raging with fury as she swore in her heart that she would thoroughly torture this lass in order to seek revenge for her two children!

Empress retorted, "You dare to say Xue'er's matter had nothing to do with you? I have already checked things out clearly. That day, Xue'er went to your Valiant Martial Manor hoping to reminisce about the past but in the end.... the minute she came back, she turned into that manner! My Xue'er had treated you as her best friend and looked for you the minute she returned, but how about you? How did you treat her?"

Huang Yueli's look turned chilly.

This empress was indeed as shameless as always, distorting the truth deliberately!

Li Xue'er had looked for her because she treated her like her best friend? There's actually such a close female friend who deliberately interrupt other people's advancement?

Her big eyes grew wide with exaggeration and a confused expression filled her face.

"What did she end up as? I really don't know anything? That's right, that day, Seventh Princess had indeed visited my manor but as I was in closed door cultivation, I didn't have any time to receive her arrival. Seventh Princess... probably treated me as her family so she didn't stand on any ceremony. Not only did she stay at my manor for an entire day, she also taught my servants a lesson, and injured my personal maid. Besides that she also felt that my room needs to be renovated and helped me demolish it. Such a considerate way of thinking of my well-being!"

As her words came out of her mouth, Empress Dowager's voice came echoing from the side.

Chapter 595: What happened to Seventh Princess?

"What's happening? What Li'er meant was.... not only was Xue'er beating up people in the Valiant Martial Manor, she was also throwing things around? Outrageous, as a princess, what happened to her upbringing?"

Huang Yueli spun around and noticed that sitting right in the main hall were the Empress, the Emperor and Empress Dowager who were pulled along to preside over justice as well as the legendary Royal Uncle, whose cultivation was in the fourth degree realm!

Besides that, Imperial Tutor was seated right in front of the Emperor. Although he looked normal, but under Huang Yueli's vicious glare, she could tell that his complexion was still swollen. Obviously the internal injuries within his body had yet to fully recover.

And right in front of the Imperial Tutor was a stretcher where Crown Prince Li Mojun laid. He was unable to sit up but he used his pair of bloodshot eyes to stare viciously at Huang Yueli.

Huang Yueli heard the Empress Dowager speaking out for her so she turned around and gave her a curtsy.

This old lady Empress Dowager, although she was soft-hearted, but in totality, she was considered as a good person.

However when the Empress heard what she said, her rage rose rapidly.

“Xue’er is the princess of the Empress and since the servants in your manor did not treat her well, she helped you by lecturing them, what was wrong with that? Moreover, it is your honour to have the princess visiting your manor. You only care about your own cultivation and left her aside! In your eyes, do you even have any respect for the Royal family’s prestige!”

The corners of Huang Yueli’s lips moved coldly as she secretly laughed in her heart.

This Empress was already a grown woman but she’s still so naïve to think that just based on the Royal Family’s prestige, it was enough to make one bow and bend their knees? Wasn’t she thinking way too much!

In Soaring Heavens Continent, the only way to earn other people’s respect was to use their own power!

Huang Yueli blinked as she replied, “Your Majesty, what you said is correct. Although Seventh Princess attacked the array that I had set up for my closed door cultivation, almost causing my advancement to fail but I didn’t haggle with her on this. After my advancement was successful, I had even sent her away courteously! At least, when she left the Valiant Martial Manor, she was still in one piece. But after she had left, I wouldn’t know what happened during my absence.”

The Empress retaliated, “In one piece? What a ‘in one piece’! What on earth did you do to Xue’er, that she... she would appear in that manner at the palace gates?”

“That manner? What manner?” Huang Yueli asked innocently.

“With that bunch of guards, not wearing.....” Empress was so infuriated that the words blurted out from her mouth!

“Shut your mouth! Empress, what nonsense are you sprouting!”

Emperor gave a hard cough to stop her from talking!

Empress suddenly realised that she had almost narrated that day’s situation!

Li Xue’er’s affair was the biggest scandal in the Royal Family in these past few years and if it were to leak out, she would be finished.

So the Emperor and Empress had been hiding this matter from everyone and even those Golden Scaled Guards whom had witnessed that day’s situation had all been secretly put to death!

Even the Crown Prince did not know that his own sister had such a scandal.

Empress quickly used her hand to cover her mouth, not daring to say a single word more.

However Huang Yueli unforgivingly continued her questioning, “Your Majesty, what happened to Seventh Princess? Please tell me! I cannot be maligned by anyone for nothing! Since you said I had harmed the Seventh Princess, then tell me what happened to her? Otherwise, won’t I be made a scapegoat for nothing!”

“You.....”

Empress really wanted to point her finger at her nose and give her a good scolding but yet she was unable to do so, just because Huang Yueli was right when she said the Empress did not say what had happened to the Seventh Princess yet claim that she had harmed her. Wasn't this purely saying something without thinking?

Chapter 596: Can't be that heaven-defying

Empress was left dumbfounded and unable to reply. At last she responded, "When Xue'er returned from the Valiant Martial Manor, she was found to have both her arms broken and her face was burnt! As for her bodyguards, they had been beaten up and several of them had sustained severe injuries! You dare to say that this has nothing to do with you?"

Huang Yueli maintained her lost look.

"This... I really don't know! At that time, I was behind closed door cultivating for my advancement and Seventh Princess insisted on barging into the room. The result was that she hit against the Profound Energy that I had lost control over during my advancement. At that moment, she had indeed been pushed far away by the Profound Energy that was let loose and she felt quite heavily too. But how can you blame this on me? Besides after my advancement, Seventh Princess immediately went back and I didn't even know she had broken her arms from the fall?"

When Empress Dowager heard these words, her expression turned darker.

She had not known about the scandal between Seventh Princess and the Golden Scaled Guards and had thought Li Xue'er was beaten up in the Valiant Martial Manor and mobilized her troops for a punitive expedition.

Upon hearing the entire matter, she took Huang Yueli's side immediately.

"If what Li'er said was true then it would be Xue'er's fault! To interrupt one when one was in the middle of advancement might lead to death. Xue'er didn't manage to harm anyone but her luck was bad enough to have met with the impact of the Profound Energy and cause her own injury. Instead of feeling remorse, you still have the guts to come and complain to me?"

When the Empress heard what the Empress Dowager said, she secretly gritted her teeth.

The words that Empress Dowager had said was obviously blaming her for her lack of discipline!

How could Empress Dowager be so bias? It was this wretch who had continuously humiliate her Crown Prince and Seventh Princess, and also beaten them to such a devastating manner. It was all that wretch's fault!

Suddenly her eyes glimmered as she subconsciously found a flaw to Huang Yueli's answer.

"Your Highness, don't be cheated by Bai Ruoli! How can you believe when she said she was in advancement? Who does know that at the peach blossom banquet one month ago, Bai Ruoli had just advanced to the Qi Profound Realm nine stage! How much time had passed since then? And she's about to advance? Yet she still dare to claim that she had advanced successfully? Isn't that a blatant lie?"

Empress stared at Huang Yueli, hoping to see her shocked and helpless expression after she had been exposed.

Unfortunately, Huang Yueli still maintain a composed expression except for a glint of ridicule flashing past her eyes.

“Your Majesty, do you think I’m lying?”

“Isn’t it obvious? You’re just fourteen years old and had already advanced to the second degree realm? Even if you’re a sixth grade talent, your cultivation speed can’t be that heaven-defying! Do you really think everyone lack the power of judgement? You actually dare to just say out without considering the consequences!”

“A frog in the well, this is also considered as heaven-defying?” Huang Yueli snickered icily.

In the huge Sects, there were plenty of fourteen year old in the second degree realm!

What’s more, they don’t even require sixth grade talent!

From a person in a small country at the border, it was no wonder that their knowledge was so short-sighted. And no wonder there were few outstanding experts within the country.

Empress had believed that she was lying and kept pressing on, “Stop your blatant lies! Since you’re so awesome and you claim that you’re not lying, then simple enough. Release your Profound Energy and let everyone take a look? If you don’t dare to.... wuuu!!!”

Before Empress could finish her words, she felt a powerful Profound Energy rushing towards her. Her chest became tight and her expression turned pale white immediately, unable to say a single word!

She used her hand and pressed against her chest, unbelieving looking straight in front of her!

Huang Yueli had slightly unleashed the Profound Energy within her but as she didn’t want to expose her true power, she had only unleashed a power equivalent to the second degree realm first stage practitioner’s Profound Energy.

Chapter 597: The real genius

Empress’s cultivation was not high, only at second degree realm first level. Under the attack of Huang Yueli’s Profound Energy, she actually felt ill at ease as the qi and blood in her chest surged and she almost threw up blood.

Unbelievably, she glanced at Huang Yueli, “You.... you really....”

The other people present, too displayed a shocked expression.

Emperor asked astonishing, “This is really.... second degree realm practitioner’s qi! How is this possible? Li’er, you’ve really broken through to the second degree realm?”

Huang Yueli nodded, “That’s right. The day when Seventh Princess came over, I had just successfully broken through. Initially I was thinking that since Your Majesties are both my seniors, I should enter the

palace to inform you of this happy occasion. But because Seventh Princess had almost interrupted my advancement, the Profound Energy within was unstable so during this entire duration, I had been cultivating in secrecy.”

Emperor and Empress Dowager crossed eyes and gave out a joyous expression.

“Fourteen years old and you’ve already broke through to the second degree realm! Even among sixth grade talents practitioners, this is very hard to find! Li’er is indeed Bai Liu Feng’s daughter, your talent is extraordinary!”

Empress Dowager added, “Li’er is really something! Your future is laid with boundless prospects and you’d definitely chase up to your father!”

Hearing the Emperor and Empress Dowager’s praises, Empress’s face had turned steely green!

Li Xue’er had been stripped of the Princess title and had been impounded in the isolated palace. Even the Empress was not given a chance to see her.

So what they knew was after Li Xue’er had went to find trouble with Huang Yueli, she had ended up in that state. But they did not know the actual events that had happened!

She had never thought that Huang Yueli had coincidentally just broke through to the second degree realm on that day?

The few of them felt something bad was going to happen.

Huang Yueli’s innate talent had originally surpassed Li Mojun and she had even taken a step forwards and broke through to the second degree realm! In this way, she had already left the Crown Prince behind. As for Li Xue’er and the others, they were far more inferior!

As her power grew larger, it would become more difficult to deal with her!

Originally their intent was to use this opportunity to force Huang Yueli into a dead end. Even if they were not able to give her a death sentence, at least they should be able to lock her in the prison and secretly deal with her.

But who would have expected that there was such a plot twist?

Such a talented young lady was a huge asset to the entire South Yue Kingdom. She was also the future hope for invigorating the country so Emperor would definitely not bear to sentence her heavily!

As expected, after Emperor and Empress Dowager had showered her with praises, the look they gave towards Huang Yueli had turned even more amiable.

“Li’er, I have now understood the situation that you had explained. Xue’er was indeed too much. The consequences of interrupting one’s advancement is very serious. It is normal that you are upset with her and as for her getting injured from the reserve impact of your Profound Energy, she can only blame herself for her own rashness.”

Empress could tell that the Emperor had no intention of pursuing the matter and hurriedly added, “Your Majesty, we have yet to investigate the true facts of this matter yet! Even if Xue’er was at fault in the

first place, I am not blaming Bai Ruoli for hurting her. But she cannot do such things to Xue'er, isn't that throwing our Royal Family's face onto the ground to stomp?"

"This... Li'er, don't blame me for being calculative, but this matter, you absolutely must give me an explanation!" Emperor immediately became hesitant.

Huang Yueli maintained her innocent look.

"Your Majesties, you had mentioned this several times that I had harmed Li Xue'er! I really don't know what's going on? Can't you make it any clearer?"

Chapter 598: Done something shameless

With this, Empress was once again held back.

That's right, why did she forget again, if that shameless thing that happened to Li Xue'er were to spread out, the consequences would be dire! In future, who would dare to marry Li Xue'er?

Empress had been hoping that Li Xue'er would be able to join the big family in Sky Cloud City, find a good husband and help the Crown Prince add some points to his status!

However, she was not willing to let Huang Yueli off so easily.

Just as she was hesitating, Huang Yueli spoke out.

"Your Majesty, is there something that you cannot speak off? Or it is something difficult to say out? Otherwise shall we do it this way? Since you insist that I had harmed Seventh Princess, why not ask her out and have a confrontation directly! Otherwise, get her bodyguards! I have a straight foot and is not afraid of a crooked shoe!"

The Empress hesitated again.

Confrontation? How could she confront?

Ever since Li Xue'er got into that matter, she had always been locked up in the isolation palace and her emotions were obviously not stable. If they were to get her to the main hall, it was possible that the minute she opened her mouth, she would narrate everything out right away!

In this way, how was she going to maintain her reputation?

As for those bodyguards..... in order to hide the secret that Li Xue'er had lost has chastity, the Emperor and Empress had already ordered those men to death on that fateful day! Now where were they going to look for witness?

Empress looked at Huang Yueli's expression that resembled a smile and yet not a smile and knew that she must be ridiculing her from the depths of her heart, and that angered her even further.

After half a day, she could only force this sentence out, "Xue'er..... ever since the day that Xue'er returned injured, she had been recuperating quietly. How can we let her come out and be agitated by

you! As for those... those bodyguards, all of them have their duties so how could we just ask them out from their official work, just like that?"

Huang Yueli couldn't help but let out a sniggering sound.

"Your Majesty, isn't what you said just too funny? Seventh Princess reported against me but don't dare to come out to confront me! As for those bodyguards, they also don't dare to come out and face me. Just based on this, you still dare to claim that you're not slandering me? Otherwise, could it be that Li Xue'er had done something shameless and don't dare to show her face?"

"Wh... What something shameless? You.... Don't you dare to sprout words blindly?" Empress's face turned pale white as she denied vehemently.

Huang Yueli retorted, "Since it's nothing shameless, then why are you hemming and hawing? Since Empress Dowager is also here, why not just invite Seventh Princess here and let Empress Dowager to preside over justice for us!"

Empress Dowager frowned as she had long tire of their endless bickering.

At this moment, she immediately continued, "What Li'er said is correct! Empress, since you maintain what you had said, why not just ask the person involved to come out and tell the truth? I have heard that Xue'er's skin was burnt. As a practitioner, she should have recovered after so many days of rest so go and ask her to come to the main hall."

Saying that she turned her head and commanded, "Men, go and invite Seventh....."

"No!"

Empress hastily stood up and stopped the eunuch who was preparing to send the order.

Empress Dowager felt something was amiss and the expression on her face sunk.

"Empress, what's the meaning of this? Could it be that it was exactly as Li'er had said, you're just slandering her?"

"That's not true, your Highness. I.... I....."

Empress did not know how to respond as she had scolded Huang Yueli a hundred thousand times in her heart!

This wretched lass, she was entirely filled with evil intentions. She knew that was not able to openly talk about Li Xue'er's matter in public and had purposely dragged the Empress Dowager to partake in this!

This time, how was she going to get out of this situation?

Chapter 599: I'm just a pauper

The Empress felt that she was treated unjustly!

This matter was obviously caused by Huang Yueli. Li Xue'er had said it herself that it was Huang Yueli who had fed her with the Abstinence Pill thus causing her to create such a scandal!

However, there was nothing the Empress could do about it as Li Xue'er could not come out to testify against her!

Not only was she not able to convict Huang Yueli of the crime, now it seemed that in the Empress Dowager's eyes, she had intentionally set Huang Yueli up in order to frame her!

But whatever she had said was the entire truth!

Just as Empress was incomparably oppressed, Emperor's voice rang across the hall.

"Forget it, Empress. This matter has now come to an end!"

After he said that to the Empress, he turned towards the Empress Dowager.

"Queen Mother, Empress only had one daughter Xue'er, and now that she's injured, it is only natural that Empress is anxious about her. And it is true that Xue'er had indeed got injured at the Valiant Martial Manor, so it's not considered as slander. However as Li'er did not do it on purpose, this matter... let's just let it pass! Li'er, what do you think?"

Emperor had been listening and thinking for quite some time. In actual fact, he did have his suspicions on Huang Yueli as well.

Li Xue'er was trapped so badly and as she had just stepped out of the Valiant Martial Manor, Huang Yueli was naturally the main suspect.

The only thing Emperor could not figure out was even if Huang Yueli had just advanced, she was only at the second degree realm first stage. Li Xue'er's cultivation was much higher than hers, not to mention that she had brought along so many outstanding Golden Scaled Guards along.

Besides that, Huang Yueli had no reason to trick Li Xue'er?

In this case, there was a possibility that Li'er was being framed, perhaps..... Li Xue'er had offended someone in Sky Cloud City and that party had sent someone here to exact revenge?

Under the circumstances that there wasn't sufficient evidence to pin the crime onto Huang Yueli, if Li Moying were to return in future, he would definitely fly into a rage. Even without Li Moying, just based on Huang Yueli's innate gift alone, Emperor had not wanted to offend her too much.

More importantly, Li Xue'er and the men had paraded themselves ostentatiously about in town so this matter absolutely cannot be publicized. If word really got out, then the person who would lose out is Li Xue'er and the ones to make a spectacle of themselves would be the entire Royal Family!

Weighting the pros and cons, Emperor chose to keep the peace.

Empress unbelievably raised her head, "Your Majesty, how can we do that! Xue'er had been taken such a big disadvantage, we simply cannot let this little slut..."

"Shut your gap! I have already said let the matter rest! This was originally Xue'er's fault. Must you bring up what she did until everyone finds out about it before you will let matters rest?"

Empress looked like she was stuck by lightning and lowered her head disappointedly.

Although the Emperor didn't make it clear, seemingly hinting that it was Xue'er's fault for seeking revenge at the Valiant Martial Manor.

But in the ears of the Empress, the Emperor was clearly warning her that Xue'er's loss of chastity absolutely cannot be revealed!

Empress knew that the Emperor had to retain the reputation of the Royal Family and had chosen to forsake Li Xue'er.

Although she was both furious and anxious, but she could only accept this outcome.

Huang Yueli saw the Empress's dejected look and smiling added, "Since that's the case, I thank Your Majesty for pronouncing my innocence. Li'er is utmost grateful! But...."

"But what?" Emperor inquired.

Huang Yueli smiled as she claimed, "While Seventh Princess was visiting my manor, she had practically wrecked the walls and backyard. So my rooms over that area cannot be used for residence anymore! I'm just a pauper, where would I find money to fix my house? Initially I had intended to enter the palace to look for the Seventh Princess for compensation. Now using this opportunity, I would like to pay her a visit, and on the way.... discuss with her about this!"

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"Discuss? What about?" Empress questioned in a guarded manner.

Every single time Huang Yueli opened her mouth, the Empress's heart would jump!

This wretched lass was full of wretched ideas so every single time she spoke, it would be something bad, as though she was born to obstruct her!

Undeniably, the Empress had learnt her lesson well and became wiser.

As expected, Huang Yueli replied, "Of course it would be about.... to discuss on compensation? Your Majesty, as you can see, my house had collapsed and naturally it must be rebuilt. As for the servants in my manor, they were beaten up so badly that some are maimed or seriously injured. I must naturally pay for their compensation payment. Besides I was scared stiff by Seventh Princess who almost caused my advancement to fail. Because of that, I am still suffering from internal injury, so I would need to spend money to pay for my treatment right?"

When the Empress heard these, she almost fainted on the spot!

She had already been disadvantaged and Li Xue'er had already become this manner, and now all she could do was to suffer in silence and give way to Huang Yueli. She had never expected that this lass would not be satisfied with small gains!

Now, she still expect to be compensated!

Empress was angered to the max as she coldly sneered, "You want compensation? Fat hope! Impossible!"

Huang Yueli smiled, "Your Majesty, I'm not asking you for compensation, your words cannot be counted! I'll directly negotiate with Seventh Princess! Quickly bring me to her chamber to look for her!"

Empress's heart thumped hard, and almost instantaneously she understood her motive for coming.

This lass's motive was not for any compensation but.... to reveal the fact that Li Xue'er had lost her chastity!

If she were to bring her to look for Li Xue'er, Empress Dowager and the rest would naturally follow suit. However Li Xue'er was now in the isolation palace, so how was she going to explain this to the Empress Dowager?

She hurriedly shook her head, "No way.... we can't go! Xue're had suffered serious injuries and needs to recuperate quietly, you're not allowed to go and disturb her!"

Huang Yueli's expression grew chiller as she questioned, "Your Majesty, what do you mean? Firstly you maligned me for harming Seventh Princess and yet you don't allow me to confront her! Now Seventh Princess had wrecked my Valiant Martial Manor and you refuse to let me clear things up with her nor compensate me! What is this? Am I destined to let other people bully?"

"You...."

The Empress was interrogated by her countless queries causing her chest to rage with pain.

Huang Yueli was indeed a demon, who was capable of bullying her! She had been the one who was bullying others and using her gift of the gap, others had no chance to rebut nor redress their injustice!

For that one moment, the Empress really wanted to speak out the entire truth, slapping Huang Yueli viciously on the face!

But after she had calmed down, she chose to give in.

How could she bear to use her daughter's reputation as a joke!

So this injustice, even if she couldn't take it, she still must!

"Alright, consider it as Xue'er's wrongdoing. Let me, her mother, help her compensate you, how much do you want?"

Huang Yueli pursed her lips and thought for a moment before she replied, "Since Seventh Princess was also injured and seemed quite pitiful, then I'll ask for lesser. Three hundred thousand taels of gold then!"

"... How much did you say?" The Empress could not believe her ears!

Huang Yueli repeated once again, "Three hundred thousand taels of gold."

"You... that's daylight robbery! Is your manor made of gold? Why do you need that much money!" She could not suppress her anger any further and blew up!

Even a brand new mansion located in the country's best position merely costed ten thousand taels of gold and to construct a new palace within the Royal Palace was merely twenty thousand taels of gold.

Huang Yueli actually asked for..... three hundred thousand taels??