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“After repeated appraisals, we couldn’t identify what material this bracelet was made of. However, the five gemstones on the bracelet were all-natural pigeon blood rubies that were more than two carats. The clarity and purity of the gemstones were the best. It was said that the best jewelry craftsmen in ancient Rome had spent half a year to complete it. It could be said that this bracelet is priceless. Now, the starting price of this bracelet is five million US dollars. Everyone, you can start bidding now.”

As soon as the auctioneer finished speaking, the women present couldn’t wait to start bidding. In an instant, bids were heard one after another.

“5-3 million.” “6 million.”

“6.7 million.”

Ye Lengan sat in her seat. Unlike her previous lack of interest, she was now staring intently at the bracelet. Although she had not started bidding yet, her expression clearly showed great interest in the bracelet.

“You like this bracelet!” Huangfu Ruilings tone was firm.

“Of course I do.” Ye Lengan nodded her head without hesitation. “This bracelet is a good item. Moreover, it’s a rare treasure. How could I not like it?”

As she spoke, her gaze never left the bracelet. It was obvious how much she liked the bracelet. However, she had yet to make a move. Because there were too many people bidding at this time, she did not want to join the frenzy.

She would only bid after there were fewer people bidding. Calling out a price now was purely a waste of effort. The truly competitive bidders were all at the back!

Huangfu Ruiling chuckled when he saw Ye Leng’an’s appearance. “It’s rare to see you like something so much!”

“I’ll show you after I win it later.” Ye Lengan smiled and said, “However, if I don’t have enough money to bid for the Seven Star Flower after getting this bracelet, I might have to borrow money from you. But don’t worry, I’ll write an IOU and return it to you in the shortest time possible.”

Since she had encountered it today, she naturally did not want to miss it.

When looking through the catalog earlier, she did not notice anything special about the bracelet. It was only after seeing the real thing that she was moved.

“100 million!” Huangfu Ruiling immediately called out the price. The price of the bracelet, which was originally only 35 million USD, had tripled in an instant. Such a huge amount made the people who were originally bidding stop one after another.

Indeed, this bracelet was very beautiful. However, it was obviously not worth spending 100 million on it.

Even the auctioneer was stunned when he suddenly heard the high price of 100 million.

However, he quickly snapped out of it. Excitement tinged his voice with a slight tremor as he continued, “The guest in private room number one has bid one hundred million US dollars. Is there any higher bid?”

“Huangfu Ruiling, what are you doing?” Ye Lengan looked at Huangfu Ruiling beside her. “Why did you suddenly make a bid? And at such a high price.”

“Since you like it, then just bid for it!” Huangfu Ruiling said lightly, “There is no need to wait here.’

His tone was casual as if the 100 million USD was like 100 dollars to him. However, in reality, 100 million USD was indeed pocket change for him.

Hearing Huangfu Ruiling's answer, Ye Lengan felt a little speechless.

Just as the two of them were talking, the auctioneer had already announced the deal.

Looking at the final price, Ye Lengan felt heartache. “You obviously didn’t need to spend that much to get it, yet you insist on paying a high price.”

“It’s most important that you like it.” Huangfu Ruiling said lightly.

Evidently, Ye Lengan was well aware that Huangfu Ruiling was bidding to give the item to her. She didn’t refuse but instead spoke up, “Consider it a favor I owe you. In the future, if you need assistance with anything, feel free to ask.”

If it was anyone else, she would definitely not accept such an extravagant gift. But for some reason, when it came to Huangfu Ruiling, she did not even think of refusing. Perhaps in her heart, Huangfu Ruiling was special!

However, even so, she did not intend to make any promises to Huangfu Ruiling immediately. Because she felt that she still needed to think carefully about matters of the heart, to avoid harming each other..

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On the other side of the room, although Ye Xiyuan was smiling and talking to Nangong Xuyao, her heart was filled with jealousy.

She had seen Huangfu Ruiling and Ye Lengan enter the first private room with her own eyes, so she naturally knew who had won the bracelet. After

Huangfu Ruiling bid for the bracelet, he couldn't have bought it for himself. He must have given it to Ye Lengan.

The crown that Nangong Xuyao had just given her was only worth 30 million. Ye Leng'an's bracelet was already three times more valuable than hers. How could this not make her feel unbalanced?

That bracelet was obviously much better than her crown. When the bracelet was placed on the auction stage, she took a fancy to it at a glance. Of course, she couldn't just say that she liked it directly. She had already made it clear that she would never accept any more gifts from Nangong Xuyao.

However, she also showed that she liked it very much. After Nangong Xuyao saw it, he also wanted to bid for it. However, when Huangfu Ruiling bid 100 million, Nangong Xuyao gave up immediately.

Her heart was filled with discontent. Did it mean that only Ye Lengan deserved that 100 million bracelet? Was she not worthy of it?

However, no matter how unwilling or jealous she was, she couldn't show it on the surface. Otherwise, the image she had put up in front of Nangong Xuyao would be ruined. Compared to the 100 million dollar bracelet, Nangong Xuyao was obviously more important.

Seeing that Ye Xiyuan didn't show any dissatisfaction or disappointment, Nangong Xuyao couldn't help but sigh in relief. Just now, he could tell that Ye Xiyuan really liked that bracelet. Although she had already said righteously that she would not accept any more expensive items he bought from the auction. However, he still wanted to bid for it and then found an opportunity to give it to her.

However, he didn't expect Huangfu Ruiling, who hadn't made a move yet, to suddenly call out a price. Moreover, it instantly tripled the price.

Of course, he could afford 100 million. However, he didn't feel that the bracelet was worth 100 million. That high price had already far exceeded the value of the bracelet. Therefore, he gave up immediately.

In a private room on the second floor, Zhongyu Yiran had a strange expression on her face. At this moment, she did not know whether she should be happy or unhappy.

She naturally knew that it was Huangfu Ruiling who had bought the bracelet. Moreover, she knew that the eventual owner of this bracelet would be Ye Lengan.

What she cared about was not only the bracelet itself but also the meaning behind it. Passionate Love, was this Huangfu Ruiling confessing to Ye Lengan?

At the thought of this, her heart ached.

However, at the same time, she felt a glimmer of hope. Ye Lengan had already gotten this bracelet, and it was bought at such a high price, Didn't that mean that Ye Leng'an's target this time wasn't necessarily the Seven Star Flower? As long as Ye Leng'an's eyes weren't fixed on the Seven Star Flower, her chances of her winning the bid were very high.

She was confident that she wouldn't lose to Ye Lengan in the auction.

However, she was not confident that she could win against Huangfu Ruiling. If

Huangfu Ruiling was determined to stand on Ye Leng'an's side, and Ye

Leng'an wanted the Seven Star Flower, then she really had no chance at all.

Meanwhile, the auction continued on its course. Discussions about the bracelet still echoed around, rising and falling. However, this didn't affect the introduction of the next auction item onto the stage.

And at this moment in the country...

After working busily for over an hour, Auntie Zhuang had already prepared dinner. She invited Li Qiaomeng and her classmates to eat together.

After the dishes were served, everyone praised Auntie Zhuang's cooking skills.

Although they were a little puzzled that Auntie Zhuang personally cooked the meal, when they thought about Li Qiaomeng's explanation that their family had only become rich in the past few years, it seemed to make sense.

Just as everyone was eating and chatting, the doorbell suddenly rang urgently.

Auntie Zhuang and Li Qiaomeng were shocked when they heard the doorbell ring. At the same time, they had a bad feeling. Because they knew very well that although they were dressed beautifully and sitting here like the hosts, in reality, they were just servants in this villa, not even guests.

It was only because the real owner was not around that they could pretend to be the owners.

Because they were not the real owners of this place, it was impossible for anyone to come here to look for them. The person who came at this time must be looking for the real owner of this villa.

Especially Li Qiaomeng, she was panicking. At this time, not only were her classmates here, but her boyfriend was also here. If her act of pretending to be a rich family's daughter was exposed now, how would she face others in school in the future? Also, Ye Anyun would definitely break up with her.

As no one answered the door, the urgent doorbell continued to ring incessantly, showing no intention of stopping.

Seeing that Auntie Zhuang and Li Qiaomeng sitting there without any intention of opening the door, everyone present found it strange. Because in any household, the first reaction when a guest arrives is to open the door immediately. However, it was obvious the owner of this house showed no signs of opening the door.

"Um..." Zhao Meiyu glanced at Li Qiaomeng and said weakly, 'Qiaomeng, it seems like someone is looking for you! shouldn't you go and see who's coming?'"

This sentence directly expressed what everyone present was thinking.

"Haha." The smile on Li Qiaomeng's face was a little forced, and her expression was a little strange. "In fact, we don't really know anyone around here, so we're not sure who might be at the door. Besides, apart from you all, we haven't invited any other

guests to our house today. It's possible that someone came to the place. They'll likely leave soon."

Although Li Qiaomeng said that, the person outside showed no intention of leaving. The doorbell continued to ring as if it would not stop until someone inside opened the door..

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"Qiaomeng, are you sure you don't want to take a look?" Ye Anyun was confused.

"The person outside doesn't seem to have left. Why don't you guys go out and take a look first? Even if they went to the wrong place, you should at least go out and let them know!"

"Yes!" Zhou Gu also said, "It's not very polite to keep him waiting outside!"

"Uh..." Auntie Zhuang had a troubled look on her face. She looked at Li Qiaomeng as if waiting for her to make a decision.

Right now, she was also extremely anxious, especially since she had done something wrong. Although she did not know who the person outside was, she was sure that they were not looking for her.

"Li Qiaomeng, isn't this your home?" Dong Qiuyi stared straight at Li Qiaomeng, a hint of malice flashing in her eyes. "Since it's your house, why don't you dare open the door? Could it be you've done something wrong?"

"I didn't." Li Qiaomeng was so angry that she could only stand up. "I'm going to see who's so tactless to come at this time."

Although Li Qiaomeng said that, her movements were very slow, as if she was stalling for time.

At this moment, the doorbell suddenly stopped ringing.

Li Qiaomeng heaved a sigh of relief. She turned around and looked at everyone, smiled, and explained, "I told you! The person must have had the wrong door just now and only realized it now."

Auntie Zhuang heaved a sigh of relief and quickly called to everyone, "Alright, everyone, hurry up and eat! Otherwise, the food will get cold."

Li Qiaomeng also returned to her seat and continued to chat and laugh with everyone.

However, at this moment, a group of people suddenly swarmed into the living room.

"Who are you? How did you get in?" Li Qiaomeng exclaimed.

Seeing the people who had suddenly appeared in the dining room, Aunt Zhuang and Li Qiaomeng's hearts sank. They didn't know who had come, but among them, they saw a few men in police uniforms. This was enough to make their hearts thump wildly.

The others were also shocked by this sudden turn of events, especially when they saw the police. They were even more confused.

“Hello.” Ye Anyun had seen the world, so he quickly calmed down. He stood up and walked to the group of people, asking, “May I ask how you came in? Also, what brings you here?”

“Hello, we received a call saying that someone broke into a private house, so we came to investigate.” One of the policemen stepped forward and asked, “May I know who you are?”

“We are invited guests.” Dong Qiuyi immediately stood up and said, “We didn’t break into a private house. Sir, you have to investigate clearly!”

After she finished speaking, she turned her head to look at Auntie Zhuang and

Li Qiaomeng. She anxiously asked, “Who called the police?”

There was a hint of urgency in her tone, obviously afraid of taking on any responsibility. After all, now that the police were here, it was definitely not a good thing. Trespassing was against the law.

In fact, not just Dong Qiuyi, the others were also completely confused. Obviously, they had not expected such a turn of events. They had all been invited by Li Qiaomeng, so how could it be related to trespassing?

“We didn’t call the police!” Auntie Zhuang quickly stood up and said, “Is there a mistake? We invited a few guests over today, but no one called the police!”

“I called the police.” A man in a dark suit and black-rimmed glasses stood out from the crowd and said, “I’m the property manager of this residential area. I was entrusted by the owner of Villa 103 to call the police.”

“Owner?” Zhao Meiyu immediately stood up. “The is here! They didn’t call the police.”

“No, that’s not the case.” The property manager adjusted his glasses and said, “The owner is currently overseas. Through the surveillance cameras, she found that there were many strangers in her house, so she asked us to call the police. ”

“What?” Dong Qiuyi was about to jump up. She rushed to Li Qiaomeng and questioned, “Li Qiaomeng, isn’t this your home? Why did he say that the owner was overseas? What is going on?”

Now that things had escalated this much, with the police even showing up and saying they had trespassed, they might be in real trouble here..

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It wasn't just Dong Qiuyi. Although the others didn't have as big of a reaction, when they looked at Li Qiaomeng, they were also blaming her. They had only come to visit today and did not expect to get the police involved. The new year was almost here, who wanted to see the police!?

Li Qiaomeng stood there with her head lowered, not daring to say a word. She even started to tremble, clearly looking very guilty.

As for Auntie Zhuang, she did not look any better. At this moment, her face was completely pale. There was only one thought in her mind, and that was that she was finished.

She had never expected that Miss Ye would install surveillance cameras in the house. When Miss Ye realized that there were strangers in the house, the first thing she did was not to call her, but to inform the property management to call the police. Did that mean that Miss Ye no longer trusted her?

Even without waiting for Miss Ye to come back, she knew that she would definitely lose her job. Not only that but there was even the possibility of a lawsuit. This wasn't her house, but she used it to entertain guests without permission. This was obviously illegal. She didn't know what to do next.

If she had known this would happen, she would not have agreed no matter what Mengmeng said.

"Li Qiaomeng, say something!" Yue Ruyi couldn't help but say, "You invited us here. Shouldn't you explain yourself now?"

"Stop talking." One of the police officers said, "If you are the owner, then show me the evidence. Otherwise, everyone will follow us back to the police station."

"What?" Dong Qiuyi quickly explained, "Why are we going to the police station? We don't know anything. We're just here as guests. If you want to arrest someone, then arrest those two!"

She pointed at Auntie Zhuang and Li Qiaomeng. At this moment, what else was there left to not understand? She had felt something was off earlier, and now everything was crystal clear. This villa didn't even belong to Li

Qiaomeng's family at all. She didn't know how they could be living here.

However, it was obvious that even though the owner of the house was far away overseas, she knew everything that had happened here and had called the police to deal with it.

"I..." Li Qiaomeng opened her mouth but didn't know how to explain herself.

Ye Anyun didn't look too good either. When he looked at Li Qiaomeng, he was full of disappointment. However, even so, he still stood up and looked at the property manager. He said, "I'm sorry, Sir. It's our fault this time. I wonder if you have the contact information of the owner? We want to communicate with her personally and see how we can resolve this."

"I'm sorry." the property manager did not buy it. "It's not convenient for us to disclose the owner's information. However, we can be sure that the owner is currently overseas. You all entered her house without the owner's permission. This is considered trespassing."

“We didn’t do it on purpose.” Dong Qiuyi anxiously explained, “We were all tricked. If we had known that they weren’t the owners of this place, we wouldn’t have come in.’

“We’ll investigate this clearly.” One of the police officers said, “As for whether you hold any responsibility or not, we will confirm it when the time comes.

We will definitely not wrongly accuse any good person.”

“Li Qiaomeng, why aren’t you explaining yourself?” Yue Ruyi asked anxiously, “What’s your relationship with the owner of this villa? Why are you staying here?”

This question summed up what everyone was wondering. Judging by Li Qiaomeng’s appearance, she must know the owner of this villa. Otherwise, she wouldn’t have been able to claim this villa belonged to her family when the owner went abroad. Therefore, at this time, she really should come out and explain.

Facing everyone’s gazes, Li Qiaomeng really couldn’t say anything. What could she say? Was she going to tell the others that it was because her mother worked as a maid in this villa, so she could stay here during the holidays? And that was why she took advantage of the owner not being home to invite so many people over and claim this was her home.

Although things had already come to this point, she still couldn’t bring herself to say it..

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“Sir, actually, I’m a helper in this house.” Auntie Zhuang stood up and raised her head. “Miss Ye has gone abroad. Before she went abroad, she said that I could stay here temporarily. Because it’s the holidays now, my daughter’s classmate happened to come over for a visit. This is a misunderstanding.”

Since things had developed to this point, there was no way to hide it anymore.

Instead of hiding it all the time, it might be better to be upfront now and see if the issue could be minimized. As for Miss Ye on the other side, since she was already aware of the situation, perhaps she could plead for some understanding and try to find a way to resolve things.

Li Qiaomeng felt relieved at Auntie Zhuang’s words. However, at the same time, she experienced a wave of embarrassment. She felt as though all her covers had been abruptly stripped away. She couldn’t imagine how she was going to face people in school in the future.

News of today’s incident would definitely spread throughout the school. In the future, everyone would look at her with strange gazes.

Thinking of this, she couldn’t help but resent Ye Lengan a little. It was just a small matter, why did it have to be blown up so big? Also, why install surveillance cameras at home? Wasn’t this clearly meant to monitor their actions? Furthermore, if something was really discovered, couldn’t she call her mother first to communicate? Why did she have to call the police?

The police officer looked at the property manager beside him and seemed to be asking him if that was the case.

“Well...” the property manager looked a bit conflicted. “I’m not sure if she’s a domestic helper here. However, the owner is definitely unaware of these people’s arrival. The reason I contacted the police was because the homeowner personally called me to report the situation.”

“Alright, stop talking.” The police officer said, “We don’t know what’s going on yet. However, since the owner has already called the police to report a home invasion, we naturally have to deal with it. All of you should follow us back to the Public Security Bureau now! As for the rest, we’ll decide after contacting the owners.’

After saying that, he no longer listened to their explanations and directly brought everyone back to the Public Security Bureau.

Aunt Zhuang and Li Qiaomeng kept their heads lowered, not knowing what they were thinking. As for the others, they were full of complaints. They didn’t expect that a simple visit to a classmate’s home would end up with them at the public security bureau. With the new year almost here, something like this actually happened at this time.

When Ye Anyun was in the car, she had already contacted the legal department of the company and asked the lawyer to go directly to the Public Security Bureau. He also knew that as long as he contacted the legal department, his parents would know very soon. However, he had no other choice now.

However, thinking about his parents still being abroad, he couldn’t help but wonder how they would react if they heard about him being taken to the police station. Originally, he was supposed to take a flight to Paris tomorrow to reunite with his family and celebrate the New Year together. Now, it seemed like that might not be possible.

Moreover, after today’s incident, it was over between him and Li Qiaomeng. He had thought he found a suitable partner, but in the end, she turned out to be such a vain person. He could accept his other half having a poor family background, but he could not accept the other party deceiving him out of vanity.

In another car, Auntie Zhuang and Li Qiaomeng were sitting together. They did not say anything, and the car was exceptionally quiet. The silence was terrifying. They did not know what to do next.

In the venue of the auction in Paris...

Ye Lengan did not know what was happening back home. At the moment, all her thoughts were focused on the auction stage. Or more precisely, she was staring intently at the Seven Star Flower on the auction stage.

Ever since the Seven Star Flower was taken out, her gaze had been fixed on it. It could even be said that when she saw the Seven Star Flower, her eyes lit up.

“Don’t worry, that Seven Star Flower will be yours.” Looking at Ye Leng’an’s appearance, there was a hint of jealousy in Huangfu Ruilings tone, “So you don’t need to be so anxious.’

Ye Lengan looked at the Seven Star Flower with such a burning gaze, as if looking at her lover. How could he not feel jealous? He even had a fleeting dark thought, to destroy this Seven Star Flower..

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Of course, this was just a thought. He knew very well how much Ye Lengan liked this Seven Star Flower. In order to bid for the Seven Star Flower, she had already made a lot of preparations. If the Seven Star Flower was destroyed, she would definitely be very unhappy.

In another private room, Zhongyu Yiran also sat up straight. Since the start of the auction, she hadn't raised her paddle once. She had been waiting for the Seven Star Flower all night. Now that it had finally appeared, she was naturally prepared. She didn't know how many people present were interested in the Seven Star Flower, but she knew that no matter what, she had to obtain it today.

Ye Min'er entrusted her to bid for the Seven Star Flower this time. As long as she could befriend Ye Min'er, her weak body would be saved. The Ye family was a famous alchemy family in the Hidden World. As long as she could obtain the Ye family's pills, her health would be saved.

Therefore, no matter what, she had to get the Seven Star Flower today.

What she was most worried about now was that Ye Lengan's target was also the Seven Star Flower. If that was really the case, then she wasn't confident that she could outbid Ye Lengan. Because Ye Lengan had Huangfu Ruiling behind her.

On the auction stage, the auctioneer also began to introduce, "Ladies and gentlemen, you must find it strange that our auction house is auctioning a plant today, right? This is not an ordinary plant, but a rare spiritual herb. Those who can attend our auction are likely to be well-traveled and well-informed; they naturally understand the preciousness of spiritual herbs. Our boss got this spirit plant by chance. It's just that our boss doesn't know much about these kinds of things. In order not to waste a heavenly treasure, he decided to auction it. Everyone, this is a rare opportunity. Don't miss it! The starting price of this Seven Star Flower is 50 million USD. The auction begins now."

"60 million!"

"Very good. Guest number eleven on the first floor has bid 60 million USD. Is there any higher bid?"

The price suddenly soared by 10 million, but this was only the beginning.

"65 million!"

The bidding voices rang out one after another.

Ye Lengan's attention was focused on the auction, but she didn't immediately bid. She was watching because she knew very well that the real competitors had not started bidding yet.

Zhongyu Yiran, who was in the private room on the second floor, was also paying attention to the auction.

Finally, she couldn't help but call out, "100 million!"

As soon as this price was shouted out, many people stopped bidding. Obviously, such a high price had already exceeded the budgets of many people.

Moreover, although this Seven Star Flower was a precious spirit plant, if one didn't need it for alchemy, then obtaining it would not have much practical value.

After that, only a few people continued to bid.

Zhongyu Yiran was no longer anxious and slowly raised the price. At the same time, she calmed down a lot, because up until now, Ye Lengan had not placed a bid. In that case, it was very likely that Ye Lengan had no intention of bidding for the Seven Star Flower.

However, although Ye Lengan's medical skills were brilliant, she might not necessarily know alchemy. Not all doctors knew how to refine pills, or rather, most doctors did not know how to refine pills. One had to know that refining pills was not an ordinary thing. Not everyone could learn it. Aside from talent, the most important thing was inheritance. That was why the Ye family could become such a famous alchemy family in the Hidden World. It was the accumulation of generations that allowed them to achieve what they had today.

That was the accumulation of generations of the Ye Clan, which was why they had today's achievements.

The price had already reached 320 million, and most of them had already stopped bidding. The highest bidder now was Zhongyu Yiran.

"Alright, now the guest in private room number five on the second floor has bid 320 million. Is there any higher bid?"

The auctioneer was still trying to motivate everyone to bid higher. However, even so, he knew in his heart that being able to bid this price was almost the limit.

After all, although the Seven Star Flower was precious, not everyone could use it. If one couldn't use it, bidding for it would just be wasting money.

"320 million going once!"

"320 million going twice!"

Just as everyone thought that the deal was about to be closed, a clear voice interrupted the auctioneer.

"350 million."

The bidder was none other than Ye Lengan. At this point, they had clearly entered the final stage of competition, so it was time for her to make a move, otherwise, the Seven Star Flower would really be auctioned off.

"Excellent, now the customer in room number one on the third floor has bid 350 million. Are there any higher bids?" The auctioneer raised his voice a few degrees, and there was a hint of excitement in his tone. "Everyone, this is a rare opportunity. Don't miss it!"

He didn't expect that just as they were about to finalize the deal, someone would raise the bid. What's more, it went up by 300 million in one go. As expected, those who could attend this auction were all wealthy people! Of course, the higher the final transaction price, the better for him. One had to know, the final price was linked to his commission.

Unlike the auctioneer's excitement, Zhongyu Yiran's expression was gloomy, and her eyes were filled with chill. Initially, she was secretly glad that Ye Lengan didn't compete with her for the Seven Star Flower. But now, it seemed that she had celebrated too early. Ye Lengan was not unwilling to compete, she had just waited until the final moment to bid.

Moreover, that kind of bidding clearly showed that Ye Lengan was determined to win. Right now, her heart was already beating like a drum. She did not know if she could outbid Ye Lengan.

However, even so, she did not intend to admit defeat just like that. She bid again. "351 million!"

Fortunately, in order to have a chance at the Seven Star Flower this time, she had mobilized almost all the capital she could use. Moreover, Ye Min t er had also transferred 200 million to her. Therefore, the maximum she could afford now was around 430 million.

However, if Huangfu Ruiling were to help Ye Lengan, her meager funds would be nowhere near enough. After all, Huangfu Ruiling had spent 100 million just to buy a bracelet earlier. So what she feared most now was Huangfu Ruiling interfering..

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"400 million!" Ye Lengan raised the price again.

The only one who was still bidding with her was Zhongyu Yiran. That was why she raised the price and planned to end the battle as soon as possible.

Moreover, looking at Zhongyu Yiran's expression, it seemed she was almost at her limit.

At this moment, after Zhongyu Yiran heard Ye Lengan's bid, her face was clouded with even more gloominess. She continued to raise her hand to bid, adding one million.

Now the price had risen to 400 million and was about to reach the bottom line that she could afford. If this continued, she would not be able to get the last Seven Star Flower.

Thinking of this, she felt a stabbing pain in her chest and even had some difficulty breathing.

Li Yi, who was at her side, noticed Zhong Yu Yiran's poor complexion and hurried to advise her, "Miss Yiran, don't be anxious. Your health comes first. You really can't have your emotions fluctuating too much now, it's not good for your body's recovery."

"I'm fine." Zhongyu Yiran took a deep breath and tried hard to calm herself down. "Li Yi, I have no choice now. If I can't win this Seven Star Flower, Min t er won't help me obtain the medicinal pills to nurse my body. If that really happens, do I have to continue living with this crippled body?"

Although on the surface she only looked a little frail, only she herself knew just how much her body had deteriorated. In the past, she could travel everywhere, doing all kinds of things she enjoyed. But

now! She had almost become like Lin Daiyu. After walking just a few more steps, she would feel a little short of breath.

With the body she had now, let alone being worthy of Huangfu Ruiling, she was afraid that if Madam knew, it would become impossible for her to even stand at Huangfu Ruilings side in the future.

Although she had used Madam to deal with Ye Lengan, in her heart she was very clear. If she couldn't nurse her body back to health, Madam would also not allow her to appear by Huangfu Ruilings side.

Looking at the stubborn Zhongyu Yiran, Li Yi didn't know what to say.

As time passed, the bidding war between Ye Lengan and Zhongyu Yiran became more and more intense.

In the end, Zhongyu Yiran also shouted her bottom line, "430 million!"

After shouting out this price, she closed her eyes as if she was waiting for the verdict. This was already her bottom line. If she shouted any higher price, she wouldn't be able to bear it. If Ye Lengan continued to increase the bid, she would really have to give up on the Seven Star Flower.

However, it was obvious that Heaven was not on her side,

Not long after Zhongyu Yiran finished speaking, Ye Lengan shouted again, "435 million!"

When Ye Lengan's voice sounded again, Zhongyu Yiran closed her eyes in despair. Because this price was already beyond what she could afford.

Following Zhongyu Yiran's silence, the auctioneer finally shouted, "435 million going once! "

"435 million going twice!"

As the auctioneer's voice rang out, Zhongyu Yiran opened her eyes, a flash of hatred in her eyes. Then, she directly shouted, "450 million!"

"Miss Yiran!" Li Yi cried out in shock, "Your budget isn't nearly that high. This auction required immediate payment. If you can't pay up, you will be held accountable."

He had come with Zhongyu Yiran, so he naturally knew very well where Zhongyu Yiran's bottom line was. Since Zhongyu Yiran had shouted such a high price, if she could not pay the money, it would be a joke.

"I know." Zhongyu Yiran's eyes were filled with gloom, and a cold smile appeared on her face. Since Ye Lengan was determined to get this Seven Star Flower, she would make her spend more money.

Hearing Zhongyu Yiran's words, Li Yi couldn't help but frown. "Miss Yiran, isn't doing this not very proper? And if Master knows, he will surely be angry."

The most important thing now was not Ye Lengan, but his master. Although the one who made the bid was Ye Lengan, the person behind her was his master! Miss Yiran must be upset, otherwise, she wouldn't have thought of such a thing..

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Sure enough, after hearing his words, a trace of regret flashed across Zhongyu Yiran's eyes. Obviously, she hadn't thought of this just now. The only thing she was thinking of was how to make things difficult for Ye Lengan.

On the other side, Ye Lengan didn't sense anything amiss. Instead, she continued to raise the bid by 10 million.

It was unknown if it was because she had thought it through or because she felt guilty, but Zhongyu Yiran did not raise the price anymore.

In the end, the Seven Star Flower was sold for 460 million USD. For such a transaction price, most of the guests present felt very shocked. Who could have thought that this spirit plant could be auctioned for such a high price? This was the auction item that had fetched the highest price since the start of the auction tonight.

At this moment, Ye Xiyuan, who was in another private room, was even more shocked. She naturally knew who had bid for the Seven Star Flower. What shocked her was that Ye Lengan had spent such a huge price to bid for a

plant! However, when she thought of the person behind Ye Lengan was Huangfu Ruiling, she felt that all of this seemed to make sense.

However, after figuring everything out, the jealousy in her heart couldn't help but surge again. She didn't understand what was so good about Ye Lengan that Young Master Huangfu would spend so much money to buy a flower for 460 million USD. Even if it was a spirit plant, it was not worth such a high price!

When the Seven Star Flower was sent to the private room, Ye Lengan's eyes immediately lit up. Her gaze was completely fixed on the Seven Star Flower.

Looking at her, Huangfu Ruiling was a little jealous of that flower. However, he didn't let Ye Lengan notice it. Instead, he said lightly, "Should we have Li San first send the flower back to the castle?"

Ye Lengan thought for a moment and said, "Why don't I go back with it? Anyway, there's nothing else I want in the rest of the auction, so there's no point in staying here."

In fact, if she could, she wanted to put the Seven Star Flower into her portable cave abode space now. However, since Huangfu Ruiling and Li San were both here, it was not appropriate for her to do so. Although she felt that she was a little special to Huangfu Ruiling, she still did not understand her feelings. Therefore, in front of Huangfu Ruiling, she still had some reservations.

If Li San were to bring the Seven Star Flower back alone, she wouldn't be at ease. Therefore, the best way was for her to go back with him. Since the auction was coming to an end, she was not interested in the so-called final items, so it was fine for her to go back now.

After hearing Ye Lengan's words, Huangfu Ruiling's eyes dimmed. He nodded and said, "In that case, let's go back together!"

"You're going back too?" Ye Lengan was a little surprised. "Aren't you going to watch the rest of the auction items?"

“I’m not interested.” Huangfu Ruiling said lightly, “So let’s go back together!”

Since Huangfu Ruiling had already said so, Ye Lengan naturally wouldn’t refuse. After all, she was just getting a free ride.

Thus, the two of them left very quickly. Just like when they had arrived, their departure did not alert anyone else either. Right now, everyone else’s attention was still focused on the auction.

“Miss Yiran, Master and Miss Ye have already left. I reckon they have already gone back.”

Li Yi had originally been instructed by Zhongyu Yiran to see if the Seven Star Flower had been sent to Ye Lengan. Unexpectedly, he saw Huangfu Ruiling and Ye Lengan leaving. Therefore, he immediately returned to the private room and reported to Zhongyu Yiran.

After hearing Li Yi’s words, Zhongyu Yiran immediately made up her mind.

“Then let’s go back now too.”

At this moment, in a hotel in Paris...

Ye Li and Lin Wanqin were enjoying their dinner. Although they were already an old couple, they were still willing to cherish this rare chance to enjoy some alone time together.

Ye Li seemed to be in a very good mood, not for anything else but for Ye Xiyuan, who was currently attending the auction.

If possible, he would have liked to go take a look at that auction too. It was a pity that he still could not get an invitation despite calling in many favors. Of course, he also wanted to ask Young Master Nangong for help. However, due to the aftereffects of the birthday party, the company’s performance declined quite a bit. Fortunately, Young Master Nangong stepped in to recover their losses and even earn them a profit. Therefore, he was too embarrassed to ask..

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However, he didn’t expect Young Master Nangong to invite Xiyuan to the auction. Therefore, he decided at the last minute that the whole family would travel to Paris for the New Year.

Besides, compared to going to the auction himself, he was happier that

Xiyuan could go to the auction with Young Master Nangong. This meant that Xiyuan and Young Master Nangongs relationship had taken another step forward.

The gloom from the birthday party had now completely dispersed. At this moment, he finally felt in a good mood that he would get to spend the New Year abroad with his family.

After dinner, Ye Li and Lin Wanqin didn’t leave immediately. Instead, they continued to chat.

“I wonder how Xiyuan is doing now.” Lin Wanqin was a little worried. “It’s her first time attending such an auction. I wonder if she’s getting used to it.”

“You can set your mind at ease about that.” Ye Li picked up the red wine, took a sip, and said leisurely, “Young Master Nangong is taking care of her! There won’t be any

problems. However, this is a top-tier auction, and it's said that each item auctioned there can fetch a sky-high price in the end. If there's a chance, I really do want to experience it firsthand!"

"There will be a chance." Lin Wanqin smiled and said, "This time, just let Xiyuan go get the experience on your behalf! Speaking of which, Xiyuan really is the most trouble-free daughter! I don't know what's going on with Anyun, he actually said he'd wait until tomorrow to fly over and meet up with us. It would have been so nice if we came together from the start!"

"Alright, didn't he have something urgent come up at school?" Ye Li didn't seem to care much. "He's already grown up now and is participating in the company's operations. He's not a child anymore, why are you still worrying about him?"

He was very proud of his son. Although Ye Anyun was only a university student, he was already learning about the company's affairs from him. Moreover, Ye Anyun had probably inherited his talent for business. His son was quite good in this aspect.

"I don't know what's going on at school." Lin Wanqin couldn't help but complain. "It's almost the New Year, yet they still called him back."

"Just vent these complaints here," Ye Li advised. "When Anyun comes tomorrow, don't complain to him about it. It's almost the New Year, don't let him feel unhappy."

"Got it." Lin Wanqin nodded.

At this moment, Ye Li's phone suddenly rang. After picking up the phone and hearing the report from the person on the other end, his formerly smiling face instantly clouded over.

When Lin Wanqin saw this, she couldn't help but feel nervous. Although she did not know what had happened, it was obviously not a good thing.

Moreover, she vaguely heard Anyun's name mentioned. What she was most worried about now was whether something had happened to Anyun back in the country.

After a while, Ye Li hung up the phone. His face was gloomy, and the storm in his eyes showed that he was not in a good mood at the moment.

"Honey, what happened?" When Ye Li finally hung up, Lin Wanqin immediately asked anxiously, "Did something happen to Anyun? Is he alright now?"

"Hmph, what could happen to him?" Ye Li no longer looked like he was standing up for Ye Anyun. He said coldly, "He's doing just fine! Now he's even learned how to lie, actually deceiving us by saying he had something at school, which is why he'd come late. Now there really is something. He's been taken to the police station!"

If it wasn't for the fact that Ye Anyun had entered the police station and needed to contact the company's legal department, he might still be kept in the dark! As expected, now Ye Anyun had grown some backbone and even dared to lie to him like this.

“What is it? Entering the police station?” Hearing Ye Li’s words, Lin Wanqin almost jumped up. She suppressed her uneasiness with great difficulty and continued to ask, “What happened to him? Why did he suddenly enter the police station? Also, how is he now? Is he still at the police station?”

“He’s fine. The legal department has already sent a lawyer to bail him out.” Ye Li’s expression was still not very good. “He should be home now.”

After hearing Ye Li’s answer, Lin Wanqin heaved a sigh of relief. “It’s good that he’s fine..

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Since could go home, she should not be injured. Moreover, it should not be a big deal. She just didn’t know what had happened on his side that had caused a commotion at the Public Security Bureau.

“He’s fine, but he won’t be able to come to Paris tomorrow,” Ye Li said in a bad mood. “He is currently under investigation for trespassing. Before the matter is settled, he cannot leave the capital.”

Although it wasn’t a major incident, he was still restricted from leaving the country.

“Alas, then it looks like we have to go back,” Lin Wanqin couldn’t help but sigh. “I feel bad for Xiyuan. I was originally in high spirits, wanting to take her on an overseas trip for the New Year. Now the New Year is not yet over and we have to go back soon.”

“There’s no other way, is there?” Ye Li also felt a little helpless. “Xiyuan will understand. She has always been a considerate girl. Also, we need to return soon to deal with the situation regarding Anyun.”

Lin Wanqin nodded. “Alright, I’ll go back and pack my luggage now.” She wondered if she could still book a flight for tomorrow this late,

“I’ll have my secretary book the plane tickets later,” Ye Li said, “As for Xiyuan, we’ll talk to her when she gets back!”

Ye Lengan and Huangfu Ruiling also returned to the castle. Ye Lengan had been holding the Seven Star Flower protectively in the car, afraid it would get damaged.

After returning to the castle, she handed the Seven Star Flower to Butler Ford and asked him to bring it back to her room. Since she was going to the auction early, she had only eaten some snacks to fill her stomach. She was a little hungry now, and the chef had prepared the late-night snack.

However, just as the two of them were eating the late-night snack, Zhongyu Yiran barged in. Yes, she barged in. This was because Huangfu Ruiling had already ordered that Zhongyu Yiran was not allowed to come to the main building again.

After returning to the castle, Zhongyu Yiran immediately went to the main building to look for Ye Lengan.

Now that Ye Lengan had won the bid for the Seven Star Flower, she could only beg Ye Lengan. Of course, she knew very well that Ye Lengan would never just give her the flower. Therefore, the solution she was thinking of now was to hope that Ye Lengan could give her a branch of the Seven Star Flower. Then, she would try to find someone to transplant it and see if it would survive.

If it really worked, then she would have a way to exchange it with Ye Min'er.

Of course, she wouldn't ask for it for free. Since she didn't manage to get the Seven Star Flower at the auction, she didn't spend any money. She could give Ye Lengan money, which worked out well since Ye Lengan had spent quite a bit bidding for the flower. Her method would benefit both parties.

However, she did not expect that after returning to the castle, she was not even allowed to enter the main building. She knew very well that if she didn't find Ye Lengan soon, Ye Lengan might leave with the flower at any time.

Then it would be hard for her to find Ye Lengan. Moreover, after returning, Madam would still be keeping an eye on Ye Lengan!

Therefore, even though she knew it was Huangfu Ruiling's order, she barged in anyway.

Seeing Zhongyu Yiran suddenly barge in, Huangfu Ruiling's face darkened. He glanced at Ford and coldly said, "Your salary for this month will be deducted."

It wasn't Ford's fault that he couldn't stop Zhongyu Yiran. It was just that the servants knew about Zhongyu Yiran's relationship with Madam, so they didn't dare take forceful measures. However, Ford was the butler of this castle, so he was responsible for the mismanagement. As for how to deal with the servants, Ford already had it in mind.

"Brother Huangfu, this isn't Butler Ford's fault," Zhongyu quickly explained. "I forced my way in. It had nothing to do with him."

She did not expect Huangfu Ruiling to directly punish Butler Ford without saying anything. This action was like an invisible slap to her face, showing he disdained even talking to her.

Moreover, she did not want to offend Butler Ford. Living in the castle still, offending Butler Ford would not benefit her at all.

Huangfu Ruiling didn't even look at Zhongyu Yiran, as if she didn't exist in his eyes. He just glanced indifferently at Ford.

Ford quickly bent down and respectfully said, "This is all my fault. Young Master's punishment is right."

This behavior made Zhongyu Yiran's situation even more awkward.

However, even so, she did not leave. Instead, she looked at Ye Lengan and forced a smile on her face, saying, "Miss Ye, I have something to discuss with you. Is it convenient for you?"

Ye Lengan was a little surprised to be addressed so directly. However, she didn't agree immediately. "I'm sorry, it's not very convenient now."

Although she didn't know Zhongyu Yiran's intention, she wasn't Zhongyu Yiran's mother, so there was no need to indulge her. She was still eating! Therefore, she would not go hungry just for Zhongyu Yiran's sake.

Clearly, Zhongyu Yiran didn't expect Ye Lengan to reject her so directly, the smile on Zhongyu Yiran's face was almost gone. She continued, "Miss Ye, what I want to talk to you about is very important. I know you don't have time now, but I can wait for you."

"Actually, why don't you just say what you came for?" Ye Lengan said bluntly. "It's getting late. I want to rest early later. So if your matter is really that important, just say it now!"

Although she said this, she felt there was probably nothing to really discuss between her and Ye Lengan. Moreover, Zhongyu Yiran probably hated her now! After all, Zhongyu Yiran had tried her best to get the Seven Star Flower, but now it was in her hands.

Hearing Ye Lengan's words, Zhongyu Yiran's expression was not good. Obviously, she felt such an important matter should be discussed properly by them sitting down. Not like now with Ye Lengan sitting there eating while she stood there like a servant.

However, from Ye Lengan's tone, she sensed impatience. She understood that if she didn't speak now, Ye Lengan probably wouldn't give her another chance..