

Awaken Chapter 4

Inside the room.

With a flash of light in his mind, Xu Qingnian came up with a solution.

Move the tiger away from the mountain.

What was the number one issue in Ping'an County today?

The fugitive from the South Yu Province had been sent by the South Yu Province to capture the fugitive, so naturally Ping'an County had to cooperate fully.

If the fugitive escapes, the county magistrate will be in trouble.

Therefore, even if there is really a foreign art in the case library, it is no better than this fugitive.

And Xu Qingnian's solution was to put out false news, which was the only way to trick the person away.

It was just that if this was discovered, the consequences would be miserable.

The lighter the punishment, the heavier the punishment.

But now, Xu Qingnian had nothing to worry about in terms of impunity.

Whether she could survive or not was an unknown, so worrying so much was just empty talk.

Thinking of this, Xu Qingnian planned to leave immediately.

But soon Xu Qingnian shook her head.

"No, it's a bit too abrupt if I go directly, I need to find a suitable reason."

Xu Qingnian suddenly realised that if she went over so suddenly, it would be easy to attract suspicion, and in case Constable Chen had an extra eye, wouldn't that be trouble?

After thinking about it, Xu Qingnian had an idea.

He wanted to put on a bitter show.

So time passed, and in the blink of an eye it came to the hour.

The Ping'an County Office.

The sun was shining in the courthouse, and because of the fugitive, the courtiers were much more strict than before.

After all, at this juncture, if anything goes wrong, it is not as simple as losing one's head.

The location of the case library is right next to the county office.

At this very moment, Xu Qingnian's figure appeared outside the door of the document store.

He was dripping wet and the cold air was spreading out from his body, the sun was shining but he still looked a little creepy.

"Who is it?"

"It's Qing Ye."

"Qingnian, what's wrong with you?"

With the appearance of Xu Qingnian, the guards at the casework library all tensed up, but were slightly relieved when they saw that the person coming was Xu Qingnian.

The head constable Chen was the first to come back to his senses, and looking at the so creepy Xu Qingnian, he immediately went forward to assist him.

"Brother Chen, something has happened. I knew I was going to die and planned to choose a feng shui spot for myself, but I didn't expect to see the fugitive from that day on the hill about ten miles north."

"I was inadvertently discovered by him, but the good thing is that this man was probably also seriously injured and did not chase me, only that I panicked for a moment and the cold qi in my body broke out, so I guess I won't live long."

"Brother Chen, quickly take someone to search, that thief probably didn't escape far, if you can capture him alive, it will be a great achievement, and you can also avenge me."

Xu Qingnian spoke with a bit of trembling, his body was so cold that he even condensed his Qi into water, which dripped onto the ground.

This was Xu Qingnian's bitter ploy.

In order to successfully transfer the tiger away from the mountain, Xu Qingnian no longer suppressed the cold qi in his body and let it out.

What he didn't expect was that the cold qi would have such a great impact after it came out of his body.

At this moment, Xu Qingnian's body was stiff, as if he had been in an ice cellar for three days and three nights.

If Doctor Zhao had previously given himself a life sentence of twelve hours, Xu Qingnian felt that he could only last two more hours at most.

"What? The fugitive is in the northern hilltop?"

Constable Chen was a little surprised, he did not expect Xu Qingnian to have found the fugitive trail by mistake.

Moreover, when he thought about what the above had explained, the fugitive had practiced a foreign art and suffered a backlash, so he was badly injured.

It could be said that if the fugitive's trail was found, it could basically be taken down.

If he could take down this kind of fugitive, it would be a great credit to him, and he might even be able to enter the Southern Yufu as an officer as a result?

At the thought of this, Constable Chen was a little dumbfounded.

"Brother Chen, you must avenge me, that thief is badly injured, he saw me but didn't hurt me, obviously he is badly injured."

Xu Qingnian saw that Constable Chen was still hesitant, so he could not help but continue to lay down fierce information in an attempt to lure him away.

Indeed, after hearing Xu Qingnian's words again, Constable Chen could not hold back.

"Fine, Qingnian, you can go to the magistrate's office first and recuperate, brother will definitely take revenge for you."

Sheriff Chen spoke, then looked at the crowd and said, "Leave two people behind to guard the case library, then send someone to the magistrate's office to inform the whereabouts of the fugitive, the rest of you follow me."

Constable Chen was a little excited.

The fugitive from the Southern Yu Province was currently a serious criminal, and once caught this would be a fifth-class merit.

A fifth-class merit was enough to put him at the head of the sheriff of Ping'an County.

Of course, he is not stupid, he can't go there alone and take a few brothers with him to investigate, and if he really finds a fugitive, he won't do it directly, after all, the official position is good, but he must also have a life to enjoy.

"Brother Chen, you go quickly, do not care about me, if you delay any longer, the thieves will really run away."

Xu Qingnian told Sheriff Chen to hurry up and leave him alone, after all, if he sent himself to the government office to rest, then this deliberate attempt to transfer the tiger away from the mountain would be a waste of design.

"Okay!"

Sheriff Chen also knew what was at stake, so he didn't say much and left with dozens of people.

At that moment, there were only two people left inside the casework library.

"Brother Qingnian, let's go, I'll take you to rest in the courthouse."

The two men assisted Xu Qingnian, intending to send him to the magistrate's office to rest.

However, Xu Qingnian immediately shook his head and said, "No, just find a place for me, I can't walk anymore, if I die in the courthouse, it will be disgusting, so why not put me in the document library?"

Xu Qingnian hastily refused and asked the two men to find a place for him.

At that moment, they looked at each other.

It was true that Xu Qingnian's body was covered in cold Qi, and his Yin Qi was condensed into water, so he looked extremely weak and gave the impression that he would burst at any moment.

If they were to be brought to the court, it would be a problem if they really died. After all, if they died in the court, they would be killed in the line of duty, and the compensation would be a lot of silver, and the impact would be bad.

The county magistrate probably doesn't want to see this scene either, so it's better to put it in the case library, and if it really dies, just bury it properly later.

Thinking of this, the two men nodded, and then helped Xu Qingnian into the document vault.

The document library in Ping'an County was not very large.

With the help of the two men, Xu Qingnian entered the document library.

There were dozens of bookshelves inside the library, all of which had some volumes on them.

“Brother Qingnian, you can rest here, if there is anything, just call out, we will come in when we hear you.”

“Yes, just shout if there is anything, we can hear you.”

The two men spoke up, only because the cold Qi on Xu Qingnian’s body was too overwhelming, causing the two men to feel a chill in their bodies, if this were an ordinary thing, they wouldn’t care about it, but Xu Qingnian was after all poisoned by the cold.

If they had caught it themselves, they would not want to give up their heads for nothing.

“All right, I’ll take care of you two brothers.”

Xu Qingnian nodded, he naturally begged for it.

After the two had left, Xu Qingnian slowly exhaled a mouthful of cold air, then braced himself to stabilise his internal qi veins as much as possible, then immediately got up and began flipping through the scrolls.

He didn’t have much time, travelling ten miles north, according to the foot strength of Constable Chen and the others, the round trip would take at most three quarters of an hour, after all, they were martial artists who had entered the rank, and their walking speed was certainly fast.

But with a bit of shouting and searching, one would have at most five quarters of an hour and a quarter of fifteen minutes, which meant one only had seventy-five minutes to spare.

If one could not find it within that time, then one would be in trouble.

Soon, a dossier was unfolded by Xu Qingnian, who was extremely fast and simply omitted it whenever he saw that it was a dossier, whose purpose was heteromancy.

A quarter of an hour later.

Xu Qingnian put down the scroll in his hand, and he shook his head and said to himself.

“You can’t look like this, this bookshelf is thirty to forty, looking for them one by one, let alone five quarters of an hour, even five hours would be difficult to find.”

“It is obvious that such things as foreign arts cannot be placed on top of the volumes and documents, they should be placed separately.”

Xu Qingnian was a little anxious and was confused for a moment.

After thinking this clearly, Xu Qingnian did not look on the bookshelves, but went inside to see if there was any place where it was placed separately, or to look for a cabinet.

It was definitely impossible to put something as important as the pagan arts on a bookshelf.

It must be placed inside a cabinet or in a more hidden place.

Following this line of thought, Xu Qingnian searched carefully.

Another quarter of an hour passed, but there was still no clue. He had already gone through all the cabinets, but still could not find the foreign arts.

But Xu Qingnian was not anxious, instead, he became more calm.

“It’s not in the bookshelf, nor is it in the cupboard, this room is only this big, so is it possible that it’s hidden in the corner?”

Xu Qingnian frowned slightly.

Stifling a search was definitely the worst way to find something in a short time, one had to use reasoning.

Wait!

Just in a flash, Xu Qingnian seemed to think of something as he turned his gaze towards the roof.

The design of the four horizontal and eight vertical beams appeared in his eyes, and soon a box appeared in Xu Qingnian’s eyes.

“Sure enough.”

Xu Qingnian laughed a little bitterly, how come the ancient people all liked to put valuable things on the beams of their houses?

But without any hesitation, Xu Qingnian moved a chair, stepped on it, and then suppressed the cold qi in his body and took a leap with all his breath.

The ground was about two feet high from the beam and the chair was about half a metre high, so it was basically impossible to jump onto the beam.

It was basically impossible to jump onto the beam, not to mention the fact that the body was stiffened by the cold Qi.

Xu Qingnian wasn't stupid either, so he took a wooden board in his hand, leapt with all his might and smashed it against the box on the beam.

Bang!

The sound of a crisp collision rang out.

The next moment, the box landed on the ground. Although Xu Qingnian wanted to grab the box, unfortunately his body was stiff and terrifying, and he had the will but not the strength, so he could only watch the wooden box fall to the ground with a loud sound.

"Brother Qingnian, what's wrong?"

For just a moment, the two errand boys outside the door instantly heard the commotion and could not help but ask out loud, wanting to come in and take a look.

"Don't come in, my cold Qi has come out of my body, it's hard to control, I'm afraid it will hurt you guys, I'll run my kung fu first to suppress it."

Xu Qingnian immediately spoke out, if this two people came in, it would be trouble.

As soon as this was said, the two people outside the door did not dare to enter.

After all, their lives were important.

"That's fine, brother Qingnian, hold on, when Head Chen comes, it will be fine."

The two men did not dare to enter, and they only dared to stand outside to give a word of comfort.

When the two men stopped talking, Xu Qingnian took a deep breath, he picked up the wooden board, put it in its place, and moved the chair out of the way before picking up the wooden box.

The wooden box had a lock on it and Xu Qingnian took a deep breath, finding the key was almost impossible to do now.

If he forced the lock, he would be detected.

But when it came down to it, there was no other choice.

Click!

As Xu Qingnian exerted all his strength, the brass lock twisted off instantly, and the wooden box opened to reveal a small blue booklet.

On the booklet, five words were written.