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At this moment, Gao Xiu walked in. Gu Chaoyan did not arrange this, but she had just passed on the message to Gao Xiu.

She did not have as high-level magical power as Gao Xiu, but she could even fabricate a clone of herself with magical power.

However...

She had read one method in the book about a method, which was a kind of Dementia Spell that could raise small paper cranes, which could pass on her consciousness. She had thought that it was fun to raise it, and at that moment, it really came handy.

Since Ouyang Mingjing was sorted through, Gu Chaoyan did not mind taking revenge on the others for her own sake.

She believed that Elder Man next to Ouyang Mingjing must have been involved with the incident.

Otherwise he would not have known about it and made use of it from her.

Gao Xiu was a very nice person, and he would be very willing to do that.

So...

That was why the conversation happened to be heard by those who should hear.

When those people arrived...

Elder Man was totally shocked.

It was very likely that Gao Xiu was going to make full use of what happened, so she could bring down City Lord totally.

By that hour...

He would lose his position in Snow Territory.

He was as skillful as Gao Xiu, except that he was not as skillful as Gao Xiu in uniting other people together.

If what happened today overturned them, then he would not be the same as before.

He finally got anxious. He came to Gu Chaoyan and interrogated with a small voice. "Do you know what will happen?"

"...."

"If you insist on being like this, we won't be able to give you the Fire Lotus flower."

Elder Man tried to threaten her with the Fire Lotus. After all, she travelled all the way to Snow Territory just to get the Fire Lotus that could detoxify her.

If she could not get the Fire Lotus flower, she would not be able to live on. So what mattered above all was that she needed to get herself cleared out of the venom.

Elder Man felt that he had got something to bargain with Gu Chaoyan, so he showed a proud smile.

Ouyang Mingjing was in a state so he could save him. As long as he was still the City Lord, everything could be saved after all.

As long as the Pheonix Girl dropped it, all would be fine.

She had already asked her men to cripple him, what more could she do?

That was already enough, definitely.

If she could not detoxify him, all would be over.

Elder Man thought that he had grasped her weakness.

However...

At this moment, Gao Xiu said with a smile, "You are threatening Pheonix Girl with Fire Lotus flowers?"

"...."

"Unfortunately, I happen to have one Fire Lotus flower here."

"...."

"Pheonix Girl, this is for you." Gao Xiu smiled and asked someone to bring the stuff up.

It was a white box with cold air coming out of it.

The man next to Gao Xiu opened the box, and inside was a Fire Lotus flower preserved in ice. The Fire Lotus flower was blooming under the nourishment of it.

"That is the Fire Lotus flower?" Gu Chaoyan exclaimed.

"How did you hear what I said?" Elder Man was surprised.

He had not only lowered his voice, but also sealed their space with his magical air, so no one could hear what he was saying.

How could Gao Xiu hear him?

What was going on?

Could it be that his cultivation had exceeded his? And that would mean he was at a higher level!

As he thought about this, he started to test Gao Xiu's cultivation with his consciousness.

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But when he attempted to utilize his magical powers to test Gao Xiu's cultivation, he discovered that he was unable to do so. This was something he had been able to do before. The sudden inability could only indicate one thing: during his absence, Gao Xiu had clearly advanced his cultivation and surpassed him in level.

How was this possible? Gao Xiu, who had never placed much emphasis on cultivation, managed to make significant progress while they were studying unorthodox methods?

He had previously chosen to conceal his true power, which is why he had only sensed a portion of Gao Xiu's cultivation with his consciousness. Now, with no reason to hide, he could perceive everything.

Gao Xiu gazed at him calmly, exuding an air of confidence.

"Do you admit to orchestrating the setup against Phoenix Girl's mother when she was poisoned?" Gao Xiu interrogated. "You were the guard assigned by the Old City Lord to ensure Phoenix Girl's safety. You possess knowledge of the Fire Lotus flower and even used it to threaten her!"

He had no place to hide anymore. He was the sole individual aware of the Fire Lotus Flower and the Cold Drug, which had led the City Lord to hold him in high regard. The evidence against him was irrefutable.

Longqing observed the scene in disbelief. So it was individuals from the Snow Territory who were responsible for poisoning Phoenix Girl? Could it be Elder Men?

The new revelation contradicted what he had previously known.

As far as Longqing knew, the wife of the City Lord was supposed to be the Phoenix Girl, and the Fire Lotus flower was planted by Elder Man. It was all part of a deal with the Phoenix Girl.

But now, it seemed that he was the one who had drugged her and taken out the Fire Lotus flower. This revelation shattered the notion of their marriage that had persisted since ancient times.

In the end, it was the City Lord himself who had drugged the Phoenix Girl.

Longqing couldn't believe that he had been deceived all these years.

With Longqing's suspicious gaze fixed on him and the City Lord, who had lost all his magical power, Gao Xiu held far greater power than he did. He knew the precarious situation he was in.

He was about to make his escape...

Observing his movements, Gao Xiu swiftly pursued him.

Gu Chaoyan, concerned that he would flee so easily, couldn't let him get away after what he had done to her. Seeking revenge for his actions would be too simple if he managed to escape.

Moreover...

Ouyang Mingjing's current state was a result of bearing immense responsibilities. Ouyang Mingjing had been the City Lord since childhood and had instilled numerous notions in him.

After taking a few steps, Gu Chaoyan realized that she had no magical power left and couldn't catch up to him. She turned to Huang Fu for assistance.

Huang Fu, on the other hand, remained remarkably calm and took no action.

"He is far more capable than I am, and he will undoubtedly catch up to him. There's no need for me to intervene," Huang Fu remarked calmly.

In truth...

There was nothing he could do. He had exhausted all of his magical power.

It was fortunate that Gu Chaoyan had turned to Gao Xiu for assistance, otherwise Huang Fu would have been uncertain about what the future held.

Having made her decision, Gu Chaoyan picked up the Fire Lotus flower and glanced at Huang Fu.

"Fire Lotus flowers require snow lotus for their creation, and it takes seven days for the cold poison to be detoxified. I will prepare the medicine myself," Huang Fu stated, but then added, "However, there is something important that I must tell you."

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Huang Fu's expression grew serious as he spoke, capturing Gu Chaoyan's attention. She shifted her gaze from the Fire Lotus flower to Huang Fu, awaiting his explanation.

Internally, Gu Chaoyan felt a sense of relief knowing that she had obtained the Fire Lotus flower. In seven days, once the detoxification process was complete, she would no longer be plagued by the poison. Being free from its grip would grant her greater freedom and release her from the control of others. The events of the day had left Gu Chaoyan dissatisfied, as she detested the feeling of helplessness that had consumed her.

However, Huang Fu's demeanor indicated that there was something even more significant than cold detoxification, leaving Gu Chaoyan both perplexed and anxious.

Unconsciously, she clenched her fists, maintaining a steady gaze on Huang Fu.

Hesitantly, Huang Fu moved his lips as if struggling to find the right words. Nonetheless, he pressed on. "When those old thieves drugged you, they never anticipated that you would possess the ability to withstand the poison derived from your mother's body. Therefore, before the Fire Lotus flower can fully detoxify you, they administered an additional substance known as Happiness Drug—a case of countering poison with poison."

"...."

"As the cold poison is eliminated, the Happiness Drug will remain in your body. You will need to harmonize your body and soul to achieve detoxification," Huang Fu explained further.

"...."

"I inform you now so that you may prepare yourself," Huang Fu concluded, his voice filled with concern.

"...."

"Furthermore, in seven days' time, the Happiness Drug will start to take effect," Huang Fu added.

Huang Fu found himself in a state of mixed emotions.

Feng Le...

Dealing with the effects of the Happiness Drug would prove to be a challenging task for her.

Zhou Huaijin was the man she had feelings for, and perhaps he wasn't intentionally causing her distress.

All Huang Fu could do was offer a reminder.

However, strangely enough...

He didn't feel overly saddened by the situation.

He couldn't quite pinpoint the reason for this peculiar sensation.

Upon hearing the news, Gu Chaoyan's face displayed a range of complicated emotions. The existence of the Happiness Drug had slipped her mind entirely.

That day...

On their wedding night, she had been in a daze, yet fragments of memories remained.

A blush crept up Gu Chaoyan's cheeks.

Huang Fu said nothing further.

At that moment...

The noise grew louder.

Huang Fu and Gu Chaoyan both raised their heads, following the source of the growing sound. They witnessed the arrival of a man who had been thrown in, the wicked Elder Man. His face was covered in bruises, and he appeared hopeless, devoid of any means to escape.

Elder Man had not anticipated that Gao Xiu, this old man, would possess such superior skills. He was utterly defenseless against him.

What other options did he have?

"I will reciprocate the favor. Your fate will be worse than my mother's, but I will abide by the rules," Gu Chaoyan declared, devoid of any visible emotions.

With these words spoken...

She instructed Gao Xiu to administer the cold drug directly to Elder Man.

Yet, Gu Chaoyan couldn't even bring herself to look at him.

Elder Man attempted to resist but was powerless against Gao Xiu's strength.

Thus, the cold drug was implanted within him.

Once the deed was done...

Longqing stepped forward. "Elder Gao Xiu, I implore you to punish me."

Longqing served as the chief guard of the Snow Territory. Regardless of the mistakes he had made in his dealings with the City Lord or any harm he may have caused Phoenix Girl, he believed that he deserved punishment within the confines of the Snow Territory.

He directed a direct apology to Gao Xiu.

Chapter 1864 Result 2

Gao Xiu gazed directly at Gu Chaoyan, her expression resolute.

Longqing was still young, and he had no involvement in the incident where Phoenix Girl's mother was drugged. As he had no part in it, it was irrelevant to his past actions.

Regarding his association with the City Lord, he was merely a loyal follower who followed orders. Gao Xiu knew Longqing well. He was an honest man who obeyed without question. His loyalty was driven by his dedication to his master. Gao Xiu felt it was a shame that Longqing had chosen to align himself with them.

From Snow Territory's perspective, Longqing had done nothing wrong.

Phoenix Girl would make the final decision and decide their punishment for their actions against her.

Gu Chaoyan gently shook her head.

In this world, there were different social classes, and Longqing was just a guard. It was unnecessary for her to delve into his past actions.

Gao Xiu understood her viewpoint.

She spoke, "Longqing, you are someone who follows orders. You will not be held accountable. What you need to do now is not beg for forgiveness but make a choice."

"..."

"Will you continue to serve as a guard of Snow Territory, or will you follow your City Lord and Elderly Man?"

"Longqing has always been Snow Territory's most loyal guard," Longqing responded without hesitation. It was an unshakable truth he had always known.

"..."

"But Longqing, can I assist them in finding a new path?" Longqing inquired.

Gao Xiu looked at them, then back at Longqing.

They were fortunate to have a friend like Longqing.

Gao Xiu nodded in agreement.

As everything fell into place...

Ouyang Mingjing gazed at Gu Chaoyan. She remained as cold as ever, her world clear and distinct.

As for himself...

He realized that he had allowed himself to be fooled.

It was all a joke in the end.

He had never truly loved her. His feelings had always been driven by obsession. From a young age, he had known that Phoenix Girl would be his future wife as the City Lord.

Only someone as formidable as Phoenix Girl could aid him, that's what Elder Man had told him.

But...

Deep down, he had always yearned for that gentle woman.

He wasn't that special after all.

With a bitter smile, Ouyang Mingjing took out a dagger and ended his own life.

He uttered his final wish, "If possible, bury me alongside her."

With those words, he closed his eyes.

He still wore his disheveled, snow-white attire. He was no longer as majestic as he had been in the Saint Divine Land, but in this moment, he was at his most magnificent.

Gu Chaoyan nodded in acknowledgment.

Gao Xiu's men were there to handle everything.

Once all was settled, Gao Xiu spoke, "The King will arrive shortly. Phoenix Girl is already residing in the palace. Let's arrange for him to be moved there as well."

Gu Chaoyan nodded in agreement.

After Gao Xiu departed, Zhou Huaijin and the others arrived.

Upon seeing Zhou Huaijin, Gu Chaoyan felt the need to introduce Huang Fu to him. She smiled and gestured to her right, preparing to speak, only to find that Huang Fu was no longer present.

Had he run out of magical power?

They could address this matter later.

Zhou Huaijin approached her with a smile.

Chapter 1865 Result 3

"What were you searching for?" Zhou Huaijin asked in a gentle tone.

As the two of them stood side by side, the others quietly withdrew.

Gu Chaoyan struggled to find the right words to explain about the space and Huang Fu. She felt it would be best to wait until Huang Fu was present to disclose everything.

She shook her head slightly. "Nothing."

It was the first time she had been so close to Zhou Huaijin.

Perhaps it was due to the periodic provisions Huang Fu had been providing them, allowing them to recover quickly. They didn't appear tired at all, despite the recent chaos they had endured.

It brought her a sense of relief.

"Have they been faring well recently? How are their injuries? Have they healed?" Gu Chaoyan asked Dao Seeking with genuine concern.

"They have all recovered, and everything is fine. We find food and herbs waiting for us in a designated spot every day. Did you arrange for someone to leave them there?" Zhou Huaijin inquired with a hint of confusion.

Contrasting the initial clumsiness when they left provisions for them, the subsequent supplies were neatly placed in open areas.

Gu Chaoyan grew perplexed as well.

Had they not encountered Huang Fu?

She had asked Huang Fu to deliver those items, so they had never crossed paths before?

If that were the case, it would be even more challenging for her to explain.

She briefly replied, "I have acquired a Master during these days. He possesses advanced skills but moves like a ghost. He is the one who provided those items to me. You can meet him when the opportunity arises."

Zhou Huaijin had no idea of the events that had unfolded in the past two days.

He nodded in response.

She embraced him tightly but refrained from any further action.

Feeling his breath, Gu Chaoyan's mind wandered to Huang Fu's words. Despite the cold poison being detoxified, she still had traces of the Happiness Drug within her body, triggering faint memories of its effects.

For some inexplicable reason, she suddenly felt extremely bashful in Zhou Huaijin's presence.

Overwhelmed by her embarrassment, she gently pushed him away.

Confused, Zhou Huaijin looked down at Gu Chaoyan, seeking an explanation.

They had grown accustomed to their close proximity, so why was she pushing him away now?

Perplexed, he awaited an answer.

Panicking, Gu Chaoyan averted her gaze, her cheeks flushing. She looked elsewhere and murmured, "It's nothing, really. I just remembered something. Elder Gao Xiu mentioned needing my assistance."

"..."

"I'll go and see what he needs. Thanks to him, the Fire Lotus Flower incident has been somewhat resolved. Please support him as much as you can. You've just arrived, so take the time to get settled." Gu Chaoyan quickly made arrangements.

And with that, she departed.

Zhou Huaijin remained bewildered as Gu Chaoyan left the room.

She simply wanted to step outside and clear her head of the swirling thoughts.

Unbeknownst to her, as soon as she opened the door, Gao Xiu entered.

Sensing his gaze upon her, Gu Chaoyan approached him and inquired, "Elder Gao Xiu, what do you need from me?"

"Phoenix Girl, I have a few matters to discuss with you," Gao Xiu replied.

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He had been contemplating whether it was the right moment to reveal the truth, but Gu Chaoyan had taken the initiative and confronted him directly.

Gao Xiu hadn't anticipated such a fortuitous turn of events.

With a mixture of fear and apprehension, he spoke, "Well, while we have managed to resolve the internal issues in the city, Snow Territory still faces external threats. Phoenix Girl, could you please lend us your assistance?"

"..."

"Those individuals from Snow Territory have been bestowed with great fortune, but they have neglected their cultivation. They have received a valuable lesson this time, but we must not allow Snow Territory to be lost."

Initially, Gu Chaoyan had no intentions of getting involved with Snow Territory.

She had already grasped the situation and had decided to depart after detoxifying herself.

But...

After revealing everything to Zhou Huaijin, and with Gao Xiu presenting this request, she felt compelled to take action.

She needed to do something about it.

Moreover, they were planning to depart from Snow Territory and confront their other adversaries within its borders. It would be beneficial to secure a safer passage.

Snow Territory held some prestige among the various sects. It was wiser to forge alliances rather than create enemies.

As she pondered the situation, Gu Chaoyan nodded.

She replied, "Very well."

She couldn't handle it alone.

However...

She had acquired extensive knowledge of array formations.

The array formation she had learned could prove useful in this situation.

When confronting cultivators, basic array formations would be ineffective. Instead, they would need more advanced illusionary array formations.

Fortunately, such matters were not challenging within Snow Territory.

"I require 99 individuals, and I can set up an array formation for you. I can assure you that they won't be able to harm you for at least half a year," Gu Chaoyan proposed.

"I will arrange it immediately," Gao Xiu responded, anxious that Gu Chaoyan might change her mind.

Considering the constant invasions by the Huayin recently, Gu Chaoyan decided to proceed without delay.

She led her team out of Snow Territory.

Soon, Gao Xiu's forces arrived.

By evening, the array formation was complete.

Perhaps due to the presence of the array formation, Huayin grew suspicious and launched another attack.

However...

No matter how much magical power they used, Snow Territory seemed to have a barrier that they could not break through.

They gave up after a few hours.

It was snowing heavily at night.

But it was very quiet in Snow Territory.

Gao Xiu came happily. "Pheonix Girl, array formation works!"

"But the array formation can only last for a limited period, and you need to work something out ourselves." Gu Chaoyan reminded them.

People from Snow Territory trusted the so-called blessing, and it would take some time before they changed their mind.

That was why she reminded him.

"I got it."

Gu Chaoyan left.

It was very tiring to set up the array formation, so Gu Chaoyan went to bed after washing up.

When she woke up the following day...

Zhou Huaijin was standing next to her. Seeing Zhou Huaijin's well-defined edges and corners, she flushed again. She got up, combed herself and went out, saying that she wanted to check out her own array formation.

Zhou Huaijin found that something was wrong. He asked Lingyun. "What happened to your Elder Miss?"

Lingyun had no idea what to say, because she seemed to have heard what Huang Fu said.

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But that was none other than Elder Miss's personal matter. Elder Miss was a girl who easily felt shy. It was their own affair, and Elder Miss should be the one to share the story. It would be impolite of her to reveal the truth.

Lingyun was about to say something but stopped herself. She said, "Mr. Head, you should ask Elder Miss."

After uttering those words, she coughed lightly and found it embarrassing to be present there. It was, after all, a very awkward situation. So she pondered for a while and left.

Before departing, she added, "I will go and take care of Elder Miss."

With that, she swiftly departed.

Seated there, Zhou Huaijin was unsure whether he should inquire or not. He began to feel perplexed.

Chaoyan had no clue about what was happening.

This was not how she usually behaved. Whenever he approached her since they arrived in Snow Territory, she would react like this.

Moreover, he could sense that Chaoyan wasn't avoiding him or disliking him.

She was simply feeling shy.

But what was making her shy?

Zhou Huaijin couldn't comprehend it.

Eventually, he decided to give Chaoyan some space so he could reorganize the hidden guards.

Due to the ambush, many of the hidden guards were either dead or injured, and they needed to be reassigned.

Thus, when Gu Chaoyan returned, Zhou Huaijin was not in the room, which relieved her.

Every time she saw Huaijin, she would be reminded of what Huang Fu had said to her. It made her feel so embarrassed that she chose to avoid being in his presence.

At that moment, Huang Fu emerged holding a black bowl in his hands. Steam wafted from the bowl, carrying a delicate floral fragrance instead of the usual strong medicinal scent.

"It's prepared with the magical water from your space, and the temperature is just right. Drink it first, followed by the pill. I will use my magical power to protect you. No one should disturb you for approximately two hours. Go ahead and make the arrangements," Huang Fu said with seriousness.

Gu Chaoyan glanced at the medicine-filled bowl.

The medicine retained its vivid red color, with a few petals floating on the surface. Huang Fu must have portioned the petals of a Fire Lotus flower for seven days.

Instead of drinking the wine, she stepped out to inform Sword One.

Usually, she would not be interrupted while in her room, but she needed to inform Huaijin. However, he was nowhere to be found.

After contemplating for a moment, she instructed Sword One to halt her search.

Then she entered the room and consumed the medicine without wrinkling her brows. As soon as she drank it, a warm sensation coursed through her body.

Gu Chaoyan swallowed the pills completely.

Huang Fu began employing his magical power to envelop her. The chilling sensation had been plaguing her for quite some time, and the Fire Lotus flower proved effective. Without the safeguard of magical power, she could easily be harmed.

However...

With the magical power shielding her, Gu Chaoyan experienced immense comfort, as if strolling through a warm spring.

Her attention was fully absorbed.

After two hours had elapsed, the Fire Lotus flower had fully integrated within her body, and Huang Fu retracted his magical power.

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The moment Huang Fu withdrew his magical power, Gu Chaoyan, who had been basking in the comforting warmth, suddenly became uncomfortable. Her brows furrowed deeply.

"Take a break, it's quite normal," Huang Fu said calmly.

The following days followed a similar pattern.

At the designated time, Huang Fu would arrive with the medicinal soup. After consuming it, Gu Chaoyan would take a break, gradually feeling less discomfort.

Over the past few days, Gu Chaoyan had unconsciously been avoiding Zhou Huaijin. As the seven days progressed, her avoidance of him increased.

Zhou Huaijin had no clue about the reasons behind her behavior, but he didn't want to make her uncomfortable. Therefore, he adjusted his actions according to her mood and handled the matters with the hidden guards himself.

And today...

It marked the seventh day.

In other words, after consuming the final bowl of medicine, she would be completely detoxified.

Additionally, once detoxified, the Happiness Drug would take effect within her body.

Hence...

Before Gu Chaoyan drank the medicine, she felt distressed.

Even though she and Huaijin were already married, there were certain things that made her feel bashful. The Happiness Drug could influence her and push her to do something bolder than she was used to. She couldn't bring herself to confront this.

The mere thought of it made her feel shy.

She simply couldn't fathom what she was expected to do.

The sensation of being unable to control herself was something she disliked.

Huang Fu found her amusing.

It was a side of her that Feng Le had never witnessed before.

However...

Seven days had passed, and he was finished teasing her.

Hence...

Huang Fu cleared his throat lightly and said, "Don't worry, there's an ice bed in Snow Territory for the Happiness Drug. If you don't want to proceed, after today, I will take you to the ice bed for detoxification."

Ice bed?

It seemed like there was a solution.

And Huang Fu knew about it?

Then why hadn't he mentioned it earlier?

Instead, he had unnecessarily caused her worry.

Gu Chaoyan felt as if Huang Fu had played a trick on her. He had deliberately done so!

Yet, as Gu Chaoyan looked up at Huang Fu, his expression was serious. There was no hint of a smile. It seemed he hadn't acted intentionally.

"Are you going?" Huang Fu inquired.

"Of course," Gu Chaoyan responded through clenched teeth. She still didn't fully trust Huang Fu. She believed he had done it deliberately.

Huang Fu appeared surprised and asked Gu Chaoyan, "I thought you would be with the King of the Saint Divine Land. Getting married is a natural occurrence."

Gu Chaoyan's face darkened, displaying her displeasure.

Huang Fu...

He was intentionally mocking her!

"We have no need for such vile drugs now that we're married," Gu Chaoyan declared, her teeth clenched.

She finished drinking the contents of the bowl and chose not to say another word to Huang Fu.

He was intentionally provoking her.

Huang Fu smiled.

Then he remained silent.

Continuing the conversation might actually make her seek his assistance with this matter.

He didn't want to agitate her further.

Just as before, he shielded her with his magical power.

However, following that, Huang Fu led her outside directly.

The ice bed in Snow Territory resided atop a towering snow-covered mountain, devoid of any guardians. It was too frigid for ordinary individuals to endure. Furthermore, it was formed by the mountain itself and couldn't be relocated.

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However...

Huang Fu remained on guard nearby.

After six hours had passed, he gently carried Gu Chaoyan back to the room, placed her on the bed, and then returned to the space.

Just as Huang Fu departed, Zhou Huaijin entered the room.

During these days, she had required extended periods of rest after consuming the medicine.

He would stay by her side and only leave once she woke up.

This time was no exception.

Noticing her awakening, Zhou Huaijin rose from his seat, prepared to depart.

Gu Chaoyan grasped his clothing and looked at him with wide-opened eyes. "Where are you going?"

Zhou Huaijin felt both surprised and relieved. "I'm going to get you some tea. Are you thirsty?"

He had no intention of disclosing his initial plan to leave. Even if he had contemplated doing so, he wouldn't reveal it, so as not to place her in an awkward position.

Gu Chaoyan smiled and nodded.

She felt revitalized.

Having completed the detoxification process, she had nothing to worry about.

In fact, she even sensed a lightness within herself, as if a vast amount of magical power resided within her.

Gu Chaoyan sipped the tea.

Speaking to Zhou Huaijin calmly as before, she said, "Now that I'm detoxified, we should depart Snow Territory."

"...."

"It's quite frigid here in Snow Territory, and even within Snow Territory, conditions are more favorable. Those hidden guards lack magical power and are unaccustomed to this environment. The sooner we return home, the better."

"..."

"They've put in a lot of effort these past few days."

Zhou Huaijin was taken aback. He suddenly realized how caring and gentle she always was.

Despite undergoing intermittent detoxification over the past few days, she was still observant of the hidden guards.

While the hidden guards struggled with the snow in Snow Territory, it wasn't excessively difficult. Elder Gao Xiu had made ample preparations, providing them with numerous Dharma artifacts and enchanted armaments.

However...

It was time for them to depart.

The door to the enchanted realm was open, and the outside world was undergoing rapid changes.

Being in Snow Territory, Zhou Huaijin had limited access to information. However, Elderly Man Gao Xiu had shared a few things with him in recent days. The schools were currently in turmoil, and without the assistance of the Phoenix Girl, the situation had worsened even further.

Many witches had already ventured out.

"We will depart for Snow Territory tomorrow."

"..."

"When we leave Snow Territory, instead of returning to the Saint Divine Land, we will head to Haitian."

"Haitian Market? Zhao Dier mentioned that place before, saying it's the largest market for Dharma artifacts, enchanted armaments, and pills. Many valuable items can be found there, surpassing what the proficiency market offers. Do we need to make some transactions there?" Gu Chaoyan asked, feeling perplexed.

Zhou Huaijin nodded.

"Elder Gao Xiu mentioned that the situation outside is chaotic. While the schools can protect themselves, the civilians of the Saint Divine Land may face difficulties. We need to take additional measures. I want to see it for myself."

"What about the court?"

"Lord Yu is in charge of the court. He is responsible for governing as the king and the monarch. Although he has been absent from the capital in recent years, he is highly skilled. He can handle the court affairs competently."

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"Regarding Lord Yan, he is providing assistance to us. Lord Yan has been residing at the boundary since childhood and has encountered numerous situations, which may have made them somewhat timid. However, Lord Yu, the king, and the monarch complement each other. With their presence, along with Prime Minister Chu and General Liu guarding the court, we can be assured that nothing untoward will occur within the court. This allows us to allocate some time for other matters," Zhou Huaijin explained, emphasizing his clear arrangement.

In truth, all these arrangements had been made prior to their departure for Snow Territory, leaving no cause for concern.

Zhou Huaijin had chosen not to disclose this information when Chaoyan was unwell. Consequently, her worries were now understandable.

Upon hearing that Zhou Huaijin had effectively organized everything, Gu Chaoyan found solace in knowing that she had nothing to fret over.

Huaijin had always displayed exceptional intelligence and possessed a far-sighted vision. His intention was to visit the Haitian Market and formulate plans for the Saint Divine Land.

Numerous aspects needed careful consideration and pre-planning to ensure successful execution.

After deciding to depart the following day, Zhou Huaijin assigned his men to discuss matters with Elder Gao Xiu.

Gao Xiu did not oppose their actions.

After all, the Phoenix Girl couldn't remain in Snow Territory indefinitely.

The external situation was tumultuous, and sooner or later, she would embark on her own ventures.

However...

Gao Xiu arranged for several guards to accompany them. Additionally, he provided them with Dharma artifacts, enchanted armaments, and pills. Snow Territory had been facing financial difficulties in recent years, so there wasn't much he could offer. Nevertheless, he did his best.

Gao Xiu personally escorted her as she departed.

Upon Gu Chaoyan's departure, the number of people welcoming her was noticeably fewer than before. Nevertheless, many Snow Territory civilians were present to express their gratitude.

They were all aware that the Phoenix Girl had established protective barriers, preventing the Chinese forces from approaching Snow Territory. They were immensely grateful to her for this.

The journey out of Snow Territory proved to be much smoother than their initial arrival, with no incidents along the way.

Travelling in wagons, Gu Chaoyan found herself with idle time, so she began to practice her magical powers.

Having undergone detoxification and with Huang Fu's assurance that she could cultivate magical power, Gu Chaoyan swiftly grasped the content of the books Huang Fu had provided. In order to avoid any disturbances, she instructed Sword One not to interrupt her, and proceeded to practice with her eyes closed.

A day went by...

Gu Chaoyan successfully completed the initial stage of cultivation.

After concluding her cultivation session, she felt light as a swallow. It seemed as if she were still within 500 meters of Snow Territory, enveloped in a comforting warmth emanating from her magical power.

Gu Chaoyan couldn't help but imagine what it would be like to attain Gao Xiu's level.

With this thought in mind...

For some reason, Gu Chaoyan grew increasingly excited and stepped directly into the space.

Inside the space, Huang Fu remained engrossed in his books, as if in search of something.

Upon hearing the noise, he looked up and noticed Gu Chaoyan.

However, something was different today.

She emitted a faint magical aura, but it seemed weak.