

Medical Princess

Chapter 26 Aunt Shui, Because of You

Seeing that she used such a dignified expression and statement to say such a thing, Shui Ruolan was shocked. She stretched out to reach Qin Wanru's hand, took her to the stool nearby and sat down, she also sat down in the opposite side of Qin Wanru.

"Who wants to hurt you and your aunt?"

"Has Aunt Shui stopped to manage things outside and asked Qionghua not to report what happened outside to you ever since she committed to the family temple in the past few days?" Qin Wanru asked.

"She wanted to have some quiet time for a few days!" Shui Ruolan's eyes started to wander.

"Aunt Shui should know about what happened between my big sister and Qi Tianyu. My sister wants to play up to the Duke Yong in the city, so my mother instigated Nanny Fang to tell me that I am the one that Qi Tianyu wants to marry, and asked me to agree. She also told me to hide it from Qi Tianyu, so he could be surprised when he lifted the curtain on my head when we were getting married!"

Qin Wanru said it calmly, as if she was talking about something of others. But the true meaning hid in the words made Shui Ruolan shocked.

She was not Qin Wanru as before, nor a child, so she could understand many things. "How... how can it be? Qi Tianyu must like your sister. When they were together in the past, they were quite affectionate to each other. If you really marry to him, Qi Tianyu must hate you for the rest of his life!"

"Not just hate, they may ruin me forever." Qin Wanru bowed her head slightly, and hooked her lips because of sarcasm. They had done it in the last life, and they succeeded.

"Then... then what to do..." Shui Ruolan nervously stared at Qin Wanru, and said with trembled voice.

"I found something wrong, so I asked someone to smash the bridal sedan chair, and found the secret letters between my sister and Duke Yong, then Qi Tianyu believed in me. After the scene got worse, the two families could only break off the marital engagement!" Qin Wanru simply said.

Shui Ruolan finally felt relieved when she found that Qin Wanru was not really fooled. But she suddenly asked with a strange look, "Didn't your father know about it?"

Shui Ruolan could tell that Mrs. Qin was not very good with Qin Wanru, whilst she was just a person who lived in the house of Ningyuan Army General.

"My father... should know it too!" Qin Wanru lifted her head and looked at Shui Ruolan, biting her red lip slightly. "My father used to love me too, and he should have disagreed with such a thing, but he didn't say anything this time when he looked at the actions of my mother and big sister."

"Why?" Shui Ruolan's face was full of anger. She felt that Qin Huaiyong was not such a person because they were raised up together since childhood. If they were not engaged respectively before, it should be Shui Ruolan who would marry to Qin Huaiyuan.

"Aunt Shui, because of you!" Qin Wanru looked at Shui Ruolan, wished to speak out but stopped on a second thought.

"Me?" Shui Ruolan was stunned for a moment, and did not understand.

"Do you think that things were too coincident? The letter sent by Duke Yong should arrive ten days ago, then something happened to you, and you entered the family temple. After that Nanny Fang agitated me to declare that I should be marrying, she also said that I was the one that Qi Tianyu really liked and wanted to marry. She told me to cry about it in front of grandma when my sister immediately came over and agreed, and my father just stood by and watched!"

Qin Wanru slowly said.

The voice of the girl was a little bit soft, and it seemed to be particularly clear in this sullen family temple. Every single word in the ear, sounded with some unspeakable loneliness.

Shui Ruolan's face was blue, then white, and there was anger aroused between her eyes that she could not control. She didn't feel anything if they remained ambiguous, but once they were clear, she seemed to be suddenly aware of what happened.

"Mrs. Qin plotted against me?" Shui Ruolan suddenly stood up. "Not only that, but also made your father feel guilty, and didn't even want to care about anything of you!"

The latter sentence was not a question, but a direct affirmation.

Thinking of her innocence had become a leverage of Mrs. Qin, she couldn't control the anger at that time, even though she usually seemed to be a quiet person.

Her temper was quiet, and always maintained that way in daily life, but it did not mean that she was obedient. Shui Ruolan was not obedient, and she could be really furious when she was irritated sometimes.

Like right now. She was biting her teeth.

Qin Wanru also stood up, stretched out to grasp Shui Ruolan's sleeve and gently pacified her. "Aunt Shui you don't have to be mad. I have asked Qionghua when I was in the yard that the dishes she had were different from yours. Someone deliberately skimped your dishes."

The evidence was useless to others, but it was useful for Shui Ruolan.

"It must be Mrs. Qin who did this!" Shui Ruolan now understood everything. When she thought that she had been pushed to this dilemma by Mrs. Qin, she was so mad that her lips started to tremble.

"Aunt Shui, if you are planning to be so mild from now, it will only make my mother happy, and after that... no one will protect my grandmother anymore. You know that my mother has never liked my grandmother, and my father may feel guilty to my mother because of this. So she could do anything she wants in the future!"

Qin Wanru's eyes flashed a glimmer of light. She said gently when looking at Shui Ruolan.

"I won't let her get what she wants!" Shui Ruolan said with hatred and turned and went out by pulling Qin Wanru. "Come on, let's go and see your father and ask for an explanation! And let him see the true face of Mrs. Qin!"

Qin Wanru grabbed Shui Ruolan. "Aunt Shui, wait, my father won't believe it!"

"Ask Qionghua to check in the kitchen, she will eventually find evidence!" Shui Ruolan said.

"Miss, Second Miss, I'm back!" Qionghua's voice suddenly came from outside the door. They both turned back and saw Qionghua walking in with excessive panting.

"Anything found out?" Shui Ruolan urgently asked.

"No, the woman in the kitchen asked for leaving, going home for something!" Qionghua said while gasping and shaking her head.

"When did she go?" Qin Wanru was not surprised on the result, since Mrs. Qin would not be so stupid enough to leave a clear evidence.

"On the second day after Miss's accident, she said that she had something happened in her family, so she asked for a long vacation. I don't know when she will come back. The biddy didn't come with the Madam as dowry, she is just an ordinary lady in Ningyuan Army General's mansion!" Qionghua took a breath and replied.

Did it mean that they could find nothing! They never thought that Mrs. Qin could did it so perfectly.

"Aunt Shui, don't be mad, just sit down," Shui Ruolan asked Shui Ruolan to sit down on the stool again. She picked up the teapot on the table and poured a glass of water and pushed it in front of her. "Aunt Shui you should make sure what you should do first? Will you stay silent and longer care about me and my grandmother, and just let it go of what my mother did to sabotage you?"

If she really lived quietly in the family temple, and been loyal to the Buddha, then she would stop paying attention to the everything in this world, whether it was right or wrong, she just would not care about it.

Shui Ruolan had been feeling so chaotic in the past few days that she didn't know what she was going to do, so she directly came to the family temple. But in fact she was not sure about it, and she could say nothing after being forced by Qin Wanru.

She picked up the tea at hand and took a sip, while tightly frowning.

"This... let me think about it..."

It sounded that she was avoiding it that Shui Ruolan did not know what to do till now. What happened that night made her feel ashamed and uncomfortable, and it was one of the most important reasons that she was hiding in the family temple.

"If Aunt Shui really thinks that you are able to act this way, then what I said today would be in vain. As for how my mother deals with me and my grandmother, or how she forces my father to compromise by using this, it's none of your business. You just need to be a quiet monk!"

Qin Wanru did not allow Shui Ruolan to escape at this time, so she provoked Shui Ruolan again.

What Qin Wanru said was hurtful, since Shui Ruolan was raised up by Old Grandma since she was a little child, so Old Grandma was equivalent to her mother, how could she bear to see her being pushed so hard by Mrs. Qin, not to mention Qin Wanru and Qin Huaiyong, who she raised as her own daughter and son.

It was still hard to think about the time and feelings when they were young.

"I am going to find her!" Shui Ruolan went angry and said it with a cold voice after she had the deliberation.

"You don't need to be hurry to go to her. She will come to find you, you just need to wait!" Qin Wanru stopped her and said with confidence.

Coming out from the cold and clear family temple, Qin Wanru went to the kitchen first, picked a few hot and delicate snacks and put them in a small dish. She then asked Qing Yue to follow out by taking the food basket and went to Chuihua Gate!

At the gate, they were stopped by the biddy who guarded the door.

"Our madam is going to find the General in the study." Qingyue stood up and raised her voice.

Seeing that, the biddy did not dare to stop Qin Wanru and gave way. Because although the Madam banned young madam from going out, she did not stress that young madam could not go to see the General.

However, the biddy was still worried after she let them go, so she quickly turned and went to report to Madam as soon as Qin Wanru walked in the Chuihua Gate.

Qin Huaiyuan's study was located at the right corner not far from the Chuihua Gate, in which he usually dealt with official business. For the convenience of entry and exit, he deliberately set the study room at the corner of Chuihua Gate.

When Qin Wanru went to the study, Qin Huaiyong was working. Hearing that Qin Wanru came over, he immediately nodded and allowed her to get in.

Qin Wanru took the food basket from Qing Yue's hand. She personally brought it to the study room and placed it on the table in the side and then gave a salute to Qin Huaiyuan.

Qin Huaiyuan waved his hand, indicating that she didn't have to be so polite.

"Father, this is the snack that just cooked in the kitchen, I think it tastes good, so I specially take a few pieces to let you have a taste!" Qin Wanru got up and took out a small dish from the food basket and put it on Qin Huaiyong's table with smile.

The snack was made to be very delicate with flower-shaped molds. There were some dotted smashed ormosia on it, and the fragrance of the snack and the smell of ormosia were very pleasant.

Qin Huaiyong looked at the flower-shaped snack and lost in thought for a while.

"Father, would you like to have a taste of it?" Qin Wanru gently pushed the snack to Qin Huaiyong while smiling.

Qin Huaiyong did not actually like this kind of sweet thing, but after listening to Qin Wanru, he couldn't help tasting it, so he reached out to take a bite and chewed it slowly.

"Father, is it good?" Seeing Qin Huaiyong really listened to her, and took a piece to eat, Qin Wanru happily smiled.

"It's delicious!" Although the taste was insipid, but seeing her little daughter being so expectant, he slightly smiled and nodded.

"I knew that you would like to eat. My grandmother used to say in the past that this flower-shaped mold was invented by you and Aunt Shui when you were children. So you must like something else made by this mold!" Qin Wanru said it in a childish way and goggled her eyes, "Father, did you particularly like to do something interesting with Aunt Shui?"

Chapter 27 Irritation, Old Jealousy

"It was not a very interesting thing. We were just young at that time." Qin Huaiyong said it bitterly, and found it was harder and harder to swallow the delicate snack in his mouth.

"Were you just as young as me right now? And innocent?" Qin Wanru became more and more curious, "Father, can you talk about what happened between you and Aunt Shui when you were young, what did you play at the time?"

"It's been so long, I can't remember it!" Qin Huaiyong didn't really want to say something happened back then. Thinking about what happened in the past few days, he just felt guilty and sad.

"Just say something, father, I want to hear it. Next time when I visit Aunt Shui, I could tell her about these things. Maybe she would be happy then. I heard that she has been in a bad mood recently, and moved to the family temple to live alone there!" Qin Wanru said it sadly.

Seeing the little daughter's cute face, even though Qin Huaiyong had kept a lot in his mind, he could only be relieved. He then sighed and put the snack in his hand on the plate. "Your Aunt Shui was still young at the time. She looked quite quiet, but she could be really crazy than anyone else when she was really in the mood to play..."

"What is General and Wanru talking about and being so happy?" Mrs. Qin's voice suddenly appeared at the door.

Qin Wanru looked back and saw that Mrs. Qin was really here.

"Mother!" Qin Wanru, who was laughing like a blooming flower, immediately looked like an eggplant that was frosted. She stood up and put on a stiff smile. She then gave a salute to Mrs. Qin and consciously moved towards Qin Huaiyong, seemed to be intimidated.

"What are you doing here?" Seeing that the little daughter was scared by seeing Mrs. Qin, Qin Huaiyong asked in an unpleasant way.

"What do you mean? So Wanru can come, but her mother couldn't? Is it because I disturbed your talking?" Mrs. Qin said it with jealousy.

Mrs. Qin felt unbearable and hateful when she saw the vivid expression on Qin Huaiyong's face when she came in. She had suspected that there was something between Shui Ruolan and Qin Huaiyong for a long time, but they were too careful with it and never revealed anything in front of herself.

"Mother, me and my father were talking about Aunt Shui when she was young!" Qin Wanru gently laughed and talked again about the topic that made Mrs. Qin extremely jealous, "My father thought that Aunt Shui was very cute at that time!"

The more Qin Wanru talked about, Mrs. Qin was more sure about that there was something between Qin Huaiyong and Shui Ruolan. The hatred in her heart seemed to grow like roots, and it was still spreading. She always felt so much chest distress that she could barely say anything.

"Mother, father likes Aunt Shui, do you like her too? Is it because you like to eat the same dishes as her?" Qin Wanru said with a smile and raised eyebrows, it seemed that she was in a really good mood.

Qin Wanru being so happy made Mrs. Qin think of Qin Yuru, who was just crying. She only felt hurt as if her heart was burning. The little girl who should have been in trouble had escaped, instead, something bad happened to her own daughter, how could she accept it?

The thing that Qin Wanru mentioned about the dished also made her shocked. Since it was the topic she didn't want to talk about, so she slightly smiled, as if she didn't hear what Qin Wanru just said, and changed the topic.

"We can talk about your Aunt Shui later, I want to tell your father about the things happened in Magistrate Qi's mansion. Since you are here, Miss Qi will come to the house tomorrow. You are the master, so you can accompany her to have some fun."

Miss Qi was Qi Tianyu's sister, Qi Rongzhi.

Sure enough, Qin Wanru sneered that Mrs. Qin actually brought Qi Rongzhi, who was not a good person. When they were in the last life, Qi Rongzhi and Qin Yuru were

always in collusion. They not only sabotaged Qin Wanru, but also tried to hurt her again and again. Qi Rongzhi was even related to the thing that almost killed Qin Wanru.

Qin Wanru felt hard to even breathe when she was hurt, but seeing Qi Rongzhi proudly laughed in the crowd.

Qin Wanru wanted to find her. Since she was here, then it was even better!

“Why someone from Magistrate Qi will come over?” Qin Huaiyong frowned and said as if he had a headache, because he didn’t want to have any contact with Magistrate Qi.

“They said that because Qi Tianyu said something terrible of Yuru being pregnant that day, so they send Miss Qi to come over and apologized. It should be the First Young Master of the Qi Family coming over, but it might be bad… for them to meet right now.” Mrs. Qin delicately said.

“What’s to apologize since it was already happened. It should be us to apologize!” Qin Huaiyong said.

“What are you talking about? Since Magistrate Qi being so generous, we have to show them our temperament and unravel the matter. Do you really want some grudge between you and Magistrate Qi because of this thing?” Mrs. Qin smiled because she knew what Qin Huaiyong liked to hear.

Sure enough, Qin Huaiyong eased up a bit. Since he had spent so much effort in stopping Magistrate Qi from pursuing this matter before. If he could make him feel calm and sincere, it would be better.

“Sister Rongzhi will come? It’s great, she used to be really close with big sister and kept saying that she wanted to be in a family of hers. She will definitely comfort big sister!” Qin Wanru smiled with a surprised look.

To be in a family meant that Magistrate Qi had planned to make Qin Yuru a woman of theirs. But now Qin Yuru had made a serious mistake because she made engagement with Jingzhong. Qin Huaiyong went serious again. “She could come, just go back quickly after seeing Yuru, in case they make some troubles again.”

“How can they make trouble again? Rongzhi is also a good child, what could happened since Wanru accompanies, you are worrying too much about it!” Mrs. Qin smiled and slyly said to Qin Wanru with a gentle voice, “What do you say, isn’t it?”

“Sister Rongzhi’s coming is indeed a good thing, but I am afraid I can’t accompany her,” Qin Wanru said with an embarrassed look, “I have to go to see Aunt Shui tomorrow. I don’t know why she lives alone at the family temple. She looked pitiful.”

If Qin Wanru didn't secretly keep asking her grandmother about Shui Ruolan, she wouldn't know anything about her. And she knew the rest after her reborn.

What Qin Wanru just said made Qin Huaiyong felt guilty. As soon as he was told about the thing again, his eyes involuntarily moved to the flower-shaped snack.

Mrs. Qin's face went serious and she now regretted the original decision. She thought that there was nothing between Qin Huaiyong and Shui Ruolan, but now she found out that she guessed wrong. Thinking about letting the sophisticated fox in by herself, Mrs. Qin felt extremely upset.

And she knew that it was true by looking at Qin Huaiyong's action.

No, she must not let Shui Ruolan enter the door!

"Your Aunt Shui has always liked to be quiet, and she may be a nun in the future. You shouldn't disturb her. She had asked me a month ago about which temple was better and she wanted to find a place with good geomancy to live. She is poor with no children, but she is also strong, so she wants to build a good reputation of herself!"

Mrs. Qin smiled and her eyebrows raised. She assumed that Qin Huaiyong would not make any requirements since she had said something like this.

When hearing that Shui Ruolan was going to be a nun and built herself a reputation, Qin Huaiyong felt heartache. His hand placed on the table shivered, and he buried himself in the deep sadness with a stunned look. Was it really what she wanted? Whatever, since he had done something hurting her, so he should just let her be.

"Mother, you might take it wrong? When I accompanied her to buy the powder, she said that she would dress up beautifully every day to please someone who likes her, so she must dress herself up decently." Qin Wanru gently said, as if she didn't see the gloom that appeared in Mrs. Qin's eyes.

Shui Ruolan had been living in the mansion, and rarely went out, whilst the male master in this house was only Qin Huaiyong. So people didn't even need to guess the "someone" that liked Shui Ruolan.

Qin Huaiyong couldn't hide the joy on his face at that moment and looked at Qin Wanru with his sparkling eyes, which made Mrs. Qin on the other side irritated as if she was biting her teeth.

"Father, I just went to see Aunt Shui. Her servant girl Qionghua I just met told me that a few days ago, the dishes of Aunt Shui were especially small, as if mother liked the same dishes as her. She said that many dishes prepared for her that day were just enough for Aunt Shui alone, so Qionghua had eaten her own and had a stomachache, thus she

couldn't stay up for Aunt Shui. She wanted me to go to the kitchen and ask them to wash the vegetables more carefully next time!"

Qin Wanru lightly said with her big eyes blinked, which looked very charming. "I don't know why Qionghua told me this since the kitchen is not in my management!"

Qin Huaiyong did not understand first, and suddenly his face greatly changed. He stood up. "What did you say, Qionghua ate her dishes and had a stomachache and couldn't stay up for my cousin?"

"Yeah, Qionghua still cried there, saying that she had made a big mistake. She said that she didn't know why the dishes of Aunt Shui were that small that day!" saying that, Wanru suddenly turned her face to Mrs. Qin with an innocent look, "It must be that mother likes the same dishes as Aunt Shui, so her dishes were mostly given to mother. Since mother manages the whole family, she of course needs to eat more!"

Mrs. Qin's expression changed and she felt extremely nervous.

Qin Huaiyong stared at Mrs. Qin with anger. Things couldn't be seen clearly if they lacked connection, so it was easy to see clear everything if the window paper was poked. Qin Huaiyong was very suspicious right now, since he had climbed out of the deaths, so now he just fiercely stared at Mrs. Qin.

"I remember that you always like to eat spicy dishes. When did you like to eat what my cousin likes? She loves to eat vegetables, and you like to eat aquatic products, do you really have to fight with her for foods?"

"Father... what's the matter?" Qin Wanru looked shocked, as if she did not know that she had aroused Qin Huaiyong's suspicion.

"Nothing, you go back first, I have something to say to your mother!" Qin Huaiyong softly said to Qin Wanru.

"Then I'll leave now, and I'll leave the snack here, mother. Mother, I'll go now!" Qin Wanru looked like she was not aware of what just happened, but still was obedient. She bowed down and left with Qing Yue.

After that, there was a crisp slamming sound of cup in the room, and then something seemed fell to the ground. Qin Qanru's red lips raised coldly. She certainly knew that Mrs. Qin was hard to deal with, but she was determined to uncover her true face bit by bit!

Chapter 28 The True So-called Coincidence

In the study room, Qin Huaiyong smashed the cup in Mrs. Qin's foot, who was scared to step back and hit the table on the side.

"Talk about it, what is going on?" Qin Huaiyong gloomily looked at Mrs. Qin with a pair of fierce and suffocating eyes.

Mrs. Qin was shocked and knew that Qin Huaiyong was really angry. She then hurriedly pretended to be confused and said. "General, I don't know what you are talking about?"

"How come I didn't know that you have the same taste as my cousin? When did you actually take away the dishes she likes!" Qin Huaiyong harshly said with a cold voice.

"I... General, I... I just wanted to taste her food that day so I told people in the kitchen. After they sent the food, I didn't feel very good after I tasted it, so I didn't care. I didn't know that they went behind my back and actually took away more than half of cousin's dishes!"

Mrs. Qin was flustered. She knew about the problem, so she could immediately think of countermeasures and hurriedly said it.

But things could still be clear if they took a deep look into it, since there were many people who had seen that Mrs. Qin had taken away more dishes that day, she couldn't hide it even if she wanted to.

"You like my cousin's dishes, so you want to split and have a taste?" Qin Huaiyong sneered and said.

"If you don't believe me, you can go asking someone else. It was coincident that you and Magistrate Qi were talking about Yuru's marriage, since I didn't know how things went on between you and assumed that you had no appetite, so I ate after seeing mother. A biddy of mother told me that cousin's dishes were pretty good, thus I did it, how could you just say that I ate her dishes deliberately?"

Mrs. Qin felt she was wronged, and her eyes turned red.

At that time, she deliberately let a biddy around Madam mention this matter to make it look casual, and she did it on purpose in front of Servant Duan, who Madam trusted most.

Because Qin Huaiyong had a very good relationship with Magistrate Qi, so they were very congenial every time they drank together, and he would always come back drunk. But on that day, it was Mrs. Qin, who deliberately asked Qin Huaiyong to find Magistrate Qi to discuss the marriage.

"How come things could be so coincident? You split cousin's dishes, so Qionghua ate her own and got stomachache?" Qin Huaiyong could not believe Mrs. Qin's explanation, but his voice was softened.

“General, why should I know about that... you know that your cousin has never been close to me and she barely talks to me even if something bad happened to her. Though I tried so hard to make a good relationship with her, she was just cold to me. I don’t really know what she thinks about, and Qionghua is her servant, so what do you really mean by saying this?”

Mrs. Qin cried with grievances, covered her face with handkerchief to act like sad. She didn’t mean well by what she just said. She meant that there was something wrong with what Qionghua had said.

Qin Huaiyong’s expression was still serious. He knew that Shui Ruolan and Mrs. Qin’s personalities were not alike and they were usually indifferent when they met each other. Mrs. Qin didn’t lie about it, but he was still confused and his brows were tightly locked.

Of course, he didn’t know that what he saw was deliberately planned by Mrs. Qin. The so-called “what he knew” was simply on the surface that he thought that Mrs. Qin was really good for Shui Ruolan, but what he didn’t know was that Mrs. Qin had always been ignorant of Shui Ruolan, and sometimes even taunted her.

“Whether it was something you deliberately did or not, but you were the reason that caused the mistake. Since the mistake had been made and it was on us, then we couldn’t badly treat to my cousin.” Qin Huaiyong slowly said it after long silence.

“General...” Mrs. Qin was shocked and lifted her head while being unable to cry but screamed.

“Why? Isn’t it supposed to be like this? Things had happened and we have to take the responsibility.” Qin Huaiyong sat down and resolutely said it. He didn’t know what Shui Ruolan was thinking about at first place, so he said nothing when she entered the family temple. But since she still had some feelings for him, he surely could not let her down.

“But... but it was a mistake, and cousin herself felt blamed and entered the family temple, which means...” Hearing Qin Huaiyong was really thinking about that, Mrs. Qin was worried and didn’t have time to wipe the tears she forced herself to cry out. She then hurriedly stopped him and said, “If you want to compensate her, just follow her wish. If we make her embarrassed, it will be even worse to deal with it then!”

It was something well said, which was completely considered from the perspective of Shui Ruolan, and it sounded fair and reasonable.

Qin Huaiyong would inevitably be touched by her words if it was before, which was also the reason why Qin Huaiyong had not dared to take action for so many days, but what Qin Wanru just said had dispelled his concerns.

"Since we did her wrong in the first place, I have to make it up as a real man. I will go to my mother to discuss this matter later!" Qin Huaiyong shook his hand and went silent for a long time before he said it firmly.

"But... but what about me?" Mrs. Qin had never thought about things could turn out this way, so she immediately said with grievances, "I... I can't get used to it at the moment, I still want to treat her as a cousin... I, I feel terrible!"

Mrs. Qin's tears came down while saying that. It was not totally faked since a big part of it dropped because of worries. She would not care about it if there was really nothing between Shui Ruolan and Qin Huaiyong. But if they were quite affectionate to each other at first place, there would be a serious problem.

"You suddenly splitted a large part of the cousin's dishes that day, and then Qionghua had a diarrhea after she had her own food, could it be so coincident!" Qin Huaiyong coldly said. Since he had the doubt in his heart, he chose to lead the conversation that way. And the more he thought about it, the more skeptical it was that it was such a coincidence when these things came together.

Although Qin Huaiyong did not know the truth of the inner court and he could not see through Mrs. Qin for a while who had been playing dirty in the backyard, it didn't mean that he couldn't see the strange situation inside. When he saw that Mrs. Qin didn't agree to his idea for a long time, he felt a bit unpleasant.

"But it... was just a coincidence, if you don't believe me, you can ask people in the kitchen and people around mother!" Mrs. Qin cried again with her face covered, looked like pretty poor.

"You can leave now, it's settled," Qin Huaiyong waved his hand and unpleasantly said, and then added another sentence, "don't make those coincident things again, there are not so many coincidences in the world! If you are not capable to manage Yuru's thing, you can ask someone else to help you with the family issue!"

This sentence was almost a warning to Mrs. Qin.

She was so furious when she heard it and wanted to talk back, whilst her sleeve was secretly pulled by someone when she was ready to talk. She turned and found it was her personal servant Servant Chou.

Servant Chou made a gesture to her and pointed at the door with her finger, indicating that she should go out at this time.

Looking at Qin Huaiyong, right now, Mrs. Qin knew that it was useless to say anything at this time. She had to secretly bite her teeth and left the room after she bowed down and wiped out her tears.

Qin Huaiyong lifted his head again after seeing that Mrs. Qin was out. He reached out and rubbed between his eyebrows and looked at the snack on the table for a long time without saying anything.

Coming out from Qin Huaiyong's study, Mrs. Qin took Servant Chou to a secluded place and spit hard. She said with a face fully covered with jealousy. "That bitch actually had a thing with General. I won't give them such a chance if I knew about it!"

"Madam, don't worry, it's not done yet." Servant Chou tried to comfort her and said.

"By looking at what General means, he hoped it could be done right away. He is so partial before he even doesn't marry her, then we could not live after she was a part of the family!" Mrs. Qin bit her and almost smashed the handkerchief in her hand. How could she bare that she made herself such a big enemy by just playing a little trick?

Thinking about Shui Ruolan's personality, she felt so ashamed that she wanted to die when something like this happened. She should hide herself from people because of shame.

"Madam, don't worry, even if the General has the intention, it couldn't be done so soon. The marriage of young madam just failed the other day, and everybody was talking about things between us and Magistrate Qi, so the Madam would not allow him to marry Shui Ruolan at this time."

Servant Chou reminded Mrs. Qin while looking harshly and pointed towards the family temple.

It was the time when the wind and waves were highest, it would be easily said but hard for people to accept the truth that Qin Huaiyong wanted to marry his cousin, which might also affect Qin Huaiyong's career.

Mrs. Qin was enlightened and she nodded with her gloomy face. If the news that marrying his own cousin who was widowed at home was spread out, it was indeed very shameful. Since Qin Huaiyong always cared much about his reputation, not to mention the sensitive time like right now when he was trying to move back to the city, he couldn't be so reckless.

"But... he would eventually marry her!" Mrs. Qin couldn't let go of it after thinking about it.

"Madam, it's not only decided by General if he could marry her. If something bad happened to Shui Ruolan, he couldn't marry her even if he wanted to!" Servant Chou reminded her, "isn't Miss Qi coming over to have fun, we could ask her to stay for a few more days until someone of Magistrate Qi came to pick her up, whether it's Magistrate Qi or First Young Master of the Qi Family, we can make moves until then!"

"No, it will make the general suspect!" Mrs. Qin categorically refused, because Qin Huaiyong had already warned her.

"Please rest assured, Madam, even if it is a coincidence, it is not made by you. So General could not blame you, could he just find trouble at Qi's mansion? Since we owed them on Young Madam's thing!" Servant Chou pointed to the direction of the family temple.

Her words made Mrs. Qin remain silent, and she revealed some cruelty in her eyes after thought about it. "Well! People of Qi's mansion would not come to ask for explanation if something happened to Miss Qi? We can wait and see that something bad happened to Miss Qi and the bitch at the same time!"

Servant Chou immediately understood what she meant and hurriedly applauded.

Chapter 29 Both Scheme, Irritate and Provoke

Qin Wanru was running, running hard, but she could not find a way, and she was lost!

It was bottomless darkness in front of her, and some people were chasing behind her with heavy breathing, as if there was a knife behind her. But she just couldn't see the direction and she didn't know where to escape.

Someone was calling her. It seemed to be very far when she first heard it, but it seemed to be right to the ear when she heard it again. She wanted to run over as if the sound gave her guidance, but she heard the screams of others before she had time to run over, she subconsciously turned back and saw nothing but blood...

"Ah!" She screamed and sat up.

"Young Madam, what happened to you, did you have a nightmare again?" Qing Yue rushed over, and saw Qin Wanru's pale and sweaty face while picking up the gauze. Her face was pure white like snow, but the lips were bright red, and some black hair were dripped with sweat on her cheek. Even if she was young, she still looked charming and unparalleled.

Every time she slept, Qin Wanru would have a nightmare. Even if it was just a nap in the afternoon, she was still awakened by nightmares.

"I want to drink water!" Qin Wanru reached out to touch her forehead and said with a dumb voice. She slightly frowned. Was that dream real? She felt like it was true, because there was something she had forgotten when she was reborn, which had been repeating in her dreams.

"Young Madam, here is some warm water!" Qing Yue quickly went to fetch the water from the table, and passed it to Qin Wanru after testing the temperature.

Qin Wanru drank a little, and slowly woke from the nightmare. "Has Qi Rongzhi come?"

It was now the afternoon. Since Mrs. Qin had told father, then she would not let her wait for such a long time.

"She wasn't here for so long. It was said that she was not persuading your sister in her yard and said that First Young Master of the Qi Family had forgiven her. She also asked people to bring gift!" Qing Yue said. When Miss Qi came over, she made a huge noise, which had startled everyone in the mansion, and now everyone was talking about what a generous person the First Young Master of the Qi Family was.

"Help me to dress up!" Qin Wanru calmed herself and moved the quilt, getting off the bed.

Qing Yue answered and went out to prepare for the bath water. Seeing that the Young Madam sweated so much, the simple grooming was certainly not enough.

After Qin Wanru taking a shower and sitting in front of the dressing table, Qing Yue said while helping her dry her hair, "Young Madam, Madam had sent someone to ask if you were awake when you were taking a shower, she asked you to accompany Miss Qi if you woke up."

"Did you say that I was taking the shower?" Looking at herself in the mirror, Qin Wanru asked.

"I did, but Madam still urged you to hurry up," Qing Yue indignantly said, "there is nothing good every time Miss Qi came over, and you almost fell from the attic last time. She always thinks about to hurt you and had beat you for several times, but Madam and your sister just didn't care about it."

Qin Wanru was silent, and there was hatred in her eyes. She was so stupid in the last life that she always believed in what Qin Yuru and Mrs. Qin said and believed that Qi Rongzhi was not intentional.

She remembered that once Qi Rongzhi made her fall into the lotus pond, so that she had a cold illness after that, which made herself to be loathed by others when she was in discussion of marriage with people.

Of course, the rumor that she might not be able to have children because of the illness was released deliberately by Mrs. Qin.

Mrs. Qin clearly knew that Qi Rongzhi did not like herself and had trouble in getting along with her, she still deliberately invited this Miss Qi to come back. The purpose was self-evident.

So no matter what happened between Qi Rongzhi and her at this time, they would inevitably ask her to be tolerant, after all they owed to Qi's family based on what just happened.

Qin Wanru slightly squinted, watching Qing Yue skillfully dried her hair and coiled her hair with a simple hair clasp.

"Come on, let's go see the grandmother!" Qin Wanru had an idea while squinting. Qin Yuru and Qi Rongzhi had been scheming together to fight against her in last life. In this life, she would stop them from being together from now on and let them fight against each other, which she liked to watch a lot.

Qi Rongzhi was not a reasonable person, she would remain no pity when she became extremely arrogant and vicious. One of her features was that she would attack anyone when she was irritated, and would not care about who it was, just like a crazy dog!

"You don't go to accompany Miss Qi?" Qing Yue was stunned and didn't understand.

"Why? Isn't she accompanying big sister right now!" Qin Wanru shook her head, stood up from the stool and walked outside. As soon as she was outside the room, she saw Nanny Yu and couldn't help stopping.

"Young Madam!" Nanny Yu rushed to Qin Wanru with excitement when she saw her and saluted to her.

Qin Wanru slightly bore with her hand and softly said, "You don't have to be so polite, Nanny Yu, have you recovered?"

"Yes, yes, it's almost well!" Nanny Yu kept nodding. In fact her body was actually not fully recovered, but thinking of that Qin Wanru had no people available here to use, she hurried to get over here.

"Since you are almost well, you can be with me again. After that, the things in the yard should be managed by you, and I have already spoken with my grandmother about it!" Qin Wanru had tears in her eyes, because she knew that Nanny Yu must worry about her so much that she had to ignore her body and got over here. Nanny Yu did the same to her in the last life.

After they killed Nanny Fang, Qin Wanru had already told her Old Grandma that Nanny Yu would be in charge of the management of her yard from then on.

"Young Madam, you can rest assured, I will help you take good care of everything in the yard!" Nanny Yu said and was moved since she knew that her master would think highly of herself again.

"You can have a rest in the room on the other side. If there is anything to do, just let someone else do it. If Madam asks someone to urge me again later, just tell them that I go to Old Grandma for something!" Qin Wanru still stopped and ordered even if she wanted to directly leave.

"Young Madam, please feel relieved, I understand!" Yuxi nodded.

Qin Wanru left with Qing Yue and stopped for a while at the entrance of the yard. She did not go to the Old Grandma's yard. Instead, she took the other direction, which was the location of the garden of the mansion.

It was not long before she left, a nanny hurriedly came into the yard. Someone brought her to Nanny Yu.

"The Second Miss hasn't gotten up yet? Young Madam Qi has been here for so long. Madam asked her to be faster, since it is not good for the guest to wait!"

The nanny was unpleasant because it was the second time she had been here to pass the message, of course she was not happy.

"The Second Miss has already gotten up, but she is at the Old Grandma's now." Nanny Yu looked at the nanny with no expression and told her according to Qin Wanru's instructions.

"What do you mean? Didn't I just tell her to accompany Miss Qi, what is she doing at Old Grandma's at a time like this?" The nanny rolled her eyes and unpleasantly said.

"The Second Miss told me so, I don't know either!" Nanny Yu threw up her hands and slightly coughed twice after turning her head away.

"Then I'm going to tell Madam first, tell the Second Miss to stop wasting the time if you see her again!" The nanny helplessly said since she knew that she couldn't get anything by asking.

She then came out from Nanny Yu's room after she finished her words, and angrily rushed out of the door, but she stopped when she was in the yard. In a short while, a young servant came out of the door and looked around, whispered to the nanny after she found no one was around. "The Second Miss did not go to the Old Grandma, I saw her go to the garden!"

The young servant also pointed the path with her finger.

The path was definitely not the way to the Old Grandma's yard.

The nanny was so pissed that she even laughed. It was clear that the Second Miss didn't want to see Miss Qi, and deliberately avoided her. She then snorted and turned to report to Mrs. Qin.

Mrs. Qin sneered again and again when hearing that Qin Wanru actually avoided it, and immediately told people to report the news to Qin Yuru. Of course, it was not reported to Qin Yuru, but to Qi Rongzhi. The personalities of Qi Rongzhi was not so good since she had made a lot of troubles for Qin Wanru when she didn't like her in the past.

She was already picky when everything was fine, not to mention when things were not fine.

Sure enough, Qi Rongzhi was annoyed right away at Qin Yuru's place when she heard that Qin Wanru was avoiding her. She snorted and stood up to find Qin Wanru's trouble, but was stopped by Qin Yuru.

"Sister Qi, what are you going to do?"

"I'm going to find Qin Wanru to see if she could still tell me that she went to see Old Grandma!" Qi Rongzhi had always been arrogant, she felt even more humiliated since Qin Wanru didn't welcome her, so she coldly said.

"What if she is really at Old Grandma's when you find her?" Qin Yuru reminded her.

"How is it possible? The person your mother sent just said that she was not there. She clearly walked the other way, which is a long detour to get to the Old Grandma's yard. Does her brain break down so she had to go the opposite direction to find Old Grandma!"

Qi Rongzhi sneered again and again, and she had made up her mind that she would definitely teach her some lesson when she saw Qin Wanru later.

The war had been stirred up and Qin Yuru was of course happy to watch the show. But she still pretended to care about Qi Rongzhi and said, "You are right, my second sister must be going to see the lotus pond. You be careful, she has become a lot more vicious now, and I don't know who had taught her that. I am afraid that you will suffer losses when you were there!"

"I suffer losses? Then she has to have something! Who taught her? Of course it's the lady Shui who looks so weak in the house. I have hated her for a long time." Qi Rongzhi snorted. since before she came, her own big brother had told her that Qin Yuru was sabotaged by Shui Ruolan.

"Then you be careful," Qin Yuru reached out and patted on Qi Rongzhi's hand. She repeatedly urged her as if she was really worried about her, "grandma loves my sister most, so she must be angry if you had a dispute with Qin Wanqu. So if she went to the

lotus pond, you should not go there. A servant girl accidentally fell into it a few days ago and almost died. The pond is so deep even though it doesn't seem to be!"

"I know, I know, Qin Wanru had fallen into it once and blamed me for it!" Qi Rongzhi said it with dissatisfaction, pushed away Qin Yuru's hand, and turned to angrily leave with her servant.

So what, if Old Grandma protected Qin Wanru? She had found some excuses and pushed her into the water a few years ago, and she could do it again now.

Qi Rongzhi almost forgot if Qin Yuru didn't bring it up and now she suddenly thought of it that it was such a good place that but for Qin Wanru's nanny, who knew how to swim, had been watching her and saved her from water right after she was pushed into it by Qi Rongzhi, Qin Wanru was not able to live since then.

So Qi Rongzhi always felt angry when she saw Qin Wanru's face. People used to compliment her when she went out, but now it was Qin Wanru that everybody was talking about if she went in public.

However, a servant just reported that her nanny was in poor health, thus she didn't follow out, which was terrific...

Chapter 30 Chaos, Disputes at Lotus Pond

Qin Wanru did go to the garden, and went towards the lotus pond.

The lotus pond was a good view in the General's mansion. As long as it was not winter, lotus pond was always the destination to people when they came to the mansion. Although it was not big enough as ten kilometers, it was not small in scope. It was already the autumn, and the leaves were somewhat withered. However, lotus leaves still could be seen here in the pond.

A few lotus flowers fell on the green lotus leaves, and the withered flowers were still enjoyable.

Qin Wanru went to the pavilion of the lotus pond.

The path of the pavilion expanded on the lotus pond. There were several rooms in the innermost, and there was an octagonal pavilion on the outside of the house.

People could enjoy the scenery of the lotus pond in the pavilion, or invite several friends to chat here. There was still a place to rest in the room. The leftmost one was filled with some books. They could just enjoy the scenery while reading by opening the window of the room if they were not in the pavilion.

The destination of Qin Wanru was the octagonal pavilion.

Sitting in the pavilion, people could see the shore far away, and they could also see people in the pavilion from afar. Since it was far away, they just couldn't see clearly.

Qin Wanru went to the pavilion and got on it, and she stopped in a few steps. She stepped hard on the floor since a board was loose because of the time. It was the spot where a servant girl fell into the water a few days before, thus it was unintentionally stepped to be looser by people.

At that time, she happened to pass by. She immediately screamed at Qing Yue to ask someone to help when she saw her fell into the water. After that, everyone went to pay attention to the girl, leaving Qin Wanru alone to check the place, who happened to find out that there was a loose board here.

She was going to tell Mrs. Qin when she got back, but it was out of expectation that it was delayed since she was reborn after that.

When stepping on it, it was really loose. Qin Wanru then stood behind the wooden board, holding Qing Yue's hand of Qingyue, and stepped hard on it a few times more. She found out that the board was not just loose, and one side would go up if she gently put her foot on the other side of the board.

Qin Wanru was very satisfied with the position under her foot. She stood still, and walked carefully towards the pavilion. Qing Yue also carefully followed. They went to the pavilion one after the other. Qin Wanru then asked Qing Yue to open the window of the room next to the pavilion after she looked around.

"Are you going to read a book here? Is it too windy?" Qing Yue said while opening the window. The wind near the pond was indeed strong, and it was chilly when it blew in gusts.

"No, just take a look, let's go!" Qin Wanru smiled and walked outside after she had arranged everything.

Qing Yue could not understand what Qin Wanru was thinking about, but she still listened to her and followed.

They went to the pavilion one after the other and stopped at the loosened board, then secretly went back.

After getting on the shore, Qin Wanru casually walked and soon met a nanny, who stopped while seeing her and Qing Yue walking towards this way and saluted. "Where are you going, Second Miss? Madam was looking for you just now!"

"I have something to do in the pavilion, you go to tell my mother that I'll be there soon!" Qin Wanru said with a smile.

"Yes, I'll go to tell Madam right now!" The nanny was originally to find out where did Qin Wanru go, so she immediately answered and turned to report to Mrs. Qin.

Walking halfway, the nanny met the ill-disposed Qi Rongzhi.

Since Qi Rongzhi couldn't find where Qin Wanru was and saw a nanny coming towards her, so she asked her to come to her. "Did you see your Second Miss?"

"Yes, Second Miss said that she has something to do in the pavilion, which was over there near!" The nanny recognized Qi Rongzhi and answered quickly while pointing with her hand.

"Already there?" Qi Rongzhi was overjoyed. She was still trying to think of some method to lead Qin Wanru there, and she was already there by herself, which was so good.

So then she could make a coincident and push Qin Wanru into the water. Even if something bad happened, people would not talk too much about it since the General being so impolite to withdraw from the marriage of her eldest brother.

Qi Rongzhi was so excited that she couldn't help walking faster towards the pavilion. She was afraid that Qin Wanru had left when she got there.

On the edge of the lotus pond, she saw that the window of the inmost room was wide open after she turned the corner. Qin Wan must be there at this time.

She walked fast to get to the pavilion, even faster than her servant. She was even faster when she got on the pavilion. Since there is nobody near the lotus pond now, so there was no one to rescue her.

She walked fast to get to the pavilion, even faster than her servant. She was even faster when she got on the pavilion. Whilst she couldn't predict that she lost the balance since she stepped on something loosened. She wanted to grab something to hold still, but it was too late and she just fell into the water after she turned up a board by stepping on it.

Qi Rongzhi struggled with panic in the pond.

"Help, can somebody help our Young Madam? Help!" The servant following her was startled and loudly screamed after seeing Qi Rongzhi fell into the pond.

It was coincident that two nannies heard the scream and rushed there. One of them could swim, so she jumped into the water to save her.

It was lucky that the board was placed near the shore and the nanny rescued her in time. Qi Rongzhi was saved, but was still fainted after that.

Some other people also heard the scream and went there. Someone reported to Mrs. Qin and Qin Yuru immediately after found out it was the Young Madam in Magistrate Qi's mansion.

Mrs. Qin was startled after she heard that Qi Rongzhi fell into the water, so she came right away with some people. In the halfway, she met Qin Yuru, thus the two of them walked there together.

Qi Rongzhi came to her sense after they were there.

"Sister Qi, what happened to you? Are you okay, how can you be so careless." Seeing Qi Rongzhi being drenched, Qin Yuru hunkered and said anxiously.

Suddenly Qin Yuru was slapped so hard on her face that she could not keep balance and sat on the floor. She looked at Qi Rongzhi with surprise.

"Did you try to hurt me? Was it not to only hurt my brother and you also want to hurt me, you bitch! I'm going to kill you!" Qi Rongzhi was humiliated and ashamed, so she just attacked anyone in front of her and said with hatred. She wanted to hit Qin Yuru again, but was stopped by people around her this time.

Mrs. Qin came to pull Qin Yuru up. She looked at her red face and stood in front of her, and said while with a blue face, "Miss Qi, what do you mean, why did you hit Yuru?"

"Why don't you ask your precious daughter, who asked me to come to the pavilion and told me it was a good place. I thought that she really wanted to make up with my brother, it turned out that she still held the thought of hurting people!" Qi Rongzhi was never a person who would suffer loss.

Since she fell into the water with no reason and got herself to be so embarrassed, she had to directly take it out on Qin Yuru.

She was always arrogant, and Qi Tianyu usually made compromise to her. Qi Rongzhi liked Qin Yuru because she listened to everything she said for the sake of Qi Tianyu.

"Do you have any evidence to say that?" Mrs. Qin frowned and got angry since her daughter was hit by her.

"Of course I have the evidence, she was the one leading me here to find Qin Wanru. If it wasn't for her, I would not be here!" Qi Rongzhi arrogantly said. She could not accept the fact that there was something happened to her today. She also thought that all people of the General's Mansion wanted to hurt her when she thought that she was almost drown to death.

"Wanru was here? It was Wanru who led you here?" Mrs. Qin softened her voice and pointed to the window on the pavilion, "since you were here for Wanru, then just go to find her, Yuru didn't know anything, how could she hurt you!"

She was so evil and trying to transfer the blame to Qin Wanru.

"I led Miss Qi here? How could mother say that I had led Miss Qi here since I haven't met her?" Qin Wanru's voice suddenly spread in the crowd.

People all turned round and saw that Qin Wanru slowly walked towards them with Qing Yue.

"What happened here? Did Miss Qi fall into the water?" Qin Wanru understood right after she walked over and saw that Qi Rongzhi was drenched.

"Qin Wanru, did you lead me here deliberately?" Qi Rongzhi went angry when seeing Qin Wanru was here. She tried to get up by holding her servant and hit Qin Wanru. Compared to Qin Yuru hitting Qin Wanru, Qi Rongzhi had done it a lot and got used to it.

Anyway, what she did in the past was water under the bridge and Mrs. Qin and Qin Yuru would not say anything about it since they thought that they were just being naughty and it was just children's game. So the attack was almost inadvertent.

Qin Wanru was prepared and stepped back a little, and slightly smiled. "It's so ridiculous for Miss Qi to say that. How could I lead you here since I haven't met you? Didn't you know how you were here, and you forgot who it was! A servant fell into the water here a few days ago, the person who led you here didn't tell you to be careful?"

What she said reminded Qi Rongzhi, who rolled her eyes and found out the nanny. She pointed at her and screamed. "It was her, she said that Qin Wanru was in the pavilion, whose nanny is this?"

No one had thought that Qi Rongzhi did find out someone, even Mrs. Qin couldn't help looking at the nanny.

The nanny was upset when people all stared at her. She waved her hand and said hurriedly, "Miss Qi, you just asked me, I didn't know about it so I just answered when you asked, I didn't mean to lead you there."

"She's with my mother, could it be my mother who led you to the pavilion?" Qin Wanru looked at the nanny and gently spoke for Mrs. Qin.

"It was indeed you who want to hurt me! Qin Yuru told me that I could find Qin Wanru here, so Mrs. Qin's nanny showed me the way. Well, well! I have long thought that you and your daughter didn't have good hearts. You had hurt my brother then, and now you

want to do the exact thing to me. I... I'm going back and ask my father and brother to talk about it with you! You are so vicious!"

Qi Rongzhi automatically linked all things happened to her after she knew that the nanny was with Mrs. Qin. She felt like it was a trap for her so she became really angry that her voice started to tremble.

She had also hit Qin Yuru because of anger before, and she was a bit guilty. But this time she was so assured and bold with justice and loudly scolded them.

"What on earth happened in here?" Someone coughed outside the crowd and asked with a low voice.