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When Ford heard Huangfu Ruiling's words, his face could not help but show surprise, "Young Master, this... this was not arranged by you?"

Previously, when Miss Zhongyu came over, he was also very surprised. However, when he saw Li Yi accompanying them and saying that Master had asked them to come over first, he arranged for the two of them to stay. He did not expect that his master did not know about it.

Huangfu Ruiling looked at Li Yi and Zhongyu Yiran with a cold gaze.

Ye Leng'an finally understood what was going on. It turned out that Huangfu Ruiling hadn't arranged for them to come at all, but Zhongyu Yiran and the others had come by themselves. Moreover, it was obvious that they came under the banner of Huangfu Ruiling.

Sensing Huangfu Ruiling's cold gaze, Zhongyu Yiran was a little flustered. For a moment, she didn't know what to say.

Li Yi immediately knelt down. "Please punish me, Master."

When he brought Miss Yiran here, he had already guessed what kind of consequence he would face. His Master did not like others to act first and report later, so he was very clear that after this incident, he would probably never be able to gain his Master's trust again. He might even be kicked out of the Li generation.

But even so, when faced with Miss Yiran's request, he still couldn't refuse. Moreover, this trip was extremely important to Miss Yiran.

"Big Brother Huangfu, it wasn't Li Yi's fault. I forced him to bring me here." Zhongyu Yiran mustered up the courage to speak, "And, I told Madam that I'm coming over this time. She's very supportive of my decision."

Huangfu Ruiling didn't say anything. He just withdrew his gaze and pretended that the two of them didn't exist. He let Li San push him around the two of them and then came to the elevator.

Yes, it was an elevator. For the convenience of Huangfu Ruiling, the castle was equipped with elevators.

In the face of such a situation, Ye Lengan did not feel embarrassed at all. She also bypassed Zhongyu Yiran and Li Yi, who was kneeling on the ground. Then, she took the elevator with Huangfu Ruiling and went to the second floor.

As for whether or not to greet Zhongyu Yiran, she felt that it was completely unnecessary. Firstly, since Zhongyu Yiran had automatically ignored her, there was naturally no need for her to speak first. Secondly, she felt that greeting Zhongyu Yiran now would be like slapping her in the face, making her even more embarrassed.

Zhongyu Yiran, who was left behind, looked at Ye Leng'an's back with endless hatred in her eyes. However, it disappeared in the blink of an eye, and her eyes still looked very pure. Soon, after arriving at the second floor, Huangfu Ruiling went to his room. As for Ye Leng'an, he was led by Butler Ford to the room next to Huangfu Ruiling's.

"Miss Ye, if you need anything, feel free to call me directly." Ford introduced, "Also, do you need two maids arranged?"

This Miss Ye was obviously different from Miss Yiran. Before she arrived,

Young Master had already instructed him to arrange everything properly.

However, what surprised him the most was that Young Master had actually arranged for this Miss Ye to stay in the room next to his. One had to know that until now, no one had been able to live on the same floor as the Young Master. Even the Master and Madam could only stay on the third floor when they came.

Miss Zhongyu Yiran couldn't even live in the main building. She was staying in the guest building next door. It was only because she heard that Young Master was coming today that she came over to wait.

Hence, he could tell that this Miss Ye was very special in Young Master's heart. Therefore, his attitude at this moment was exceptionally respectful.

Ye Leng'an wasn't uncomfortable with Ford's respectful attitude. Because of her high cultivation base in the past, many people were respectful when they saw her. After all, that was a world where strength was the most important. She was already used to this kind of respect and did not even feel anything strange.

"There's no need to arrange for anyone to help me." Ye Leng'an waved her hand and said calmly, "I have nothing else to do here. You can leave first! I want to rest for a while..

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"Alright." Ford quickly left the room.

After Ye Leng'an tidied up, he sat down and heard a knock on the door.

She did not need to guess to know who it was. She leaned lazily on the sofa and did not get up, replying directly, "The door is unlocked. Come in!"

The door was pushed open and Huangfu Ruiling entered.

"Yo!" Ye Leng'an raised her eyebrows when seeing the person who had entered.

She smiled and teased, "Why aren't you sitting in a wheelchair today?"

Huangfu Ruiling was not angry when she heard Ye Leng'an's teasing. He just said lightly, "There's only you and me on this floor. There's no need to pretend."

Hearing Huangfu Ruiling's explanation, Ye Leng'an felt a little strange, but it disappeared immediately. She smiled and said, "I didn't expect Zhongyu Yiran to be so infatuated!" She actually dragged her body all the way overseas."

There was a hint of joking in her tone. Of course, there was also a hint of seriousness in it. She was telling the truth. Zhongyu Yiran's body was already very weak. Even after a period of recuperation, there was not much improvement.

"She didn't come for me." Huangfu Ruiling sat down on the sofa opposite Ye

Leng'an, and then slowly said, "She came here for the same reason as you."

After hearing Huangfu Ruiling's words, the laziness on Ye Leng'an's body immediately disappeared. She sat up straight, frowned, and said, "She's also doing this for the auction? She wants the Seven Star Flower?"

Yes, Ye Leng'an's target this time was the Seven Star Flower. This Seven Star Flower was no longer an ordinary medicinal ingredient, but a spirit herb. One had to know that a spirit herb like the Seven Star Flower was very rare even in the cultivation world. It was even more difficult to find a Seven Star Flower in the modern world that lacked spiritual energy.

So when she heard that there was a Seven Star Flower in the auction, she was tempted.

"That's right." Huangfu Ruiling nodded, "Or rather, she is not the one who wants the Seven Star Flower. She is here to bid for it on behalf of someone else."

"Ordinary people won't be able to use this Seven Star Flower at all!" Ye Leng'an had a flash of inspiration. "Are they from the Hidden World?"

It was impossible for ordinary people to know the preciousness of the Seven Star Flower. They would only treat the Seven Star Flower as a rare item. However, those who knew alchemy knew that this Seven Star Flower was a rare spiritual plant. Therefore, the person who wanted to obtain the Seven Star Flower could only be someone from the Hidden World.

"That's right, it's the Hidden World's alchemy aristocratic family, the Ye family." Huangfu Ruiling nodded and replied, "If the people from the Hidden World's aristocratic families want something from the outside mortal world, it will not be so easy. Of course, the spiritual energy in the mortal world is thin and not conducive to cultivation, so they do not bother to come. Most importantly, they feel that there is no need to make the trip personally."

"The Ye family?" Ye Leng'an didn't know much about the Hidden World. "Do they specialize in alchemy?"

"That's right," Huangfu Ruiling said, "The Ye family is an alchemy family. Of course, their family is also very good at medicine. However, this time, the person who asked Zhongyu Yiran to help bid for the Seven Star Flower was not from the Ye family's main line, but from a branch of the Ye family. That person is acquainted with Zhongyu Yiran!"

Generally speaking, those who knew alchemy were all physicians. After all, the prerequisite for alchemy was to be proficient in medical theory. However, people who were proficient in medicine

might not necessarily know alchemy. Therefore, it was easy to find a doctor with superb medical skills, but it was rare to find a good alchemist.

"Then their relationship should be quite good." Ye Leng'an smiled and said, "After all, to be able to make Zhongyu Yiran drag such a body across the sea and travel a long distance to participate in the auction abroad, you can imagine their friendship."

"It's just an exchange of benefits." Huangfu Ruiling said indifferently, "Zhongyu Yiran needs medicinal pills to nourish her body, and the other party needs this spiritual plant."

Ye Leng'an understood. 'The other party probably thought that people in the mortal world didn't know the Seven Star Flower at all, so it was impossible for them to spend a lot of money to bid for the Seven Star Flower. That was why they asked Zhongyu Yiran for help!"

However, that was the truth. If she hadn't come this time, it would have been easy for Zhongyu Yiran to bid for the Seven Star Flower. It was a pity that the Ye family's people had made a wrong guess. Therefore, their plan was destined to fail this time.

Huangfu Ruiling nodded and said, "If you don't want to see Zhongyu Yiran, I can let her stay in a hotel later."

He did not feel anything about Zhongyu Yiran coming over in his name. Perhaps, Zhongyu Yiran's existence was nothing special to him.

"No need!" Ye Leng'an blinked and smiled. "But which room is she staying in?"

If they lived on the same floor, it would be a little awkward to meet each other!

"She doesn't live here." Huangfu Ruiling explained, "She lives in the guest building next door."

"Then it seems that we'll run into each other often." Ye Leng'an was a little surprised.

"I think she probably doesn't know that I'm here for the Seven Star

Flower!"

From the looks of it, she and Zhongyu Yiran should be considered competitors.

"You will know when the time comes," Huangfu Ruiling replied lightly.

After resting, Huangfu Ruiling and Ye Leng'an also came to the dining room, ready for dinner.

Huangfu Ruiling sat in the wheelchair again. Ye Leng'an pushed him downstairs.

Downstairs, Ye Leng'an saw that Li Yi was no longer in the living room. However, Zhongyu Yiran was still there. She sat alone on the sofa as if she was in a daze. No one knew what she was thinking.

When she saw Huangfu Ruiling, her eyes lit up. However, when he saw Ye

Leng'an pushing the wheelchair behind Huangfu Ruiling, her eyes darkened.

At this moment, Ye Leng'an felt like he was an evil mother-in-law who was trying to break up a couple. After imagining such a scene in her mind, she couldn't help but shiver.

"What's wrong?" Huangfu Ruiling could feel Ye Leng'an's strange behavior behind him and could not help but ask.

"I'm fine. I just let my imagination run wild." Ye Leng'an stuck out her tongue and replied with a smile, "In the end, I was disgusted by the things I imagined."

Hearing Ye Leng'an's explanation, Huangfu Ruiling didn't say anything more. However, a trace of gentleness flashed in his eyes. However, it was fleeting, happening so fast that even if one saw it, one would suspect that it was an illusion.

Zhongyu Yiran pursed her lips, her eyes flickering with a dark light.

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A moment later, Huangfu Ruiling, Ye Lengan, and Zhongyu Yiran sat down at the dining table.

Huangfu Ruiling had originally not intended to let Zhongyu Yiran dine together, but Ye Lengan said that it was fine. Therefore, he didn't give any special instructions. Otherwise, Zhongyu Yiran probably wouldn't even have the chance to step into the main building.

After taking a seat, Zhongyu Yiran was the first to speak, "Miss Ye, I didn't expect you to come with Brother Huangfu. Why are you here?"

"I had something to do, so I came along." Ye Lengan said indifferently,

"However, Miss Zhongyu Yiran, your current body is not suitable for long journeys. What you need now is to rest in bed. This is good for your recovery."

She didn't care much about Zhongyu Yiran. She only said a few more words because she was once her patient. As for whether the other party was willing to listen or not, that would depend on Zhongyu Yiran's wishes. She would not force her.

"l... I know. It's just that I have something to do this time. Moreover, I feel that

I can recuperate here. Besides, I'm in a better mood here. This is also beneficial to my recovery, isn't it?"

As Zhongyu Yiran spoke, she even glanced at Huangfu Ruiling carefully. When she realized that he did not even look at her from the corner of his eye, her eyes could not help but darken.

Ye Leng'an smiled but didn't say anything.

Soon, everyone began to eat. However, the atmosphere was rather quiet.

Huangfu Ruiling didn't like to talk. Ye Lengan, on the other hand, seemed to be at ease, as if she was at home. She was not affected at all. Zhongyu Yiran, however, seemed particularly uncomfortable. She was even absent-minded when eating.

In fact, she was indeed feeling uneasy at the moment. This was because she had not informed Huangfu Ruiling about her arrival in Paris. Moreover, she stayed under the name of Huangfu Ruiling.

When she saw Huangfu Ruiling, she was naturally happy. However, at the same time, she was also afraid that he would blame her. However, in the end, Huangfu Ruiling did not blame her, but it made her feel more uncomfortable than being blamed. Because, in Huangfu Ruilings eyes, she did not exist at all.

However, this was not what saddened her the most. What saddened her the most was that Huangfu Ruiling didn't come alone. He came with Ye Leng'an.

Although they had only met a few times, she could feel that Huangfu Ruiling treated Ye Lengan especially well. She had never seen Huangfu Ruiling treat a girl like this before. No, perhaps he had never treated another person like this before. Even his biological mother had never received such treatment from him.

In the quiet atmosphere, everyone finished their dinner.

Seeing that everyone was about to leave, Zhongyu Yiran quickly smiled and said, "Miss Ye, do you have any plans for the next few days?"

"Temporarily, there are no plans yet." Ye Lengan smiled and said, "I just got here. I want to have a good rest."

"Then if you want to go out, just call me to go together!" Zhongyu Yiran smiled and said, "My French is not bad. I can help you translate. Don't misunderstand. I'm not saying your French is not good, but I feel that you might not have..."

"No need." Ye Lengan rejected her immediately. "Thank you for your kindness."

Zhongyu Yiran did not expect Ye Lengan to reject her so straightforwardly. She smiled awkwardly and continued, "Oh really? By the way, Miss Ye, are you used to living here? If there's anything you're not used to, just say it. Butler Ford will definitely arrange it well."

She acted as if she was the mistress of the house.

A cold glint flashed across Huangfu Ruilings eyes. When he looked at

Zhongyu Yiran, he was already completely impatient.

However, Zhongyu Yiran obviously didn't notice it at all. She continued to talk to herself, "By the way, Miss Ye, where do you live? Why don't I see you around?"

Although she saw Ye Lengan and Huangfu Ruiling go upstairs, she still didn't give up. She felt that perhaps Butler Ford had made other arrangements for Ye

Lengan after she left..

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"I am staying on the second floor!" Ye Lengan said naturally, "It's for convenience!"

"The second floor!" After hearing Ye Leng'an's answer, Zhongyu Yiran's face instantly turned pale, and even her lips were trembling.

She couldn't believe her ears. The second floor was Huangfu Ruilings exclusive territory. Even if the Master and Madam came, they couldn't stay on the second floor. But now, Ye Lengan was staying there. Didn't this mean that Huangfu Ruiling had allowed Ye Lengan to enter his private domain?

Previously, she could feel that Huangfu Ruiling was special to Ye Lengan. However, things were no longer that simple. Huangfu Ruiling seemed to have taken Ye Lengan into his heart.

Did she still have a chance?

At the thought of this, Zhongyu Yiran felt her heart suddenly ache so much that she could hardly breathe.

"What's wrong?" Ye Lengan was a little puzzled by Zhongyu Yiran's reaction.

"Is it that strange to stay on the second floor?"

Seeing Ye Lengan's reaction, Zhongyu Yiran immediately felt that her anger was easing up. Ye Lengan had obtained so easily what she had always dreamed of, and now, Ye Lengan was still pretending to be ignorant in front of her. Wasn't that mocking her?

However, before she could say anything, she saw Huangfu Ruilings cold eyes.

There was a warning in them as if reminding her to be careful with her words.

Instantly, all her anger and injustice dissipated.

An ugly smile appeared on her face as she tried her best to control her emotions. "Nothing special. I'm not feeling well, so I'll go back and rest first."

With that, Zhongyu Yiran stood up abruptly. The chair behind her let out a sharp sound because of this sudden movement. However, this didn't stop her at all. She left the dining room without looking back.

Watching Zhongyu Yiran leave hurriedly, Ye Lengan couldn't help but frown.

"Who knows?" Huangfu Ruilings tone didn't change at all. He said naturally,

"Is the food to your liking? If there is anything you want to eat, tell Butler

Ford and he will arrange it."

"Everything is fine." Ye Lengan smiled and replied, "I'm not a picky eater.

Besides, this chef's skills are really good, much better than my auntie's."

On this side, the atmosphere was joyous, but on the other side, Zhongyu Yiran was full of worries. At this moment, she had already returned to the guest building.

As soon as she entered, she could not help but sit on the ground. Her hands pressed tightly against her chest, and her face was flushed red. It was as if even breathing was difficult for her. Her unstoppable tears kept falling, making that fairy-like face even more pitiful. It was said that a beauty was still beautiful even when she was sick. The current Zhongyu Yiran was like this. Any man who saw her like this would feel heartache and want to soothe all her pain, willing to do anything for her.

Li Yi was like this. When he saw Zhongyu Yiran's expression, he immediately walked forward and squatted down. He asked anxiously, "Miss Yiran, what's wrong with you? Are you feeling unwell somewhere? I'll call the doctor now."

Just now, when Miss Yiran wanted to go to the main building for dinner, he actually felt that it was inappropriate. However, Miss Yiran was very persistent, and he was in no position to object, so he could only let her go.

He didn't expect her to come back like this.

"I'm fine." Zhongyu Yiran stopped Li Yi who was about to call the doctor and tried her best to control her overly agitated emotions. She said, "Help me sit down on the sofa first!"

Whether it was because she had run that short distance or her emotions were too excited, she felt as if the world was spinning. However, even so, she would not let Li Yi call the doctor. She had just returned from the main building. If she called the doctor now, it would only stir up unnecessary gossip.

Most importantly, if Huangfu Ruiling knew about it, he would definitely be more disgusted with her. Therefore, she absolutely could not do this. Even if she knew that she was not in Huangfu Ruilings heart, she did not want to make Huangfu Ruilings impression of her worsen..

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"But, Miss Yiran, you don't look well." Li Yi p s face was filled with concern. I'm worried about you..."

"I know my own body. I'm fine." Zhongyu Yiran took a deep breath and said firmly, "I probably just left too hurriedly. I'll be fine after resting for a while."

Li Yi wanted to say something, but after opening his mouth, he didn't say anything.

Of course, he also wanted to ask what had happened in the main building. However, he could not ask because he didn't have the right. Although Miss Yiran was not one of the masters of the Huangfu family, she was deeply cherished by Madam and treated as her own daughter.

He was only a guard of the Huangfu family. He could protect Miss Yiran, but he had no right to interfere in her affairs.

After trying hard to calm down, Zhongyu Yiran suddenly said, "Li Yi, 1 want to call Madam."

Upon hearing this, he didn't suspect anything. He took the phone and handed it to Zhongyu Yiran before leaving.

Zhongyu Yiran's eyes flashed with an obscure light. After looking at the phone in her hand for a while, she finally dialed the familiar number.

After a long while, a familiar voice came from the other end of the phone.

"Auntie, it's me. I'm Yiran." In stark contrast to her gloomy expression, Zhongyu Yiran's tone was very cheerful, as if she was very happy. "Are you at home now?"

"So it's Yiran! Yes, I'm at home now!" Receiving Zhongyu Yiran's call, Zhongyu Liuying was very happy. "You're in the ancient castle in Paris now, right? I heard that Ruiling is also here today, right?"

"That's right! Brother Huangfu arrived today." Zhongyu Yiran's tone was very relaxed as if she was just chatting casually. "When I saw Miss Ye, I was really surprised! "

"Miss Ye?" Suddenly hearing an unfamiliar name, Zhongyu Liuying couldn't help but frown. Her tone wasn't as relaxed as before. "The Miss Ye you mentioned is...

"It's Miss Ye Lengan who treated my illness previously!" There was nothing wrong with Zhongyu Yiran's tone, nor did she sound deliberate. "I didn't expect her to have such a good relationship with Brother Huangfu! This time, they came to Paris together. I don't know if something was going on."

"So it's her!" The voice on the other end came again. "Then Miss Ye is staying with you in the guest building, right? Is she here now?"

Although Zhongyu Liuyings tone did not change at all, Zhongyu Yiran had been pleasing her for so many years, so she could still hear the difference.

The corners of her mouth curled up into a smug smile. Zhongyu Yiran acted as if she did not notice anything and continued to smile. "No! Now, Miss Ye is staying in the main building. Furthermore, she is staying on the second floor. It seemed that Brother Huangfu was really good to her!"

"The second floor?" Zhongyu Liuyings voice couldn't help but raise a few degrees. "You said she's staying on the second floor?"

"Yes!" Zhongyu Yiran seemed a little surprised. "Auntie, what's wrong? Why are you suddenly so agitated?"

"It's nothing." The voice on the other end of the line regained its calm. "By the way, Yiran, do you know who Miss Ye is? Is she related to the Hidden World's Ye family?"

"Miss Ye's medical skills are very good. As for anything else, I'm not very sure." Zhongyu Yiran sensed that the other party had calmed down and continued, "However, she shouldn't have anything to do with the Ye family of the Hidden World. Besides, I've never heard Min t er mention that there is someone in the Ye family called Ye Lengan."

Min t er, Ye Min'er, was from a branch of the Ye family in the Hidden World. She was also the person who had asked Zhongyu Yiran for help in bidding for the Seven Star Flower this time.

"I see!" Zhongyu Liuyings voice sounded again, "Yiran, I suddenly remembered that I still have some things to do. 1 won't talk to you for now." "Oh, okay, Auntie." Zhongyu Yiran replied obediently, "Go handle your work first! I won't disturb you anymore. Take care of your health. I'll go see you when I get back.."

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"Alright." After hurriedly saying that, Zhongyu Liuying hung up the phone.

Hearing the busy tone from the phone, Zhongyu Yiran was not dissatisfied at all. She hung up the phone slowly with a smug smile on her face.

Did Ye Lengan think that she would be able to enter the Huangfu family just by bewitching Brother Huangfu? It was simply wishful thinking. Ye Lengan probably didn't know what kind of great family the Huangfu family was! She would definitely not be able to get past Zhongyu Liuying.

She would not do anything. After all, no matter what she did, Brother Huangfu would be able to find out. At that time, she would definitely not end up well.

However, Auntie was different. Auntie was Big Brother Huangfu's biological mother. Even if they had a good relationship, blood was thicker than water. No matter how angry Brother Huangfu was, he wouldn't do anything.

In the past, Auntie had gotten rid of many women who were not worthy of Brother Huangfu, but Brother Huangfu had never said anything. This time, it would not be an exception.

She would let Ye Lengan be proud for now. When they returned to the country, the real show would begin!

On the other side, after Zhongyu Liuying hung up the phone, her expression was not good and could even be said to be rather gloomy.

Auntie Wu, who was standing by the side, felt a little strange. In the past, Madam was always in a good mood after receiving Miss Yiran's call. She had to admit that although this Miss Yiran didn't have the best background, she was very good at making Madam happy.

In the future, although Miss Yiran couldn't take the position of Young Master's wife, she should be able to become one of the Young Master's concubines with her relationship with Madam.

She just didn't know what Miss Yiran had said to Madam this time to make

Madam's expression so ugly. However, it was obvious that Madam was not angry with Miss Yiran. Otherwise, she would not have deliberately controlled her emotions when she hung up the phone just now.

Although curious, Auntie Wu did not dare to ask. She had been serving Madam for many years and could be considered an elderly woman, but she did not dare to overstep her boundaries or be presumptuous.

After a long while, Zhongyu Liuying finally spoke, "Auntie Wu, get someone to investigate a girl named Ye Lengan later. It's said that she's quite young.

Recently, she and Ruiling seemed to be very close."

After hearing Zhongyu Liuyings instruction, a hint of understanding flashed in Auntie Wu r s eyes. Her expression did not change at all as she replied respectfully, "Yes, Madam."

She had done this kind of thing many times. It could even be said that she was already adept at it. In the past, as long as there were some unsavory women around Young Master, Madam would investigate and decide whether to deal with them.

However, every time it was dealt with, the young master didn't seem to have any objections. Therefore, Madam was even more unrestrained.

Thinking about it, it should be the same this time. Young Master seemed to be a little cold towards Madam, but after all, she was his biological mother. She was definitely not comparable to some random woman outside. That was why Young Master didn't have any dissatisfaction after Madam dealt with those women!

Although Zhongyu Liuying had already given the order, her expression was still not good.

Right now, she still wasn't sure who exactly Ye Lengan was, but just from Yiran's description, she could tell that this girl was definitely not simple. Otherwise, she wouldn't have been able to stay on the second floor of the castle.

That was Young Master's private domain. Without his permission, even their parents could not step into it. However, Ye Lengan made an exception. No matter how one looked at it, it didn't seem like a good sign.

If Ye Lengan had come from a big family, it would be fine. She would be worthy of the Huangfu family. However, if she was just an ordinary person with some medical skills, then it was absolutely impossible for her to enter the HuangFu family. She wouldn't even be qualified to be a concubine of Ruiling.

On the other side, Ye Lengan was completely unaware that someone was investigating her. She was preparing for the upcoming auction.

In the next few days, Ye Lengan didn't go out. Instead, she stayed in the castle and began to gather her own funds so that she could complete the transaction as soon as possible after the auction.

In the past few days, she had not seen Zhongyu Yiran again. They didn't live in

the same building to begin with. In addition, Zhongyu Yiran didn't come over either, whether because she was busy or Huangfu Ruiling had issued a prohibition order. In any case, they didn't encounter each other again.

Soon, it was the day of the auction.

In the evening, Ye Lengan put on an evening gown and went downstairs, ready to wait for Huangfu Ruiling to go to the auction together.

She didn't have an invitation card, so she had to go with Huangfu Ruiling.

Originally, she had planned to get an invitation card herself, but Huangfu Ruiling said that it was not necessary to go through so much trouble and they could just go together. Moreover, she could even ride his private jet over with him. Thinking about it, she felt that this seemed to be a good idea, so she agreed. As soon as she arrived downstairs, she saw the dressed-up Zhongyu Yiran standing there as if she was waiting for someone.

Unlike Ye Leng'an, who was simply wearing a gown and did not even put on makeup, Zhongyu Yiran was dressed especially grandly. She was wearing a pure white sleeveless evening gown. The long skirt trailed behind her, its corners swaying gracefully. The high-quality fabric of the gown outlined her perfect waistline. The sleeveless single-strap design highlighted her distinct collarbones. With a hint of charm and allure, her delicate shoulder was revealed amidst an ethereal aura. Around her neck, a simple pearl necklace adorned her slender neck, adding to its delicacy.

It could be said that Zhongyu Yiran had indeed put a lot of effort into her attire, displaying all her advantages. No matter who saw such a beautiful girl, they would fall in love at first sight!

Zhongyu Yiran couldn't help but be stunned when she saw Ye Lengan in her evening gown. Obviously, she didn't expect Ye Lengan to be dressed like this. However, she couldn't stop the jealousy rising in her heart.

Indeed, one could say that Zhongyu Yiran's attire was meticulously thought out, showcasing all of her advantages to the fullest. No matter who it was, upon seeing such a breathtakingly beautiful girl, it's likely that they would be instantly captivated.

She tried her best to suppress the jealousy in her heart. She smiled and asked,

"Miss Ye, where do you plan to go now?"

Even though she asked this question, she still had a vague bad guess. There was only one important occasion today, and that was the upcoming auction.

She had heard that Huangfu Ruiling would also attend the auction, so she wanted to wait here to see if she could go with him. However, she did not expect to see Ye Lengan in a formal dress before Huangfu Ruiling arrived.

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"I'm going to the auction!" Ye Lengan didn't hide anything and said directly, "Miss Zhongyu Yiran is going as well, I presume!"

They were all going to the same destination, so there was no need to lie. Moreover, they might even become competitors later!

After her guess was confirmed, Zhongyu Yiran was definitely not happy. Even the smile on her face seemed a little forced. "Miss Ye, you said that you came here for something, so it's for the auction!"

"Yes, that's right!" Ye Lengan nodded and said casually, "There's an item that I'm interested in at the auction, so I'm planning to take a look."

After hearing Ye Leng'an's words, Zhongyu Yiran's heart couldn't help but skip a beat. It suddenly occurred to her that Ye Lengan was a doctor. If something could pique a doctor's interest at the auction, it would most likely be medicinal herbs. The most precious herb in the auction was the Seven Star Flower.

At the thought of this, she felt a wave of uneasiness. Then, she forced a smile and said casually, "Then, I wonder what Miss Ye is interested in?"

"It's just a small thing." Ye Lengan looked at Zhongyu Yiran and said with a smile, "It seems that Miss Zhongyu Yiran's destination is the same as ours!"

Seeing that Ye Lengan did not answer her question directly, Zhongyu Yiran looked a little displeased, but she still replied, "Yes! There's something very important to me at the auction today. I have to get it. It was also for this reason that even though I knew that my body needed rest, I still came."

"Then it seems that thing is really important!" Ye Lengan said half-heartedly,

"Then I hope you can get what you want."

"Really? Miss Ye, do you really think I can get what I want?"

It was as if she would definitely be able to obtain that item if Ye Lengan said that she could get what she wanted.

Ye Lengan raised her head and gave a long look at Zhongyu Yiran before suddenly smiling. "Miss Zhongyu Yiran, can't you tell that it was just a polite remark? Since you intend to get that item at the auction, as long as you can afford it, you can naturally get it. This has nothing to do with what I think."

"Miss Ye, I'm sorry. I'm just a little anxious." The smile on Zhongyu Yiran's face was wavering. "After all, tonight is very important to me. It's related to whether my body can recover or not."

Therefore, if Ye Leng'an's target was really the Seven Star Flower, maybe Ye Leng'an could give it to her during the competition.

"Is that so?" Ye Lengan smiled and said, "Then, Miss Zhongyu Yiran will have to do your best. There are so many people at the auction that it is hard to say who will be able to get it. After all, in this world, other than parents, no one has the obligation to give in to you."

Hearing Ye Leng'an's words, Zhongyu Yiran was stunned for a moment, and the smile on her face disappeared. When she looked at Ye Lengan, she no longer had the gentleness and innocence from before. There was even a hint of resentment.

"Of course, it will depend on our own abilities." Ye Lengan was not surprised by Zhongyu Yiran's sudden change in attitude. "I'm sure Miss Zhongyu thinks the same."

"Of course." Zhongyu Yiran sneered and continued, "However, Miss Ye, let me give you a piece of advice. Don't be too proud before the matter is settled. No one knows how the outcome will be."

Those words with hidden meanings left Ye Lengan clueless for a moment. However, she didn't press for more details. What she didn't know now might become clear in due time.

Just as the two of them were talking, Huangfu Ruiling also came downstairs.

"We can set off now." As if Huangfu Ruiling didn't see Zhongyu Yiran at all, he looked at Ye Lengan and said, "Let's go!"

"Brother Huangfu, can I go with you?"Zhongyu Yiran mustered up her courage and said directly, "I'm going to the auction too.. Let's go together so that we can keep each other company!'

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"It's not convenient." Huangfu Ruiling replied coldly.

Those cold words were like shards of ice, freezing Zhongyu Yiran as if she had fallen into an ice cellar.

"Brother Huangfu, I don't have any other intentions. I just want to go with you." As she spoke, her eyes were filled with resentment. "Even if it's just to save face for Madam, is that not allowed?"

If possible, she did not want to mention Mrs. Huangfu. However, under such circumstances, she had no choice but to do so.

"If you miss my mother, I'll arrange for someone to send you back now." After hearing Zhongyu Yiran's words, Huangfu Ruilings expression did not change at all. "Or, you can tell Ford, he will arrange it."

"No, I'm not..." Zhongyu Yiran hurriedly explained, but she didn't know what to say.

She did not expect Huangfu Ruiling to remain unmoved even though she mentioned Mrs. Huangfu. He even wanted to chase her away. Huangfu Ruiling ignored Zhongyu Yiran and left with Ye Lengan.

Li San followed closely behind and left as well.

Only Zhongyu Yiran was left standing there, looking a little desolate. She stood there in a daze, her expression somewhat bewildered. This was the outcome that she had never expected. She thought that even if Huangfu Ruiling was unhappy, he would at least let her come along for his mother's sake.

But now, Huangfu Ruiling and Ye Lengan had left together, leaving her alone in the same spot. It was as if she was redundant.

Why? Why did everything change after she woke up? In the past, she was the most special person by Huangfu Ruilings side. However, after she woke up, there was Ye Lengan by Huangfu Ruilings side.

At the thought of Ye Lengan, Zhongyu Yiran's eyes were filled with hatred. She had no gratitude towards Ye Lengan for saving her. Her being saved was not thanks to Ye Lengan at all, but thanks to Huangfu Ruiling.

Right now, her heart was filled with jealousy and hatred towards Ye Lengan.

At the same time, she felt a strange sense of pleasure. That was because Ye Leng'an's triumph wouldn't last long. Now, Madam already knew about the existence of Ye Lengan. She knew Madam very well. Madam would not allow someone like Ye Lengan to stay by Huangfu Ruilings side.

At this thought, the corners of Zhongyu Yiran's mouth could not help but curl into a smug smile.

Not far away, Li Yi couldn't help but step forward and say, "Miss Yiran, are we going to set off?"

In the beginning, Miss Yiran's expression was still quite sad. But then she suddenly laughed, which was strange no matter how he looked at it. He was a little worried that Miss Yiran might have been too emotionally affected, leading to a decline in her mental state.

"Yes." Zhongyu Yiran nodded happily and then walked towards the door.

Right now, she had to put away her other thoughts. The most important thing for her now was to get the Seven Star Flower at the auction. Only by obtaining the Seven Star Flower would she be able to obtain the medicinal pills from the Ye family to restore her health.

Her body was really too weak now. If this continued, she was really afraid that her lifespan would be affected. Moreover, her weak body made it impossible for her to do anything.

The most important thing was that she knew Madam very well. If she was going to remain sick in the future, Madam would never allow someone like her to stay by Huangfu Ruilings side.

On the way, Huangfu Ruiling and Ye Lengan didn't say anything. They were each doing their own things. However, even so, the atmosphere between the two of them was exceptionally warm, devoid of any sense of aloofness.

In the car, Ye Lengan withdrew her gaze from the phone and then looked at Huangfu Ruiling who was beside her. For a moment, she felt a little absent-minded.

She didn't know when her relationship with Huangfu Ruiling had become like this.

In the beginning, she kept a respectful distance from Huangfu Ruiling. However, gradually, the two of them seemed to be getting closer and closer. Furthermore, she did not know when it started, but she seemed to have developed a faint dependence on Huangfu Ruiling.

She wasn't sure if this was a good thing or not. However, she was a cultivator and had always done as she pleased. Therefore, she chose to let nature take its course with their relationship..

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But now she thought about it, what exactly was their relationship?

Huangfu Ruiling seemed to have noticed Ye Leng'an's gaze on him. He put down the laptop in his hand and turned to look at Ye Leng'an, asking, "What's

"Huangfu Ruiling, uh..." Ye Lengan thought for a while and asked, "What are we now?"

Actually, she had asked this question on a whim. Of course, she did not think that Huangfu Ruiling had to answer her question. She just wanted to ask, whether he answered or not wasn't important to her.

Hearing Ye Leng'an's words, Huangfu Ruiling was stunned for a moment.

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However, the corners of his mouth curled up into a meaningful smile. He did not answer her question directly. Instead, he asked, "What do you think our relationship is?"

Ye Lengan thought for a moment. Then, she rolled her eyes and smiled mischievously. "Father and daughter?"

Now her name was on Huangfu Ruilings household register. If Huangfu Ruiling really adopted her, then it seemed reasonable to say that they were father and daughter!

Of course, she was just joking. Moreover, she also wanted to see if his expression would change after hearing such a reply. She had known Huangfu Ruiling for so long, but she had never seen his expression change.

It seemed that for Huangfu Ruiling, everything was under his control.

"Is that so?" Huangfu Ruilings expression didn't change. He looked deeply at Ye Lengan and then said in an ambiguous tone, "Do you want to be my daughter?"

This sudden question left her momentarily unsure of how to respond. She felt like she had put herself in a difficult situation as if she had picked up a stone to hit her own foot.

"Alright then!" Ye Lengan raised her hands in surrender. "I was just spouting nonsense. You don't have to take it to heart.'

"Is that so?" Huangfu Ruiling suddenly reached out and touched Ye Leng'an's hair. "But what should I do? I've already taken it to heart. Didn't you just ask me what kind of relationship we have now? Now, it's my turn. What kind of relationship do you think we should have?"

His sudden intimate act caused Ye Leng'an's breathing to hitch. She stared blankly at Huangfu Ruilings hand resting on her hair and caressing it. It was as if he was treating his closest lover.

Lover?

When she thought of this word, her heart couldn't help but beat faster.

Although she had a crush on Li Deze in her first life, in reality, it was just a habit, an illusion. She had never really tried to like someone, so she was not sure if that was how she felt about Huangfu Ruiling.

Therefore, for a moment, she did not answer Huangfu Ruiling's question immediately but chose to remain silent. She would not make any decision hastily before she thought it through. It would not only be disrespectful to Huangfu Ruiling but also to herself.

She was not a fool. In the past, she did not have the chance to think about it, so she did not feel that Huangfu Ruiling was special to her at all.

However, today, as she suddenly recalled their interactions and looked back on their time together, she realized that even if she had been slow to catch on, she could still sense Huangfu Ruilin!s special feelings toward her.

At this moment, she was very clear about how Huangfu Ruiling felt about her.

In other words, she could feel that Huangfu Ruiling liked her.

However, she had yet to figure out her own feelings, so she would not respond for the time being. She was still very cautious when it came to relationships.

Facing Ye Leng'an's silence, Huangfu Ruilin didn't press further. He understood that even if he continued to inquire now, he wouldn't get any answers. Moreover, if he pushed too hard, he might even frighten her away.

Moreover, although Ye Lengan hadn't thought it through yet, he could feel that she was not completely devoid of feelings for him. Otherwise, she wouldn't have relied on him, and she wouldn't have been so relaxed around him..

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What he wanted to do now was to give Ye Lengan time to think things through.

Of course, it didn't matter what Ye Lengan's final answer was. Because, as long as it was what he wanted, he would strive to get it. He had never believed in that saying about loving someone meaning wanting to see her happy even if not by his side.

In his opinion, that was just an excuse made up by the losers.

That was true, he wanted to see the person he loved happy, but there was a prerequisite, she had to be by his side. Otherwise, even if he were to enter hell, he would drag her down along with him.

Thinking of this, a deeper shade appeared in Huangfu Ruilin's eyes, as if there was indelible darkness within them.

At this moment, Ye Lengan did not notice the change in Huangfu Ruiling. She was still immersed in her own thoughts.

Soon, the car stopped and they arrived at the auction venue.

Huangfu Ruiling and Ye Lengan got out of the car and entered the venue together.

Huangfu Ruiling was a distinguished guest and had his own private room.

The design of this auction venue was very ingenious. There were a total of three floors. The first floor was the hall where the auction was held. The second and third floors were all private rooms. From the private rooms, one could overlook the suction happening below. The second floor had regular rooms, while the third floor had VIP rooms.

With Huangfu Ruilings status, he naturally had a VIP room on the third floor. After showing the invitation, someone led them to the private room on the third floor.

As soon as Ye Lengan stepped out of the elevator on the third floor, she saw a familiar figure. When she saw the other party, she could not help but sigh. It was indeed an ill-fated bond!

Obviously, the other party did not expect to see her here. Therefore, she was stunned.

Ye Lengan pretended not to see the other party and left with Huangfu Ruiling.

However, it was obvious that the other party did not intend to leave just like that. Hence, she went forward and greeted, 'Ye Lengan, what a coincidence! I didn't expect to meet you here. It seems that we a_re really fated!"

The person who came was none other than Ye Xiyuan. She did not expect to meet Ye Lengan at the auction in Paris.

As the new year was approaching, the Mathematical Olympiad training class was temporarily suspended. It would only resume on the third day of the new year. Originally, their family had planned to go abroad for the New Year and had already made all the preparations.

It was just that before they could set off, she unexpectedly received an invitation from Nangong Xuyao saying there would be an auction in Paris and he wanted to invite her along.

When she told her father about this, her father was so happy that he immediately changed his destination to Paris so that it would be convenient for her and Nangong Xuyao to attend the auction.

Actually, when hearing about this auction, his father also wanted to participate. Unfortunately, it was not easy to get an invitation to the auction, so he could only give up in the end. Therefore, she only needed to follow Nangong Xuyao to the auction today.

However, she had never thought that she would meet Ye Lengan here.

She had met Ye Lengan in Jin City before, so she thought that Ye Lengan was still in Jin City and didn't expect her to also be in Paris.

Seeing that the person beside Ye Lengan had changed to Huangfu Ruiling, Ye Xiyuan couldn't help but squint her eyes. There was a hint of confusion in her expression.

She remembered clearly that the person who had accompanied Ye Lengan back in Jin City wasn't Young Master Huangfu, but another equally outstanding man. Most importantly, that man was a normal person and had stood beside Ye Lengan.

From the looks of it, Ye Leng 'an must be two-timing. She just didn't know if Young Master Huangfu knew!

However, he probably didn't know! Otherwise, Ye Lengan wouldn't be standing here right now. She had looked into it before. Although Young Master Huangfu's legs were disabled and he needed a wheelchair, this didn't actually restrict his capabilities at all. Even sitting in a wheelchair, this man was still frighteningly powerful.

With swift and ruthless tactics, he gathered the majority of the Huangfu family's power into his own hands. A man like this, who manipulates situations effortlessly, would ever tolerate his woman's disloyalty?

The moment she thought about what would happen to Ye Lengan after Young Master Huangfu found out about everything, she couldn't help but feel happy at the misfortune Ye Lengan would face.

Ye Lengan couldn't help but frown when seeing Ye Xiyuan's gloating expression.

Huangfu Ruiling didn't even glance at the person opposite and signaled Li San to push him away.

Seeing that he was about to leave, Nangong Xuyao stepped forward and greeted, "Young Master Huangfu, long time no see."

He held a grudge against Ye Lengan, but this did not stop him from wanting to befriend Huangfu Ruiling. Although he was the young master of the Nangong family, there were too many people eyeing him covetously. If he could befriend the young master of the Huangfu family, it would definitely be beneficial to him without downsides.

However, there were not many opportunities to meet Huangfu Ruiling. Now that he had the chance, he naturally had to go up and socialize.

Huangfu Ruiling didn't say anything. He just nodded at Nangong Xuyao as a greeting.

Such an attitude was already considered very arrogant.

Nangong Xuyao had never received such a cold reception before. However, if the other party was someone like Huangfu Ruiling, then everything seemed normal.

"You've already greeted each other. Shouldn't the two of you move aside?" Ye Lengan said mercilessly, "The auction is about to begin. Isn't it good for everyone to not interfere with each other?"

She only felt that the two people opposite were really too tactless. Could Nangong Xuyao and Ye Xiyuan not see that they clearly didn't want to greet them at all?

Their relationship wasn't that good to begin with. Under such circumstances, it would be better if they pretended not to recognize each other! Yet they had to come over and force greetings, making everyone uncomfortable and even wasting time.

Ye Leng'an's words instantly caused Nangong Xuyao's expression to darken. When he looked at Ye Leng'an, it was with even more disgust.

In his opinion, Ye Leng 'an was just relying on Huangfu Ruilings influence and arrogantly speaking so shamelessly here.

"Ye Lengan, we're just here to say hello. Why are you being so aggressive?" Ye Xiyuan suddenly said, "You don't want to see us like this.. Are you afraid that we'll say something?"