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“Sure.” Huangfu Ruiling had no objection to this matter.

Then, he took Li San toward the altar.

Originally, he had planned to let Li San lead his men to search. However, after thinking about it, he decided that it would be better for him to go with them. As for Ye Leng’an, she went to the place where the four elders were imprisoned and dealt with them. Of course, Ye Leng’an didn’t forget to tell them that the so-called method to break the curse was just nonsense. They were already not young, and now they knew that they had been doing useless work all this time. It was impossible for them to leave this place in their lifetime.

Losing all hope, they accepted the result of death without too much struggle.

Now, everyone in the village was under control. After asking around, Ye Leng’an knew that no one in the village was wandering outside.

Because the most ceremonious festival in the village was about to arrive, and the new year was coming soon, the tribespeople who could still stay outside because they were less than twenty years old had all returned to the village.

Ye Leng’an nodded and felt that this was pretty good. At least she didn’t have to waste time waiting for those people to return. Otherwise, after the formation was activated, if the tribespeople outside could not return, what waited for them was violent deaths.

At night, Ye Leng’an and Huangfu Ruiling sat opposite each other. There was a box on the table between them. This box was found at the place where the formation was originally located today.

“This is what the evil cultivator left behind?” Ye Leng’an said, “I wonder if this person is still alive.”

The lifespan of cultivators was many times longer than that of ordinary people.

Of course, the stronger the cultivation, the longer the lifespan. According to Duo Ji, the time when the evil cultivator came to their village was during his grandfather’s era, which was at least more than a hundred years ago.

Moreover, when that evil cultivator appeared, he should be old enough.

The stronger the cultivation of a person, the better they could maintain their youthful appearance. Since the evil cultivator was said to be an old immortal, then this evil cultivator should not look young. His actual age must be much older than he looked. Now, another hundred years had passed, and she didn’t know if he was still alive.

“He is definitely still alive.” Huangfu Ruiling’s tone was filled with certainty. “Since he used such a method to cultivate, if he couldn’t even survive, then he wouldn’t have gone through so much trouble.”

Ye Leng'an thought that instead of being curious here, it was better to directly investigate. She reached out to open the wooden box to see what was inside. However, before her hand could touch the box, she was stopped by Huangfu Ruiling.

"Let me do it!" He reached out and pulled the box in front of himself, then opened it.

Under Ye Leng'an's burning gaze, Huangfu Ruiling did not keep her in suspense and opened the wooden box directly.

Immediately, the two of them saw what was inside the box. It was a talisman.

"It's a Substitute Talisman." Ye Leng'an recognized it at a glance. "It looks like that evil cultivator used the Substitute Talisman to transfer the effects of this formation to himself. I wonder if we could rely on this Substitute Talisman to find traces of that evil cultivator."

"Let me try."

After that, Huangfu Ruiling lifted his fingertip and a stream of murderous aura appeared. The murderous aura seemed to have a consciousness as it directly wrapped around the Substitute Talisman.

Something unexpected happened in an instant. The Substitute Talisman suddenly ignited and burned into ashes. In just two or three seconds, leaving no time for anyone to react.

Ye Leng'an wasn't surprised when seeing the Substitute Talisman turn into ashes. "Looks like this evil cultivator is still very cautious! Even though he left behind a Substitute Talisman, he still tampered with it. As long as there was an aura from the outside world detecting, it would immediately self-ignite."

"There will always be a chance to catch this person." His tone was even. Obviously, he was not disappointed about this matter. "Although we can't get any information from this Substitute Talisman, it must have a trace of the evil cultivator's consciousness. Since it had spontaneously ignited, he should not be any better."

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At least, he was inevitably injured.

Ye Leng'an nodded. "This is also a temporary lesson for him. For his selfish desires, he had taken advantage of the ignorance of the people in this village and used such a ruthless method to cultivate. Now, he was only injured. It was too easy for him."

"We won't let him go so easily," Huangfu Ruiling said. "Whether this person is from the Hidden World or not, the Hidden World's law enforcement team will not let him go if he used such a method to cultivate."

“This Hidden World is quite mysterious!” Ye Leng’an’s attention had been shifted to this matter. “Speaking of which, although I’ve already reported to the Hidden World that you mentioned, I don’t know what kind of place this Hidden World is!”

Previously, Huangfu Ruiling had said that he would help her report. Therefore, strictly speaking, she should be considered a member of the Hidden World. However, she had no idea where this Hidden World was.

“Do you want to take a look?” Huangfu Ruiling sent out an invitation. “When we go back, I will take you to the Hidden World to have a look.”

“When I have time!” Ye Leng’an didn’t reject it, but she didn’t accept it either. “I’m indeed interested in this Hidden World. However, I won’t be going for the time being.”

Huangfu Ruiling raised his eyebrows and didn’t say anything else. He also didn’t try to persuade her.

Two days later, after Huangfu Ruiling set up the formation outside the village, a dense fog immediately appeared around the village. In just a moment, the fog engulfed the village, and the entire village disappeared in front of everyone’s eyes.

At this time, the people in the village did not know it, and they were happy about Huangfu Ruiling and Ye Leng’an’s departure.

These two people dealt a devastating blow to their village. The patriarch and the four elders were all killed, and they were suddenly leaderless.

However, they decided to choose a new patriarch as soon as possible and then continue to think of a way to break the curse.

Ye Leng’an had once said that their method of breaking the curse was nonsense, but they still didn’t believe it. After all, they had been working hard on this matter for so many years. Of course, when Ye Leng’an was still around, they definitely wouldn’t dare to say so. She was many times stronger than them, so they did not dare to offend her.

Now Ye Leng’an and Huangfu Ruiling had left, and there was no one to stop them from continuing their plan. The first thing they had to do now was to elect a patriarch and then rebuild the sacrificial altar.

At this moment, they were still secretly happy, thinking that Ye Leng’an and Huangfu Ruiling were fools for actually believing that they would not do such a thing again and leaving with peace of mind.

When they realized that they could never leave the village, they immediately understood that Ye Leng’an and Huangfu Ruiling did not believe them but had a way to make sure that they could never leave.

It was only then that they fell into deep despair, and at the same time, they regretted it. If it were not for their previous actions, the young people in their village who were not yet twenty years old would still have the opportunity to see the outside world. However, there was no chance now. In the future, all the people born in the village would no longer have the chance to breathe the air of the outside world.

On the other hand, after Duo Ji's death, the Duo family quieted down and even handed over the position of tribe leader.

The position of tribe leader was passed down from generation to generation, just like the throne of the ancient emperor. However, Duo Ji, who was the pillar of support, passed away. Duo Luoqi also suffered serious damage to his body and could only be bedridden.

On the other hand, Dizan Maji was in stark contrast to Duo Luoqi. She was doing very well now and even smiled more than before.

Dizan Maji was not from this village. She was not born here. Back then, she had been attracted by the younger Duo Luoqi and followed him here.

After knowing Duo Luoqi's true identity and the secret of this village, it was too late for her to leave. At that time, she was already pregnant. She hated Duo Luoqi and the Duo family, but she loved her child, so she couldn't leave.

However, who would have thought that Duo Luoqi was such a crazy person? He raised Gu worms with her body and even used her child to threaten her. In the end, she lived a life of pure misery, but she could not escape from this abyss.

Now Duo Ji was dead and Duo Luoqi was lying in bed all day, she no longer had to be afraid of being threatened. She could live with her child, she was happy even if her body had been used to raise Gu worms and suffered various aftereffects- She felt that this was the most comfortable life she had had since she married Duo Luogi.

However, this was another story.

At this moment, after Ye Leng'an and Huangfu Ruiling set up the formation, they went straight to the airport and took a plane back to the capital.

Their original goal was to find the Baizhe Wood and Yuanyang Flower, to concoct medicine to lure out the Gu worms. However, now they had the Golden Gu King, it did not matter much even if they did not have these two herbs. As long as the Golden Gu King existed, any Gu worm would be nothing in front of it.

Ye Leng'an felt that this time, she had hit pay dirt. Although she had experienced many things, to be able to obtain the Golden Gu King was the most unexpected surprise. Moreover, there was one more thing that even Huangfu Ruiling did not know. Before Su Yin disappeared, she had given Ye Leng'an a very precious gift, which was the unique method of the Sorcerer Tribe of raising Gu worms.

Su Yin directly imprinted the method of raising Gu worms into Ye Leng'an's divine sense. She did not know why Su Yin would suddenly decide to do this, but it was obvious that this was very beneficial to her, and she could not reject it.

After more than ten hours of flight, Huangfu Ruiling and Ye Leng'an finally returned to the capital. However, after they returned, they said goodbye to each other and went their separate ways without much conversation. After so many days of running around, they also needed a good rest.

Moreover, at this time, Ye Leng'an had no way to lure the Gu worms out of Zhongyu Yiran's body. Although she had obtained the Golden Gu King, it hadn't woken up from its slumber. Therefore, there was nothing she could do now.

Of course, she could still find out that the Golden Gu King would wake up in the next few days. Zhongyu Yiran's condition was still stable, so it wouldn't matter if they waited for a few more days..

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After returning home, Ye Leng'an took a look at her phone and realized that Ma Lei, the private detective from before, had called her several times. When she was in the southern boundaries, her phone had run out of battery. Too many things happened after that, and she forgot to charge her phone for a while. She only remembered to check it now when she was back.

Wondering if Ma Lei had something urgent, she called him back.

As soon as Ma Lei received the call, he started to speak quickly, "Miss Ye, you finally called back. Where have you been? Why couldn't I reach you these days?"

"Mr. Ma, is there something wrong?" She interrupted, "Why did you call me so many times?"

"There's one thing." Ma Lei's voice came from the other end. "Miss Ye, didn't you ask me to find Pang Tingting's address previously? There was no need to investigate anymore. Pang Tingting had been transferred back to the capital a few days ago."

"Back to the capital?" She couldn't help but frown. "Then, did she contact Lin Wanqin?"

"Not yet." Ma Lei continued, "Pang Tingting seems to be doing well now. She's an executive at a foreign company. However, according to rumors, the reason why she was able to become an executive was because she had an affair with one of the shareholders."

"Alright, I got it." After thinking for a moment, Ye Leng'an said, "Mr. Ma, I've already transferred the rest of the money to you. Thank you for bringing me this news. I'll give you an additional bonus as a token of appreciation."

Ma Lei was very happy to receive such a pleasant surprise and quickly thanked her. Originally, he made this call because he had accepted the request previously and wanted to follow things through. He did not expect to receive an additional bonus. He really hoped that such a surprise would happen a few more times. At the same time, he marveled at Ye Leng'an's generosity.

At this moment, Ye Leng'an, who had already hung up the phone, could not help but fall into deep thought. She did not expect Pang Tingting to return at this time. Was this a coincidence, or did she hear something?

However, she wasn't very interested in the grudges between Pang Tingting and the Ye family. She wanted to find Pang Tingting because she wanted to know why Pang Tingting swapped her with Ye Xiyuan back then.

At the same time, Pang Tingting, who was being nagged by Ye Leng'an, was sitting in the living room of the Ye family.

Sitting in the Ye family's living room and looking at the luxuriously decorated

living room, Pang Tingting had a hint of jealousy flickering in her eyes. Although she was now a senior executive of a foreign company and earned hundreds of thousands a month, she knew very well that compared to Lin Wanqin, who married into a wealthy family, she was far inferior.

Most of the time, her monthly income might not even be enough for Lin Wanqin to buy a bag. She could not stop feeling jealous at this thought. However, when she thought of that incident, she became calmer.

"Tingting, long time no see." When Lin Wanqin saw her former good friend, she could not help but feel a little excited. She sat down opposite Pang Tingting and said, "I thought you never planned to see me again!"

She was still very emotional to be able to meet this former good friend of hers. The two of them hit it off on the first day they met at university. After that, they became even closer. However, for some reason, not long before she got married, they fell out over a small matter. After that, Tingting had been avoiding her. Later, they never met again.

"Why? Are you unhappy to see me?" Pang Tingting joked, "If you really don't want to see me, then I'll leave."

Although Pang Tingting said that, she did not make any movements. It was obvious that she was just joking.

"How could that be!" Lin Wanqin couldn't help but sigh. "Speaking of which, we haven't seen each other for almost twenty years. Time really flies!"

"Yes!" Pang Tingting looked at Lin Wanqin and hid the jealousy and displeasure in her eyes. She smiled with longing for the good old days. "When I think about it now, the things that happened in university are still vivid in my mind.."

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"Exactly!" Lin Wanqin pouted. "If you hadn't avoided me back then, we wouldn't have lost contact for so many years! Speaking of which, Tingting, what happened to you back then? Why were you suddenly unwilling to contact me?"

Also, I couldn't find you after that."

She was still confused about what had happened at that time. It was just a small matter, but Tingting reacted strongly and had a big fight with her and even cut off contact with her.

"Well, let's not talk about the things back then." Pang Tingting said with a

smile, "I was still young at that time, and I was too impulsive. Actually, all these years, I've always wanted to find you. But I was afraid that you were still bothered by this, so I didn't dare to contact you."

"You just like to think too much." Lin Wanqin smiled and shook her head. "But I'm really surprised and happy that you came to see me today. In the past, you weren't willing to give in easily."

"I've grown up now." Pang Tingting's expression stiffened for a moment, but she quickly returned to normal. She was still smiling. "Thinking about the past, I feel that I was too childish back then. I don't want to lose you as a friend while I still have a chance."

Hearing Pang Tingting's words, Lin Wanqin was touched. "Actually, I had always wanted to look for you all these years. However, after you left the capital, there was no news of you at all. I couldn't find you even if I wanted to."

"In fact, I was transferred to another city after we quarreled," Pang Tingting said with a sigh. "I didn't expect to be gone for so many years. I just transferred back to the capital not long ago, so I took the time to come and see you."

"You should have come long ago." Lin Wanqin said with a smile, "By the way, it's been so many years. Your child should be no longer a kid, right?"

A hint of resentment flickered in Pang Tingting's eyes when she heard that, but she still managed to look carefree. "Hehe, you're wrong. I don't like to be tied down by marriage, and I don't want children."

"You're not married yet?" Lin Wanqin was very surprised. "I remember that in the past, what you wanted the most was to have a home of your own!"

Pang Tingting was an orphan, but she wasn't abandoned. Her parents died in an accident, and her relatives refused to adopt her. That was why she was sent to an orphanage. It was because she grew up in an orphanage that she longed to have a home of her own.

"That's past history now." Pang Tingting smiled and shook her head. "People's thoughts will always change with time. Actually, I've also experienced a few relationships. In the end, I realized that I still like to live alone and freely, so I didn't get married."

Lin Wanqin didn't know what to say, but she still tried to persuade her. "You might think that it's good to be alone now, but when you get older, you'll want to have children by your side."

"No need to persuade me." Pang Tingting said directly, "You know my personality. Once I decide on something, it's not that easy to change it. I like to be alone, and I don't lack anything. I don't want to be restrained by someone else."

Lin Wanqin opened her mouth as if she wanted to say something but hesitated, and she didn't say anything in the end.

"Let's not talk about these unhappy things." Pang Tingting looked around and smiled. "Where are your son and daughter? Where are they?"

"They're not at home right now." Lin Wanqin felt that something was wrong as soon as she answered. "How did you know that I have a son and a daughter?"

They had lost contact for many years. When they fell out, she was not even married yet. Now, how did Pang Tingting know that she had two children?

Pang Tingting was stunned for a moment, but she immediately restored her smile. She reached out her hand and brushed her hair before continuing, "I heard about this from my former classmate. At the end of the day, you're still the happiest among us classmates! Your husband has a successful career and your children are amenable."

Hearing Pang Tingting mention her husband and children, Lin Wanqin couldn't suppress the blissful smile on her face. However, she still said humbly, "Are you kidding me? I'm just a housewife now. I can't compare to you. You're all successful women now.."

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"Mom, I'm back."

Just as they were talking, Ye Xiyuan came back from outside. When she entered, she saw an unfamiliar woman in the living room.

"Mom, who is this?"

"Xiyuan, you're back!" Lin Wanqin stood up and introduced them, "This is Mom's good friend, Pang Tingting. You can call her Auntie Pang. We haven't contacted each other for a few years. She came to visit today. Tingting, this is my daughter, Xiyuan. She's studying at Sheng'an High School now. As the final exams are coming up, and she will participate in the National Mathematical Olympiad training organized by the school during the winter vacation, she has been a little busy recently."

Lin Wanqin swelled with pride when talking about Ye Xiyuan. Her daughter was very outstanding and was one of the best among her peers.

The moment Pang Tingting saw Ye Xiyuan, she felt her head buzzing. She was in a daze and couldn't hear what Lin Wanqin was saying.

Seeing that Pang Tingting look dreadful, Lin Wanqin asked with concern, "Tingting, what's wrong with you? Are you feeling unwell?"

She didn't know what had happened, but the expression of the person opposite her suddenly changed. Pang Tingting was pale-faced and looked like she was on the verge of collapsing. She seemed to be about to faint in the next second.

“I’m fine.” Pang Tingting took a deep breath and tried her best to calm herself down. She forced a smile. “Wanqin, I suddenly didn’t feel right, so I’ll go back first. Let’s go shopping together in a few days!”

At this moment, she could not stay any longer. If she continued to stay, she felt that she might lose her composure later. Right now, she just wanted to leave as soon as possible and calm herself down.

Seeing Pang Tingting’s pale face, Lin Wanqin didn’t suspect anything. Instead, she asked with concern, “You don’t look well. I think you shouldn’t leave right now. I’ll get the family doctor to take a look at you. It’ll be better this way.”

“No need.” Pang Tingting stood up immediately. “I’ve probably been too tired these past few days, and I’m just a little anemia-stricken. It’s not a big problem. I’ll recover after I go back and have a good sleep.”

“Are you sure?” Lin Wanqin didn’t quite believe her. “Can you really drive based on your current condition? Should I ask the driver to send you back?”

She still felt that her good friend did not look fine. However, since Pang Tingting insisted, she could not force her to stay. However, she still felt that it would be better to let the driver send her back.

Pang Tingting naturally refused, but in the end, she was unable to dissuade Lin Wanqin. She could only agree to let the Ye family’s driver send her back.

After Pang Tingting left, Ye Xiyuan said, “Mom, your friend really looks a little strange.”

“Maybe she’s not feeling right today, so she doesn’t look well!” Lin Wanqin explained with a smile, “We haven’t seen each other for many years. We were very good friends at university. It’s just that for some reason, we’ve lost contact for many years, and she hasn’t been in the capital. Recently, she just got transferred back and immediately came to look for me.”

Ye Xiyuan didn’t pay much attention to Lin Wanqin’s friend. She just felt that that woman looked a little strange.

The mother and daughter quickly changed the topic and started talking about other things.

On the other side, Pang Tingting was not in such a good mood.

At this moment, she was sitting in the Ye family’s car, and she had recovered her equilibrium. After experiencing a mixture of shock, fear, and panic, she calmed down a lot.

After that, she finally noticed the luxury car she was sitting in. This car was worth at least two to three million. It was much more high-end than the car she bought. However, such a car was only used to send her back as a guest of the Ye family.

When she thought of this, the jealousy and hatred in her heart toward Lin

Wanqin deepened. She couldn’t help but think of the young girl she saw at the

Ye family’s house just now. She had clearly switched her with another girl, but why was she back at the Ye family now?

After Lin Wanqin gave birth to her second child, Pang Tingting had planned to visit her and see if they could reconcile..

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Lin Wanqin had always been the daughter of a rich family and had given Pang Tingting a lot of help. Lin Wanqin even introduced her to a job. After Pang Tingting fell out with Lin Wanqin, her career development in the company was not as smooth as before. Therefore, she wanted to restore the friendship between the two of them and take advantage of the time when Lin Wanqin gave birth to her second child to visit and wish her well.

However, when she saw Lin Wanqin lying on the hospital bed, her husband accompanying her with a concerned expression, her son laughing at the side, and her parents caring for them, she could no longer suppress the jealousy in her heart. Lin Wanqin's blissful look seemed to confirm her unhappiness. She couldn't stand it either way.

Therefore, at that time, driven by jealousy, she went to the baby unit and swapped two children without anyone noticing. She clearly remembered that the other child was called Ye Xiyuan.

After the swapping, she did not go to see Lin Wanqin. Instead, she applied for being transferred away from the capital as soon as possible. She didn't know if she had a guilty conscience, but if she continued to stay in the capital, she felt that she really couldn't live in peace. She would have to live every day in fear.

Later, after leaving the capital and calming herself down, she began regretting her decision. She did not know what kind of consequences her impulsive decision would bring, so she was a little afraid. However, when she thought of Lin Wanqin's blissful look and her own misfortune, she felt a strange sense of pleasure.

Time flew by, and she began to slowly forget about this matter and only occasionally thought about it. However, when she thought about this, she was already very calm.

Recently, she returned to the capital again. She didn't know why she just wanted to see Lin Wanqin and wanted to see what kind of expression Lin Wanqin would have when she found out that the daughter she had raised for so many years wasn't her biological daughter.

However, she did not expect Lin Wanqin to have already recognized her biological daughter. This was something she had not expected, so when she saw the young girl, she could not help but lose her composure. At the same time, she also felt a trace of fear in her heart. Since the Ye family already knew that the children were swapped, would they start to investigate the reason for the swapping? Then, would they be able to trace it back to her?

However, the swapping back then was done very secretly. No one knew at all. She slowly calmed down, and at the same time, she was annoyed at herself for losing her composure just now.

If she hadn't had such a big reaction and lost her composure just now, she would have stayed in the Ye family and indirectly found out what was going on with Ye Xiyuan.

After resting for a few days, Ye Leng'an finally returned to school. However, this time, she came back not for having class, but for the final exams. Since she had already returned, she naturally needed to take the exams so that she wouldn't have to find time to retake them next time.

However, she also noticed that when she walked on campus, there seemed to be more eyes on her than before. Moreover, different from the past, many students seemed to look at her with a hint of admiration.

That was right, the admiration.

She was a little dumbfounded and had no idea what had happened.

Fortunately, she had a strong mental attitude, so she could completely turn a blind eye to those gazes.

In fact, she didn't know that her answer sheet in the Mathematical Olympiad qualifier had already been printed out by the principal and was used as a model for everyone's reference on the bulletin board.

Many students learned a lot from it. When they saw her answers on the paper, they finally knew how amazing Ye Leng'an was. Therefore, many students in the school, especially the top students, developed feelings of admiration for her.

Of course, Ye Leng'an was unaware of all of this. She did not return to her class because the final exams were starting today, so she went straight to the examination hall.

Just like the Mathematical Olympiad qualifier, she finished the questions in less than half an hour. She handed in her paper and left the examination hall.

However, different from the last time, no one thought that she scribbled over the test paper this time. Everyone was amazed at her speed in solving the questions. At the same time, they couldn't help but speed up their own work.

The proctor sat on the platform and looked at the students who were writing furiously below. He could not help but nod.

Ye Leng'an's method was quite good. At least it stimulated the other students to work harder and bring about a good effect.

On the other side, Ye Leng'an was completely unaware of the effect she had brought. After handing in her paper, she headed straight for the school gate, planning to go home. Since she only had one exam to take this morning, she planned to go back and rest after that.

However, in this world, there were always some senseless people. They couldn't see that others didn't like them at all and just wanted to get close to them.

Ye Leng'an felt that Ouyang Xuyan, who was blocking her way, was such a person.

"Ouyang Xuyan, I remember I've told you not to wander around in front of me for no reason. Otherwise, you'll have to bear the consequences." Ye Leng'an said with a sneer, "Or do you think I was just joking?"

She didn't expect Ouyang Xuyan to be so thick-skinned. After she exposed all his tricks, he still had the face to appear in front of her.

Hearing Ye Leng'an's merciless words, Ouyang Xuyan drew a long face. However, he still took a deep breath and tried to calm himself down. Then, he calmly said, "Ye Leng'an, I have something to tell you. Let's go to the cafe outside the school!"

He didn't want to have a conversation with her in such a crowded place, so the coffee shop was a good choice.

"You're really shameless!" Ye Leng'an's gaze was cold, and every word she said was filled with sarcasm. "Who do you think you are? Why should I do as you tell? There's nothing to say between us. Don't push me, or everyone in Sheng'an will know about your little thoughts tomorrow."

Hearing the threat in Ye Leng'an's words, Ouyang Xuyan looked displeased. "Ye Leng'an, I don't want to do anything. I just want to talk to you.."

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"I feel that there is nothing left to talk about between us." Ye Leng'an gave a mocking smile. "I thought that after our last conversation, we had already made things very clear. I didn't expect you to have such an illusion that we can still talk!"

Although she didn't know why Ouyang Xuyan came for her again at this time, it wasn't anything good. Moreover, he was not a fool. He could naturally sense that she did not like him. Qian Gumeng was the only person who could make him come over even though he knew that he was unwelcome.

"Ye Leng'an, there's no need for you to be so thorny." Ouyang Xuyan was very helpless and there was a hint of pleading in his tone. "I just want to talk to you for a while. I won't take up too much of your time. Moreover, this is also beneficial to you."

"Oh?" Ye Leng'an looked as if she had heard a joke. "What makes you think that what I will be told will be beneficial to me? Will you be nice to me just based on our relationship?"

It seemed to be a big deal this time! Otherwise, Ouyang Xuyan, one of these lucky few, would have turned around and left long ago given her attitude. However, what exactly happened during her absence?

"I'm telling the truth." Ouyang Xuyan almost said in a humble tone, "Since I once helped you solve your problem, please, this is the only time."

Previously, although he approached Ye Leng'an purposefully, he did help her solve her problem. Although it was just a small problem.

Seeing his expression, Ye Leng'an decided to follow him to a small cafe outside the school.

After they sat down, Ye Leng'an said in a tone with a hint of impatience. "If you have something to say, say it. Also, don't beat around the bush. I don't want to waste my time on you."

After thinking for a while, Ouyang Xuyan took out a piece of paper from his pocket and placed it on the table as if he had made up his mind. Then, he pushed it in front of her.

She lowered her head and saw a check. "Wow, what a big spender! Five hundred thousand? Ouyang Xuyan, are you giving me money?"

It seemed to be no small matter! He directly gave her a check for 500,000. She was curious about what Qian Gumeng had done.

"Ye Leng'an, I know that you may not be as wealthy as before after leaving the Ye family." He measured his words. "I'm not trying to bribe you with money. I just feel that this money should be of some help to you."

"Haha, this money shouldn't be easy to get!" There was a sardonic expression on her face. "I don't think you give me money for no reason! Don't tell me you're doing charity. Based on our current relationship, even if you're doing charity, it's not for me to get it!"

"You don't have to be so sarcastic." He smiled bitterly. "I did take advantage of you before, but I didn't cause you too much trouble, did I?"

"That's your wishful thinking." Ye Leng'an shook her head. "Whether trouble was caused or not, I should be the one to make the judgment, not you. Let's be honest! You can't be so generous just to help me, right? What do you want me to do?"

Although Ouyang Xuyan was from a big family, he was still a high school student after all. He should not have that much disposable funds in his hands. The check for 500,000 should be the majority of the cash he had on hand.

"Actually," he said after thinking for a while, "it's not a big deal. Previously, Gumeng made a small mistake that made the principal unhappy and gave her a demerit. So, I hope that you can put in a good word for her in front of the principal and help her get rid of the demerit."

"Ouyang Xuyan, do you think I'm a fool?" Ye Lengan rested her chin on one hand and looked lazy. "Do you think I don't know if what you said is true or false? Also, she made a mistake and offended the principal.. What does it have to do with me?"

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"No..." Ouyang Xuyan was a little anxious. "Ye Leng'an, as long as you're willing to intercede, the principal will definitely be willing to cancel Gumeng's demerit."

"Oh, so, it seems that this matter should have something to do with me!" Ye Leng'an understood and said, "Then what exactly happened? Don't you think that I, as the person involved, should have the right to know?"

"Well..." Ouyang Xuyan appeared hesitant as if he was considering how to describe the matter.

Obviously, Qian Gumeng didn't have any reason for this.

"Don't try to lie to me," Ye Lengan said calmly. "If she had a demerit on her record, it's obvious that the matter has been carried further. I'll know just by randomly asking someone. Or, I can ask the principal directly."

After she finished speaking, she waited for Ouyang Xuyan to speak without pressing him.

After quite a while, he spoke again, "Back then, when you came in first in the Mathematical Olympiad qualifier, Gumeng suspected that you cheated. The principal was very angry, so he gave her a demerit."

At this point, he was probably afraid that Ye Leng'an would get angry, so he quickly explained, "Gumeng didn't do it on purpose. She just had her own suspicions, to defend Ye Xiyuan, who was in second place."

Just from these few words, Ye Leng'an could roughly piece together the original appearance of the matter. Obviously, Ouyang Xuyan's description had definitely been embellished.

"Ouyang Xuyan, I really think it's very strange!" Ye Lengan looked at the person in front of her with a half-smile on her face. "Why are you so devoted to Qian Gumeng? Moreover, you clearly know that Qian Gumeng has a crush on Li Deze. In order to get close to Li Deze, she has been an ass-kisser to Ye Xiyuan like this. Even so, you still won't leave Qian Gumeng. Is she charming enough to make you keep being a simp? Do you know that a simp will end up with nothing?"

Such blunt words made Ouyang Xuyan embarrassed. "This is none of your business. Also, this is not what I want to discuss with you. I just hope that you can help Gumeng this time. Besides 500,000) I can also owe you a favor." Under his expectant gaze, Ye Leng'an immediately said, "No, I refuse."

"Why?" Ouyang Xuyan reacted furiously. "This is just a piece of cake for you. Moreover, I'm not asking you to help for free. You'll be paid for it. You only need to say a few words and get 500,000."

"Ouyang Xuyan, don't you feel guilty saying this?" Ye Leng'an said with a sneer, "I should be considered a victim according to what you said! Are you sure you're not joking when you're asking me, the victim, to speak up for the perpetrator?"

"But this doesn't affect you at all!" Ouyang Xuyan was a little anxious. "Besides, I pay you 500,000 as compensation!"

"Ouyang Xuyan, was everything you did your own idea or Qian Gumeng's idea?" Ye Leng'an looked at the person in front of her and continued, "Why do you have an obsession with someone who only knows how to find cover and shift the responsibility onto someone else? Do you think everything you've done is worth it? Don't you know that you're just a rebound to her?"

A trace of embarrassment flashed across Ouyang Xuyan's face. "This is between me and her."

"Then this is also a matter between me and her." Ye Leng'an stood up and didn't even look at the check on the table. "Qian Gumeng who wronged me never showed up at all. She didn't even apologize. Now, she wants me to plead for her. How stupid am I to agree to such an unreasonable request?"

Seeing that Ye Leng'an was about to leave, Ouyang Xuyan grew anxious. He stretched out his hand, wanting to pull Ye Lengan back.

Ye Leng'an withdrew her hand and avoided Ouyang Xuyan's touch. Her eyes were cold. "If you don't want your hand anymore, just tell me. I can break it for you."

Under her indifferent gaze, Ouyang Xuyan resentfully withdrew his hand. He didn't know why, but he felt that what she said was true. If he had really grabbed her hand just now, she would definitely have broken his hand..

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Ye Leng'an turned around and left the cafe without hesitation.

Ouyang Xuyan looked at the check left on the table and couldn't help but sigh. In fact, from the beginning, he did not have much hope for this. If it were in the past, he might still have a chance. However, Ye Leng'an was different from before now.

Ever since their last conversation, he knew that Ye Leng'an had changed. The current Ye Leng'an would seek revenge for petty grievances. She was firm in her stance, decisive in her actions, and would not hesitate to avenge.

He had already guessed that this would be the result, but he couldn't refuse

Gumeng's request, so he reluctantly gave it a try. In fact, he did reject Qian Gumeng. However, when he saw Qian Gumeng's tears, he couldn't make that painful decision.

Recalling Ye Leng'an's words, Ouyang Xuyancouldn't help but waver internally. For a long time had been used to liking Gumeng and chasing her. However, just as Ye Leng'an had said, was it really worth it for him to do this?

At this moment, Qian Gumeng never thought that even if this boy had always liked her, this incident shook his love for her.

In the next three days, Ye Leng'an stayed in the villa for the rest of the time, except for taking her exams.

However, what surprised her was that Qian Gumeng and Ye Xiyuan didn't look for her during the period. She didn't know if they didn't plan to beg her or if they had already thought of another way.

After the exams, Ye Leng'an also made a trip to the nursing home to see Zhongyu Yiran, who was still lying in bed.

When they were in the village, Ye Leng'an had already revealed her spiritual energy. So, she had nothing to hide now.

There were only Ye Leng'an and Huangfu Ruiling in the ward, so she reached out and released her spiritual energy to examine Zhongyu Yiran's current situation.

A moment later, she retracted her hand and looked at Huangfu Ruiling. "She is still stable. However, since she had taken the pill that could make the Gu worms sleep, all the organs in her body have been affected. Luckily, overall, there shouldn't be any major problems for the time being."

Huangfu Ruiling nodded, indicating that he understood. "How is the Golden Gu King?"

"It's still sleeping." When Ye Leng'an talked about the precious thing, her eyes lit up. "However, I can feel that it will wake up soon. After it wakes up, it can lure out the Gu worms in her body."

"Then I'll leave it with you." Huangfu Ruiling's tone was flat as if this matter had nothing to do with him.

"Hmm." Ye Leng'an nodded and asked, "Then have you found out how Zhongyu Yiran was poisoned?"

She was a little curious about this. After all, even in the southern boundaries, not everyone knew how to raise Gu worms. Moreover, the Gu that Zhongyu Yiran had been poisoned with was a little strange.

What kind of person had the patience to raise such Gu worms? If someone offended her, she would definitely not let that person die so easily. However, if Zhongyu Yiran hadn't offended the other party, why would someone poison her with Gu?

"I can't find anything." Huangfu Ruiling sounded a bit cold. "Maybe we will only know when she wakes up."

Ye Leng'an shrugged her shoulders and stopped asking.

"It's almost winter vacation. Do you have any plans for the holidays?" Huangfu Ruiling suddenly changed the topic. "It will be the new year. What are you going to do?"

Ye Leng'an paused for a moment when she was suddenly asked this question. However, she quickly regained her senses and said indifferently, "Nothing is different for the new year! Of course, I'll celebrate it alone. It's so good to be free and unfettered by myself!"

Speaking of which, it had been a long time since she had experienced the atmosphere of the new year. In her first life, she had exhausted all her energy to survive. How could she still be in the mood to celebrate the New Year? As for her second life, there was no such thing as a new year in the cultivation world, and she spent most of her time cultivating..

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Now that she was back in this world, this was her first time celebrating the new year! After leaving the Ye family, she felt very relaxed now. She also wanted to enjoy the atmosphere of the new year again.

After Huangfu Ruiling heard that, there was a thoughtful light glittering in his eyes.

After seeing Zhongyu Yiran, they went to have dinner together again.

This time, Ye Leng'an did not reject Huangfu Ruiling's invitation. Ever since she came back from the southern boundaries, she did not know if it was because she had experienced many things with Huangfu Ruiling, she felt that there was much less strangeness between the two of them.

Of course, this did not mean that they were very close. It could only be said that the relationship between them was much better than before. At the very least, they were like friends now.

This time, Huangfu Ruiling did not bring Ye Leng'an to a famous restaurant. Instead, they went to a private restaurant. However, although it was a private restaurant, the decoration inside was not inferior to those of Michelin restaurants.

This private restaurant was a good choice. Unfortunately, it was a small world here.

After arriving at this private restaurant, Ye Leng'an deeply understood the meaning of this sentence. That was because she bumped into those people from the Ye family at the entrance.

"D*mn it." Ye Leng'an frowned. She could not help but mutter, "I just want to have a quiet meal. Why is it so difficult? It seems that the heavens really love to joke around. I didn't expect to meet them here."

She did not want to meet those people from the Ye family at all. Although they had once lived together, she had cut all ties with them. They were just some people whom she absolutely did not want to greet even if they met.

"Do you want me to chase them out?" Huangfu Ruiling could see Ye Leng'an was displeased and asked directly, "I'll get someone to do it immediately."

That matter-of-fact tone sounded as if he was the boss here.

Ye Leng'an felt speechless. She laughed and said jokingly, "Huh? Do you own this private restaurant?"

"No." Huangfu Ruiling said, "But chasing them out is just a piece of cake. I can do that."

"Pfft!" Ye Leng'an burst into laughter when hearing that. She shook her head, held back her laughter, and said, "There's no need. Since this is a restaurant, everyone can come and eat here. They are open for business, so we should not make things difficult for them. Besides, I'm not afraid of them. I'm just a little tired of being entangled with them. However, if they knew what was good for them, they wouldn't come up to disturb us."

A familiar voice sounded in her ear as soon as she finished speaking.

"Leng'an, you are also here!" Ye Xiyuan glanced at Huangfu Ruiling, who was sitting in a wheelchair, and there was a flicker of regret in her eyes. Then, she looked at Ye

Leng'an with a gentle smile on her face. "It's rare to meet you. Why don't we sit together? Let Dad treat us."

After saying that, she turned her head and glanced at Ye Li. She stuck out her tongue at him mischievously. "Dad, you have to treat us."

She didn't expect to meet Ye Leng'an here. However, what was even more surprising was that the person beside Ye Leng'an this time was still the man sitting in the wheelchair from before.

She didn't know who this man was, but his striking appearance, peerless elegance, and noble aura as if he owned the world still made her obsessed with him. However, when she saw his disabled legs, all her romantic thoughts were immediately dispelled.

No matter who he was and how outstanding he was, the fact that he was sitting in a wheelchair meant that his charm had a limit. Just based on this point alone, the man in the wheelchair was definitely not as good as Nangong Xuyao.

The young master of the Nangong family would become the head of the Nangong family in the future. In addition, Nangong Xuyao was young and promising, gentle and considerate. He was her best choice.

Ye Li looked at Ye Xiyuan who was being cute with a dotting expression. "As long as you like it."

After that, he looked at Ye Leng'an with a cold expression. "Since we've met, let's eat together!"

He didn't expect to meet Ye Leng'an here. Of course, he didn't want to eat with her either. However, since it was his daughter's request, he naturally would not refuse. There were just two more people, he could still afford to invite them to dinner.

"That's great." Ye Xiyuan looked at Ye Leng'an with excitement. "Leng'an, let's go!"

"Huangfu Ruiling, let's get a private room!" Ye Leng'an ignored Ye Xiyuan as if she didn't see her. She directly said to Huangfu Ruiling, "I'm a little hungry."

"Okay!"

Since Ye Leng'an ignored them, Huangfu Ruiling also wouldn't respond to them. They ignored Ye Xiyuan and continued walking forward.

Ye Xiyuan thought that Ye Leng'an might say some nasty things, so she also thought about how she should act pitifully to gain sympathy from her family. However, she had never expected that Ye Leng'an would pretend that she didn't exist and left immediately.

"Ye Leng'an, stop right there." Ye Li stepped forward and blocked Ye Leng'an's path.

"Who allowed you to leave just like that? Don't you have any manners?"

He couldn't explain why he wanted to stop her. However, when he saw Ye Leng'an turning a blind eye to them, he was furious. It was as if he felt that his authority was challenged.

"Mr. Ye, this is not your home." Ye Leng'an stared at Ye Li, her tone full of sarcasm instead of mercy. "We are all customers here, and we are equal. Who do you think you are to criticize me here? As for the manners you mentioned..."

At this point, a malicious smile appeared on her face. “Then I’m really sorry. In the past more than ten years, I grew up in such a family. I was not properly brought up. However, Mr. Ye must have good upbringing. You even swaggered around in the restaurant where you would have dinner.”

Ye Li flew into a rage and almost fainted.

“Dad!” Ye Xiyuan took a step forward and supported Ye Li. She asked with concern, “Are you alright? Don’t be angry. Leng’an didn’t do it on purpose. She just has some misunderstandings about me, that’s why she said that.”

“Xiyuan, stop defending her.” Lin Wanqin took a step forward and glanced at Ye Leng’an with disgust in her eyes as if she had seen something dirty. “She is bad to the bone. She won’t appreciate your kindness..”