

## Medical Princess 331

### Chapter 331 Duke Yong's Mansion Only Had a Choice

"Yong'er, tell me, why does Old Madam of Duke Xing value Yuru so much? I heard that this Old Madam hasn't been in charge of the domestic affairs for years, and even didn't show up when some relatives visited Duke Xing's Mansion. Why does she suddenly like Yuru so much that she even showed more affection for Yuru at the banquet where Madam of Duke Xing adopted Miss Qi as her daughter?"

Madam Dowager did not answer Qin Huaiyong, but looked up at him instead.

Her gaze made Qin Huaiyong uneasy. He turned his head to cough in a low voice, and then turned around and said, "Mother, I don't know why Yuru found favor with Old Madam of Duke Xing's Mansion. Maybe it's a coincidence. I didn't go to Duke Xing's Mansion today and don't know what happened exactly!"

"Yong'er, Yuru has changed her age. Is it really good for her reputation? Doesn't the First Young Master of the Qi's Mansion know it? Aren't you afraid that he gets angry and gives away what happened in Jiangzhou at that time? If so, you will lose more than gain," Madam Dowager said in an increasingly low voice, looking at Qin Huaiyong with no moods but only slight coldness in her eyes.

"Mother, Qi Tianyu won't give it away. He has promised me. It's our fault that Yuru broken the promise of marrying him, but there's still room for remedy. In fact, Old Madam of Duke Yong suggested that Yuru can claim to be two years younger. Considering that Di Yan said nothing, I think Duke Yong's Mansion indicated that they can get married two years later. Madam Di..."

Speaking of this, Qin Huaiyong held back his words.

"What do you want to say about Madam Di?" Madam Dowager's attention was attracted by him.

"Madam Di has behaved terribly with such a bad reputation, but she's still my legitimate wife. I've felt ashamed every time my colleagues mentioned her!"

Qin Huaiyong sighed, slightly low in spirits.

Madam Dowager's hand trembled and knocked over the tea cup beside her hand, but at this moment she had no time to care about the pain and lowered her voice in shock, "Could it be possible that you want to..."

"Mother, you get me wrong. How would I think so? I just mean that I'm not going to release Madam Di considering her terrible situation. But I'm afraid that Duke Yong's Mansion won't agree to do that. Since they have requested us to claim that Yuru is two years younger, we can do as they requested. If so, at least they can't interfere in what I do to Madam Di!"

Qin Huaiyong said.

Madam Dowager naturally understood his words. He meant to make Duke Yong's Mansion compromise with Qin Yuru and Madam Di. Since they claimed that Qin Yuru was two years younger as Duke Yong's Mansion requested, Duke Yong's Mansion couldn't interfere in how Qin Huaiyong dealt with Madam Di. What was more, Qin Huaiyong did not intend to divorce Madam Di, nor did he torture her. He just felt ashamed of her presence.

Madam Di had framed up Qin Wanru in Jingxin Monastery in Jiangzhou, which had basically been confirmed. Besides, the wife of the heir of Duke Yangqu had told the fact, coupled with the testimony of the coachman. If Qin Huaiyong released Madam Di, it would also disgrace Duke Yong's Mansion. After all, this vicious woman came from their Duke Yong's Mansion.

From this point of view, Qin Yuru was naturally much better, because at least her reputation hadn't been completely ruined.

"But we can't always lock her up in the backyard. If we continue doing that..." Madam Dowager said hesitantly.

"Naturally we can't lock her up in the mansion all the time. Sometime after the affair subsides, I'll send Madam Di to a monastery where she can cleanse her heart and pray for blessings." Qin Huaiyong explained.

"Will Duke Yong's Mansion agree?" Madam Dowager didn't consider it feasible. Old Madam of Duke Yong's Mansion favored Madam Di a lot. How could she watch Madam Di fall to this point without doing anything?

Qin Huaiyong hesitated for a moment, seeming to be a little embarrassed, but still said after thinking, "Mother, I have an idea, but I'm wondering whether it's feasible?"

"What?" Madam Dowager asked.

"Secretly send Madam Di back to Duke Yong's Mansion. What do you think of it?" Qin Huaiyong said implicitly.

Madam Dowager didn't understand it, looked at Qin Huaiyong with her dim eyes and motioned for him to continue talking.

"I mean to send Madam Di back to Duke Yong's Mansion without claiming that I've divorced her. In this way, she can live in Duke Yong's Mansion from now on, and Old Madam of Duke Yong's Mansion can stop making trouble!"

Qin Huaiyong explained!

Madam Dowager fell silent, frowned and looked down. She understood Qin Huaiyong's words. On the surface, Madam Di was still the legitimate Madam of the Qin's Mansion, and they claimed that they sent her to a monastery to rest in quietude and pray for two daughters because of her viciousness. But in fact, she was sent back to Duke Yong's Mansion.

In this way, at least the Old Madam, who spoiled her daughter, could stop making trouble. As for Duke Yong's Mansion, since Madam Di was secretly sent to their mansion, they wouldn't let others know. Anyway Madam Di had a terrible reputation now. With such a reputation, if it weren't for the support of Duke Yong's Mansion, she would have been divorced.

Qin Huaiyong let her keep the position of legitimate wife for the sake of the reputation of Duke Yong's Mansion.

"If you send Madam Di to Duke Yong's Mansion, what about Yuru?" After a long while, Madam Dowager asked, looking up.

"Mother, Yuru naturally should be raised by you. Despite your poor health, I still want to trouble you to educate her. She has been misguided by her mother. Now she can stay home for two more years. If she could be raised by you for two years and educated by the etiquette instructor for some time, she might not do something terrible like Madam Di in the future!"

Qin Huaiyong looked at Madam Dowager with anticipation, suddenly stood up, lifted his robes, knelt down in front of Madam Dowager and said, "Mother, please do me a favor!"

"Yong'er, get up. I would like to promise you, but I'm afraid that Madam Di will disagree and Yuru will make a scene!" Madam Dowager sighed and reached out to help Qin Huaiyong up.

Qin Huaiyong stood up with her help, sat back on the chair beside and said, "Mother, rest assured. I will handle it. I won't do that instantly, because I still need to communicate with Duke Yong's Mansion. I believe that they will consider it a good idea. Regarding Yuru, I have to trouble you to take care of her!"

"Yuru is my granddaughter. I naturally hope that she could be better. Without Madam Di around later, if I am in good health, I will raise Yuru by myself. If I am in poor health, I will ask Ruolan to raise her. What do you think of it?" said Madam Dowager.

She knew clearly about her health condition. She was energetic enough to take charge of domestic affairs a few years ago. Later, her increasingly poor health made her unable to do that, so she had to leave the charge to Madam Di. Besides, she was not energetic enough to educate her two granddaughters. Attacked by her old disease sometimes, she couldn't get up all day. How could she educate her granddaughter?

"Mother, it's up to you!" Qin Huaiyong nodded obediently.

"What should we do now? Yuru smashed the bracelets given by Old Madam of Duke Xing. We should tell the Old Madam of Duke Xing's Mansion about it, right?" Madam Dowager turned back to the subject.

Since Madam Di did those terrible things to Qin Wanru, Madam Dowager had thought about asking Qin Huaiyong to divorce Madam Di. Nevertheless, she knew that it wouldn't work, because Duke Yong's Mansion wouldn't compromise and would even mention what had happened at that time.

At that time, Madam Di could be considered a noble lady who married a humble man. Qin Huaiyong came from a declined aristocratic family. Duke Yong's Mansion had every reason to break the promise of the marriage between Madam Di and Qin Huaiyong, and afterwards it was heard that they had intended to do that. They delayed the marriage repeatedly, but at least didn't break the promise of the marriage. Old Madam of Duke Yong's Mansion personally sent Madam Di to Madam Dowager.

Speaking of this, it could be considered a good deed of Duke Yong's Mansion. Madam Di's terrible reputation made it reasonable for Qin Huaiyong to divorce her. However, if Duke Yong's Mansion mentioned it, Qin Huaiyong would probably be considered ungrateful or even his character would be questioned by others.

Madam Dowager clearly knew that she had no idea of the official affairs. Nevertheless, when her husband was still alive, he had told her that it was okay if a woman in the inner court could not help her husband in his official career, but she shouldn't hold her husband back in other respects.

Now, Madam Dowager considered it also applicable to Qin Huaiyong's situation.

This was also the reason why she wanted to ask Qin Huaiyong to divorce Madam Di but had never mentioned it to Qin Huaiyong. She knew about Qin Huaiyong's situation. Now Qin Huaiyong made it clear to her, which satisfied her a lot.

This might be the best way to solve this problem!

"Mother, maybe I can claim that they accidentally smashed the bracelets when playing with each other?" Qin Huaiyong glanced at the door and said.

"We can't patch it up, since numerous people have seen what happened!" Madam Dowager shook her head and didn't agree. They had made such a scene and had been seen by numerous people, which really made it hard to explain. Besides, Qin Wanru was really innocent. Madam Dowager thought that Qin Huaiyong was biased towards Qin Yuru by saying that.

"Yong'er, Zhuozhuo's biological father died for saving you. You won't act like Madam Di who doesn't treat Zhuozhuo as her biological daughter, right?"

"Mother, how could I do that? But in this case, we must have an explanation!" Qin Huaiyong stood up, walked around in the room with a little irritation and frowned.

Madam Dowager picked up the jade bracelets on the table and looked at them. "I'll try to find a pair of good jade bracelets, and then we can claim that Yuru smashed her own jade bracelets on the street instead of those given by Old Madam of Duke Xing's Mansion!"

"They can't tell the difference?" Qin Huaiyong knew little about women's accessories. He sat down in surprise, also picked up a fragment and had a look.

"They may tell the difference. But since this pair of bracelets has been given to Yuru, they belong to Yuru. Even if they have been smashed, Old Madam of Duke Xing's Mansion couldn't say anything about it. Nevertheless, they were smashed during a quarrel in public, so we should explain it to Old Madam of Duke Xing's Mansion, lest she would think that we don't respect her!"

If they were smashed in the Qin's Mansion, Old Madam of Duke Xing's Mansion wouldn't know it as long as she wasn't told. In this case, they didn't have to tell her, lest she would get angry.

"So be it!" Qin Huaiyong nodded and agreed after thinking, "I'll ask Ruolan to handle it. She can walk around on the street when she has time, and buy another pair of bracelets if she finds the appropriate pair."

Madam Dowager basically didn't go out, and Qin Wanru was too young. So Shui Ruolan was the suitable person to do that.

"It's the only solution. But Yuru's reputation may be worse this time. She beat and cursed her younger sister on the street, and numerous people have seen it. How... should we explain it?" Madam Dowager nodded, and then frowned again and looked at Qin Huaiyong, motioning for him to make a decision.

### **Chapter 332 The Maid Intending to Sleep with the Master**

Qin Huaiyong also frowned and said after a long while, "We can say that Yuru has been bewitched and stayed in our mansion recently to ward off the evil spirits!"

"We... can only say that!" Madam Dowager nodded, and said helplessly, "Should we ask someone to our mansion to drive away the evil spirits?"

"It's not necessary!"

Qin Yuru had a bad reputation, but fortunately Di Yan was the same. In addition, Madam Di came from Duke Yong's Mansion. They would probably not break the promise of the marriage between Qin Yuru and Di Yan. It could be considered the sheer luck among these misfortunes!

Now that they had figured out a proper way to solve the problem, Qin Huaiyong sent Madam Dowager to the door.

"Madam Dowager, Madam Shui doesn't feel well!" Seeing them coming out, the manservant, who was guarding at the door, hurried over to report.

"When did it happen?" Madam Dowager felt her legs went weak and became so anxious that her face changed immediately.

"A moment ago. Madam Shui almost collapsed after walking out of the door. The Second Miss took Madam Shui to a yard beside them, where Madam Shui could have a rest, and sent someone to ask the doctor to come over. Madam Shui was finally carried away." The manservant reported with his head covered with sweat. Seeing Madam Shui suffering, he intended to help but was rejected by Qionghua.

"Mother, I'll go and see her!" Qin Huaiyong strode out with great anxiety. He really looked forward to the baby in Shui Ruolan's belly.

"Okay, you can go now. I'll go there soon!" Madam Dowager answered repeatedly.

Qin Huaiyong walked out of the yard with a manservant and headed towards Chuihua Gate. Upon his arrival at Chuihua Gate, a maid suddenly rushed out sideways. She was frightened, staggered and coincidentally fell down beside him.

"General!" She raised her delicate face, and immediately exclaimed in a sweet voice after clearly seeing Qin Huaiyong in front of her.

Qin Huaiyong glanced over the maid's face which was pretty and different from the face of an ordinary maid. With coldness in his eyes, he didn't stop, but passed by her and left with big strides.

The manservant, who walked behind him, recognized that this maid was named Huangrui and had served Madam Di. With a hint of sarcasm on his face, he also passed by her and strode away.

Although he hadn't seen this kind of trick in General's Mansion, he had heard of it. He heard that it was often a trap for hooking up with the male master. This maid, who served Madam Di, looked like an ordinary girl from a good family rather than an ordinary maid from a humble family. In fact, she must be a frivolous girl intending to hook up with the master!

The general was extremely anxious at the moment, with no time to pay attention to this maid.

The two men both passed by and ignored Huangrui, as if they didn't see her. Her delicate face became a little stiff. Huangrui watched Qin Huaiyong leave in disbelief. She really couldn't believe that she couldn't make Qin Huaiyong stop for a while by acting like that.

The Nanny, who had instructed her, told her that acting like that was the most likely to make a man feel tender and protective. Why didn't the general look at her?

"Huangrui, you should get up quickly. The ground is so cold in the winter. Sitting on the ground will do harm to the health of a fragile girl like you." The old maid guarding Chuihua Gate stared at Huangrui with a smile, talked to her, came over and reached out to help her up.

Huangrui blushed. Although the old maid didn't laugh at her, she could tell that the old maid obviously knew something. If she succeeded, she wouldn't worry about what an old maid said. But now she failed and the old maid saw the embarrassing scene, so she felt ashamed and angry.

She pushed away the old maid's hand, got up by herself, gnashed her teeth and intended to leave.

"Huangrui, where are you going? To the outer courtyard?" The old maid reminded her with a smile.

Realizing that she had taken the wrong way in a moment of desperation, Huangrui hurriedly turned back.

"Huangrui, do you know why the general is so anxious?" the old maid asked with a smile.

Huangrui stopped, adjusted her attitude, turned around and pretended to be calm. "Why?"

"Madam Shui is sick!" The old maid looked around and said in a low voice.

"Sick? What's the matter with her?" Huangrui said with her eyes lighting up.

"Nothing serious. She just feels a little uncomfortable. Whenever Madam Shui feels uncomfortable, the general is always the most anxious," the old maid whispered and reached out to point at the direction of Shui Ruolan's yard. "Now Madam Shui is the most important person in the general's mind, so he's unlikely to annoy Madam Shui at this time. She's pregnant with the young master in the future!"

The old maid said in an increasingly low voice, and reached out to touch her belly. Seeing Huangrui's thoughtful face, the old maid got closer to her and said, "If she gives birth to a boy, he will be the only heir of our mansion. He's definitely incomparable to the First Miss, the daughter of Madam Di!"

"Is Madam Shui really going to give birth to a boy?" Huangrui bit her lip and involuntarily asked.

"Very likely. It is said that Madam Shui has been diagnosed by a doctor. The general is even more concerned with Madam Shui now. If something terrible happens to Madam Shui, anyone involved in it is doomed!" The old maid said cautiously, seeming to be sincere, "Huangrui, stay away from Madam Shui at this time, or you'll be killed even without knowing why!"

"Will, will be killed?" With her red face immediately turning pale, Huangrui said in a trembling voice!

"Don't you know that the general has killed numerous rebels? The blood flowed like stream, and the bodies were piled up as big as a mountain. The general doesn't act like the civilized officials in the capital, who just beat their servants or expel them!" the old maid said.

"I, I was sent here by Duke Yong's Mansion... The contract of selling myself is still in Duke Yong's Mansion!" On hearing this, Huangrui felt her hair erected, but still held back her fear and said.

"So what?" The old maid curled her lip and said, "Do you think that Duke Yong's Mansion will confront with our General's Mansion for a maid?"

Even if she wasn't a maid of Ningyuan Army General's Mansion, the contract of selling herself wasn't in her own hands. If her master did not want to make a big fuss because of her, her master would just leave her to die without doing anything!

"Through suppressing rebellions, our general has been very experienced in interrogating prisoners. He can make them cry for a few days without dying but injured all over..." Speaking of this, the old maid also trembled and looked around with a guilty conscience, as if at this time Qin Huaiyong had sent someone to watch them.

Huangrui felt that today the wind was even colder and almost blew into her bones. Each of her bones was filled with coldness, making her feel gloomy. With her lips suddenly turning pale, she suddenly regretted it!

Ningyuan Army General was so murderous. How dared she seduce him? If something went wrong, she would probably die without a complete body, not to mention stay alive.

She seemingly saw Qin Huaiyong stab her with a sharp bloody dagger, which made her legs go weak and her fall to the ground heavily.

This time she actually fell, which was different from the scene where she deliberately waited for the right time to rush over and fall in front of Qin Huaiyong.

"Huangrui, what's the matter with you? Get up quickly. Did the cold weather cause the numbness in your feet? A pretty girl like you isn't destined to be a maid. You deserve a good master. No young master won't like you!"

The old maid came over enthusiastically and intended to help her up again.

With her lips trembling, Huangrui could not say a word. Fortunately, the old maid was strong enough to help her up, while patting the dirty corner of her clothes and murmuring, "Someone like Childe Di is the most tender towards girls. I heard that he argued with the childe from other aristocratic families for a girl working in the brothel. Duke Yong's Mansion said nothing, and even secretly picked her up and allowed her to enter the mansion."

The words didn't seem to be said to Huangrui, but directly fell into her mind, as if something had taken root in her mind, where she had some thoughts, and made her feel a hint of warmth in the winter. She had an inspiration and instantly stopped trembling.

Now the heir of Duke Yong seemed to be the only one who could help her break the situation!

Since this heir was tender towards girls and could fight with his family for a girl so that the girl from a brothel could be accepted by his family, her problem was not a problem at all.

Although the contract of selling herself was in the hands of Old Madam of Duke Yong's Mansion, Old Madam would probably not baffle her grandson. Thinking of this, Huangrui regained her strength and

stood still with the old maid's help. She suddenly thought of something she had heard before and pretended to be gossiping, "I heard that the First Miss can't marry Childe Di yet?"

"Yeah, they said that. I'm wondering what makes the First Miss and Madam Di rest assured. If Childe Di has a son in these two years, he will be the eldest son. The eldest son is different from other children and even likely to inherit Duke Yong's Mansion!"

The old maid said with a smile.

The eldest son, even the eldest son of a concubine, had a different meaning for a family. If the general did not have a son of his legitimate wife, the eldest son of a concubine would be the heir. Thinking of this, Huangrui felt fervor in her heart. Compared to the dead end in Ningyuan Army General's Mansion, it was a way out and even a way to the bright future. As long as she had properly planned, she would succeed easily!

Huangrui was tempted!

Why didn't she think of it before! Although she had belonged to Duke Yong's Mansion in the past, she didn't work there. She was only accompanied by some girls of the same age and educated by several old maids, even with no man around. Now she had a good opportunity, and was in Ningyuan Army General's Mansion. No one took precautions against her likely to meet the heir of Duke Yong's Mansion.

"I'll go back to take care of Madam!" For fear that the old maid would notice her strange expression, Huangrui said in a hurry, politely bowed to the old maid to thank her for helping her up, and then left gracefully.

Watching Huangrui go away, the old maid beamed with joy, and even the wrinkles on her face were all blooming. She finally accomplished the task assigned by Nanny Yu! She had been told to keep an eye on this maid named Huangrui. Now Huangrui voluntarily rushed out, which happened to offer her the chance to tell Huangrui about those things!

After Huangrui completely vanished in her view, the old maid also turned and left...

### **Chapter 333 Each Had Her Own Thought and Secret Plan**

Huangrui hurriedly returned to Madam Di's Yulan Pavilion. After entering the yard, she said to the two inferior old maids guarding the door with a smiley face, "Nannies, I just went to take some ginsengs back for Madam. They were sent by Duke Yong's Mansion for nursing Madam's body!"

As she said, she handed over a ginseng in her hand and a purse to the two old maids. They sneered scornfully, and one of them took her purse and said, "Go inside. Madam is waiting for them!"

"Thank you, Nanny!" Huangrui said, turning around to enter the courtyard. Seeing her come in, Hongye, who was standing in the porch of the courtyard, hurriedly waved to her. Huangrui walked over softly.

"Nanny Zhou is talking with Madam inside. You should go inside later!" Hongye whispered.

"Okay!" Huangrui nodded. Nanny Zhou and Madam didn't want them to hear their conversation. Last time, they just stood a little closer, and then were questioned by Nanny Zhou, as if they were two thieves. Later Madam Di even questioned them repeatedly and told them to stay away.



Therefore, Huangrui did not dare to walk over at this moment. Seeing the closed door, she knew that Madam and Nanny Zhou were having a conversation again.

"What happened to the First Miss today?" Hongye lowered her voice to ask.

"She has been locked up. I heard that she beat and cursed the Second Miss on the street, and it has been seen by a lot of people," Huangrui said helplessly with a bitter smile. Although she was a maid, she knew that the First Miss shouldn't beat and curse her younger sister on the street. Even if the First Miss just beat and cursed her maid on the street, it would do harm to her reputation. What did this First Miss think!

Nevertheless, she suddenly felt delighted. Since the First Miss was so stupid, her future was more promising. When she was on Madam's side, she considered the First Miss hopelessly stupid. Now thinking about it, she suddenly considered it a good thing.

There was a sudden smile on her face.

Seeing her sudden smile, Hongye was dumbfounded for a while and then said, "How dare you laugh?"

"I didn't laugh! You've been deceived by your eyes!" Huangrui hurriedly pulled herself together and argued.

"I've been deceived by my eyes?" Hongye looked at her face suspiciously. At this moment, Huangrui looked worried again. Convinced that her eyes were dazzled, Hongye told her again, "Be careful. If Madam sees your smile, you'll probably be punished!"

Dissatisfied with Huangrui's failure in hooking up with Qin Huaiyong, Madam Di had often cursed Huangrui and even slapped and kicked her.

Thinking of this, Huangrui showed a trace of hatred in her eyes, but immediately suppressed it.

"Rest assured, I will be careful. The First Miss now has been grounded by the general again, so she may not be able to come here and see Madam secretly anymore. In this case, there is no way out!" Huangrui sighed. On hearing her words, Hongye fell silent and looked at another slender figure in the yard speechlessly.

It was Qing Xue, who was also transferred here. As a principal maid, she worked as a junior maid now. Both of them were the same.

If Madam was grounded here under surveillance for a lifetime, would they stay with her in this yard for a lifetime? Both of them were reluctant.

After a moment of silence, Hongye involuntarily asked, "Haven't you ever encountered the general?"

Huangrui didn't tell the truth, "I haven't. With so many servants around the general, I can't encounter him as I expect. Besides, I can't get out of Chuihua Gate frequently!"

"Hurry up. Please take me away when you leave. I don't want to stay here forever!" Hongye implored her in a low voice.

Neither of them wanted to spend their lives with Madam Di here. Thinking of Madam Di's slightly crazy and ferocious eyes, both of them felt the coldness in their heart and on their back.

They thought that it was a good place, but now found that it turned out to be a hell.

Huangrui stretched out her hand to pull Hongye and lowered her voice to say, "If I can leave here, I will definitely take you away!"

"Okay, I will work as your maid in the future!" Hongye held Huangrui's hand and said sincerely.

Hongye knew that Huangrui entered the mansion with the intention of hooking up with Ningyuan Army General, while she just a cover for Huangrui. She was capable of serving masters, but Huangrui was assigned the major task. If Huangrui became a concubine, Hongye still considered that working for Huangrui was much better than working for Madam Di.

Madam Di was nothing more than the legitimate wife of Ningyuan Army General's Mansion. Almost everyone knew that there was no chance for her. She was still the legitimate wife who seemed to live a decent life, but actually all of her power had been taken over!

"Should we draw her in?" Hongye raised her chin and talked about Qing Xue working in the yard. In Hongye's view, both she and Huangrui came from outside anyway and directly went to work in Yulan Pavilion as soon as they entered Ningyuan Army General's Mansion. so they didn't know anything about General's Mansion. However, Qing Xue was different from them and brought here from Jiangzhou, so she naturally knew everything in the mansion!

"We should watch her for some time!" Huangrui nodded and also considered Qing Xue a good candidate. Both of them looked towards Qing Xue, which made Qing Xue looked up at them. They both nodded and smiled at Qing Xue with kindness. Qing Xue also nodded slightly.

Qing Xue lived with Huangrui now. Except showing severity to Qing Xue at the beginning, Huangrui had always been nice to Qing Xue. Of course, she wanted to draw Qing Xue in.

As the door to the main room was opened, Nanny Zhou came out with her face darkening and said loudly, "Huangrui, you're back. Come here. Madam wants to meet you!"

Huangrui hurried forward and walked into the inner room behind Nanny Zhou. After a while, there came the sounds of broken porcelains and Huangrui's bitter cry. Hongye trembled, dodged to one side and lowered her head. Knowing that the First Miss had been grounded, Madam would inevitably get angry...

It got dark. The winter darkness was particularly early. It was hard to see outside clearly only after dinner, and only the wind could be heard.

Qin Wanru hadn't had dinner, because she just came back from outside with Yujie and Qingyue. Qu Le came up to lift the curtain for her and undressed her light pink cloak trimmed with a circle of fox fur, revealing her little delicate face.

Despite her coming back from outside, Qin Wanru looked good. Her face was white, delicate and well-moisturized. Under her fluttering long eyelashes, a pair of bright eyes looked increasingly dark and watery with a trace of glamour. She slightly lifted the corners of her mouth, seeming to be in a good mood.

She walked slowly to the chair and sat down. Several maids took out the dinner from the food basket and set the table for her.

The reason why she came back so late was that she went to see Shui Ruolan, took her pulse and treated her with acupuncture again. After making sure that Shui Ruolan was all right, Qin Wanru rested assured and returned.

Since Qin Huaiyong knew about Shui Ruolan's situation, he had stayed in Shui Ruolan's Liufeng Pavilion and even had no time to have dinner just now. Qin Wanru could tell that he was really worried.

The dinner was very simple, including five dishes and a pot of soup. Qin Wanru put down her dinnerware after eating a little. She had little appetite, because she liked light dishes. In the past, the kitchen mostly sent light dishes here, but today three dishes had a slightly strong flavor and were not to her general taste.

"What's... wrong with the dishes?" Qin Wanru wiped her mouth with a handkerchief and asked casually.

"I heard that the dishes are made by a new old maid. The former old maid has sticky fingers, so she has been expelled," Qu Le said. She was the one who brought the dinner, so she naturally noticed that these dishes were probably not to Qin Wanru's taste and asked about that intentionally.

"Sticky fingers? When was she expelled?" Qin Wanru asked, blinking her watery eyes.

"It was found in the afternoon. I heard that she was caught with the loot and expelled after Concubine Xu asked someone to beat her."

Qu Le said.

Although Shui Ruolan was in charge of domestic affairs, most of affairs were assigned to the two concubines. It was no big deal that Concubine Xu asked someone to expel an old maid working in the kitchen, let alone Shui Ruolan felt uncomfortable today. Even if something happened, it would basically not be reported to Shui Ruolan.

Qin Huaiyong stayed beside Shui Ruolan, and he would not allow her to handle such a trivial matter.

"Where does the new old maid come from?" On hearing the phrase "this afternoon", Qin Wanru leant back and asked slowly with her eyes blinking.

"She was recommended by another old maid working in the kitchen, but wasn't allowed to prepare dishes before. After Concubine Xu asked her to come over and tested her cooking, she was allowed to stay and work here. Some of the dinner tonight was made by her." Qu Le asked detailedly. Before going to visit Shui Ruolan, Qin Wanru had told Qu Le to be attentive and ask about the details if something happened today.

All maid in Zhifang Pavilion knew that something happened to the First Miss today. After that, the First Miss did not make any trouble, while Madam Di kept quiet. It really looked suspicious.

Neither Madam Di nor the First Miss could bear to suffer losses!

They had inquired about it before. It was said that the First Miss learned the rules obediently. She was practicing standing with a bowl on her head.

Regarding Madam Di, it was only said that she sent someone to take ginsengs, was bedridden and could not get up for a while!

“Go and check this old maid!” Qin Wanru nodded with a hint of deepness in her eyes. It was no big deal to change an old maid. Besides, today’s dishes were ordered by herself and prepared properly. The only difference was that the dishes had a slightly strong flavor and weren’t to her taste.

The slight difference was really no big deal, but she got an intuition that there must be something behind it. Nanny Yu had reported what had happened at Chuihua Gate, and the maid named Huangrui had got out of Yulan Pavilion today. So she must know about what had happened to Qin Yuru. Someone like Madam Di wouldn’t be able to bear it.

“Yes, Miss. I will go and check tomorrow!” Qingyue answered.

Qin Wanru stood up to wash and dress herself. After finishing these, she let her hair down, sat under the lamp and picked up a medical book to read.

The maids were all dismissed. The room was very quiet. Only the wick cracked occasionally with a snuff bursting.

There came the roaring wind from outside and sounded extremely loud in the winter, as if there was something agitated with a wuthering momentum.

Qin Wanru didn’t know when she fell asleep unconsciously and how long she had slept. She suddenly woke up, looked at a letter in her medical book in astonishment. After a long while, she involuntarily trembled. She remembered that she had placed the letter under her pillow because she had no time to read it. She originally intended to read it after taking a shower, but then forgot it when reading the medical book...

### **Chapter 334 The First Witness Showed up!**

Looking at the slightly closed door and window, Qin Wanru got gooseflesh. She remembered that the window was closed before?

She walked to the window and reached out to close the door and window completely. After looking at the window and out the window and finding nothing, she returned to her bed.

With her gaze falling on the letter in front of her, she picked up the letter after thinking for a while, opened the envelope and dragged the stationery out with tears. Only after reading a few lines, she looked shocked. At this moment, she, who had just glanced over it, involuntarily read it again from the beginning to the end. This time she breathed rapidly.

Qu Le’s father really came to the capital!

That day she didn’t get the wrong person, and the person was Qu Le’s father. She had thought that if she wanted to find Qu Le’s father, she had to send someone to Jiangzhou. As just a girl living in the inner court, Qin Wanru was definitely incapable of sending someone to Jiangzhou which was thousands of miles away. Unexpectedly Chu Liuchen sent someone to bring him to the capital and offered a yard in the capital for his residence now.

When leaving Jiangzhou, she just sighed that Qu Le's father was quite a loyal servant. In order to find his former master, he even sold his several daughters to different mansions where they worked as servants with the intention of seeking some clues of his former master.

After she moved to the capital, as some past events were raked up, she realized that it had something to do with her. Qu Le's father was obviously the person she was looking for. However, she didn't have manpower and material resources to seek him in Jiangzhou.

She had planned to ask Qu Le to write a letter and think of a way to send it to Qi Baiyu. In this way, she could ask him to think of a way to send someone to deliver the letter to Jiangzhou and seek Qu Le's father. Compared to her, Qi Baiyu knew the situation in Jiangzhou better and left some old servants in Jiangzhou.

Unexpectedly, Chu Liuchen had brought Qu Le's father to the capital. She took a hard breath with a trace of deepness across her eyes. With Qu Le's father, she could figure out something rather than speculate it!

In order to destroy the plot of Madam of Duke Xing and Madam Di, she must restore her identity. However, the biggest problem was that no one could confirm her identity. Now the first witness had shown up...

Qin Wanru got up late the next day, because she didn't sleep well last night. Various nightmares were intertwined. She saw the steps stained by her blood in the last life. She saw she was slapped hard by Qin Yuru and forced to kowtow to Qin Yuru heavily by a maid. She saw Madam Dowager kowtow to Madam of Duke Xing for pleading...

She didn't know when she fell asleep. Waking up in the morning, she felt a dull pain in her head, touched her head and sat up. Yujie hurriedly came it from outside and lifted the gauze curtain for her.

Qin Wanru squinted at the sunlight outside the window and asked, "Is it so late?"

"It's okay to get up late in winter. Madam Dowager sent Nanny Duan to tell you that today you don't have to go there and pay respects to her. Thinking that you must be tired, I did not wake you up deliberately!" Yujie said with a smile.

"Grandma has got something to do?" Qin Wanru was shocked and asked.

"Yeah. The First Young Master of the Qi Family came to pay respects to Madam Dowager!" Yujie curled her lip and said, "I'm wondering why he came here. I have never seen him come here when Miss Qi lived here. Now why he came here!"

It was really unexpected. The reason for Qi Tianyu's visit at this time was really inexplicable. After getting up and washing and dressing herself, Qin Wanru had a little breakfast and still felt a severe headache.

Yujie considered that she was ill based on her symptoms, so Yujie suggested that she should lie down and rest for a while.

However, Qin Wanru didn't feel sleepy at this moment and thought it better to go to see Shui Ruolan. So she went to the courtyard of Shui Ruolan with Yujie. After walking out and being blown by the cold wind, she felt her headache eased.

Shui Ruolan's room was warm, and she sniffed the faint scent of plum blossoms from the warmth in her face as soon as she entered the room. There were a few plum blossoms arranged on the desk by the window, which brought stronger fragrance to the room.

Shui Ruolan looked good. She didn't wear a lot of clothes in the room, leant against the couch and talked to two concubines, Concubine Xu and Concubine Dong.

Both concubines seemed to have good manners. They sat on the little stools in front of the couch and answered Shui Ruolan, while listening to Shui Ruolan's orders.

Seeing Qin Wanru come in, the two concubines hurriedly bowed to her and then stepped aside!

Wanru, come here and have a seat!" Shui Ruolan greeted her with a smile. Perhaps because of the warmth in the room, her face was reddish.

"Mother, do you feel well today?" After coming over and bowing, Qin Wanru sat down beside the couch.

"I'm fine, I guess!" Shui Ruolan laughed softly.

"Mother, even if you are fine, don't worry too much!" Qin Wanru looked at the two concubines and said reproachfully.

"I know, it's no big deal. You told the two concubines yesterday to deal with trifling affairs by themselves and not to report them to me." Shui Ruolan said with a smile, while holding Qin Wanru's hand and patted it. She seemed to be in a pretty good mood.

This made Qin Wanru rest assured.

"Aunts, if there is something that you can't handle, you can report it to me in future. My mother is not in good health now and needs to spend most of the time resting," Qin Wanru said to Concubine Xu and Concubine Dong with a smile.

In the last life, she had actually been in charge of the domestic affairs of Deputy Prime Minister's Chambers. At that time, she had just married into Deputy Prime Minister's Chambers. In order to baffle her, Gu Xishu, the wife of the second young master, spoke ill of her in front of Madam of Prime Minister and left some messy affairs to her. If she did well in managing them, she got no credit. But if she didn't do well, it was all her fault.

Ignorant of everything at that time, she did that with confusion and did everything wrong. But fortunately, with Wen Xichi's help, she gradually managed everything in a proper way. However, Gu Xishu played some tricks later to take the management back.

"Okay, Second Miss! I dare not bother Madam too much!" The two concubines hurriedly promised.

"Concubine Xu, the old maid who cooks was changed yesterday?" Qin Wanru looked at Concubine Xu with a smile.

These two concubines of Qin Huaiyong didn't find favor with Qin Huaiyong. In the last life, they had lived in the shadow of Madam Di and had always been respectful to Madam Di. Now Madam Di had been locked up. They were also respectful to Shui Ruolan and acted in an extremely submissive and polite way.

"Second Miss, the old maid stole a bracelet from another old maid living with her. When it was found, she still secretly worn the bracelet on her wrist. I've intended to report this to Madam and leave it to Madam for disposal. But general said that I could deal with this trivial matter by myself. I thought it inappropriate to keep her here, so I directly expelled her and recruited another old maid temporarily. I heard that she's pretty good at cooking. If you don't like it, I'll fire her and pick someone else!"

"It's not necessary. I just don't get used to the flavor for a while!" Qin Wanru smiled slightly.

"If you can't get used to the flavor, just eat the dishes made by my small kitchen. I'll ask them to make more dishes and send the dishes to your place!" Shui Ruolan coughed in a low voice and said softly.

"Mother, you don't have to. The flavor is not bad. The old maid just didn't adjust the flavor to my taste, because she just began to cook here!" Qin Wanru explained casually, seeming to mention it thoughtlessly.

Concubine Xu stole a glance at Qin Wanru's expression and was relieved. It seemed that the Second Miss just said that thoughtlessly. She decided to tell the new old maid to be more careful to cook when she went to the kitchen later. The Second Miss had got used to the light flavor. Concubine Xu, who was in charge of the kitchen, naturally knew that.

Seeing Qin Wanru and Shui Ruolan seem to want to have a conversation, the two concubines sensibly asked to leave and went out together.

After getting out of the courtyard, Concubine Dong asked in a low voice, "Is there anything wrong with the old maid working in the kitchen?"

As Qin Huaiyong's maids, who served him at night, they grew up together and didn't find favor with Qin Huaiyong. They usually had a good relationship and were familiar with each other. So they sometimes shared their thoughts in private.

"It should be that the Second Miss noticed the different flavor of the dishes!" Concubine Xu frowned and said as she walked.

"Ur... should we hire someone else?" Concubine Dong asked.

"I'll go to the kitchen to have a look. If she really doesn't do well, we should hire someone else. Anyway we should satisfy the Second Miss!" Concubine Xu thought for a while and said. She separated from Concubine Dong at the next intersection and hurried to the kitchen.

Everyone in the mansion knew that Madam Shui and the Second Miss were now in charge of the mansion, and Madam Shui trusted the Second Miss a lot. So they shouldn't offend the Second Miss!

Watching the two concubines leaving, Shui Ruolan waved at other maids in the room, and they walk out. Even Qionghua dragged Yujie's hand to motion for her to leave with her.

Yujie looked at Qin Wanru, and Qin Wanru nodded silently. So Yujie left with Qionghua and closed the door for them when reaching the door.

She and Qionghua stood on each side of the door.

The room became quiet. Shui Ruolan sat upright, reached out to hold Qin Wanru's hand, looked at her delicate little face, intended to speak but said nothing.

"Mother, say whatever you want!" Qin Wanru said with a smile. Her little face was snowy white and tender, looking very pleasing to the eye.

Thinking that both the parents of such a pretty child had been dead, Shui Ruolan sighed. She now understood Madam Dowager's mood well. Since they failed to find her parents, they wouldn't tell her about her family background. At least they could make her know that she had parents and was beloved by other family members and protect her from the pain of losing her parents at a young age.

But now Madam Di and her daughter seemingly intended to plot with Qin Wanru's family background, so she had to tell Qin Wanru about it!

"Wanru, have you ever thought of finding your biological mother?" Shui Ruolan said tactfully.

"Mother, have you got some news? Do you know my family background?" Qin Wanru asked excitedly with her long eyelashes fluttering.

"Yesterday... your grandma told me something about your family background..." With no idea whether she was right or wrong, Shui Ruolan seemed to be increasingly hesitant.

"Mother, tell me who my biological parents are and why they left me in the Qin's Mansion? Why are they so cruel... that, that they left me alone..." Qin Wanru unconsciously said in a trembling voice, and her voice even cracked, although these were all planned by her and pushed forward by her step by step.

Nevertheless, now she could personally hear of what had happened at that time. How could she not be excited? She involuntarily grasped Shui Ruolan's hand with a touch of deep red in her eyes.

Were the secrets of two lives about to be revealed...

### **Chapter 335 Appearance of the Second Witness**

"Wanru, even if you don't have biological parents, I'm still your mother!" Shui Ruolan paused and then reiterated with a serious face.

"Mother, I know!" With her long eyelashes fluttering, Qin Wanru hid the excitement at the bottom of her eyes, and then slowly closed her eyes. When she opened her eyes again, she was calm. "Mother, tell me about it!"

Seeing her finally calm down, Shui Ruolan was relieved, held her hand and told her about what Madam Dowager said in an orderly manner.

Qin Wanru held the hand of Shui Ruolan calmly. After excitement, she became keen in thinking again. As she verified her conjectures with Shui Ruolan's words, she suddenly understood something she couldn't



figure out before. Under her long eyelashes, her eyes were filled with deepness, seemingly containing indiscernible huge waves in the deep sea.

After telling the cause and effect, Shui Ruolan sighed softly, held her hand with slight strength and said, "Wanru, no matter what happens later, you still have me and your grandma!"

"Mother, I know!" Qin Wanru raised her watery eyes to look at Shui Ruolan deeply and said. She knew that Shui Ruolan was sincere and she was on her side. Despite her weakness, she was extremely sensible.

However, she was not blindly weak. She had been very resolute when standing by Qin Wanru's side in the study and raising an objection in front of grandma and father.

"Don't blame your grandma. She is afraid that no one will come to admit your identity after you know it. She would rather hide it from you than make you feel sad for nothing. Your grandma really intends to raise you as the daughter of the Qin's Mansion, but now..." Shui Ruolan said helplessly, because Madam Dowager couldn't hide it even if she wanted to.

Madam Dowager had asked Shui Ruolan to investigate it, so Shui Ruolan sent Qionghua out to inquire about Duke Xing's Mansion. The result of the inquiry was that the former heir of Duke Xing's Mansion died outside during the rebellion. Before that, the heir of Duke Xing's Mansion secretly left with his wife Infanta Qinghua because of the difficult relationship between his wife and Old Madam, and seemingly concealed his identity and joined the army.

When Infanta Qinghua was found and brought back afterwards, she had been demented and only murmured the name of the former heir of Duke Xing's Mansion, seemingly scared out of her mind. Everyone guessed that she and the former heir of Duke Xing's Mansion were separated in the chaos. She was guarded by several maids, but the last few maids were dead and only she was alive. She should be scared out of her mind at the sight of the tragedy that several maids were killed.

At that time, she was pregnant. Soon after returning to Duke Xing's Mansion, she gave birth to Master Hao and died.

No one knew what had happened at that time, nor did they know whether the former heir of Duke Xing's Mansion was dead or alive. But with no news in so many years, everyone firmly believed that this heir died long ago.

"Wanru, your Big Sister deliberately claimed to be younger. I asked Qionghua to check it. When she was born, the former Heir of Duke Xing and Infanta Qinghua left. If Infanta Qinghua was pregnant at that time, the baby is almost as old as your Big Sister now. But your age is also within this range!"

Shui Ruolan analyzed for Qin Wanru.

"Everyone said that Infanta Qinghua gave birth to a daughter for the former heir of Duke Xing, but this daughter was also lost in the chaos. Everything is in accordance with your situation. Besides, your grandma said that she could tell that your parents were not ordinary people at a glance, and the Fenghua Glazed Cup was found in your swaddling clothes!"

Shui Ruolan told Qin Wanru detailedly what she had inquired and what she could associate.

"Mother, I know what I should do!" Qin Wanru nodded and said with a gentle expression.

Shui Ruolan sighed again in a low voice again, "Wanru, no matter what you intend to do, I'm on your side!"

"Mother, rest assured and nourish the fetus. Don't worry about things which you don't need to worry about. I know what to do!" Qin Wanru smiled. Since part of the truth had been revealed, she would uncover the rest...

Grandma would be her second witness!

After walking out of Shui Ruolan's courtyard, Qin Wanru went back to her own yard first. She asked Qu Le to pack what she needed, and went out with Yujie and Qu Le. She had learned from Shui Ruolan that Qin Huaiyong asked Shui Ruolan to seek another pair of blood jade bracelets. Now it was inconvenient for Shui Ruolan to walk around, so Qin Wanru volunteered to do that for her.

Unexpectedly, when walking out of the path and reaching the main road to the gate, she saw Qi Tianyu coming up from the path beside, which led to Madam Dowager's Xinning Pavilion.

"The Second Miss Qin, how do you do!" Seeing Qin Wanru, Qi Tianyu froze for a while, and then stepped forward and politely said.

He was in a proper distance, neither too close nor too far away from her.

They had addressed each other as different names. However, Qin Wanru had grown up now anyway and had nothing to do with the Qi's mansion, so it was inconvenient to address each other like before.

Qin Wanru stood still, leant to one side to bow to Qi Tianyu deeply and said, "The First Young Master of the Qi Family, how do you do!"

"Where are you going in a hurry?" Qi Tianyu stood still with a smile and a gentle expression, just like the elegant child in her original memory.

As well as brother Tianyu who was kind and gentle in Qin Wanru's childhood memory!

However, both of them had changed now and lost the affection between an elder brother and a younger sister long ago!

"My grandma asked me to go out and buy something, but I'm wondering why you are here?" Qin Wanru said lightly with a trace of aloofness in her clear eyes.

Although her face, which was as pretty as hibiscus, was a little charming, it showed some aloofness and indifference of keeping others thousands of miles away.

Qin Wanru didn't think she had anything to talk with Qi Tianyu. Didn't they hate each other till the end of their lives!

"Coincidentally I'm also leaving. Let's go together!" Qi Tianyu proposed gently.

"I'm afraid I can't. I suddenly remembered that my mother asked me to go to her yard again before leaving, and she'll tell me to buy something," Qin Wanru said with a smile. She said that politely, but

obviously indicated that she was unwilling to walk all the way with Qi Tianyu. This excuse could be considered a simple and rude reason with insincerity.

"Since you have something to do, I won't bother you!" Qi Tianyu didn't insist on it and said politely with a smile. After that, he waved his sleeves and moved forward.

Qin Wanru stopped and squinted thoughtfully at Qi Tianyu's back. She thought there must be a secret behind it, but couldn't figure it out.

Some of Qin Yuru's rumors were related to Qi Tianyu. At this time, Qi Tianyu's visit was no good for Qin Yuru. Usually Qi Tianyu had avoided arousing suspicion, but why he didn't today?

"Miss, does the First Young Master of the Qi Family show his kindness to you? What makes him believe that you will forgive him if he shows kindness to you?" Yujie said angrily. Although she did not see the farce in person, she heard various rumors and had no good impression of Qi Tianyu.

When Qi Tianyu came over a moment ago, she deliberately stood in front of Qin Wanru and looked at Qi Tianyu unkindly.

Since Qi Tianyu had left, Qin Wanru would certainly not go to Shui Ruolan's courtyard again deliberately. She immediately moved slightly and continued walking out. "Ask Nanny Duan what he came here for after returning."

Qi Tianyu should not come at this time, nor would he come.

"Okay, I'll go to meet Nanny Duan as soon as I return." Yujie nodded.

Because Qi Tianyu was in front, Qin Wanru deliberately slowed down. After getting out of Chuihua Gate, she went to the parking yard. As she expected, she did not encounter Qi Tianyu along the way.

After she got in the carriage, the carriage went out of the Qin's Mansion, and went to Butterfly Clothing Shop instead of going directly to the address given by Chu Liuchen. Reaching the door of Butterfly Clothing Shop, she found it very prosperous with people coming and going. The situation was completely different from that of the former shop bought by her.

The carriage stopped in the alley beside. Qin Wanru got out of the carriage with Qu Le and Yujie. As soon as they entered the store, Madame Dong, who was sharp-eyed, saw them. She immediately excused herself to a Miss with whom she was talking, came up to greet Qin Wanru and led her to the inner room of the shopkeeper.

After she asked the shop assistant to serve the tea, the shop assistant left.

"Madame Dong, the business looks booming!" Qin Wanru said with a smile.

"It's true. Since you went to the palace in the clothes, numerous Young Madams from aristocratic families have come to ask to make the clothes similar to yours. I've prepared some, but there are too many customers. We don't have much inventory, so I have sped up replenishing the stock now."

Madame Dong laughed with squinted eyes, because the business was better than she thought.

"Now there are stores on the street copying our clothes?" Qin Wanru asked.

"Second Miss, you're right. Seeing our clothes covered with a piece of gauze clothing, many shops successively made clothes like this. Fortunately, we have more ways to match the clothes, coupled with some novel toggle-and-loop buttons and embroidered edges. They can't copy them all!" Madame Dong nodded, increasingly admiring Qin Wanru.

The Second Miss had known everything before going out. She had intended to report these to the Second Miss. Unexpectedly, the Second Miss had prepared and known clearly about that.

"It doesn't matter even if there are shops selling such ready-made clothes. We have made our shop known. From now on, we can mainly characterize our shop with exquisite toggle-and-loop buttons and embroidered edges, change some different schemes from time to time and make clothes according to Young Madams' thoughts."

Qin Wanru picked up the teacup at hand, took a sip, and said after thinking.

"I think so as well. I intended to ask you. But since you also think so, I'll do as you ask. But there is one thing that I want to discuss with you." Speaking of this, Madame Dong hesitated.

In fact, she was not sure about this. Although she had inquired about it in advance, she thought that there might be something that she did not know behind it.

"What's the matter?" Qin Wanru slightly raised her eyebrows and could tell that Madame Dong was really confused.

"Someone wants to invest in our shop. Second Miss, What... do you think of it?" Madame Dong said with her eyes lighting up. It was obvious that it was appealing to her.

Butterfly Clothing Shop's business was booming now. However, Qin Wanru didn't have much money to invest. If there was a large capital investment, it would be the biggest benefit for the entire store.

"Someone, who?" Qin Wanru asked calmly and slightly frowned, wondering who was so well-informed.

"Not a person, but a shop expresses its willingness to invest!" Madame Dong immediately corrected her mistake and said.

### **Chapter 336 Fanglan Embroidery Shop in Good Faith?**

"A shop wants to buy stakes in ours? The entire shop?" Qin Wanru raised her eyebrows and asked in surprise.

The so-called shop shareholder was to merge the previous shop and the current one together. If that was the entire shop, then the entire shop would be merged and its income would be shared with Butterfly Clothing Shop.

But if that was not the entire shop to buy shares, Butterfly Clothing Shop could still gain the shop's income from its share.

In fact, such things were rare to happen. Those who had the ability to buy shares with the entire shop must be larger shops with good revenue. Although Butterfly Clothing Shop looked good now, it was still not a large one. No one knew how long this shop can survive in the capital city. Using an original shop in the capital city to buy shares was too risky to be possible.

"Yes, the entire shop, and it is not small. I have particularly visited it and let people check their account. There is a surplus and good annual revenues on the books!" said Madame Dong with smile.

"Which shop?" Qin Wanru was not optimistic, and she asked as she felt something inside.

"Fanglan Embroidery Shop. It is an old one. They hear that our method of making clothes is good and we have many beautiful embroideries and toggle-and-loop buttons, so their shopkeeper came to ask me. In terms of their old master's attitude, they want to use Fanglan Embroidery Shop to buy stakes, which is equal to half of the shares. Second Miss, do you think it is feasible? "

Madame Dong asked. She actually felt that she had gained an extra advantage, but this advantage was too big to be realistic. She originally wanted to go to Qin's Mansion and reported it to Qin Wanru. Since Qin Wanru came here today, it would also save her time.

Fanglan Embroidery Shop was larger than Butterfly Clothing Shop, and it was also one of the famous old shops in capital city. Even so, they still wanted to use the entire shop to buy shares in Butterfly Clothing Shop, which would make Butterfly Clothing Shop gain great advantages.

"Fanglan Embroidery Shop?" Qin Wanru raised her watery eyes and looked at Madame Dong doubtfully as she blinked her eyelashes lightly.

"Yes, Fanglan Embroidery Shop. It is just two blocks away and it is not too far from us. If Second Miss wants to visit, I will accompany you to have a look. We can sneak over and see its operation, all the guests and their samples of ready-to-wear clothes there! "

Madame Dong was about to stand up as she said this. Such kind of thing was not easy to say clearly. One must see it with his own eyes then it would be true. Madame Dong thought it would be better to take Second Miss to have a look.

"Do not need to visit!" Qin Wanru waved her hand, hinted Madam Dong to sit down, and then slowly said, "I have no need to visit it. I know this embroidery shop because I've visited it before!"

The bottom of this pair of watery eyes could hardly be reached. She sneered in her heart, and thought, "What a coincidence! I meet Fanglan Embroidery Shop again. Originally, I was looking for this embroidery shop, but it unexpectedly runs into me on its own initiative!"

Coincidence! What a coincidence!

"Really? That's great. Second Miss, what do you think?" Madame Dong said excitedly. Since Second Miss had already visited it, she must have known that this shop had an excellent business. Madame Dong herself indeed wanted to make the shop larger, and if the two shops became shareholders for each other, this would be good for Butterfly Clothing Shop.

As a newcomer, now that she did not know how long the shop could survive, the current prosperity did not equal to being permanent. With Fanglan Embroidery Shop as a guarantee, Madame Dong felt that it would at least have a guarantee on customers, and there would be no shortage or rupture of funds. It was a shop that had such a good business and kept a foothold in capital city for such a long time. How could there be a shortage of funds in this shop!

"Has you found to whom it belongs?" Qin Wanru said softly with her eyes glowing like water.

“This... They did not say about this. They only said that their master was also a powerful aristocratic family in capital city, and they did not intend to say their master’s name until the two shops had formally become shareholders!” said Madame Dong.

There were lots of matters like this in the capital city. Many aristocratic families did not want others to know which shops belonged to them. Just like in Qin Wanru’s Butterfly Clothing Shop, only Madame Dong came forward. Qin Wanru as master of this shop never showed up to directly do business with people. She also asked Madame Dong not to let out this secret.

“Try to ask more about their master from their shopkeeper. You just say that this is my intention to know more about their background, otherwise this business will not be possible!” Qin Wanru smiled.

“Buy time first?” Madame Dong understood what Qin Wanru meant and asked.

“Yes, buy some time first. Let’s wait and see the situation. As newcomers in the capital city, many things were unclear for us. Lots of stores have had a long history, but why does this shop directly come to a new shop like ours that just entered the capital city? In terms of their deposits, it is not difficult to invest in a thriving old shop!”

Qin Wanru said these words slowly which impacted Madame Dong and made her more and more disappointed. She suddenly realized that she had thought too highly of it before.

She had been so attracted by the flourishing prospects described by that shopkeeper that she had forgotten many suspicious points. Her body trembled with cold sweat.

“Second Miss, don’t worry. I will definitely try my best to find out all about this shop. No matter how deep the master of this shop hides, I will dig him out!”

Madame Dong still felt scary when thinking about this now. The condition was so good that even made her, a cautious person, become excited and persuade Second Miss for this. If Second Miss indeed consented to it, this could possibly be a real trouble.

A suspicious thing would cause suspicions for everything. Madame Dong now became more suspicious of Fanglan Embroidery Shop as she thought more about it.

Seeing that Madame Dong had understood it, Qin Wanru smiled and asked about the business in this shop. Then she refused Madame Dong’s escort and she went out with two servant girls.

She did not want others to find that the shop belonged to her...

Madame Dong appeared in the shop after Qin Wanru had left, and walked towards the Miss who had originally been talking to her.

“Was that Miss just now the Second Miss of Ningyuan Army General’s Mansion?” The Miss who had talked to her asked curiously.

“Exactly. Second Miss Qin ordered the clothes here before, so she came specially to ask.” Madame Dong smiled.

“I heard that it is because Second Miss Qin had been dressed in clothes from your shop in the palace that Misses from aristocratic families in the capital city are attracted to rush over and order clothes. I

was wondering how beautiful the Second Miss Qin is, and now I see her. She is just so-so!" This Miss with a beautiful appearance raised the corners of her lips. Despite her mild smile, the words she had said were not very pleasant.

There was a hint of discontent flashing in Madame Dong's eyes, but it was immediately hidden behind her smile. "Miss Shu, I dare not answer these words. Miss Shu, please have a look at this fabric. Does this embroidery match Miss Shu's likes?"

When saying this, Madame Dong pointed to a shop-boy a piece of fabric placed on the top of the counter, which had a beautiful packaging and was put in a box. At first glance, one would have already felt gorgeous and bright, but in a close look, the colors were mainly white and pale pinkish purple, which revealed freshness and elegance in the gorgeousness. This was exactly the favorite one for Misses in the capital city who kept a low profile apparently but actually wanted to be impressive.

Madame Dong had really sharp eyes. She had already known the dressing characteristics of this Miss in a glance.

When Miss Shu's eyes fell on that piece of brocade, her bright eyes showed that she liked it very much, but she pretended not to care so much and slightly nodded her chin. "Just this one. Remember to use the toggle-and-loop buttons and embroidery designed by myself."

"Yes, Miss Shu. You can rest assured that I will make it as you want!" said Madame Dong with a smile.

Miss Shu was quite satisfied with the whole process of Madame Dong's company. She nodded and turned away with her servant girl...

Qin Wanru did not know that someone had recognized her. She was in a carriage now. After making a few turns on the way, the carriage arrived at the door of a relatively remote yard.

Yujie recognized the number on the door. It was correct, so she stepped forward to knock the door.

After a while, the sound of footsteps came from the door, followed by a man's low voice. "Who is it?"

Upon hearing this familiar voice, Qu Le wanted to cry and she rushed to the door, saying loudly, "Father, I'm Qu Le. I'm here to see you!"

There seemed to be quiet for a while inside the door, and then came a hasty sound of opening the door. The door was opened with a bang. Qu Le's father stood excitedly at the door, but when his eyes turned to Yujie, the color of his eyes became serious and sharp.

"Father! Our Second Miss is in the carriage!" After stepping forward to salute, Qu Le hurriedly explained.

"Miss is here?" After being stunned for a while, Qu Le's father was overjoyed, and even felt tears of joy. He stepped back to the side and wiped the corners of his eyes respectfully.

Yujie turned to help Qin Wanru get off the carriage. A group of people walked through the door. Qu Le's father vigilantly looked around and did not close the door until all the people entered.

When Qin Wanru just sat down at the main room, Qu Le's father had entered the room. He plopped to kneel down in front of Qin Wanru and prostrated to say, "Miss, I am, am the servant of Childe..."

When saying this, his voice had already been choked, and he could hardly say complete sentences.

Seeing that his father had knelt, Qu Le followed to kneel down behind her father.

"You... get up!" Qin Wanru sighed and stretched out to hold him up.

"Miss, I finally find you. It is only because I am so stupid. I have lived in Jiangzhou for so many years, but I have not found the true identity of Miss. A thousand death will not atone my crime!"

Qu Le's father did not get up directly and he still knelt with tears.

"It is... not your fault. Get up and sit down, please. I still have something to ask you!" Qin Wanru said softly as she let Qu Le help her father stand up.

Qu Le got up and reached out to hold her father's hand, and let him stand up. Qin Wanru hinted him to sit on the side, but he was reluctant. So Qin Wanru just let him do it.

"How do you know my identity?" After he stood still aside, Qin Wanru asked slowly, with a hint of coldness flashing at the bottom of her eyes.

"Since Miss left, the news that Miss is not the natural daughter of Ningyuan Army General was spread. Some conjectures about Miss's life were also distantly spread from someone's mouths. Not until now did I notice Miss. After that, I secretly asked some old soldiers who had followed Ningyuan Army General before, and then I found that Miss was the one that I was looking for!"

"It is Miss that is the daughter of Childe and Infanta! When I was about to enter the capital city, suddenly Miss sent someone to find me! Then I followed to come to the capital city and have stayed here to wait for Miss!"

Qu Le's father wiped his tears and said. It was because Jiangzhou was close to the border that he had not left Jiangzhou area for so many years. He had heard that a large number of exiles had been transferred to Jiangzhou at that time. He had been to many places to find, but he had never thought that Ningyuan Army General's daughter was the one that he had been looking for.

The dust was just under the lamp, but it had never been found ...

### **Chapter 337 The Loyal Servant Requested Qin Wanru to Return to Mansion**

Of course, the one who brought Qu Le's father to the capital city was not her subordinate but Chu Liuchen's!

"Tell me what happened before!" Qin Wanru meditated for a long time and then began to speak.

"Miss, when Infanta married to our Mansion, Old Madam did not like her. Old Madam liked the cousin Miss, who had been brought to Duke Xing's Mansion from childhood and she was a niece in Old Madam's parents' home. She had been prepared to marry Childe at a little age, but Childe did not like the cousin Miss. However, he liked Infanta Qinghua after meeting her. Knowing that Old Madam would hinder this, he specifically begged the Emperor to decree their marriage!"

"Later on, the cousin Miss married Second Young Master. Infanta Qinghua was a gentle person. Even though she was an Infanta, she still behaved as a daughter-in-law of Duke Xing's Mansion. However, Old



Madam always created difficulties for Infanta Qinghua, and deliberately punished Infanta Qinghua to kneel down. Thus, this was how Infanta and Childe lost their first child...”

Qu Le’s father told all the details of the matter at that time.

That was the part that Madam Dowager did not know.

The first child of Infanta Qinghua and former Heir of Duke Xing had died under the difficulties created by Old Madam. After that, Old Madam had said some false words. She had said that she had not known either and criticized Infanta for being unfilial, because Infanta had already known her pregnancy but not said, which had deliberately trapped her in unkindness.

Being furious, Heir of Duke Xing had been about to take Infanta Qinghua to leave after arguing with Old Madam. He had said that he would stay away from Old Madam and become a general on the border. At that time, the old Duke Xing had not allowed him to leave, thus they also had had a controversy. The old Duke Xing had angrily thrown former Heir of Duke Xing out of the mansion, and said that Heir of Duke Xing would not be allowed to tell his identity in front of others.

Originally Heir of Duke Xing would have been thought to surrender and return to the mansion again. It had been unexpected that Heir of Duke Xing had had a fiery disposition. He had taken Infanta Qinghua directly to the border without saying goodbye, and only left a letter saying that he would go to the border and hide his name to join the army. He could also gain his honor and protect his wife without relying on Duke Xing’s Mansion.

Heir of Duke Xing had left too abruptly. When the old Duke Xing and Rui’an Great Elder Princess had realized, Heir of Duke Xing and Infanta Qinghua had already disappeared without a trace. Afterwards, no matter how the two mansions had found them, the two people could not have been found. However, these two mansions had not given up, and they had still sent many people to the border, trying to find Heir of Duke Xing and Infanta Qinghua.

After a few years, those who had been sent to find had already returned, but their whereabouts had still been unknown.

At this time, the rebellion had broken out. The border had been in an emergency and many cities had been invaded, which had made people in capital city panic. At this time, a letter from Infanta Qinghua had been received at Rui’an Great Elder Princess’ Mansion, saying that Heir of Duke Xing and Infanta Qinghua had already had a daughter, and now she had been pregnant again. During the wartime, it had been unsafe for Infanta Qinghua to stay on the border, thus Childe had wanted her to return to the capital city first, and let people from Rui’an Great Elder Princess’ Mansion pick her up.

Upon receiving this news, Rui’an Great Elder Princess had cried with joy. Although she had not been willing to notice Duke Xing’s Mansion, seeing that Duke Xing’s Mansion had never forgotten to find them, she had also revealed the information to Duke Xing’s Mansion.

The two mansions had sent people together to pick up Infanta Qinghua. Among the people sent by Duke Xing’s Mansion at the time had been Qu Le’s father. Before he would leave the capital city, the old Duke Xing had specially asked him to come over and warned repeatedly that after finding Childe, he would protect Childe by his side and let Infanta Qinghua return to the capital city first, since others from Rui’an Great Elder Princess’ Mansion and Duke Xing’s Mansion would protect her.

But this group of people had only ended in finding Infanta Qinghua. At that time, Infanta Qinghua had hidden behind a small rotten Buddha statue. Several servant girls around her had all been killed by disordered army. Only she had sat behind the Buddha statue in bloody clothes. She had become demented and not answered to others. She had only murmured Childe's name and another two vague characters.

Everyone had looked around to find Childe but failed. Seeing that Infanta Qinghua had not been in a good condition, most people had escorted her to returned to the capital city. Only Qu Le's father and several people had stayed to keep finding Childe, as well as the elder daughter of Infanta Qinghua and Childe.

But afterwards they had been nowhere to find and people who had been sent out had returned to the capital city one after another. Only Qu Le's father had not given up, and continued finding, which had taken him so many years.

The old Duke Xing had been dead, and the new Duke Xing was the Second Young Master in the mansion.

Now seeing Qin Wanru, how could Qu Le's father not become excited? The belief that he had supported him for so many years was to find the daughter of Childe and Infanta.

"Miss, you, you are Miss of our Duke Xing's Mansion. You are the most honorable Miss in Duke Xing's Mansion!" Even a man could not help but tear. Thinking that his long-term wish finally realized, Qu Le's father couldn't hold back his tears. He walked to the door, and knelt down towards the west.

With his head down, he murmured in his mouth and piously consoled his master!

Qin Wanru bit her lips and clenched her hands tightly, with an endless cruelty hidden in her eyes!

"In my last life, I did not finally offer any incense to my natural parents. I am afraid that Qin Yuru had shown her filial piety for many times in front of my parents' memorial tablets," thought Qin Wanru.

If her parents had known it, they would definitely have also felt sad to see her being pushed into death step by step.

Madam Di, Qin Yuru, Madam of Duke Xing, and even the Old Madam of Duke Xing's Mansion, should all know something. She bit the corners of her lips hard with her teeth, and the sharp prick made her clearly realize what she should do now.

Duke Xing's Mansion, Madam of Duke Xing, Old Madam of Duke Xing, she would get everything back.

"Miss, you have already known everything now. Please follow me to go back to Duke Xing's Mansion, Old Madam will be very happy!" After saying this, Qu Le's father got up and walked to Qin Wanru's side with red eyes.

In his opinion, if he could find Qin Wanru, it was a great good thing to Duke Xing's Mansion. Now that the causes and effects were clear, Qin Wanru only needed to acknowledge her ancestors and return to her family. This was also the wish of his old master.

"She won't be happy! She has found another granddaughter!" Qin Wanru said slightly.

These words made Qu Le's father very surprised. He looked at Qin Wanru in great shock. "How, how could it be possible. Miss is the daughter of our master. How could there be another one..."

Because this piece of news was so surprising to him, he stuttered and couldn't say any words.

"Yes, my elder sister. Old Madam and Madam of Duke Xing both thought that my elder sister was the daughter of your master," Qin Wanru said calmly without any emotion in her eyes as if she was talking about other people's affairs.

"First Miss Qin, how could it be possible! First Miss Qin is the daughter of Madam Di and Ningyuan Army General. How could she be the Miss of Duke Xing's Mansion?" Qu Le's father said in shock.

He had been in Jiangzhou for a long time, and of course he knew Qin Yuru. And when he knew that Qin Wanru's identity was doubtful, he also investigated Ningyuan Army General's Mansion specially so he knew clearly about the background of Qin Yuru.

"She pretended to be two years old younger than she was and also took out the old orchid seal of Infanta Qinghua. Added that Madam Di doesn't like her and even beats her to bruises on her body, and there are so many people seeing the bruises, so Old Madam thinks that the time is reasonable and the evidences are enough, and she will recognize her!"

Qin Wanru raised up her arch eyebrows with gloomy eyes.

"This... how could it be like this. It is wrong and impossible!" When Qu Le's father heard that Old Madam would recognize Qin Yuru, he was so agitated that he was like an ant on a hot pan. After turning around two circles, he suddenly stood still and said to Qin Wanru firmly, "Miss, please don't worry. I will go to Duke Xing's Mansion at once and tell Old Madam about your things. I will certainly let Old Madam recognize you publicly!"

Publicly? Qin Wanru's long eyelashes flickered twice. There was a glimmer of cold light in her eyes, and she sneered in her heart. In the previous life, even if Old Madam of Duke Xing's Mansion recognized Qin Yuru as her own granddaughter, she didn't announce it publicly. She only expressed her affection and love for Qin Yuru.

Duke Xing's Mansion would not let the later generations of the dead heir of a duke powerful and prosperous. It was quite good to give her the identity as an unknown foster daughter. And then they would give her affection and love. That would be all the compensation that Duke Xing's Mansion could give. Of course, this compensation would be given to Qin Yuru rather than herself. Otherwise, Madam of Duke Xing would not agree with it.

She was now one hundred percent for sure that Madam Di and Qin Yuru wanted to pretend to be her. Even if Madam Di and Qin Yuru came up with this idea themselves, it was inevitable that Madam of Duke Xing had planned it.

Fortunately, she totally had no expectation about Duke Xing's Mansion!

"Old Madam and Madam of Duke Xing all believe in Qin Yuru and Madam Di now. It is useless for you to say anything. What's more, do you really think that they will like me?" Qin Wanru said slowly.

When asked this question, Qu Le's father couldn't say anything at that time. Old Madam didn't like Infanta Qinghua. If she didn't take the identity of Infanta Qinghua into consideration, she would have tried her best to make Infanta Qinghua and Childe divorce and let the Cousin Miss marry him. Later when the Cousin Miss married with Second Young Master, she seemed to respect Infanta Qinghua.

But in fact, he had seen that after Cousin Miss said something to Old Madam, and Old Madam spared no effort to torture Infanta Qinghua to death many times. At that time, Infanta Qinghua lost a child because Old Madam forced Infanta Qinghua to kneel down. There would be some connection with Cousin Miss.

After this incident, Cousin Miss knelt down in front of the gate of Childe's courtyard to show her apology to Infanta Qinghua. She said that she showed this apology for Old Madam. As the identity of Old Madam, even if she was wrong, she wouldn't ask her, the other daughter-in-law to kneel down in front of the door of courtyard.

Qu Le's father was the servant of Heir of Duke Xing then. He always followed Heir of Duke Xing. Just at that time, he saw that Childe, who was always a gentleman, kicked Cousin Miss hard and asked her to go away coldly. And he also said that he didn't want to see her anymore.

At that time, Cousin Miss cried hard and couldn't help but show her love to Childe. Until then Qu Le's father knew that Cousin Miss hadn't forgotten his Childe.

Now, Cousin Miss had been Madam of Duke Xing. Would she recognize the child of Infanta Qinghua? He wouldn't forget the vicious curse of Cousin Miss at that time. Her beautiful face was so ferocious that she was like a ghost...

"Go, follow me to see Rui'an Great Elder Princess!" Seeing that he was still hesitating, Qin Wanru took a deep breath and said decisively. Before she went out of the door, she had prepared everything...

### **Chapter 338 Recognition between Grandmother and Granddaughter**

Hearing that Qin Wanru had come here, Rui'an Great Elder Princess especially asked Nanny Gao to pick her up.

After arriving inside, Qin Wanru gave a respectful greeting to Rui'an Great Elder Princess, and then she went aside quickly and pointed at the person behind her with her finger. She said to Rui'an Great Elder Princess, "Great Elder Princess, do you know this person?"

Rui'an Great Elder Princess raised her eyes and fell her eyes on the middle-aged man in front of her, frowning. After so many years, she could not recognize him for a while. She looked at him up and down for a few times and shook her head.

Nanny Gao on the side was excited, and couldn't help but tremble and ask, "You... Are you Shao Huai?"

"Yes, it's Shao Huai. Nanny Gao, you still know me!" The father of Qu Le, Shao Huai, knelt in front of Rui'an Great Elder Princess, and said excitedly to Nanny Gao.

"Shao Huai?" Rui'an Great Elder Princess repeated and recalled on the name, and suddenly her face changed. She stood up immediately, and walked in front of Shao Huai in a few steps. She looked at his face carefully. "You... Are you that Shao Huai who follows your Childe?"

“Yes, princess. It’s me. I’m Shao Huai. I have been looking for our Childe for so many years and have never given up!”

Shao Huai burst into tears. For so many years, he wandered and always wanted to find his Childe back with a belief in his heart. Now that he knew that the Childe had passed away, how could he not feel distraught and desperate.

He was a servant of Heir of Duke Xing and served Heir of Duke Xing from an early age. He had always been loyal to Heir of Duke Xing and that was one important reason why the old Duke Xing sent him to find Heir of Duke Xing.

“You... You have found him?” Rui’an Great Elder Princess held back the tears in her eyes with great efforts and said with trembling voice, looking at him with great expectations.

“Great Elder Princess, I don’t find the Childe. He has passed away... for a long time, just after that rebellion...” Shao Huai cried, wiping his tears.

Rui’an Great Elder Princess shook her body, and almost fell down. Nanny Gao reached out and gave her a hand, choking with sobs, “Princess, princess, don’t be too sad... This thing... This thing has been guessed by us...”

In fact, after having no news for so many years, everyone basically thought that it was impossible for the former Heir of Duke Xing to be alive. But guess was a guess. Getting such an accurate piece of news still made Rui’an Great Elder Princess felt a great beat on her heart.

She, a white-haired person, always sent away black-haired people around her. When she was young, she lost her husband. And when she was in her middle age, she lost her only daughter, and now she only had Hao’er, who was brought here by her from Duke Xing’s Mansion forcibly. She thought what Hao’er said that day: if his father was still in Duke Xing’s Mansion, how could it be such a thing.

The old woman in Duke Xing’s Mansion tortured her so much and she even wanted to wipe out the only miss of Hao’er. She really thought that there was no person in the first child’s family of Duke Xing’s Mansion.

“Princess, I’ve found the young Miss!” Seeing that Rui’an Great Elder Princess felt so sad, Shao Huai said quickly.

“Little... Miss?” Rui’an Great Elder Princess calmed down and finally succeeded to stand still. Then she asked hurriedly, “Where, where?”

For so many years, Rui’an Great Elder Princess had also been sending people to find her. She always thought that they were alive, or at least the girl was alive.

“Great Elder Princess, this is the young miss, the young miss left by Childe at that time. She was adopted by Ningyuan Army General until now.” Shao Huai turned back his eyes and said, looking at Qin Wanru.

“Second Miss Qin?” Rui’an Great Elder Princess gazed at her with sharp eyes.

Nanny Gao helped her sit down.

“Come here!” Rui’an Great Elder Princess waved her hands to Qin Wanru.

Qin Wanru nodded and walked to her slowly. When she walked in front of Rui'an Great Elder Princess and was about to salute, she was pulled by Great Elder Princess suddenly and she looked at Qin Wanru with her sharp eyes. Her eyes became red with tears all of a sudden.

"Princess, these eyes really look like our infanta!" Nanny Gao's tears fell down and she said, looking at Qin Wanru.

"What is going on?" Great Elder Princess asked. Her eyes trembled slightly with expectancy and sadness.

"Great Elder Princess, this is mine. It was said that originally I was taken by my mother but we were separated by the rebels. My mother disappeared and my father found me back and entrusted me to Old Madam Qin. At that time there was a seal hanging around my neck!" Qin Wanru took out a small box from the hands of Yujie and opened. There was a bluegrass seal in it.

"This, this is Hua'er's..." Seeing this familiar seal, Rui'an Great Elder Princess couldn't help crying anymore. Her tears fell down one by one and she took the box with both of her trembling hands. At this time, she was not a princess with high status, but a mother who lost her daughter.

Qin Wanru put the small box in the hands of Rui'an Great Elder Princess, and her eyes became red. She bit her lips and pressed down the sadness in her heart, bursting out a smile. "Great Elder Princess, please see it!"

The seal was held by Great Elder Princess, and she looked at it up and down. The more she looked at it, the more tears burst out from her eyes, blurring her sight. How could she not recognize this seal? This was her daughter's seal, which was carved by her dead husband to her daughter. So she cherished it so much that she always took it with her.

If people wrote or drew, they would leave a mark on their works. So she would definitely use this seal to put a mark on her works.

"Great Elder Princess, this is really the seal of Infanta Qinghua. You see... here. The lost small corner was because it was accidentally dropped when our infanta was still young!" When Nanny Gao said this, she felt very sad. She cried and pointed at the small missing corner.

Qin Wanru glanced at it. There was indeed a small missing corner on the seal. She had seen it before, but she didn't care about it. She hadn't even thought that it was dropped by her mother when her mother was young.

"This is Qinghua's seal! Are there... other things?" Rui'an Great Elder Princess raised up her head and asked Qin Wanru, looking at her expectantly.

"There was still a Fenghua Glazed Cup!" Qin Wanru thought, biting her lips.

"Where! hurry! take it and let me see..." Rui'an Great Elder Princess became excited and said anxiously.

"Fenghua Glazed Cup is in the hand of Prince Chen. When I was in Jiangzhou, Prince Chen said that he was finding Fenghua Glazed Cup. And he heard that there was one in our mansion, so later it fell into his hand," Qin Wanru said vaguely.

“Go, send someone to Prince Chen’s Mansion and take that Fenghua Glazed Cup here!” Rui’an Great Elder Princess was excited and stretched out her hand to pull Qin Wanru. At the same time, she instructed Nanny Gao to do this thing.

“Okay, princess, I will send someone to Prince Chen’s Mansion immediately!” Nanny Gao said and was about to go away.

But she was stopped by Qin Wanru. “Great Elder Princess, Prince Chen Your Highness is now in the palace. I am afraid that he is not in his mansion. Even if you send someone to his mansion, it is impossible for you to find him.”

Her words reminded Rui’an Great Elder Princess. She swiped her tears and nodded, asking Nanny Gao to find Chu Liuchen after a few days. Until now Rui’an Great Elder Princess believed that Qin Wanru was her granddaughter.

Since Fenghua Glazed Cup was in the hand of Chu Liuchen, it must exist. Chu Liuchen was not the kind of person who could be deceived. If she talked something nonsense, not only she but also Chu Liuchen would not forgive her.

“Wanru, you have tasted much bitterness. Quickly, let grandmother take a look, let grandmother take a look at you clearly!” Rui’an Great Elder Princess looked at the beautiful eyes of Qin Wanru and suddenly couldn’t control her tears. She hugged Qin Wanru immediately.

Qin Wanru couldn’t control her emotion too at this time, and her tears fell down. After two lifetimes, she finally found a family member. Such a feeling of being loved, even if she knew this thing early, made her cry.

The two were almost crying together.

Nanny Gao and Shao Huai hurriedly persuaded them aside, and finally managed to stop the two from crying.

After sitting down again, Qin Wanru sat next to the Rui’an Great Elder Princess, and her hands were tightly pulled by Rui’an Great Elder Princess. When she saw the tears on Qin Wanru’s little childish face, Rui’an Great Elder Princess, who was always very strong, wanted to cry again.

Her granddaughter, not only the Miss of blood relations in Duke Xing’s Mansion, but also the blood of the imperial family, wandered to Jiangzhou and even became the daughter of someone else.

She had also paid attention to Qin Wanru before, knowing that she was not the daughter of Madam Di and the malicious Madam Di even wanted to hurt her. She even sent a man to do harm to Qin Wanru when she was in Jingxin Monastery. She prepared to make her dizzy and sell her.

When she heard this thing, Rui’an Great Elder Princess wanted to revenge for Qin Wanru, but she was stopped by Nanny Gao because it was unreasonable for her to do so. Although Rui’an Great Elder Princess was very exalted, she couldn’t interfere with others’ things at her will. It was improper for her to care about this thing.

Now thinking about this thing, Qin Wanru was her granddaughter. Rui’an Great Elder Princess’ heart ached and she almost wanted to slap on the face of Madam Di hardly.

"Great Elder Princess ..." Qin Wanru bit her lips, wiped her tears and said.

"Miss, why do you still call Great Elder Princess? She is your grandmother. Our princess has been looking forward to hearing from you. She has never given up seeking for you for so many years!" Nanny Gao interrupted her with a smile and reminded her.

Rui'an Great Elder Princess looked at her expectantly.

"Grandmother!" Qin Wanru said in a low voice. After saying this, there were great waves in her heart and she couldn't stop her tears.

Rui'an Great Elder Princess was also like this. This "grandmother" from Qin Wanru made her cry again because her heart was aching.

It was after a long time that the two stopped crying.

"Wanru, after you recognize your ancestors, you don't need to live in Duke Xing's Mansion. Since that old madam doesn't like you and Hao'er, you and he can live with me together. And later you don't need to surname Shao, just follow my surname. Chu is the royal surname. How could they bully you later!"

Rui'an Great Elder Princess wiped her tears and said angrily. Both her own daughter and son-in-law were in trouble because of Old Madam of Duke Xing. She cherished much her own niece but treated Qinghua as a servant girl. She even didn't take the identity of Qinghua and her own identity into consideration.

Whenever she thought about this, Rui'an Great Elder Princess' heart ached hardly. She brought up her daughter with great efforts but her daughter was tortured by others in such ways. And they finally even needed to go away to other places. The tragedy of her family was due to that malicious old woman.

"Grandmother, just call me Zhuozhuo. My grandmother in Qin's Mansion always called me like that!" Qin Wanru said softly.

"What!" Rui'an Great Elder Princess' hands were trembling and the cup of tea on the table fell to the ground, smashed into pieces...

### **Chapter 339 The Returned Gift**

"What, what did you say?" said Rui'an Great Elder Princess in a hurry.

"Grandma, I've always been called Zhuozhuo!" Qin Wanru did not know why Rui'an Great Elder Princess was so shocked suddenly, and quickly took away her wet sleeves.

"Zhuozhuo... Zhuozhuo... It was Zhuozhuo. Qinghua has already told me... I... I'm stupid!" Rui'an Great Elder Princess burst into tears with thumping her chest and stamping her feet.

"Grandma, don't cry. What's, what's going on?" Qin Wanru found that she could not stop Rui'an Great Elder Princess from crying and turned to look at Nanny Gao.

Nanny Gao was also crying and wiping tears with her handkerchief. Hearing Qin Wanru's question, she wiped her eyes and said, "when infantia came back, she was murmuring heir's nickname, as well as yours. But no one knew what infantia was saying and thought it was a slip of tongue. We all did not expect it to be your nickname..."



Nanny Gao remembered that Great Elder Princess had almost collapsed when she saw silly Infanta Qinghua, and could not say anything more.

"It turns out that my mother has already said my name. Grandmother said that I don't have a name yet and only have a temporary nickname. It should be that my parents wanted to invite their elders to give me a name after they came back to the capital."

"Zhuzhuo, the nickname, was given by my own parents, and in the whole Qin's Mansion, only grandmother calls me Zhuzhuo. It's highly possible that she began to call me Zhuzhuo when she heard my parents call me like that."

"Cause and effect are predestined. It turns out that everything has been clear for a long time. However, in the Last Life, because of a strange combination of circumstances, I was replaced by Qin Yuru, who then became the Young Lady of Duke Xing's Mansion."

But maybe just because of that, Qin Yuru had not been accepted by Rui'an Great Elder Princess. So when she was dying, Rui'an Great Elder Princess neither recognized her nor liked her.

"Zhuzhuo, get up and follow me to see the Madam Dowager of Duke Xing's Mansion. I'll let her see you and let you restore your identity, and then bring you back." Rui'an Great Elder Princess did not cry long this time. After wiping away the tears, she pulled Qin Wanru to her feet with a serious look, and was going to Duke Xing's Mansion.

"Princess, please calm down first. If you go like this, others will say that you're going to throw your weight around again, which will affect little miss's reputation!"

At the sight of Rui'an Great Elder Princess's blustering appearance, Nanny Gao knew it was not good, and persuaded her in a hurry.

"So what? I can't stand my granddaughter being bullied by them anymore. As for reputation, I don't care. Her eldest granddaughter does have a good reputation, but does it mean that she's a good girl? At first glance, I know that she and her niece are the same. They look gentle on the surface, but in fact, they are vicious!"

Rui'an Great Elder Princess thought of the tragic experience of her daughter's family. She reached for the direction of Duke Xing's Mansion and swore loudly. She was so angry for a while that she forgot that she had thought that the First Miss Shao was good and had raised her in her manor for some time when she was a child.

Qin Wanru took Rui'an Great Elder Princess' hand and said, "Grandma, sit down first. I have something to tell you!" She was very happy in her mind.

Madam of Duke Xing and her eldest daughter, Shao Yanru, who was always a model for the young ladies of the aristocratic families in the capital, was indeed such a kind of person. Qin Wanru had died in Shao Yanru's hands in the Last Life. Shao Yanru should have learned her identity, so she killed her. Qin Wanru still remembered the deep pain of being cut in two at the waist!

"Grandma, people of Duke Xing's Mansion has confirmed that Qin Yuru is the person they are looking for. Madam Di and someone of Duke Xing's Mansion should have an agreement to replace me by Qin

Yuru, so they forged Qin Yuru's age. Qin Yuru once said that Madam Di had beaten her. It seems that Madam Di isn't her biological mother. I think another seal will be presented by them later!"

Qin Wanru said that with coldness in her eyes. In the Last Life, her seal fell into the hands of Madam Di and Qin Yuru, which proved Qin Yuru's identity later. In this life, although she had taken the seal back early, she was sure that Madam Di had thought about it. She realized it when Madam Di embroidered patterns of orchids and grass on Qin Yuru's clothes to inquire about Duke Xing's Mansion before.

It was easy to make another seal when somebody knew the pattern.

Qin Wanru believed that there must be an old seal in Qin Yuru's hands, which must have been engraved with orchid pattern. But this pattern was only in somebody's memory, so it was a bit difficult to make it exactly the same. However, if someone of Duke Xing's Mansion helped find the previous calligraphy and paintings of Qin Wanru's mother, it would be possible that an identical seal would be made.

She wanted to see the seal in Qin Yuru's hands to verify something.

"God! Oh my god! There should be such a thing. Needless to say, it must be done by the old lady of Duke Xing's Mansion and Madam of Duke Xing. When my daughter was alive, they tried their best to embarrass her. They always said that a woman should be dignified and decent. It's all their lies. Qing'er was so kind and good that she listened to them. If she had listened to me, the woman would have been driven out and such a disaster wouldn't have happened!"

When she heard that there was something else, Rui'an Great Elder Princess frowned and angrily said, "Without my permission, how dare Duke Xing's Mansion accept this woman!"

"Princess, First Miss Qin and Madam of Ningyuan Army General treated little miss very badly. I heard something when I was in Jiangzhou. I heard that in order to get close to Duke Yong's Mansion, the First Miss Qin pushed her own engagement on the little miss and almost ruined little miss's reputation. After that, she almost killed the little miss several times!"

Shao Huai also said angrily. When he was in Jiangzhou, he heard a lot. But at that time, he only regarded them as personal affairs of somebody else. Even though he sympathized with the Second Miss Qin, he thought it had nothing to do with him and never cared about it. But now when he thought about it, he felt angrier and angrier.

"I won't forgive Madam Di, Duke Yong's Mansion and Duke Xing's Mansion. Zhuozhuo, I'm going to avenge you now." After hearing Shao Huai's story, Rui'an Great Elder Princess was very angry. She stood up and said to Nanny Gao, "Take my clothes, and I'm going to the palace to see the Empress Dowager."

"Grandma, where are you going?" Qin Wanru had sharp eyes and agile hands. Seeing that, she quickly stood up and caught Rui'an Great Elder Princess' clothes.

"I'm going to see the Empress Dowager and ask her to judge it and prove that you're the right one," said Rui'an Great Elder Princess angrily.

"Don't go, grandma. I want to investigate the affairs about my father and mother first," Qin Wanru said, "If you go now, I'm afraid I can't find anything!"

There was a trace of violence in the Qin Wanru's watery eyes. The things about Madam Di and Qin Yuru were now related to Madam of Duke Xing. Even if Madam of Duke Xing hid well, she believed that she would find the evidence one day.

When Qin Wanru came back from Rui'an Great Elder Princess' mansion, she brought back the gift of Rui'an Great Elder Princess. After she got off the carriage and went back to her courtyard, she asked maids to divide the gift into several parts and send them to various places.

The Spring Festival was coming soon, so these gifts were sent as new year's gifts. Madam Dowager, Shui Ruolan, and Qin Yuru got one separately. Qin Wanru kept one for herself. And the one for Madam Di was returned by Qin Huaiyong. He sent someone to tell Qin Wanru that there was no need to send any gift to Yulan Pavilion in the future.

Qin Wanru naturally understood his meaning, knowing that it was also his compensation for her. Previously, Qin Huaiyong showed his partiality in dealing with Qin Yuru's affairs.

Qin Wanru took back the gift calmly and asked Qingyue to put it away. She just wanted to get an attitude by sending this gift. Of course, what she wanted was not only Qin Huaiyong's attitude, but also Madam Di's!

"Miss, since you didn't plan to send a gift to Madam Di in your mind, why did you send it? And why did you send it to the door of Madam Di's place?" Qingyue asked as she cleared up.

Before the gift was sent to Yulan Pavilion by a little maid, but it did not go directly to the Yulan Pavilion. Instead, it was stopped at the gate of the Yulan Pavilion. Then Yujie was sent to the study to ask for Qin Huaiyong's meaning. Immediately, Qin Huaiyong sent someone to say that there was no need to send the gift to Yulan Pavilion. Yujie then turned to the gate of Yulan Pavilion, and asked the little maid waiting there to go back and said that the general had said that there was no need to send gifts to Yulan Pavilion in the future.

Being looked at two stunned old maids who only did manual work, the little maid then went back along the original road. It was said that not only the two old maids guarding the gate, but also some servants in the courtyard who had seen this scene at that time.

The present that was going to be sent to the courtyard soon, unexpectedly, came back the same way. This matter was already enough to make Madam Di angry. In addition, Qin Yuru had broken the blood jade bracelets sent by Madam Dowager of Duke Xing's Mansion and made a scene in the street before. It appeared that Madam Di could not bear it anymore!

"The Young Lady naturally wanted to make Madame Di angry. Qingyue, you didn't see that the two new maids, together with Qing Xue, were standing not far from the gate of the courtyard at that time. They just watched us leave and could do nothing." Yujie thought of the previous scene and giggled, feeling relieved.

"Have you seen Nanny Zhou?" Qingyue also came to be interested and asked with a smile.

"I didn't see her... She should have accompanied Madam Di in the room. I guess people in the room also knew what was going on outside. When I was going to leave, I heard the sound of something breaking in the room. Did teacups were smashed again?" Yujie thought about it and said.

The two maids smiled as they packed up the gifts. They were in a good mood!

The identity of their Young Lady was now clear. After being recognized and accepted, she did not have to deal with the anger of Madam Di and the First Miss anymore. At the thought of that, Qin Wanru's several henchmen were very happy.

Qin Wanru, with a slight smile on her face, picked up the teacup on the table and drank the tea. The blood jade bracelets? Among the gifts she just gave Qin Yuru, there was a pair of blood jade bracelets, which she asked for from her grandmother and gave to Qin Yuru specially. Although they were not as good as the bracelets of Madam Dowager of Duke Xing's Mansion, they were also excellent and looked very similar to that pair which Qin Yuru had broken!

"How's the old maid over there in the kitchen?" Converging the coldness in her eyes, Qin Wanru put down her teacup and asked.

"She's very quiet and honest. When she heard that you don't like the food with a strong smell, she apologized repeatedly and said she would change. Look, Young Lady, this pastry was made by her before. It's very fragrant. I've tasted one before. It's really delicious!"

Qingyue put down the gifts she was tiding, turned to the outside of the room, and took out a plate of pastry from the basket which was placed on one side. As soon as it was taken out, there was strong smell in the room, which they did not smell when it was sealed in the basket before. The smell made people feel hungry immediately after smelling it. Looking at the steaming pastry, Yujie felt hungry!

#### **Chapter 340 The Frightened Nanny Yu**

The pastry was in the shape of plum blossom, which was very suitable for winter. Although it was not big, it was very delicate. Each petal was very clear and particularly beautiful. The fragrance, together with the smell of plum blossom, came to them.

"I brought it just now. In order to keep it hot, I specially sealed in the food basket. It's still hot now. Young Lady, have a taste to see whether you like it!" Qingyue, with a smile on her face, said as she took one with a clean handkerchief and handed it to Qin Wanru.

"Are there many this kind of pastry?" Qin Wanru took it, turned her fingers and looked at the pastry carefully. She had only seen such exquisite pastries in the palace before, which were not available to ordinary people.

"Not many. There were four plates of such pastry in the kitchen, and there were only three on each plate. When I arrived there, an old maid was packing them up. She said that one was for Madam Dowager, one for the First Miss, one for you, and the last one for the general."

People of the kitchen did not prepare one for Shui Ruolan. Shui Ruolan was now pregnant, and the pastry she ate was basically made in her own small kitchen. People in the big kitchen knew that so they dared not send food to Shui Ruolan.

"She's quite thoughtful. What else did she say?" asked Qin Wanru again.

"Nothing else. While she was packing, she said to others around her that she dared not send the pastry to Madam Shui and would just send some to other masters. If you like it, she would make it next time. If

you don't like it, she would try new pastry. She said that her ancestors had been opening a pastry shop outside and the business was quite good."

Qingyue thought about it and replied. She thought that this old maid was a very smart person. Qingyue did not ask why she would not send it to Madam Shui, but she explained to them while murmuring.

"Then why did she stop running the pastry shop?" Qin Wanru asked curiously as she reached the pastry to her nose and smelled it. She could not help but take a bite. The pastry was not only beautiful, but also sweet and likeable.

"I also asked her. She said that something had happened in her family so that she had to work. The shop had been closed and sold!" said Qingyue.

Qin Wanru got an idea and asked, "Is her family still opening a shop?"

"No. Because of what happened, they can't run a shop anymore!" Qingyue shook her head and said, "I investigated her later. She did open a shop and the business was quite well. But suddenly the shop was closed. No one knew the reason!"

"When was it closed?"

Qingyue knew what Qin Wanru doubted and said, "It's been a while, not recently."

That was to say, the older female servant had already entered the mansion.

Qin Wanru nodded and stopped talking. Her eyes fell on the pastry in her hand again, which was really fragrant and delicious. She then turned over the felt pastry in her hand and her eyes fell on a humble corner. Suddenly, a sharp dark light flashed in her eyes.

She put the pastry in her hand on the plate, and then turned the other two over. Three identical small dark lines appeared in her sight.

Qin Wanru pointed at a dark line on the pastry and asked, "What's this?"

"Er... this should be the mark on the mould of the old maid." Qingyue had thought it was just a petal, so she did not care about it. Now after careful looking, she found that it was like a small butterfly. It was very delicate and small and almost invisible when it was inside the dark pattern on the pastry.

"Is it the mold that the old maid brought in by herself?" Qin Wanru asked with a slightly changed look.

"Er... it shouldn't be. When she came, she had nothing. It's impossible that she brought her own mold in. It should be the mansion's!" Qingyue did not think the mold was brought in by the old maid.

After hearing what they had said, Yujie also came and looked carefully at the butterfly pattern on it. It looked like a small butterfly. In fact, it was a light butterfly pattern at most.

"What a delicate mold!" Yujie could not help exclaiming, "When I was in Jingxin Monastery, some rich families in the south of the Yangtze River would come to pray and distribute pastries. But for the first time, I saw such exquisite pastries. People couldn't see the butterfly pattern without looking carefully."

There were many rich families in the south of the Yangtze River. Jingxin Monastery was very famous in Jiangzhou. In addition, the Abbess of Jingxin Monastery knew medicine skills. So in the past, Jingxin

Monastery was very popular. When Yujie was there, she had seen different kinds of pastries, but she did not see such kind of pastry.

Qin Wanru kept silent for a while, then she picked up the handkerchief and wiped her hands, saying, "Have those pastries been sent out?"

"Not yet. When I took one and was about to leave, a young male servant of the general came. Seeing these beautiful pastries, he asked for one more, because there was a guest in general's place. Then the old maid gave the one which was supposed to be the Eldest Miss's to the general," said Qingyue.

There were only three in each plate and each pastry was small. One plate was only enough for one person.

If there was a guest, two plates were needed.

"Who is the guest in my father's place?"

"It's said that it's someone from Duke Xing's Mansion. It's in the mansion now," said Qing Yue.

Qin Wanru was silent. She did not expect people of Duke Xing's Mansion to come so fast.

"By the way, it seems that they're going to discuss something about the Eldest Miss..." Suddenly, Qingyue seemed to think of something, and hastily added.

"Is Second Miss here?" Qin Wanru was just about to ask about the details, when a voice of an old maid came from outside and interrupted Qingyue. Qingyue looked at Qin Wanru, and turned to lift the curtain and went out after Qin Wanru nodded.

"What's the matter?"

"The general invited the Second Miss to come over," the old maid said with a smile.

"Invite our Young Lady? What's the matter?" Qingyue said in astonishment, "Aren't there any guests now? Have they left?"

"It has nothing to do with the guest. It's the stewardess of Madam Dowager of Duke Xing's Mansion. She came to see the First Miss. But it has something to do with both the First Miss and Second Miss. So the general invited the First Miss and Second Miss to come to ask what happened yesterday!"

The old maid replied with a smile.

Someone was specially sent to ask about it. The people sent by Madam Dowager of Duke Xing's Mansion must have no friendly intentions.

But, it was okay for Qin Wanru. The more anxious they were, the more likely they were to disturb the situation...

Qin Wanru tidied her skirt and stood up. Yujie hurriedly lifted the curtain for her. Qin Wanru walked out slowly and said, "Has First Sister gone yet?"

"Yes, she's gone and is talking to that Nanny Yu now," the old maid replied with a smile. The First Miss was locked up yesterday, but today she was released by the general. It seemed that she would not be locked up anymore.

Qin Wanru nodded and went out with the old maid, saying nothing.

When they arrived at the door of Qin Huaiyong's study, they saw two maids of Duke Xing's Mansion standing in the corridor, together with Qin Huaiyong's young male servant.

"Second Miss, you are here. I have seen several times, but I didn't see you. The general is waiting for you!" As soon as the young male servant saw Qin Wanru, he hurried forward to salute her and led her in at the same time. The old maid who led the way backed away.

Qin Wanru followed the young male servant into the room, and when she entered the room, she found the busy room became quiet at once, and everyone's eyes fell on her.

Qin Yuru was complacent. She twitched her mouth, looked up high and looked at her ironically. There was some hatred in her eyes.

How could she not be complacent? Yesterday, she almost died of anger and had to be locked up by her father. But today, her father specially asked someone to bring her here, which meant that she would not be supervised anymore. Furthermore, the visitor today was Nanny Yu of Duke Xing's Mansion. She did not believe that Qin Wanru dared to say something.

"Huh, mother is right. From then on, there will be great different in social standing between Qin Wanru and I. I will be superior while Qin Wanru will be trampled on by me forever."

She still remembered what Nanny Zhou secretly told her last night. Originally, she was dubious. Unexpectedly, it came true today.

"As soon as the Madam Dowager of Duke Xing's Mansion helps me, father had to let me out. After I live into Duke Xing's Mansion in the future, I'll ask Madam Dowager of Duke Xing's Mansion to exert pressure on father to let out my mother and abandon Shui Ruolan. As for Qin Wanru, I'll make her marry a beggar. Anyway, she was picked up and adopted. Marrying a beggar is her right path."

"If she doesn't want to, I'll feed her estrus-spurred medicine and send her to the brothel directly. I'll make her dirty all her life..."

Qin Huaiyong was calm. It seemed that he had no expression. But looking at him carefully, one could find that there were still some changes on his face when he saw Qin Wanru.

Unexpectedly, the one who had the strongest reaction was Nanny Yu. At the moment when she saw Qin Wanru, the cup in her hand suddenly fell to the ground, breaking into pieces, and she looked at Qin Wanru who just stepped in with astonishment.

Looking at Nanny Yu's shocked face, Qin Wanru was extremely calm. When she saw Nanny Yu in Duke Xing's Mansion, she had already imagined the scene of today.

"Father!" She went to salute Qin Huaiyong, and then saluted Qin Yuru.

“Sit down first!” Qin Huaiyong waved and asked her to sit down beside Qin Yuru. Then he looked at Nanny Yu, who had not calmed down by this time, and said, “Nanny Yu, is there anything wrong with Wanru?”

“It must be the second sister who scared Nanny Yu. I heard that Nanny Yu embraces Buddhism with Madam Dowager and has Buddha’s nature. She only likes people of good natures.” Qin Yuru took a handkerchief to cover her mouth and said with a smile.

She meant that Qin Wanru was not a good man.

“Yuru, shut up!” Qin Huaiyong’s face darkened and he snapped, “She’s your sister!”

“My sister? Of course she’s my sister. If she wasn’t my sister, she wouldn’t have been jealous yesterday and broken my bracelets. Father, please judge it...”

Qin Yuru said with a smile, full of clear sarcasm in her eyes. In the past, she certainly did not dare to offend Qin Huaiyong. But now things were different. Now she had the support of Madam Dowager of Duke Xing’s Mansion, so she was not so afraid of her father!

“Enough, Yuru. Aren’t your jade bracelets on your wrist?” Qin Huaiyong’s face darkened even more.

This reminded Qin Yuru. She shook the blood jade bracelets on her wrist and immediately changed the topic. She said, “The pair that was broken before was given by my mother. This pair was given by Madam Dowager. I have to keep them well and can’t break them. If Nanny Yu didn’t come here today, I wouldn’t wear them!”

When Nanny Yu came, Qin Yuru specially put on the blood jade bracelets sent by Rui’an Great Elder Princess. Qin Huaiyong, like her, did not want the people of Duke Xing’s Mansion to know that the blood jade bracelets had been broken. When he saw that the blood jade bracelets were on her wrist, he said that the pair she had broken in the street before was given by Madam Di.

“You... Do you know medicine skill?” This time, Nanny Yu ignored her. She looked at Qin Wanru in surprise and stood up excitedly!