

**Dear Chief 301**

**Chapter 301: At least, It Was Bad On Her Face**

Gu Qiqi and Xiao Bei were surrounded by everyone and asked about their well-being.

After knowing that Gu Qiqi looked casual but was actually low-key and noble, those cousins' attitudes changed 180 degrees!

Honestly speaking, one couldn't blame people for stepping on someone weaker than them.

It was really difficult to see a person's heart clearly. It was even more difficult to figure out her background and backing. But judging a person's level and status through their appearance was very obvious. It was very simple.

To be able to dress so casually in such a noble brand like Gu Qiqi was already a form of strength in itself.

Who would dare to look down on her?

However, Gu Qiqi only nodded casually and wasn't interested in talking to them deeply.

Her gaze pierced through the crowd and landed on the door in the distance.

Over there, Gu Yuanyuan and Gu Xuexue's figures flashed past.

The little dirty turtle ran back and reported nervously, "Master Silver, as expected, those two fellows don't have good intentions and went to frame you! Gu Xuexue actually instigated Gu Yuanyuan to secretly break the jade Longevity Peach that you wanted to give to Grandpa into two halves! That Gu Xuexue is really not a good person. Say, Gu Yuanyuan is evil, right? At least, she's evil on the surface. Gu Xuexue likes to do sinister things behind your back. Why do I hate women like her so much?!"

The little dirty turtle was indignant.

"Yes, I know." Gu Qiqi squinted and said lightly, as if everything was within her expectations.

The little dirty turtle replied. "Master, aren't you going to stop them? Wouldn't it be better to bring everyone to catch them in person? You can slap their faces in public!"

Gu Qiqi said, "Well, I don't have to. But if you have nothing to do, you can help smash that birthday peach a little more."

"What?!" The little dirty turtle was stunned.

Instead of stepping on scumbags, Master Silver wanted it to ruin the gift completely.

What was going on?

Master Silver's brain power was too amazing! He couldn't comprehend it at all.

"Why? Aren't you going?"

"Go!"

Master Silver was right. Anyway, it would do as she said.

But it was really worried. How was Master going to report it in front of Grandpa later?

Even if it could be said that these two scumbags did it, wasn't it a pity that the gift that Master had painstakingly earned money to buy and all her hard work had been wasted?

It was so heartbroken!

Everyone crowded around Gu Qiqi and Xiaobei and entered the main hall.

The old lady was sitting on a golden Imperial Tutorial chair and was chatting with a few nephews from the Gu and Shen families.

Seeing Gu Qiqi and Xiao Bei enter, her mood immediately turned sour.

She snorted coldly. "You still know to come back! Weren't you very arrogant outside? Why did you return?!"

In her heart, she thought if Gu Qiqi won't let Xuexue come into contact with Gong Sheng, she had ways to let Xuexue come into contact with him!

Her gaze landed behind Gu Qiqi and she frowned. What happened? Didn't she ask her to bring Gong Sheng along?

Where was the man?

If the man didn't come, what was the use of that d\*mned girl coming alone?

The old lady was very anxious, but she couldn't ask.

Gu Qiqi said lightly, "Xiaobei and I are here to congratulate Grandpa. If Grandma doesn't welcome us, we can put down the gift and leave."

The old lady choked.

Of course, she couldn't wait for Gu Qiqi to quickly take that blind younger brother away. She only wanted Gong Sheng to stay at home and entertain her well.

But Gu Qiqi made these words clear.

How could she really chase Gu Qiqi out in front of all her nephews?

They were in a stalemate.

Gu Meifeng brought Gu Xuexue in and said with a smile, "Qiqi, you're not young anymore. Why are you joking with your grandma? I am most pleased if you have a filial heart."

As she spoke, she enthusiastically continued. "Come, come, come. Since Housekeeper Zhao has collected all the gifts, why don't we open the gifts and let everyone see the children's filial piety?"

Perhaps it was an illusion, but everyone felt that Gu Meifeng always emphasized the words "filial piety".

She seemed to be emphasizing something.

**Chapter 302: Praise for the Pearl Painting**

Everyone didn't think too much about it.

In order to liven up the atmosphere, everyone agreed with Gu Meifeng's suggestion. "Okay! Okay! Open the gift on the spot! I heard that it's always like this for young people's birthdays nowadays. Let's let the old master keep up with the trends. Hurry up and invite the old master over!"

Soon, Old Master Gu was invited out.

Sitting on the master seat, he was very comforted to see his descendants laughing.

Seeing Gu Qiqi bring Xiaobei over, he nodded in satisfaction and smiled.

But... Why wasn't that person here?

Perhaps he was busy with work and would be late?

After all, the old master was a person of virtue and prestige. He could remain calm and didn't ask Gu Qiqi.

Under the encouragement of Gu Meifeng and Gu Xuexue, the servants handed over the birthday gifts one by one. They opened them up on the spot for everyone to see and comment.

The first thing that was opened was the gift that Gu Yuanyuan had given her. It was that Ice Jade Paperweight.

It was squarish and ordinary.

If it wasn't compared to Gu Qiqi's peach, this gift could be considered to be very appropriate, very expensive, and very sincere.

Indeed, once it was opened, those uncles and aunties couldn't stop praising her.

Everyone was generous with their praise for Gu Yuanyuan's foresight.

"Yuanyuan is indeed our Gu family's eldest daughter. What good taste!"

"This gift was chosen well. It's grand and practical. Brother Enlong is really good at teaching women!"

Gu Yuanyuan was extremely proud when she heard this.

Gu Enlong was also feeling proud at the side.

The servants opened a few more gifts. They were ordinary items like tea leaves, a cane, a pipe, and so on.

Until a painting was revealed.

It was a mini canvas the size of a fan. On it was a river and snow painted with pearl powder and there was a lonely old man on a boat.

As the pearl powder's color was warm, although the painting work was ordinary, it looked a little interesting overall.

After all, it was rare for ordinary people to think of using pearl powder to paint.

It could be said that creativity was more valuable than art.

“Who sent this gift?” Old Master asked.

“Grandpa, I drew it. My standard is average. I’ve embarrassed myself in front of you.” Gu Xuexue pretended to be humble. She lowered her head halfway to show that she was very humble, but she was also full of affection.

The old madam hurriedly spoke up for her. “Xuexue drew this herself? Of course, the gift that she made with her own hands is different from a store bought item!”

Old Master Gu nodded slowly. “Yes, why would I laugh at you? Your intentions are commendable.”

Old Master hadn’t commented on the gifts previously.

Old Master even only took a glance at Gu Yuanyuan’s valuable jadeite paperweight.

This time, he actually praised her.

Everyone was used to taking advantage of the situation and immediately praised her.

“These children are so filial. A store bought gift can’t be compared to something made by their own hands!”

“Meifeng, how did you teach your child to be so sensible? You’re so smart!”

“Eh, although this pearl painting looks simple, if you take a closer look, it looks a little like a lonely boat with a man on it fishing on a cold river. I heard that Old Master obtained a new famous painting that features a man fishing in the snow on a cold river alone. The theme that our Xue Xue chose really suits the occasion!”

“Oh, she can draw something like this at such a young age!”

Gu Xuexue’s heart bloomed with praise.

Of course, this pearl painting was drawn by an experienced painter in a jewelry store for her. She specially took a photo of the painting that “Gong Sheng” gave to her grandfather two days ago for him to copy.

How could it not look good?

In terms of thoughts, creativity, and this unique attitude, who could compare to her?

Even Gu Yuanyuan couldn’t compare to her!

There was even less of a need to talk about Gu Qiqi’s already smashed longevity peach.

Of course, the deeper meaning behind her choosing this topic was that she wanted to pair up with “Gong Sheng” as a couple and give her grandfather the impression that they were very compatible. Even the level of appreciation for art was identical!

At that time, wouldn’t it be obvious at a glance which daughter the Gu family would be betrothed to the Gong family?

This was called subtly changing someone's opinion without batting an eyelid.

### **Chapter 303: The Performance Of A Scheming Bitch**

Gu Xuexue's lips curled up secretly.

She couldn't help but admire herself.

She was going to watch Gu Qiqi and Gu Yuanyuan fight over this birthday banquet.

She, on the other hand, benefited from it easily.

No one would have expected that Grandpa would ultimately like her handmade gift.

She didn't spend a single cent.

She didn't even do anything.

It was purely a free gift when she bought a necklace!

Not far away.

Gu Yuanyuan was so angry that her eyes were about to spit fire.

That little b\*tch Gu Xuexue actually dared to show off more than her?!

She should have slapped Gu Xuexue twice just now.

She clearly knew that she was going to curry favor with her grandfather, but that little b\*tch actually dared to take out some handmade painting to snatch her popularity.

What a scheming b\*tch!

She actually teamed up with a scheming b\*tch to deal with Gu Qiqi. This scheming b\*tch was too unreliable.

As if sensing Gu Yuanyuan's resentful and unhappy gaze, Gu Xuexue hurriedly stopped while she was ahead.

"Grandpa, Grandma, I'm actually used to being frugal in Qing Cheng. That's why I thought of this idea."

"Actually, Sister Yuan's paperweight is the most valuable. She knew that Grandpa liked painting and calligraphy, so she specially selected a gift that could be placed in the study room."

"These few days, I accompanied her to dozens of shops. Her legs were swollen and blistered from walking. In the end, she chose this flawless ice-type jade."

"So, I know Sister Yuan's feelings for Grandpa best!" Gu Xuexue said coquettishly.

While praising Gu Yuanyuan, she didn't forget to establish an image of herself as a "caring and loving" good younger sister.

Also, she was tenacious and wasn't afraid of suffering by describing how Gu Yuanyuan's feet were worn out. Of course, it was very tiring to walk with her.

Indeed, when Gu Yuanyuan heard this, she felt much better.

Old Madam even took the opportunity to praise them a few more times, causing everyone to nod and praise her repeatedly.

Unfortunately, the little dirty turtle—who had long seen through all of this—laughed coldly. “Acting skills! Acting skills! Why isn’t Gu Xuexue in the entertainment industry? She might be the next best actress!”

Gu Qiqi smiled lightly. “The entertainment industry also depends on strength. Her acting skills can only be used to cheat men in the family circles, right?”

“What Master said makes sense!” The little dirty turtle nodded fiercely. However, there was still a trace of worry in its heart. “Master, their gifts are so outstanding. What about our longevity peach...”

It had already done as Master instructed and poked a few holes in the two halves of the longevity peach from the inside, splitting it open like a spider web. It estimated that once the gift box was opened later, it would shatter into powder.

Was Master trying to play a prank?

But the old man couldn’t appreciate it, right?

The little dirty turtle was very worried, but Gu Qiqi was very calm!

“Yes, that’s right!”

The corners of her lips curved up slightly with a faint smile.

As the gifts were opened one by one and revealed, everyone laughed for a while.

Finally, it was that longevity peach jade.

The sandalwood box that contained it was very exquisite and antique. It immediately attracted everyone’s attention.

“Wow, who sent this? It looks good.”

“It can’t be an antique, right? That would be expensive!”

“Open it quickly and you’ll know.”

Steward Zhao deliberately held the sandalwood box in his hand and circled the room.

After ensuring that everyone had seen and attracted everyone’s attention, he walked to the old master.

He slowly opened it—

The emerald light immediately made everyone blink.

What was that? It was so beautiful that it shone like a diamond under the sunlight!

“Old Pit Glass Jade!”

Immediately, an uncle who knew his stuff exclaimed.

But immediately, someone was surprised.

“Is this a longevity peach? Why is it... split in half?”

“Is it missing a corner? Which kid made a prank and bit one part of the peach?”

“The child is too naughty!”

Gu Yuanyuan laughed in her heart.

This half-opened longevity peach was very effective.

But... No!

Clearly, no one had directed the situation in the right direction.

### **Chapter 304: Requesting Family Law—Hit Her!**

How was it enough to only think of her as a simple “naughty”?!

If she wanted to make Gu Qiqi completely unable to establish herself in the Gu family and be ruthlessly punished by the family laws, she wanted to put her to death!

She couldn’t help but jump out and shout, “Grandpa, who did this? The person actually gave you a cracked longevity peach. What does he mean? Is he cursing you? He doesn’t want you to live long!”

Old Madam stopped her with a frown. “What nonsense are you talking about?”

But clearly, his expression was also very ugly as he said sternly, “Who’s so insensible? Stand out and admit your mistake yourself!”

This time, no one said a word.

The children were giving their elder birthday wishes, but one person was giving him damaged things. If it wasn’t someone being naughty and doing it on purpose, this was too inauspicious.

Who would dare to talk nonsense?

Let alone admitting it, no one would even touch it.

Amidst the silence, Gu Yuanyuan pinched Gu Xuexue hard.

Scheming b\*tch, why didn’t you say anything at the critical moment?

You want me to come out and criticize her alone? No way!

Gu Xuexue had no choice but to stand out and whisper, “Eh, that day when I was shopping with Sister Yuanyuan, I think I saw Qiqi choose this longevity peach for Grandpa. I thought that Qiqi was very filial... I didn’t expect... I didn’t expect...”

Gu Xuexue wanted to say something but hesitated.

She seemed to be whispering to Gu Meifeng.

In fact, the volume was controlled so that everyone in the living room could hear it clearly.

Gu Yuanyuan picked it up smugly. "I didn't expect this filial piety to actually mean 'life reduction'!"

Wasn't splitting a longevity peach in half symbolic of shortening one's lifespan?

Everyone drew a cold breath.

Who would dare to take responsibility for this "filial piety"?

The old lady was immediately furious. "Gu Qiqi, you ungrateful little b\*tch! You actually cursed your grandfather like this! Back then, if your grandfather wasn't soft-hearted, you would have been sent away by Qiushan long ago. Do you think it's your turn to be so arrogant and smug in the Gu family? You actually dare to curse us after eating our food, wearing our clothes, and using our things!"

Gu Meifeng exaggerated further. "Dad, Mom, I told you long ago that she was an ingrate. You didn't believe me. Now, you know. She could watch as her biological father went to jail and not care at all about him. Can she still care about her grandparents? Can she even bear to spend money to give you good gifts? I'm afraid that this tattered thing was dug out from the rubbish bin in the jewelry shop and was deliberately used to disgust you, right?"

The other uncles and aunties shook their heads and sighed as well. They criticized her repeatedly.

This mistake was unforgivable.

If she didn't give a gift, no one would say anything.

But giving such a broken gift was really... too bad.

Seeing that the effect had been achieved, Gu Yuanyuan suggested directly, "Grandma, let's use the family law. Otherwise, if our younger brothers and sisters follow suit, no one will respect the elders in the future. It will ruin our Gu family's scholarly family style!"

Back when the old madam was rebuked by Gu Qiqi, she wanted to seek punishment using family law.

In the end, Gong Jue barged in halfway and ruined her plans.

This time, no one stopped her. Her family was also on her side. It simply couldn't be justified not to take the opportunity to destroy that brat Gu Qiqi's prestige.

Gu Yuanyuan's suggestion was exactly what she wanted.

"Okay, Old Zhao. Go and seek punishment!"

Butler Zhao replied, "Yes, Old Madam!"

His hands were itching too!

He had long found Gu Qiqi an eyesore. Hmph! This kind of country bumpkin still wanted to be his little master? Pfft!

"Wait!"

Amidst the commotion, Old Master Gu spoke in a dignified manner.

"You didn't even ask Qiqi and came to such a conclusion? You're unworthy of being an elder!"



Old Master's sonorous and powerful voice shocked everyone and warmed Gu Qiqi's heart.

Her grandfather was indeed different from others.

He still believed her at this moment and gave her a chance.

The old lady was unhappy. "Old man, why are you still asking? Isn't it obvious?"

Old Master said, "I'm old and my eyes aren't good. I can't see those schemes that you're talking about. Qiqi, tell me. What exactly is going on?"

Gu Qiqi, who had been silent all this while, nodded.

She slowly walked towards Old Master Gu.

### **Chapter 305: Gu Qiqi's Big Pit**

Just as everyone thought that Gu Qiqi was going to explain things in a glib manner...

She stretched out her fair finger lightly.

She tapped lightly on the longevity peach.

In the very next second.

"Crack!"

A series of cracks sounded.

The two halves of the longevity peach shattered into powder.

Before everyone could appreciate the resplendent glass type longevity peach, it was destroyed.

The entire venue fell silent for a moment.

Then, Gu Yuanyuan, the Old Madam, and the rest spoke in unison. They were unable to restrain their anger. "Gu Qiqi, you actually broke the longevity peach! You're so vicious! You want your grandfather to not only shorten his lifespan, but also... even lose his life, right?"

Gu Qiqi tilted her small head and pointed at the longevity peach. "There's obviously a spiderweb crack on this. Otherwise, do you think that I can shatter an old glass jade with my finger?"

Everyone fell silent.

This was indeed impossible.

But...

"Perhaps this is the spiderweb crack that you caused!" Gu Yuanyuan said confidently.

Gu Qiqi dug out her phone and waved it around. She directly opened a video call to the old master. "Grandpa, perhaps after watching the video at the door just now, you will know who did it."

Gu Yuanyuan immediately became nervous.

D\*mn it. She actually didn't expect Gu Qiqi to have this move.

How did she know that she had touched the longevity peach jade?

When did she record it secretly?

Gu Qiqi's screen was facing the old master. No one could see it, but the old master's expression was getting worse.

She looked up and glanced at Gu Yuanyuan in anger. "I didn't expect you to be like this behind my back!"

Gu Yuanyuan completely collapsed.

It was over. She had been discovered by her grandfather.

Gu Xuexue was also extremely nervous. Although she didn't do anything, she was definitely in the video. What should she do? She was going to be unlucky too.

Gu Xuexue felt like she was sitting on pins and needles.

But Gu Yuanyuan couldn't sit still anymore. She rushed forward and snatched the phone away. "Grandpa, don't believe her. I only smashed the longevity peach jade into two halves. I didn't break them all!"

She knew that with the video, it would be difficult for her to absolve herself of the blame, but she could reduce the blame a little.

She really only smashed the longevity peach into two.

Compared to shattering into powder, what she did was just child's play, okay?

However, once these words were out.

Everyone's expressions became surprised and complicated.

It was actually Gu Yuanyuan...

Did she deliberately frame Gu Qiqi just now when she was so eager to hire the family law to take care of her?

In a few seconds, everyone understood the cause and effect.

Gu Qiqi gently raised her hand and turned the phone screen over. She laughed coldly and said, "There's no need to snatch it. I'll let you see clearly."

Gu Yuanyuan stared at the screen and her face flushed red.

That video wasn't the video of her and Gu Xuexue playing tricks at the entrance just now at all.

But that day at the jewelry store, she spent 2.5 million dollars to take a video of a thunderbolt-shaped jade.

In the video, her face was filled with sarcasm and ridicule. She had offered a lot of money, but in the end, she had opened up the most worthless waste and squandered so much money for nothing.

She looked evil and stupid.

No wonder Grandpa was so angry.

Damn it.

Gu Qiqi, this little b\*tch, was deliberately digging a pit for her to jump into!

He deliberately made her misunderstand and think that her grandfather was angry after watching the video of her smashing the longevity peach.

She was deliberately making her lose her cool and expose herself!

At this moment, Gu Yuanyuan was so regretful that her intestines turned green.

It was a pity that she had already confessed just now!

Gritting her teeth in frustration, she tried to turn the tables around. "Although I was pulling a prank on you, you're not any better. You have ulterior motives for completely breaking it up to give grandfather a rotten longevity peach!"

Gu Qiqi raised her eyebrows and asked calmly, "Are you sure? But my gift was clearly intact."

As she spoke, she took out a wooden box from behind her.

She opened it.

There was a flash of light!

There was actually an identical longevity peach lying in the box!

In an instant.

Everyone was either blinded or stunned.

### **Chapter 306: Who Sent The Other Longevity Peach?**

There was a peach on the left.

There was a peach on the right.

One shattered into powder, and the other was perfect.

Everyone was stunned when they saw this incredible scene.

What exactly was going on?

"Gu Qiqi, you... You made a fake longevity peach to fool us! You deliberately baited us!" Gu Yuanyuan nearly spat out a mouthful of blood.

She really didn't expect that Gu Qiqi would have another move after one move. There was another big pit after one big pit.

She had just tricked her with a fake video. Was she going to cheat her with a fake peach now?

She... She wasn't going to fall for it!

However, among the relatives, an uncle who knew his stuff quickly came out and said, "This isn't fake. This is an old glass type indeed. The two longevity peach jades are real and natural. It's rare for them to be so similar and be in pairs. It's really rare in the world! What a pity, what a pity..."

His uncle wanted to say something but hesitated.

But everyone knew what she meant.

If Gu Yuanyuan hadn't been so evil as to destroy that piece of longevity peach jade from before, Old Master would have gotten a pair of longevity peach jade now.

How perfect!

Everyone's eyes were filled with reproach and disdain as they looked at Gu Yuanyuan.

Gu Enlong was even more ashamed of his daughter.

Gu Meifeng and Gu Xuexue looked away and pretended that it had nothing to do with them.

Only at this moment did Gu Yuanyuan finally realize how much trouble she had gotten into today.

She had been betrayed and ostracized.

She was so anxious that tears were about to fall from her eyes. "Grandpa, Grandma, I really didn't do it on purpose. I was just joking. Xue Xue asked me to do this... Please forgive me!"

It was fine if she didn't mention Gu Xuexue.

With that, everyone felt even more disdainful.

She had done something bad and even wanted to implicate her sister.

How could she be worthy of Gu Xuexue's sisterly love that had accompanied her to shop and buy gifts dozens of times?

"Grandma, Grandma, help me say something. You know me best. I'm just playful..."

Gu Qiqi said lightly, "Yes, you're just playful. You wanted to try how fun it is to give a gift that can shorten one's lifespan."

Gu Yuanyuan choked and nearly couldn't cry.

D\*mn it. That country bumpkin actually returned the words that she had cursed back to her.

"Enough, enough. Why are you crying so much at the old master's birthday banquet? Hurry up and kowtow to your grandfather to admit your mistake." In the end, the old madam was still biased towards Gu Yuanyuan and stepped out to smooth things over. "No matter how regretful it is, that's just a gift. Everyone, don't make a fuss."

Making a fuss over a small issue?

Gu Qiqi only wanted to laugh coldly when she heard this.

When she thought that she had broken the longevity peach just now, weren't all of them making a fuss about it and shouting about killing her to seek family punishment?

Now that Gu Yuanyuan's stupid act had been exposed, it had become a big fuss?

How could there be such a double standard in this world?!

She would only agree if her brain became rusty!

Gu Yuanyuan was filled with joy and was about to take this chance that the Old Madam had given her.

Suddenly, Gu Qiqi said coolly, "That's right. Actually, the most regretful thing is that we don't even know who sent this gift before it was ruined like this."

With Gu Qiqi's reminder, Old Master immediately instructed the servants to check.

Indeed, there was an exquisite card under the broken piece of jade.

Opening the letter, the man wrote in small and elegant handwriting: "Student Chu Junmo wishes his master a long life."

Everyone exclaimed.

"So, it's a gift from Chu Junmo, the chairman of the Chu clan!"

"The Chu clan's prescription is hard to find even with money. Usually, only other people would rack their brains to give the Chu clan a gift. This is the first time I've seen the Chu clan giving a gift to someone!"

"He's the old master's student!"

Listening to everyone's discussion, Gu Yuanyuan's head buzzed. She finally remembered.

Back at the jewelry store, she wanted to snatch that jade Longevity Peach from Gu Qiqi. In the end, the boss said that there was originally a pair. One of them was booked by an honorable male guest...

That man was actually the great CEO Chu!

So, she had made a fool of herself and failed to frame Gu Qiqi. Instead, she smashed the gift that the great chairman Chu gave to her grandfather?

Oh my god!

### **Chapter 307: It Wasn't Ruthless Enough to Be Hit By Vines**

At this moment, the old master's eyes turned cold.

Chu Junmo was one of his favorite disciples. The gift that Chu Junmo gave had an unusual meaning compared to other juniors.

Gu Yuanyuan actually deliberately damaged it. This couldn't be tolerated!

His old and powerful palm slammed the table heavily. "Why haven't you brought up the family laws yet?!"

Housekeeper Zhao happily brought over the vine whip according to the family laws. Upon hearing the old master's stern reprimand, he hurriedly carried the thick vines and walked to Gu Qiqi.

He raised the vines and was about to whip Gu Qiqi ruthlessly.

But he heard Old Master's voice as loud as a bell. He said angrily, "Who are you hitting?! Zhao Ergou, are you stupid? She was the one who made the mistake! She should be punished by the family law!"

The old master pointed at Gu Yuanyuan.

Butler Zhao shivered. Damn it. Why was it Eldest Young Lady Yuanyuan?

Clearly, Old Madam wanted him to punish Gu Qiqi just now.

What ability did that country bumpkin have to actually defeat Eldest Young Lady Yuanyuan?

Seeing that vine, Gu Yuanyuan knew that her grandfather was serious. Her legs immediately went soft. "Family... Family law!"

Didn't she plan to punish that country bumpkin today?

Why was she the one being punished in the end?!

"Grandma, Dad, save me! I don't want to be beaten!"

Gu Yuanyuan begged desperately for help.

Gu Enlong naturally didn't dare to say anything, but the Old Madam frowned and said, "Isn't it just a longevity peach? Do you have to be so serious with a child? I'll buy a dozen for you later! Also, Chu Junmo at least calls me Madam. I'll just explain it to him later. I don't believe that he fusses over such a trivial matter like a longevity peach being shattered?"

He watched as the old madam tried to minimize the matter.

How could Gu Qiqi let them succeed?

She curved her lips lightly and said slowly, "Yes, it's indeed a trivial matter. This kind of small matter that deliberately damaged the guest's birthday gift and harmed her own sisters won't damage the reputation of our Gu family, nor will it ruin the younger brothers and sisters. It also won't ruin the tradition of our scholarly family."

Her tone was so calm.

Every word sounded so heavy!

And it sounded especially familiar!

Everyone listened in a daze and suddenly remembered that when Old Madam and Gu Yuanyuan accused Gu Qiqi of breaking the longevity peach just now, weren't they saying this?

Now, these words were returned to them... It was a series of silent and loud slaps.

The old lady looked embarrassed. "You have a sharp tongue! Do you want to see your sisters get beaten up that badly? Are your thoughts that vicious?"

Gu Qiqi said neither servile nor overbearing, "If Grandma thinks so, then so be it."

"You!"

The old madam didn't expect Gu Qiqi to admit it directly. She choked on her words!

She thought that Gu Qiqi would hypocritically say that she wasn't. Then, she could have a way out and tell Old Master that Gu Qiqi didn't want to see her sisters get beaten either as she had already forgiven Yuan Yuan.

This little b\*tch from the countryside was really disobedient.

Old Madam had no choice but to continue to persuade Old Master Gu. "Old Man, why are you so serious about the children's matter?! Can't you be happy today? Just give me face and don't bicker with them..."

But what she didn't expect was...

This time, the old master wasn't even going to give the old lady face anymore. He interrupted her in a low voice. "It's because of you that we only use the family law! However, Qiqi is right. If we don't punish her severely, our Gu family's reputation, the upbringing of the younger generation, and our scholarly roots would become a joke!"

The old master's tone suddenly became so stern.

Old Madam, Gu Enlong, and Gu Yuanyuan were all shocked and had an ominous premonition.

What?

Wasn't whipping the vines ruthless enough? Wasn't it strict enough?

What else was there to do?!

### **Chapter 308: What Was Gong Jue Doing Now?**

Just as everyone's hearts beat rapidly and they felt uneasy...

Old Master said, "It's indeed inappropriate to hit someone here. The children still have a gathering later. It'll affect their mood and appetite."

Old Madam was delighted and exchanged looks with Gu Yuanyuan.

Did the old master give in?

He wasn't hitting her anymore?!

"Thank you for not hitting me, Grandpa. I—"

Gu Yuanyuan hadn't finished thanking him.

In the very next second.

The old master suddenly said in a low voice, "Drag her to the ancestral hall. Use the family law first, and then make her kneel for three days and three nights!"

His tone left no room for discussion!

Gu Yuanyuan's ears buzzed!

Her legs and stomach couldn't help but tremble!

Under her immense fear, she thought that she had heard wrongly.

Looking at Old Madam, Old Madam's face was also filled with disbelief. "Old man, do you know what you're saying?"

"I've said it very clearly. Those who can't hear might be deaf and need to see a doctor. Butler Zhao, send her to the ancestral hall to receive punishment first before inviting a doctor over."

"You!"

Old Madam felt that she was going to die from anger today.

Gu Qiqi irritated her.

The old man infuriated her too.

In contrast to the old lady, Gu Qiqi nearly laughed out loud.

She didn't expect her usually stern grandfather to have such a humorous side.

He actually said that he would invite a doctor to treat deafness to mock her grandma who was unable to tell right from wrong.

She was really addicted to it.

In her previous life, she didn't have many opportunities to come into close contact with her grandfather. Now that they met again, she increasingly liked this grandfather who looked serious on the surface but had a child-like nature in his heart.

She suddenly remembered that when her grandfather called her that day and asked her to come back for the birthday banquet. He seemed to have been a little mischievous too.

Yes, yes. In order to make her agree to bring Gong Jue home, he deliberately nagged about the poor signal. Without waiting for her to reject him, he pretended that the signal had broken and hung up the call.

It turned out that this wasn't the first time that her grandfather was being funny.

Gu Qiqi thought with a smile.

She suddenly realized something important.

Gong Jue... Why wasn't he here yet?

There wasn't much time left before the banquet started.

Although this was a family banquet and wasn't that strict and formal, it was ultimately impolite to be late.



If Grandpa waited for him to come and he didn't appear after a long time, would Grandpa have a bad impression?

For some reason, she actually had some anticipation in her heart for her grandfather to accept Gong Jue and like him.

Seriously, he wasn't even her grandfather's grandson-in-law. Why was she so nervous?

Gu Qiqi shook off that ridiculous thought and tried her best to drag herself back to the scene.

But there was still a voice in her heart that muttered disobediently,

Why was that stupid man missing? There wasn't even a text message in the morning, let alone a phone call.

Where was he fooling around?

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At this moment.

At the Gong Residence.

On the sofa in the living room.

Gong Jue was lying flat.

His thick and long eyelashes were like fans as they cast a small shadow on his face.

His long breathing was heavy and steady.

Obviously, he'd fallen asleep.

Bai Mori sat on the soft chair in front of the sofa and leaned over to stare at him.

After taking the medicine, he had been asleep for the entire morning.

According to the medicine's effect, he would sleep for an entire day.

It was impossible for him to go to that country girl's banquet in the afternoon.

With a smile on her lips, Bai Mori scanned Gong Jue greedily from top to bottom.

Such opportunities were rare.

Gong Jue never came into contact with women. He was even stingy with giving them a look.

But at this moment, she could see him as much as she wanted.

She even wanted to reach out and touch this man's perfect figure...

After all, she had been fantasizing about him in her heart for the past few years, but she had never really touched him!

**Chapter 309: Let Gong Jue Never Leave Her**

Bai Mori's eyes burned as she stared at Gong Jue.

Seeing that her hand was about to touch Gong Jue's face...

Suddenly, Gong Jue frowned.

"Stupid woman..."

These unclear words carried a hint of disdain, arrogance, and pampering as they escaped Gong Jue's cold thin lips.

Bai Mori's hand froze in mid-air as if it had been electrocuted.

Stupid woman?

Who was he shouting for?

She didn't know who it was.

But it definitely wasn't her.

Bai Mori still had this bit of self-awareness.

Could it be... that wild girl from the countryside?

Bai Mori's elegant face immediately turned cold.

What capabilities did that wild girl have to actually let Gong Jue call out her name in such a deep sleep?

From a psychological perspective, only a deep obsession with her would cause him to do this.

Bai Mori's eyes darkened.

She had previously thought that that woman wasn't worthy of her taking action. Could it be that she had underestimated her enemy?

Breathing heavily, she pursed her lips and the heat in her eyes subsided.

She calmed down.

She withdrew her hand.

No, she couldn't touch Gong Jue yet.

This was the living room. From time to time, servants would walk around. Auntie Gong was in the kitchen and Uncle Gong was in the study room. The place wasn't suitable.

Previously, she wanted to test the medicine alone with Gong Jue in his bedroom. Gong Jue rejected her without even thinking. It could be seen that he was wary of her.

What if there were cameras in the living room? She had to be wary.

Furthermore, the medicine hadn't fully taken effect yet. If she touched Gong Jue and caused him to be allergic, he would definitely be furious when he woke up.

That would be disastrous.

She must continue to tolerate it.

She had endured it for so many years. How could she fail at the last step?

As long as this medicine proved that it was effective against Gong Jue's allergies, then Gong Jue would never be able to leave her for the rest of his life!

Because only she could cure Gong Jue's illness!

How could the entire Gong family not treat her as an angel?

Could it be that other than her, Bai Mori, there was another candidate to be the mistress of the Gong Residence?

Heh heh!

Thinking about this, Bai Mori laughed.

Then, she thought of Gu Qiqi, that wild girl from the countryside...

Bai Mori even looked disapproving.

Did she need to do anything?

There was no need at all.

Anyway, she didn't have to do anything now. Gong Jue would continue to sleep.

When the banquet was over, Gong Jue wouldn't appear in the Gu family either.

That wild girl should know very well what kind of insignificant status she had in Gong Jue's heart, right?

Heh heh...

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At the Gu family's old residence.

Gu Yuanyuan was dragged to the ancestral hall by a servant to execute the family law.

She cried terribly all the way.

Afraid that it would affect everyone's mood, the servant had an idea and casually found a towel to cover Gu Yuanyuan's mouth.

In the end, he didn't notice that she was holding a towel that had just been wiped in the washroom.

There was also a sour smell...

In the hall.

Gu Xuexue thought back to that family law vine with lingering fear. It was so terrifying. After Gu Yuanyuan was whipped this time, she might not be able to walk for a few days, right?

Fortunately, her words previously cleverly hid her real intentions, making everyone think that she was a person with deep sisterhood and was only accompanying Gu Yuanyuan to buy jade.

Furthermore, she didn't make a move when she smashed the longevity peach. She only instigated her from the side and didn't leave behind any evidence.

She had successfully eliminated any suspicion!

Otherwise, it would be terrible to be dragged down by that pig-like teammate Gu Yuanyuan.

"Xue Xue, what happened? You guys were too careless!" Gu Meifeng whispered in dissatisfaction.

She initially thought that he could take Gu Qiqi down a notch at the birthday banquet.

In the end, she didn't do well at the start of the game.

"Mommy, I didn't want to either. Look at how smug that bookworm is now! Grandpa treats her so well!"

Gu Meifeng squinted and laughed coldly in a low voice. "She won't be able to be smug for long. Forget it. It's fine if Gu Yuanyuan courts death herself. This way, no one will snatch Gong Sheng from you. As for the bookworm... Mom will have her own arrangements later! I definitely won't let her snatch away your limelight!"

Gu Meifeng looked at Gu Qiqi's petite back view not far away. Her eyes were filled with evil intentions!

### **Chapter 310: Xiaobei Suffered**

After Gu Yuanyuan was punished, Gu Enlong, who had been unable to flare up due to his status, also threw a cold glance at Gu Qiqi.

He would remember this girl!

No wonder Meifeng kept saying that she was difficult to deal with. Seeing it today, it was indeed so!

Even if he wasn't going to stand up for Meifeng, he wasn't going to take the beating and humiliation of Yuan Yuan lightly today. As her father, he was going to settle the scores after this!

At the same time, Old Madam Gu glared fiercely at Gu Qiqi.

Although Old Madam was very unhappy in her heart, one of her main objectives today was to bring the Shen family to congratulate Old Master Shen on his birthday. At the same time, she wanted to see if she could persuade Old Master to use his connections to help the Shen family's business in its current predicament.

The Shen family's pharmaceutical packaging company was going bankrupt because of a lawsuit!

It was simply a disaster.

What was more important and urgent than this?

Of course, it would be best if Gong Sheng could come. She would push Xuexue towards Gong Sheng and facilitate their relationship. With Gong Sheng's favor and help, Old Master would lean to her side and the matter would be settled easily.

Would she still have to worry about the Shen family not rising?

Thus, she didn't have the time to find trouble with Gu Qiqi anymore. Instead, she urged everyone. "It's about time. Shen Da, Shen Er, Shen Wu, why aren't you supporting Old Master to the dining room quickly? If you have anything to say, we can talk while we eat later. You guys should toast him properly!"

Old Madam gave the Shen brothers a look.

He frowned again. "Why isn't Old Third Shen here?"

"Oh, Third Brother had a meeting in school and asked me to bring a birthday gift over!"

"This Old Third Shen is outrageous. Tell him to come over alone tonight to apologize!"

"Yes, Old Madam!"

Gu Qiqi wasn't familiar with the Shen family. She had never seen these cousins before.

As for the Eldest Brother, Second Brother, and Third Brother that they were talking about... She didn't even know their names!

Of course, she didn't have the intention to chat with them either. Instead, she held Xiaobei's hand and told her grandfather about Xiaobei finding a tutor recently.

The old master was very happy to hear this. The unhappiness from being interrupted by Gu Yuanyuan just now was swept away.

He raised his thumb and praised Xiaobei. "Good child, good child! I can see the Gu family's true style from you! Persevering and unyielding!"

Old Master Gu's praise attracted the praise of all the uncles. For a moment, the entire venue's attention landed on Xiaobei.

Gu Xuexue squinted her almond-shaped eyes and said casually, "Xiaobei, why didn't I see what gift you gave Grandpa?"

Xiao Bei pursed his lips and was about to speak.

Gu Meifeng chimed in. "Xue Xue, you're stupid. Xiaobei is blind. He can't see and he doesn't know how to earn money. Why would he give you a gift? He can only talk nonsense to cheer up your grandfather."

The explanation that Xiaobei had wanted to say was choked back by this word "blind".

The expressions of the others in the hall gradually changed.

Everyone's praise just now seemed to be useless after he was insulted like this.

Gu Qiqi patted Xiaobei's shoulder to comfort him.

She knew that Xiao Bei had been silently preparing a gift these few days, but time was too tight. Xiaobei had classes so he wasn't done.

Grandpa wouldn't mind such an explanation. What would the rest of the Gu family think?

Would she think that it was an excuse?

Gu Meifeng and her daughter were really scheming!

They really didn't let go of any chance to attack her and Xiaobei and sow discord!

Gu Qiqi's eyes sank.

Without batting an eyelid, she picked up Gu Xuexue's painting of pearl powder on the table that imitated Gong Jue's mother's work "Fishing On An Ice Lake In The Snow".

You want to bully my Xiaobei?

There was a price to pay for that!