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Chapter 541: World-shocking Case!

Not long after Liu Changjun and his assassins left, the earth started to shake.

It was said that the police always arrives after a murderer leaves. It seemed the royal guards of the Chen-Xing City were just the same!

However, Ye Xiao's men did it so quickly this time.

It was like lightning, powerful and fast!

The royal guards actually had a quick reaction to come this fast.

Lots of royal guards were marching over from far away.

Ye Xiao humphed, "Those who should arrive are coming. It is time for us who should leave to go. Take these men and let's move!"

Ye Xiao, Ning Biluo, Zhao Pingtian, Song Jue and Binger grabbed the six survivors, jumped on the wall like birds, and then disappeared together.

- Crunch, crunch, crunch... -

The army arrived from everywhere. - Shoot, shoot, shoot... - Many superior cultivators flew into the yard, however, they were too late.

They were absolutely be late!

- Boom! - The door of the Second Prince's Palace was broken. Soldiers rushed into the place, armed and armored.

They were all shocked by what they saw there.

[Is this... Is this a prince's palace?]

What they saw was only a yard with blood everywhere. In the center of the yard, there were lots of dead bodies. They were piled up in the same place—hose were all headless bodies!

They were even sorted by genders and height.

The bodies had no heads, but the heads were not difficult to find. They were just piled up in front of all those bodies... A stack of heads!

Countless heads were like watermelons in the market, piled up high like a mountain!

If these were watermelons, the owner must be a very rich man! Such a great business!

In fact, it was also a lot of work for the murderers!

The smell of blood was so dense. It felt like it had become materialized as it spread in the yard.

The palace was like a death zone!

It was silent!

"Check the heads!" The general who led these men was both stunned and angry. He was trembling.

He just glanced at this, and he knew the men in the palace were almost all killed before they arrived to help!

[This is...]

"Sir! The Prince and the two maids of his are missing. The others are all murdered, including the concubines! Heads off!"

The soldier was checking the name book. It pissed off the general. He slapped on the soldier's face and said, "You stupid sh*t! Can't you just say murder? Do you have to say heads off and stuff? I am going to cut your head off, I dare you!"

The soldier covered his face and humbly got away. He was thinking, [God damn it! Didn't you tell me to specify it? You said that. 'If the heads are cut off, you must specify it.' Heads off. That is it! No matter what you say, you cannot change the fact. Damn it. Now you blame me for it. What the...]

"World-shocking Fxcking Case!"

The general was sweating already. Cold sweat moistened his heavy clothes, and his eyes were opened up like two light bulbs!

Right in the capital!

The Second Prince's Palace was in a bloodshed! All dead! No survivors!

That was such a true world-shocking case!

That was the house of the king's son!

What should he say to the king now?

"Cordon off the city! Hunt the murderer down!" the general shouted so loudly that he almost broke his throat! He was extremely furious!

[Why! Why does it have to happen while I am on duty!!!]

[Heavens do not want me to live anymore!]

"This... We have to make a report to the Ministry of Penalty and... the king..." The general almost teared up. "I am done. I am done..."

The soldiers looked at each other.

They were all wondering while watching the miserable situation. [Who did Second Prince mess with? He actually got his family wiped out in one night?]

[Back then when two great sects came and broke in the palace, they didn't wipe them out!]

[How powerful the murderer must be that they could do this?]

The capital was in disturbance again at dawn!

These were two miserable nights really. The first night, the capital was in a mess with lots of death, not to mention the Royal House was even nearly ruined. Even after a full day's recovery work, the kingdom was still in troubles.

The next night, the entire Second Prince's Palace was wiped out!

[What does that mean?]

[Was the murderer only here to do it against the Second Prince or did he aim at somebody else? Is it only for the men in the royal house or everybody is a target?]

[Will there be another victim?]

Before the sun rose, the capital was in chaos!

Horns sounded and horse steps too!

Even the previous night, none of the royal house people got killed!

However, the entire house of a prince got killed!

Those were thousands of people!

The doors in the city were all closed. Soldiers on horses were all around the city. They were searching the city, which began on a grand and spectacular scale!

When the king heard of this astonishing news, he was taking the morning report.

When he heard it, he started to quiver and his face turned pale. He gritted his teeth and said in a low voice, "Track!"

Just a simple word!

And then he put this away and continued to discuss other things.

He seemed to not care about it. At least he looked like so.

Under the officials' concerning eyes, the king seemed to be fine; he was even calm and solemn. He took care of the kingdom's businesses carefully and logically.

When it was late in the morning, people left the court. All the reports were taken care of. The king stood up and walked out the royal hall. He walked in a firm and strong steps.

[What a king! Such stability! How extraordinary!]

The king was sad and shocked, they saw it after all. However, he was still taking the kingdom as the most important thing. He just kept the sad news to himself.

The officials sighed and left.

Nobody knew that when the king got back to his room after taking a long, firm and strong walk, he staggered and then spat out blood!

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After that, the king fell back on the floor!

"Yong-Er..."

Tears fell down!

The king always knew that his second son was not a capable man. He knew that this son would never get any great achievement, however, even though he knew that he must have had messed up with someone he should never have... that he was unforgivable... but...

[Even though he is so wrong... he is after all my son!]

[He is my son!]

The king lied on the floor with tears on his cheeks... [Who was it?]

[Who attacked the palace?]

[Why so brutal! Why so merciless!]

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The king raged and the thunder sounded!

The entire kingdom was immediately in chaos.

All houses were checked. Soldiers walked on the streets like tigers and wolves. They ran amuck in the city. Generals, leaders, captains... They were all showing dark faces.

They looked at everybody like they were looking at a murderer. Everyone was a suspect!

Suddenly, everybody started to worry about safety in this big city!

Many people who had attended the fight of the two great sects hid in the city. They had gotten away from the investigation earlier, yet now they were found out. It surely proceeded much strictly this time!

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"Second Prince." Ye Xiao sat on the chair. He looked at the prince with cold eyes as he casually spoke, "Now, the city is in chaos because of the bloodshed in your palace. The king loves you so much. Who says royal people have no family factions! That is so wrong."

Second Prince looked at Ye Xiao with a pair of swollen and terrified eyes.

[You devil!]

The man in front of him was exactly a devil!

Over a dozen years earlier, he didn't realize, or he wouldn't even think it was possible that this young stupid son of General Ye was actually such a horrible figure.

However, now he knew it, but it was too late. He was in the devil's hand now!

[Do I have a chance to survive this?]

What happened earlier the night was a nightmare to him!

The guards he trusted were cut on the throat and their heads just flew up around him. The heads then fell down around his feet. That was the beginning of the nightmare. It lasted till the current moment, yet was far from the end. There might never be an end to this nightmare. The end of this nightmare might just be his death!

"Ye Xiao, do not be reckless. You should better just let me go now. If your filthy plan is exposed, you entire clan will be wiped out. You will all die without an intact body! What my father is doing today shows lots of things. You are just a normal person, yet you dare to offend the royal house's honor! That is treason! Ye Xiao, you deserve to die!" Second Prince gasped and shouted in a hoarse voice.

He knew what he said wouldn't threaten Ye Xiao at all, but he just couldn't let go of any possibility to live!

"Please calm down, your honor. Don't shout so loudly though. Lower your voice and I may be able to listen to you clearly." Ye Xiao had a drink of tea and said, "And do not have any stupid fantasies now. I won't change anything just because of your stupid words. I won't even listen to you! You are like staying dozens of meters below me now!"

"I can just let you shout as you like, but no matter how you try it, nobody will hear you. However, I just think it is boring to let you waste your energy." Ye Xiao coldly smiled.

"By the way, your honor, no matter how determined your father is... Let me guess, will your father come and check the Northern General's House?"

Ye Xiao asked with a wicked smile.

Second Prince fell on the floor like his bones were all broken when he heard Ye Xiao. He shook his head and his eyes were gloomy.

Everybody knew how important Ye Nantian was to the kingdom!

Second Prince surely knew how important he was to his father!

Nobody could threaten him!

Even when the soldiers had to search the royal house, they would never dare to make trouble for the Northern General's House!

It was after all the safest place in the capital. Even the foreign forces and assassins wouldn't dare to attack this place, no matter how big a distraction they made in the entire city!

Everybody knew that it was a bad idea to mess with Ye Nantian. If Ye Nantian swayed his sword and said, 'Find out the man who mess around in my house!', then no matter who the man was, he would just be pushed out and take the responsibility.

They wouldn't want to see General Ye in anger!

That was all!

It was a big reason enough!

Only Ye Nantian had such power in the entire Land of Han-Yang!

No one else did!

Not long earlier, Ye Nantian had just massacred tens of thousands assassins from all over the world when they tried to stand in his way!

He did it quick!

He did it powerfully!

He was a man that was hard to kill! He was an invincible general!

Nobody wanted to mess with him!

Even the king of the three most powerful kingdoms in the world!

Ye Xiao was his only son!

Ye Xiao was the only person he loved in the world!

Second Prince felt helpless now. He knew the King would never find him. It was simply impossible. How could he get saved if nobody found him?

Ye Xiao smiled and gently talked, "Even if the king finds Second Prince, I want Second Prince to make a guess. Can he save his son from my control, seriously?"

It was like a lightning striking into Second Prince's heart!

Second Prince had been fighting against his own brothers for many years, so he wasn't that ignorant. He had seen the power Ye Xiao had. That unbelievably powerful Steward Song, and the three horrible assassins, any of them had the power to shock the world.

He thought Hua Liushui was such an experienced and powerful man, the top of the world, however, Hua Liushui was played like a kid. Hua Liushui wasn't weak at all though. Second Prince knew that Hua Liushui was stronger than any of the great masters in the royal house. Since Hua Liushui was strong, then it only proved that Ye Xiao was too powerful!

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Chapter 543: Torture!

[It seems the World's No. 1 Assassin Ning Biluo was among the three assassins. I heard that he should be Ling-Bao Hall's man. The battle in Ling-Bao Hall earlier was such a breaking news to the world. He actually comes and help Ye Xiao. Ye Xiao must be very close to Ling-Bao Hall.]

[How powerful! Even my father can never afford messing with him!]

[Why didn't you just show me a little bit of your true power. If I can just realize a bit of how powerful you are, I will never mess with you. No beauty is more important than my own life!]

Thinking of that, Second Prince totally broke down. He had been hopeless, but now he was totally broken!

Ye Xiao looked at him with cold eyes and blandly said, "Do you think you still have a chance to get away here?"

Second Prince shook his head.

[Forget about help... Forget about power... I was in my own place and you still captured me away. My men all died under your men. I am alone now, sinking in this sh*t pond. How do I escape from this invisible cage?]

"Well then, why don't you just behave yourself? At least you may hold on for a few more days. Right?" Ye Xiao asked.

"I..." Second Prince tried to answer him.

"What? I told you to shut up, didn't I? You just can't be nice, can you?" Ye Xiao half closed his eyes; he looked so vicious at the moment. He swayed a long whip. - Pah! - Second Prince screamed. He was badly split on the skin!

Blood burst out.

"Let me ask you again. Behave yourself and we will have a nice conversation. How about that?" Ye Xiao nicely asked, "In fact, I am so curious that I need to know something. You are going to tell me, alright?"

Second Prince was suffering great pain. He was trembling as he humbly answered, "What... What do you want to know?"

- Pah! -

Another whip. Second Prince almost passed out because of the unbearable pain. He heard Ye Xiao continue saying softly, "I will tell you what I want to ask! What do you think you are? You dared to ask me a question? Don't you know how to behave? Oh right, animal doesn't understand human words. Hmmm... Do you know language?"

Second Prince was trembling. He finally tasted the true fear that could freeze one's heart. He nodded.

- Pah! -

Whip again.

"Why did you nod? Do you really think I have no idea what language you can speak? You just said something, and now you acted like you couldn't!" Ye Xiao said with anger, "Look at your twisted face. You nodded. Do you hate me that much?"

"Now show me a smile! Be happy! Tell me with pleasure that you accept my inquest! Understand? Can you? Do I need to teach you again? Not with my mouth of course, with the whip! Whip is always a good choice to torture animals like you!" Ye Xiao viciously spoke.

Second Prince broke down even more. He realized that Ye Xiao was simply playing him. However, he had to endure it. Even though he knew it was just an absurd play, he had to take it!

"Lord Ye... At this time, could you please..." Second Prince tried to get sympathy.

After all, it was so unbearable to be played and tortured like this. He wanted to get as much mercy as he could from Ye Xiao!

- Pah! -

It was a quick whip! Fast and loud! A piece of skin was whipped off Second Prince. He screamed and nearly passed out again. Ye Xiao coldly smiled. "Who the fxck do you think you are talking to? Do you think you are still the noble prince? Guess what. Here. Now. You are just a damned dog! Pah! Dogs are close to people. You are so much worse than dogs! You filthy animal!"

"Your life is less worthy than a dog's now!"

"What you are going to do is to follow my words! If you cannot make it, or do it wrong, you know what will get on you!" Ye Xiao moved the whip in his hand and brutally smiled. "I believe you understand that I truly don't have faith in you. In fact, I wish you cannot do it."

The viciousness he showed in the words made Second Prince forget the pain on his body!

"I will... Accept your inquest..." He fought back the pain on his body and the shame in his heart. He tried so hard to show a smile on his face, and spoke in a low voice.

"That is some real ugly smile! Are you dissing me?" Ye Xiao raged up and whipped over.

- Pah, pah, pah... -

Second Prince screamed and screamed! When Ye Xiao stopped, he had already lost the shape of a man. The pain was everywhere on his body. He felt dizzy; he felt he would die at any second.

He even felt that death was way much better than the torture here!

[Come on! Do it! Kill me!]

He thought.

However, Ye Xiao stopped.

He took a supreme dan bead from inside his clothes!

That was a marvelous dan bead. Second Prince never had any before, but he hadn't seen it.

Supreme Dan!

Ye Xiao grabbed Second Prince on the jaw and pushed the precious dan bead into his mouth.

A warm feeling got down from his mouth to his body. He felt so comfortable.

The wounds on his were recovering in a fast speed.

However, he didn't feel happy about it at all, even though he had finally tasted a supreme dan bead. He widely opened his eyes that were filled with fear. He looked at the wounds being healed rapidly as he felt despair.

The feeling of pain was still there, but the wounds were already healed. The skin became smooth and good again...

"You want to die? Not that easy!" Ye Xiao nodded gently and nicely. "Your honor, I am a man with honor. I said I will keep you alive and make you beg for life. How can I just let you die this way! If I let you die this easy..."

Ye Xiao's face became twisted because of anger. "How do I comfort the eight hundred thousand young lives that you ruined!"

Eight hundred thousand lives!

When he said these words, Second Prince closed his eyes in desperation.

[Of course it is. Of course he knew!]

Ye Xiao looked at the prick and gasped. He did it on purpose. He just wanted to torture the prince. He wanted to try every brutal way on him. Reasonable or not. Honorable or not. He just wanted this prick to suffer!

He even used a supreme dan bead on him, just because he wanted to keep him alive so that he could go on torturing him!

However, he didn't feel satisfied yet. Not enough!

[Filthy monster!]

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Chapter 544: Anger of Man and Heavens!

"Let's cut the b*llshit and be frank now." Ye Xiao tried to control his anger and blandly spoke, "Whatever your men have done, how many people have you ordered them to kill, everything, go on, tell me everything! Remember, smile. Say it quick! I don't have all day to play with you scum! If you don't smile, or you say it wrong, or you say it slowly, you know what would happen! Don't you!"

He whipped on the floor. - Pah! -

Second Prince was terrified. "Okay... Okay... I'll do it..."

"You didn't smile! Why? You are not satisfied with the way I treat you?"

Ye Xiao gave him a vicious slash again.

Second Prince screamed and then hurriedly smiled. He tried so hard to make himself look nice and sincere. "My men..."

Ye Xiao turned around and stopped the whip eventually.

One of the Blood Guards was concentrated on recording Second Prince's narrative on a book.

In fact, this man was totally frightened by what his master was doing right now! He didn't know there was actually such a vicious way to torture people in this world!

The one who was tortured was actually a prince of the kingdom!

[A hero father has a heroic son. Young lord is no weaker than the General at all...]

[But... Is this a noble thing to do?]

[Wouldn't it force the prince to confess to false charges?]

[It is not right to do such a vicious torture!]

The man couldn't agree with it, but he still kept recording it fast...

However, after a while, he suddenly stopped. He stood up from the chair and loudly shouted. His eyes had turned red. He took the whip and hit the Second Prince like crazy. He whipped him with his all strength!

The prince was rolling and screaming on the floor in front of him with blood on the body. He didn't look like a human shape now, but the guard didn't want to stop!

Ye Xiao stopped him and fed Second Prince a supreme dan bead again. Otherwise, the prince would have died under the merciless whip!

"Son of a bxtch! You bloody monster! Fxck you! Fxck you father! Fxck you entire family..."

"You motherfxcker! You sick motherfxcker!"

"You fxcking sick animal..."

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As he cursed crazily, he hit the prince, totally forgetting what he should be doing!

The things Second Prince confessed was too much of a sin! Only an animal would do such things! He had completely lost his humanity!

"So many brothers splashed their blood and died for the country! After all those fights, when they returned home and found their sisters gone, their wives gone... Fxck you! You son of a bxtch! You are not a human being!"

He shouted and whipped. At last, he cried.

"How many brothers died in the battle for your kingdom... You fxcking animals. How many died in the wild... When they returned with their crippled bodies, for god's sake, when they were home and finally had the chance to see their families again, they couldn't find them..."

"They shed their blood in the front line! You bastard! You murdered their wives and sisters and daughters! You are not a human being! You are an animal! You are an animal!!!"

He cried out loud, "My sister is missing... My sister is gone... In her perfect age. She is gone. She is my sister! My little sister..."

"That year, I couldn't join the battle because of my crippled right leg. I got the permission from General that I could finally come home. When I was home, I saw my parents in sorrow. They told me that my sister hadn't come back since she went out someday earlier. She was gone..."

"Those were miserable days... Father and I prayed and prayed that she would come back. In the end, I gave up. I didn't expect that she would still come back. I hoped that she was working as a maid, or was married to somebody somewhere... I just hoped that she was still alive..."

"Just now, I realized it. The tiny hope that father and I had is broken!" He cried and cried. And then he cursed, "There is actually such a group of bloody animals walking in the world! You evil, unethical fucking bastard!"

"Fck you! Fck you father! You actually are the king's son! I actually swore loyalty to your father! Fck you whole clan you piece of shxt!"

Ye Xiao sighed.

Second Prince was beaten up into a bloody pulp again. He was extremely scared as he tried to dodge the whips...

He didn't dare to look into anybody's eyes!

"Keep recording!" Ye Xiao said, "Brother Li, put it down clearly! We will take revenge on every word you put on it! If you kill him like this right now, it will be such a shame to not let him suffer enough. I want him to live a long long life, begging for death!"

"Nothing should be missed in the record!"

"It is not only concerned to your sister, also all the girls in the world! Do your job! Finish it and I promise you, you will have your time to get to him! You will have the chance to do whatever you want to do to torture him!"

Ye Xiao spoke in a heavy voice.

"Thank you, my lord, for the justice!" Li kneeled down and kowtowed to Ye Xiao. "My lord, please promise me, let me join you when you are going to wipe all these bastards out!"

"I am going to avenge my sister myself! I am going to kill them with my own hands!"

He looked burning in fury!

"Okay! I promise!" Ye Xiao made a long sigh.

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The same tortures were going on in other private rooms.

Assassins became executors. They used the most vicious methods they knew to torture those people! Whatever was most scary, most brutal, and most immoral, they just used them again and again!

Ye Xiao had prepared to pay a great deal to let those people suffer the worst torture. He gave the assassins many supreme dan beads. If any of those men was dying, they should feed him a dan bead and then go on with the torture!

With the supreme dan beads, those monsters would never die no matter how badly they wanted to!

The assassins had killed a lot in their lives, but compared to these monsters, they felt like the nicest people in the world!

They just knew that there were such vile people in the world for real!

Those were such vile and brutal sins!

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Chapter 545: Deserving to Die!

Song Jue was in charge of the inquest on Hua Liushui himself. Surely, he had tortured him badly. However, Hua Liushui was a tough man. He endured it for about an hour!

Song Jue was furious!

[How dare you play tough now?

Fine! Let's see how tough you can be!]

He then took out a knife and kept stabbing into Hua Liushui's body about eighty times! All in fatal places!

While he stabbed, he swore, "Fxck fxck fxck fxck fxck..."

Blood kept pouring out!

"Haha... Low skills. Are you trying to kill me? Do you... think... I would fear death..."

Hua Liushui spoke in a sneering tone. He could feel his life fading away. He wanted death.

However, the next moment, Song Jue wickedly smiled and fed him a supreme dan bead...

The marvelous dan bead immediately brought Hua Liushui back to health. His wounds recovered so fast and he was completely cured. Song Jue took the knife and kept stabbing him again...

"Fxck, fxck, fxck, fxck, fxck..."

Another supreme dan bead!

And then he stabbed again!

After five times, Hua Liushui finally showed weakness... He started to cry and beg for mercy. He really hadn't thought that there was actually such a brutal person in the world!

There was no strategy at all in the inquest.

It was only about torturing. He killed him and saved him, again and again!

Death was something Hua Liushui could dream of now!

After dangling on the edge of death and returning to the miserable life five times, Hua Liushui was the only person who knew how painful it felt!

He was completely broken down...

He started to beg. He did everything he could to beg for mercy!

However, Steward Song wouldn't care. He did the sixth time... - Puff, puff, puff, puff... - Knife stabbed again and again...

The sixth?

That didn't seem to be the end. Maybe there would be the seventh, an eighth, or even ninth!

There was still a long time before Steward Song felt bored about this game!

Hua Liushui claimed to be the most evil man in the world. He had thought that there was no one in the world that could be more vicious than him! However, out of his expectation, the man who was torturing him was much worse than him and also stronger. There was always worse and there was always better...

"I am done... I will change... I promise... I give up..." Hua Liushui cried.

Tears were literally on his face!

At this moment, the regret in his heart was like the water in the Huanghe River.

[Why didn't I keep hiding outside the martial world? Why didn't I leave several days ago? I knew there were people coming over. I just felt I could be lucky enough... Why do I only regret only after I met this psychopath...]

The thing he wanted the most was medicine for regret. However, there truly was nothing like that at all!

"Speak! Go on!" Song Jue swayed the knife in his hand. Blood dropped off the knife and most of it dropped on Hua Liushui's face.

He was trembling, quivering.

[This... This is my blood!]

[This is so much blood... Blood of my heart... What is that white color thing? ... My brain? ...]

He was totally freaking out.

Who on earth could see his own brain come out from the head? Who could see his own heart in the world?

Who?

Nobody but Hua Liushui now!

He saw it six times within two hours!

There might be several times more!

He never feared death!

He felt that every day was blessed after escaping from death!

However, at this moment, he was so scared!

There was a devil in front of him who would never let him die but only let him suffer in pain!

He would return from the fatal injuries and get tortured time and time again!

Torturing him never ended!

And he was only tortured in the same way...

That was so frightful!

What a way to torture!

That was the worst way to beg for death!

Ning Biluo and Zhao Pingtian were much more peaceful compared to Song Jue. They didn't have the chance to do anything, because before they started to threaten, frighten, or torture, the men they questioned told everything.

Ning Biluo and Zhao Pingtian went completely mad after hearing it all though.

They had been curious why they were all sent to slaughter the entire Prince's Palace! They got the order, so they didn't think deeper about it. They just went and started the bloodshed.

Now, they finally got to know that there were so many unbelievable crimes hidden in the peaceful scene!

How brutal!

They finally knew that they were questioning a bunch of disgusting animals!

They got a list of names that were responsible for all the crimes. They looked at the list and their killing intent nearly filled the entire city!

They decided not to spare any of those men on the list!

Absolutely not!

Everyone should be tortured till death!

Even Rou-Er, who had been following Zhao Pingtian, who was so soft and gentle, was bursting with anger...

Ye Xiao had been spending a lot to make Soul Gathering Dan for Rou-Er. Now, she could turn into a mass of dark fog and move around the room.

She flew to where the Second Prince stayed and showed up from time to time...

It made the room more like hell with her existence.

Second Prince was scared to death!

He truly had done too many evil things!

He was just easy to get frightened!

However, when Zhao Pingtian saw her hazy face, he was stunned! He was crazy!

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Chapter 546: I Will Carry the Sin!

Zhao Pingtian waited and waited. He wanted to see his beloved one on the 5th of July because that was the day when Yin and Yang were closest to each other. However, he never expected that she could turn into shape after taking many of the Soul Gathering Dan beads!

Actually, she was excited as well.

Looking at her running here and there to scare those men, Zhao Pingtian teared up.

Rou-Er didn't know she could be seen now though. She just kept moving around to scare those bad guys. [These bastards... They should have died long ago!]

Zhao Pingtian quietly looked at her as tears came running down on his cheeks.

He didn't want to interrupt Rou-Er.

Besides, it was not a good time to show such emotion..

His heart was filled with gratefulness!

[My lord! Monarch! Thank you!]

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When the inquest was done, an entire day had passed.

It was turning dark again.

Second Prince and his men had become piles of meat and blood...

Ye Xiao took an account book in hand. He got it from Second Prince's Palace. It was one of over a dozen account books, though no important information was recorded on these books.

Whatever was important would never be recorded on books.

He could only get it from the inquests.

"There are many names that are not on these books! As expected! The book in his heart is the real one!"

Ye Xiao's eyes looked cold and sharp.

"I believe no one dared to lie in such an inquest. We questioned them separately and they were all basically telling the same things. I don't think they still have anything that they can lie about," Ning Biluo said.

Ye Xiao nodded to agree.

"Go get on with it. I need to know the number of all the men we need to kill. Do not miss a damn person. We can make the wrong kill, never wrong mercy!" He sighed. He seemed tired.

When he thought about those girls who had been captured, tortured, sold and killed, he felt gloomy!

Second Prince was not the only person who had been doing this business.

How many sins were hidden in this peaceful world?

How many innocent girls were killed just because of somebody's greediness?

Could he clean it all?

Could he kill all the men like that?

What should he do that could stop people doing such a filthy and unscrupulous thing?

"Even though we might not be able to kill them all, we have to do it! The more we kill, the less they ruin!" Ye Xiao viciously spoke.

"Counting done."

"How many?"

"Officials in the capital... there are six... One from the Penalty Ministry and one from Revenue Ministry. There is a general and two ministers..."

"Kill their entire clans. Do not miss anyone!"

"Yes, my lord!"

"There are two Voluptuous Flower Buildings in the capital. That is... one thousand five hundred and forty-six people!"

"Kill them all, and every person in their clans!" Ye Xiao fiercely spoke. "Especially those Discipline Supervisors... Work even harder on them. Do not let them die easily! Remember, kill every single person in their clans! Such men do not need to have children in the world!"

"Yes, my lord!"

"It is a huge system, the Voluptuous Flower Buildings outside the capital... A huge network... There are local officials and also men of the martial world participating... The number is... over eighteen thousand..." Zhao Pingtian sighed.

Voluptuous Flower Building had murdered so many lives. Moreover, it gathered a lot of evil, vicious, and contemptible people. Humanity was weak in front of personal interests...

"Whoever is confirmed guilty, kill them all!"

"Let the assassins from Ling-Bao Hall do separate tasks!" Ye Xiao took in a long breath, "I want those men die! I want them suffer before death! They will go to hell after they die! I want them to taste it before they go!"

"I want every one of them to regret everything they have done!"

Ye Xiao had never hated anybody like this before! Such hatred had never shown in his heart ever.

Even the three factions in the Qing-Yun Realm didn't arouse such hatred!

He was just disdainful.

He had never had such a strong hatred ever!

The horrible crime of Second Prince and his men aroused the determination of massive slaughter in Xiao Monarch's heart!

He gave every order with the intent to kill!

"Yes, my lord! We will never spare any of those men!" Ning Biluo and Zhao Pingtian promised at the same time.

"Listen. Assassins from Ling-Bao Hall act in four groups, east, west, south and north. Give them a specific name list! Kill whoever shows up on the list! Bring evidence back! Whoever on the list are all completely evil, their entire clans should be wiped out. No mercy!"

Ye Xiao's eyes were filled with crazy killing qi!

The eight hundred thousand dead women totally made him burst in anger.

Some of the dead were wives and daughters of the soldiers who were fighting in the front line. That took away the last bit of mercy in his heart!

He had never thought that it would be too cruel to wipe out their clans, even if there were any innocent people among them.

[Innocent? Who can be more innocent than those girls and ladies?]

[I am cruel and brutal. Blame the one who participated in this evil thing then!]

[Heavens will see every sin! Evil will get retribution sooner or later. They will get what they planted! Nothing to complain about!]

Ye Xiao was completely unreasonable at the moment. He was too angry as he completely lost his sense and calmness!

"No law in this world will do the righteous punishment to these trash. Justice is late! Law cannot bring justice! Then I will bring justice to this world!"

He slowly stood up, his eyes full of killing intent. Word by word, he heavily spoke, "The heavens, the mortal world, the society, I will bring justice since nobody can!"

"I would love to carry the sin of murder!"

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Chapter 547: Massacre Began!

The searching continued outside the house.

At least over a dozen groups of soldiers passed the gate of the House of Ye. Some of them had thought about getting in and searching the house, however, the blood guards at the door gave them fierce gaze, making them give up the idea.

"How dare you! You actually want to search Great General Ye's house?"

It wasn't people in the House of Ye who said that.

That was a general scolding the men who wanted to get into the house.

"Why don't you just break in? It will be the biggest fortune in your clan that the blood guards didn't beat you to death!"

The general scolded fiercely.

It was turning dark again. Night had come.

The city was lit up!

Disturbance in the city continued. Sounds of fights and shouts came from here and there from time to time. That should be some foreign spies or assassins... They were found.

Things like this happened everywhere within the day. People had gotten used to it.

Well, it should be within the two days, but it never stopped...

The men who were sent to do the searching were actually just searching. They didn't disturb the citizens. Only little citizens were involved. Surely, the soldiers knew that the leadership had burst in anger. They had to finish the job as soon as they could. Making unnecessary troubles meant looking for death. This searching mission was the least disturbing one in history for the people in the city!

When the sky just turned dark, it was the most peaceful moment in the day. It was not the time to do anything at this time.

Something had been done by then, and something was yet to start. For a man to go home and sleep with his wife... it was far too early.

Most people were having dinner at this time, including the soldiers who had been working all day, even the fugitives. They were all human beings after all. They all needed to eat.

However, at this peaceful moment, two cruel things happened in the capital!

One happened in the east while the other in the west—two Voluptuous Flower Buildings, the most famous brothels in the capital, within fifteen minutes, were wiped out by an unknown force! The girls survived while others were all slaughtered... No one escaped, except all the girls!

Some of their customers stood out to stop the bloodshed but only ended up losing their life...

The discipline supervisors were dead in the most horrible way. Brutal was not bad enough to describe their misery!

Discipline supervisors worked in a brothel to torture the girls who wouldn't agree to stay! Those girls who were new and tough would end up being tortured in a most horrible way in those men's hands!

They were capable to make innocent girls surrender within a few days and become tools for the brothel! The girls would never love their bodies after the torture...

Those men could also make the most strong-willed girls become sluts. Thousands of men would ride on their bodies and they would sometimes beg for that...

Discipline supervisors were the most vicious men!

They never killed with knives or swords. They never took people's lives. What they killed were the souls and dignity of girls! Loyalty and persistence of girls! They made girls lose their senses of shame and fall into the dark hole of erotic instinct...

What they did were only the most evil and contemptible things!

Brothels loved these discipline supervisors. One good discipline supervisor could bring a brothel great wealth.

Over a dozen discipline supervisors were slaughtered in each Voluptuous Flower Building in a nasty way!

Their entire families were wiped out at the same time! No exceptions! In many people's eyes, they were an ordinary family who just got killed... How poor!

However, none of them knew that they were families of the evil discipline supervisors!

A relative to such evil men, weak or strong, man or woman, or even a kid, deserved to die!

Only other discipline supervisors knew what exactly was going on. They were all terrified...

Ye Xiao was unbelievably cruel!

The assassins killed all the staff of Voluptuous Flower Building in Chen-Xing City. No one was missed. All the money in the brothel was given away to the girls who were forced to work there.

They sent those girls back home as soon as they could.

At the end, they set up the buildings on fire and burned everything down!

Fire rushed to the sky as smoke covered half of the sky in the capital.

Two cases happened at the same time, west and east, and ended almost at the same time too.

It happened so fast!

It was fast like lightning!

The assassins were so professional that nobody could believe it.

After what was done, they left not even a bit of a trace. They just disappeared like they had never existed in the world!

The only thing they left were a pile of dead bodies on the floor!

The royal guards that were near these two places didn't even have time to finish their meals before they were sent to the crime scenes. The beautiful and luxurious Voluptuous Flower Buildings became complete hell of blood and flesh.

Some of the royal guards couldn't help throwing up the food they had just eaten!

That was just too sanguinary!

"Crazy! That is insane!"

The leader of the group felt nothing but coldness.

"Under the bright light of day, under the feet of the son of heavens... In this universe of justice..." He couldn't go on anymore. He really couldn't bear it. The smell of blood made him throw up. After that, he suddenly realize that nothing was untouchable under the feet of the son of heavens anymore...

Somebody just wiped out the palace of the king's own son... Those crazy guys dared to do anything...

They wiped out the palace of the king's son, what else they didn't dare to do?

While the soldiers were counting the number of dead... Another world breaking report arrived!

"An official of the Ministry of Revenue died with all his family... Another official of Ministry of Penalty... And..."

The leader lost sight and passed out immediately.

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Chapter 548: A City Full of Killing

[No more words were left to say. Is there any useful words now? I am all done. My career is done... My life may also be done.]

What happened earlier, including the slaughter in Second Prince's Place, were sudden events.

[Two days ago, the great sects attacked the palace but failed. Yesterday, they came back and wiped out the palace. Fine. It is reasonable that I couldn't save it. Great sects are too powerful to defeat, even the entire kingdom couldn't defeat them. I may get accused, but I have excuses!]

[The brothels are wiped out after the palace. It is in the same brutal way, but brothels are private places. Not a big deal. Nothing serious would get on me anyway.]

[But now... officials fell into such nasty murders inside my strict guarding circles... I guess the only thing that waits for me is the prison now...]

It was never the end though.

Fire showed up everywhere in the city. Bad news came to the leader again and again.

"An official's family are wiped out..."

"Another official..."

[Why...]

The leader was shocked by the simultaneous bad news. However, he actually stopped being gloomy now. He wouldn't care now. It would not be worse than death no matter how many more people died now. What could be worse for him anyway?

However, it looked like the gods were fooling this leader. While the murders happened again and again, something world breaking happened!

A long shout sounded in the sky!

People looked up to the sky.

On the top of the tallest tower in the capital, a masked man in black clothes stood there, his clothes fluttering in the wind. In his hands, he was dragging a mutilated body.

He moved his hand and the body fell off the tower to the ground!

People exclaimed! The body was like a broken bag falling fast from over a hundred meters high. It hit the floor and cracked into pieces!

The skull rolled away dozens of meters far. The eyes on it were still open. Apparently, this guy didn't die in peace!

The skull was recognized at once!

"Second Prince!" somebody exclaimed.

The mutilated body that fell off the tower and hit the ground was Second Prince indeed, the king's second son!

Wiping out the entire palace was not enough. They even threw Second Prince from the top of the highest tower. As the skull showed, Second Prince should have been still alive before he hit the ground!

He fell to death!

His departed body showed that he had been tortured badly before death...

That was extremely bodacious to do such a thing in the capital!

The tower was shut down.

Soldiers were all around.

Somebody rushed to the royal house to report to the king.

"Oh... There seems to be something inside the prince's mouth..." Somebody with sharp eyes found something, so he exclaimed!

It was a small scroll of paper inside his mouth!

Something was written on it...

A stream of blue light rushed to the sky and a resonant voice was shouting, "Second Prince is unscrupulous and evil! He deserves this! If I had another chance, I will kill him again! I will wipe out his family again! I won't leave him a full body! I will torture him to death!"

The blue light was like the ocean. It flashed in the sky and the resonant voice continuously reverberated in the air. The man rushed up again!

Apparently, he wanted to flee!

At this moment, two blue lights rushed up to the sky at the same time to catch him. "Monster! Die!"

Two top Sky Origin Stage cultivators of the royal house attacked!

The man in the sky coldly smiled. He didn't panic. Suddenly, he turned around and rushed back to clash head on with the two other men!

The wind was cold at night!

- Boom! - - Boom! - Two sounds!

Three superior cultivators met in the sky. Four hands of the three hit each other!

The man in the sky used both of his hands to hit on the two Sky Origin Stage cultivators' hands!

After a huge blast, the man wildly laughed. The blue lights on him started to flash fast. Purple light showed up among the blue. The splendid glow flashed and then disappeared in the sky.

Only his voice resounded in the air.

"How ridiculous, a piece of rice dares to shine upon pearls! How dare you think you can trap me here with your weak power! Ignorant!"

The stronger one won the fight. Nothing special!

The two masters of the royal house were both top Sky Origin Stage cultivators. Only after one palm strike, they both fell down from the sky like two kites without strings. They couldn't control their bodies now. People saw them spit out blood in the sky while falling...

Several men rushed over to catch them both. Otherwise, they would die on the ground for sure!

Silence!

Everyone realized how serious this was now!

Sky Origin Stage!

Top Sky Origin Stage cultivators!

Such men should be invincible in the Land of Han-Yang, like myths!

However, the murderer who killed Second Prince was actually someone beyond myths!

Horse and carriage were moving...

The king finally arrived!

The news about Second Prince's death and the appearance of the murderer arrived at the royal court. The officials in the court all suggested that the king shouldn't show himself before they figured out who the murderer was. However, when the king heard how his son died in a nasty way, he couldn't think of anything else anymore!

The king's horses and carriages arrived.

The king stepped out at once.

He looked at the blurred meat and blood the floor. Somebody had tried to put the pieces together to make it seem like a human shape. However, his attempt had surely failed.

They wondered what the murderer was thinking. The prince's body had been broken already, yet he still dropped him down from such a height... Only the prince's head could be recognized now. The other parts were... all gone!

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Chapter 549: Smashed to Pieces

The king had always been calm and steady, but when he looked at the mess, he was tearful. Such a tall and strong man was suddenly drowned in his emotions.

It was his own son after all.

[He was never an obedient son, and many times he had let me down. He had wrong ambitions, and he wanted the throne too much... However, he is still my son!]

[He is now a pile of smashed meat and blood. How can I bear such pain?]

[I have been hoping that as long as he is still living, everything will be fine...]

[Now the cruel reality ruined my hope.]

[He is dead!]

[That is the reality!]

Crown Prince was standing right beside the king.

He fearfully looked at the smashed body. It didn't look like a person anymore.

[That is my brother.]

[He was such a threat to me! Such a powerful opponent for the throne!]

[Yet now he is just a pile of smashed flesh!]

"Son..." The king took in a deep breath. "Come and take your brother... back home."

He walked forward, staggering. He couldn't walk as vigorously as he usually did anymore.

Somebody wanted to stop him, but the king gave him a glance of anger. His eyes were cold like a sword blade. Nobody dared to stop him anymore.

[Take him back home?]

Crown Prince's throat was moving. He nearly puked out.

However, his father was walking over, so he had to follow up. Just after a few steps, his legs started to tremble. He had to try so hard to step firmly.

He had to go over.

Before this, his second brother was his biggest opponent.

The death of Second Prince gave him the biggest advantage!

Crown Prince knew that everybody was looking at him. He was a suspect.

Even his father very likely had suspicions against him!

Otherwise, the king might have not asked him to bring his brother home!

[But I didn't kill him...]

Crown Prince felt that he was wronged.

[I really... didn't do this...]

[Fucking stupid fool. He was against me all his life. Now he is dead, yet his death brings me troubles... Fxck his... Wait... Not his families...]

The king staggered, but he continued with firm steps.

He walked over step by step. Guards had surrounded the entire area. Nobody was allowed to get in here!

The king didn't care about what was happening around. He just wanted to walk over and have a look at his son.

He finally saw the head of his son. The eyes were still open, and the mouth was widely opened too... There was something inside the mouth!

[Is that... a scroll of paper?]

The king's eyes lit up.

A guard wanted to help, but the king shook his head. He walked over and got down to hold the head in his arms. He touched the eyelids to close the eyes, which were full of fear.

And then he took out the paper from the mouth of his son.

In fact, he wanted to tear the paper into pieces... He didn't want to read it!

However, he unfolded it after all.

As he unfolded it, he couldn't move his sight anymore!

When Crown Prince saw the words on the paper, he was stunned!

On the first page, a few lines were written.

"Reason for Second Prince's death. Eight hundred and forty-six brothels and a million dead souls! Such crime! It is a blessing to the world that he died! We will lose justice if we don't kill him! His sin should lead to the extermination of his clan"

The writing looked so fierce and wild, with vivid killing qi!

The king half closed his eyes.

He turned over the paper and read the second page. When he read half of it, he trembled as his face turned red. He loosened his grip, and the head of Second Prince dropped to the ground. - Puff! -

The head rolled and jumped quite a distance on the floor!

The king couldn't care about it anymore.

His eyes were blank, and his face turned pale, like there was no blood in him.

Crown Prince was curious. He took a closer look. The first page was written with large characters, so he could still see it from a distance. The second page was written with smaller font, so he had to get closer.

The first line...

"Voluptuous Flower Building. Real owner: Second Prince."

"A ten-year business that built up hundreds of branches. Six hundred inside Kingdom of Chen, eight hundred and forty-six in total in the Land of Han-Yang. One hundred and fifty thousand young women were killed every year for the last ten years. Over one and a half million in total. Now we killed this devil, wiped out his family, only to bring justice to the world!"

What came next were words that testified the crimes!

There were signatures of Second Prince at the end of every line.

The names that were mentioned on the paper were even a little familiar to the king...

The evidence it showed was undeniable!

The king's hands were shaking. He was trembling.

Finally, he loudly shouted to the sky!

In his voice, there was anger and sorrow!

"Arhhhhhh!"

"Father!" Crown Prince hurriedly held the king.

"Go home!" Blood had come out from the king's mouth.

He closed his eyes and weakly spoke, "Let's just go home!"

"Father!" Crown Prince exclaimed in shock.

[What is this?]

[Father approves the things that were listed on the paper? If so...]

"I said, go home!" The king said it again while gritting his teeth.

The muscles on his face were shaking. His hands grabbed the paper so hard! Blue veins even showed up on the back of his hand!

The things on the paper were obviously true. All accusation had evidences and the prince's signature!

The king didn't fully believe it, but at least seventy percent of it.

The thirty percent of trust to Second Prince was only because he was his father. Now that Second Prince died in such a brutal way, the king really didn't want to judge him like this!

Even one among the crimes shown on the paper could lead to death penalty! But there was actually so many!

As it stated, clan extermination was not excessive at all!

However, if all those things were true, not only Second Prince should bear the shame and charges, even the entire royal house would be disgraced. Moreover... when there were people like this from the royal family, the subjects would have a change of heart for the king and the royal clan. If somebody used this to provoke rebellion in such a dangerous time, it would shock the foundation of the entire kingdom!

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Chapter 550: Crazy Slaughter!

The officials were confused. None of them knew what the king just saw, and why he wanted to retreat just like that. However, nobody dared to ask anything. They just followed orders.

Somebody was ordered to collect the body of Second Prince. All the departed arms and legs, flesh and blood, they picked them all up and tried so hard to stick them together and make a complete body shape...

However, it was an impossible mission!

It was already merciful to let him die so fast. He would never be left a whole body!

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In the Royal House!

- Bang! -

The King heavily slapped on the desk!

The white jade desk that had been used by the king for many years was smashed into pieces!

The king's face looked green as his body trembled. His eyes were opened wide like copper bells.

He had finished reading that scroll!

The more he read, the more furious he was! When he read to the half of it, he was already raging up in anger!

He was, after all, a tough man. He endured the anger and kept it till the entire scroll was finished!

When he finished it, fire of anger filled his chest. He smashed the jade desk with one strike in an attempt to vent all his anger. Royal Consort Hua, who was weeping and shaking beside him, was terrified. She looked up to him, slightly opened her mouth, but didn't know what to say.

She was exactly Second Prince's mother.

The King had comforted her for a long time earlier, but now he didn't even look at her. He just thought and pushed away the scroll. He shouted, "Make a copy of it! Dig deep to the truth!"

"Yes, my king." A eunuch hurriedly walked over and took the scroll before he left the room, with his head lowered.

"Hua, go back to rest now!" The king closed his eyes and coldly spoke, "Let's talk when I figure out the truth."

"Your majesty, my son died in such a brutal way, I..." Royal Consort Hua was still weeping.

"Get the fck off!"

The king shouted in anger. He suddenly raged up like a madman. He stood up and pushed everything to the floor. Things were broken on the floor, including the Royal Jade Ruyi that he loved the most!

Hua was shocked. She trembled even more and didn't dare to say a word!

The eunuchs and maids held her with their hands to help her leave.

The king stayed in the study room, trembling, his eyes burning with anger.

In fact, the king knew that he didn't need to dig any deeper on this. He knew that all of it was true!

Nobody would fake such things!

Who would spend so much time and money to frame a prince and wipe out his entire family? That was absurd in the Land of Han-Yang!

It would be such a joke to frame a prince like this!

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Within one night.

Killing qi raged up in the city!

Smell of blood filled half of the capital!

Hundreds of miles around the Chen-Xing City, all branches of Voluptuous Flower Building were ruined! Staff were all dead... in unusual ways.

Some of them even got their entire clans wiped out.

However, even though there were full of dead bodies and blood in those places, all things remained untouched, not like the two inside the Chen-Xing City!

The books and secret papers that should have been hidden deep under the floor were placed on the table in the main hall.

The secret records showed how Voluptuous Flower Building did their dirty business...

The brothel kept ten percent of the money they got as daily expenses. The rest of it went to other places, and these places were clearly recorded on those secret papers.

The money would go to many people. These people were dead at the moment, but their account books were shown on the table.

It proved where the money came and where it went to...

After many times of transfer... the money all went to Second Prince's Palace!

The money flowed in a complex way, and it was such a perfect plan to transfer the money. To check one point in the flow would lead to nothing. It was nearly impossible to find out the money actually went to the Second Prince's Palace at the end!

Only when everything was dug out and people started to check the money from Second Prince's Palace was the truth revealed!

Over twenty thousand people died within this night!

The revealed crime shocked the entire kingdom.

The wave of killing didn't end after all. It was actually just the start. It began within the capital of Kingdom of Chen and spread out to the entire kingdom... Everywhere there was a branch of Voluptuous Flower Building...

One after another, they were wiped out. Even those who knew people were targeting them, even though they hid away in advance, they would be dragged out and slaughtered, along with their entire family!

It was like a mad autumn wind, rolling over and blowing down the entire forest!

Nobody could escape the justice.

Even Second Prince and Hua Liushui, such powerful men, were captured and slaughtered, so how could those small figures escape from the punishment!

Apparently, Ye Xiao had shown his attitude. [I have informed you, the government, the royal house... But I just don't trust you!]

[Evil must be wiped out!]

[We will do it with our own hands!]

[We will send these evil monsters to hell by ourselves!]

[Who knows how long I will wait before you finish the investigation and claim them guilty! We don't wait!]

[The million dead souls of the young women won't wait!]

[The justice for all the people in the world can't wait!]

[We will just do it!]

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In the royal court.

The king was trembling. He wept, "I... I am ashamed! I am sorry, my ancestors! My people! I am so sorry! ..."

"My son was such a monster! My son didn't have a conscience! So unscrupulous..." He shouted to the sky, "It is such a misfortune to the Kingdom of Chen! Such a shame to the royal clan! Such a grief for my people! It won't clean his guilt even if he were cut into pieces!"

The officials were silent. None of them said anything. They just lowered their heads and stood still.

Usually, they would gather forward and comfort the King.

'Please, your majesty, you should take care of yourself... Second Prince must have been framed by his men...'

They would say something like that.

They would say anything as an excuse to comfort the king and exonerate Second Prince.

However, under such a world-shocking, lurid, unbelievable, and unforgivable crime, they couldn't say anything anymore.

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