

Medical Princess 701

Chapter 701 Anxious and Kind-hearted Doctor Qiu

"Your Highness, if you don't think that the miracle-working doctor in Prince Chen's Mansion is capable of fixing your leg, actually there's another doctor who may be able to help you, but..." The eunuch hesitated as he mentioned another doctor.

"Say it!" Chu Liuzhou said with his face darkening.

"But the doctor may use a large dosage of medicine. I don't think... it's a safe way to fix your leg!" The eunuch stammered, lowered his body, and said respectfully.

"Can the doctor fix my leg in a shorter time?" Chu Liuzhou asked after a moment of silence.

"Yes, the doctor can do that by increasing the dosage. Your Highness, as a noble prince, you should stay away from danger, so it's better not to try it. The imperial physicians can fix your leg in a safer way!" The eunuch advised.

"Bring the doctor to me later!" Chu Liuzhou said with a frown. It was certainly not good to use a large dosage, but it would be great if the doctor could fix his leg in a shorter time. At the moment, he could not decide whether he should have his leg fixed in a safer way or in a shorter time.

He knew that having his leg fixed in a shorter time could do harm to his health.

"How about bringing the doctor here in a few days, Your Highness?" the eunuch asked.

"Bring the doctor here quickly!" Chu Liuzhou said in a deep voice. He could inquire about the details before deciding whether to have his leg fixed by the doctor or not.

"Yes, I got it!" The eunuch bowed his head and answered.

"Have they found out why I fell off the carriage?" After that, Chu Liuzhou asked about the case he had instructed his trusted subordinates to look into before.

"Uh... they haven't. His Majesty has also appointed someone to investigate this case. Could it be related to Prince Chen?" The eunuch reminded him.

It happened all of a sudden. At that time, no one expected that Chu Liuzhou would fall off the shaft of the carriage and get hurt.

"It shouldn't have anything to do with that invalid!" Chu Liuzhou thought for a while, and then shook his head and said. Anyway, it didn't seem to have anything to do with Chu Liuchen. What was more, it was not Chu Liuchen who intended to talk with him at that time. Nevertheless, as a prince growing up in the imperial palace, he was deep-minded. Although he was sure of that, he wouldn't say that with certainty at this moment.

"Your Highness, should we check on the members of our mansion? The coachman is dead, so we can't find out why the horse suddenly jumped up, but we can question the servants related to the coachman!" The eunuch suggested.

This proposal made Chu Liuzhou frown more tightly. He asked with a complicated look, "Do you think it has something to do with the accident caused by a bolting horse at the gate of the imperial palace?"

There were too many similarities between these two accidents.

They both happened at the gate of the imperial palace and were caused by a bolting horse. The most important thing was that they were both related to his mansion. Thinking of this, Chu Liuzhou felt his heart skipped a beat, stopped feeling hesitant and immediately became firm.

"Check on everyone in my mansion, including the coachman in this accident and the coachman in the last accident. You must find out who is behind all this!"

Last time, the one behind the scenes intended to frame him for attempting to kill the invalid so that he would be out of favor with his father and grandma. This time, the one intended to kill him. Thinking that the imperial physician implicitly said that the coachman got killed because he fell in a wrong way, Chu Liuzhou felt a burst of anger.

He could also have been killed at once if he fell in a wrong way!

"Should we also check on the coachman in the last accident? But it was said that there was no clue left!" the eunuch said in embarrassment. They had checked on the coachman in the last accident, but they did not find anything.

"You must check on not only him but also his family members, old friends and neighbors!" Chu Liuzhou gritted his teeth and said with hatred, "As long as there's any doubt, you must track it down, no matter where the suspect is from!"

There were many concubines in his manor as well as many beauties sent from the imperial palace. They worked for various forces. The investigation had to be suspended before because it was inconvenient for him to check on some of them. But this time, he was in a different situation where he almost got killed. How could he swallow it?

"Yes, Your Highness. I'm going to check on them right away." Seeing Chu Liuzhou's expression, the eunuch knew that Chu Liuzhou was really determined to find out the truth this time, so he said hurriedly with a nod.

Seeing the eunuch leave, Chu Liuzhou leaned back with a cold and gloomy face, bearing profound rage and hatred. It was definitely not an accident this time. Every time before he went out in his carriage, he had his carriage checked thoroughly, so there wouldn't be such an accident. What was more, how could the coachman get killed after falling?

He didn't believe it!

"Miss, Childe Wang visited a doctor yesterday and visited another doctor today. After that, I sent someone to find a way to sneak into the doctor's place and find out what he did. It was said that he offered some dregs of decoction for the doctor to identify and paid a premium price for that. He even left some dregs of decoction in the doctor's place. He did the same thing when visiting the two doctors."

Qing'er reported what she had found in the past two days to Shao Wanru.

Shao Wanru fell silent with a flicker in her watery eyes.

As she expected, Wang Shengxue and Wang Yishu became suspicious, and Wang Shengxue took out Wang Yishu's dregs of decoction for the doctors to identify. It seemed that they were very cautious. They not only turned to several doctors, but also asked the doctors to identify the dregs of decoction, and even left some of the dregs of decoction.

Duke Xing's Mansion was going to kill Wang Yishu, but Wang Yishu was not going to surrender.

In the past, the medicine Wang Yishu took included some medicinal materials counteracting each other, which was barely perceptible. Now that they were going to kill Wang Yishu, they would definitely use a larger dosage than usual, which was easier to be discovered. They might even add some medicinal materials capable of making Wang Yishu weak or killing her.

They could only kill Wang Yishu without being noticed by increasing the dosage of medicine, which could make her weak and included the medicinal materials counteracting each other, and treating her with acupuncture.

"Miss, I met Doctor Qiu on my way back here today. He went to the kitchen to fetch some food and said that Miss Wang's condition has worsened. He was supposed to go back to his courtyard, but he couldn't go back at this time, so he went to the kitchen to fetch some pastries to grab a bite."

Qu Le told Shao Wanru that she had met Doctor Qiu again today.

Shao Wanru curled her lips. It was another accident that seemed to be extremely reasonable. Since Wang Yishu was in poor condition, as her doctor, Doctor Qiu naturally could not go back and should stay by her side to check on her.

"Again he said that Miss Wang wanted to see you and it was her last wish!" Qu Le said discontentedly, "With so many people around in the kitchen, I couldn't say that you're not going to see her, so I just vaguely agreed. After that, Doctor Qiu urged us to visit Miss Wang quickly, otherwise she may not be able to survive to meet you."

Everyone in Duke Xing's Mansion knew the cause of Wang Yishu's illness, so they knew that Wang Yishu and the Fifth Miss bore grudges against each other. Nevertheless, no matter how much they hated each other, since Wang Yishu was about to die, they thought that the Fifth Miss should go to see her. When the servants heard what Doctor Qiu said, they all turned to Qu Le and waited for her response.

At this moment, Qu Le represented Shao Wanru's attitude, so she had to agree despite her great reluctance.

Thinking that urged by Doctor Qiu, she had to say that her master would go to see Wang Yishu soon, Qu Le almost fumed with rage. At first glance, she knew that Doctor Qiu was a villain. When she met him on the road where few people could hear them, she didn't say that her master would go to see Wang Yishu. Now in front of a group of servants in the kitchen, if she didn't say that her master would go, she would make her master sound cruel and cold-blooded.

So Qu Le had to promise that her master would go to see Wang Yishu as soon as possible.

"Miss, you didn't see Doctor Qiu's look. Hearing that you are going to see Miss Wang in the afternoon, he was overjoyed but still forced a worried look, which is really annoying!" As Qu Le said, she got

increasingly furious. Doctor Qiu thought that he hid his emotions well, but she kept watching him, so how could she miss the complacent smile on his face?

Yujie came in with a cup of tea, put it in front of Shao Wanru with a smile and comforted Qu Le, who almost stamped with rage, "Well, don't be angry. This is part of Miss's plan. It seemed that you had to promise that Miss would go to see her, but you just made use of the situation to push things through. You don't have to get mad!"

"Miss is smart enough to come up with such a plan, but they really think that they can set up Miss so easily. I just feel aggrieved!" Qu Le said grumpily.

"So what do you want? Do you want to tell them that Miss has been waiting for them to make this move?" Yujie teased.

Her words made Qu Le laugh. After thinking for a while, Qu Le complacently raised her head and said, "They underestimate Miss and really think that they could set up Miss. After failing to make Miss agree to go to see Miss Wang, Doctor Qiu deliberately went to talk with me, for fear that Miss would not go. But they didn't know that Miss has predicted it!"

Qu Le was so complacent, as if it were she who had predicted it, which made Shao Wanru involuntarily laugh.

"Miss, who are you going to take with you this time?" Qu Le, who had calmed down at this time, asked with a smile.

Shao Wanru glanced at the three maids present, Qing'er, Yujie and Qu Le. She carefully pondered for a moment and said, "I'll take Yujie with me. I usually took Yujie with me, and this time is no exception!"

After all, Qing'er was just a second-class maid. If she took a second-class maid instead of the other first-class maids with her, it was easy to arouse suspicion. Yujie was the most inconspicuous maid who was more capable than ordinary maids.

Wang Shengxue had prepared for it, but she didn't know how his preparation was going. But in any case, it was good since he had prepared for it...

"Qu Le, did you do as I told you?"

"Yes, I did exactly as you told me. Rest assured!" Qu Le said with a nod.

Shao Wanru fell silent for a while, looked at the sky outside the window and said, "Qing'er, go to the Chuihua Gate to stop Doctor Qiu."

"Why should I do that?" Qing'er asked in confusion, "Will he leave at this time?"

"Probably. He can't stay there and become a suspect, right?" Shao Wanru said with deep eyes. As someone that could not only shift the blame onto her but also get out of trouble or make himself the least possible suspect even if he failed to get out of trouble, Doctor Qiu would definitely find a way to get out of what was going to happen.

"Should I stop him from leaving? Well, I'm going to do it right away!" Qing'er said, turned around and was about to leave.

“Wait a minute. He won’t get out of the mansion at this moment. Go to the First Miss’s courtyard to see if he has gone there. If he goes to Wang Yishu’s courtyard after that, follow him!” Shao Wanru waved her hand as a hint for Qing’er to take her time so that they could have some time to prepare for their plan.

Since Madam of Duke Xing was locked up, it was not very convenient for her to give Doctor Qiu instructions, so Shao Yanru was naturally the most suitable commander of the plan.

Standing up and walking to the window, Shao Wanru picked up a writing brush with her left hand and wrote a few words. After drying the paper off, she balled it up, handed it to Qing’er and said, “Send it to Wang Shengxue!”

Although Qing’er had her mission, she could ask the guards sent secretly by Chu Liuchen to pass the note.

“Miss, you don’t have to trouble Qing’er. I can do it. I just saw Childe Wang’s manservant. He is still in the mansion at this time. I heard that Childe Wang has stayed in the mansion for some business these days!” Qu Le stepped forward and asked to perform the mission.

Chapter 702 Meet Wang Yishu Again

“When I was in the kitchen, I saw a manservant carry a hamper. The servants in the kitchen said that he was Childe Wang’s manservant and he asked them to prepare some wine for Childe Wang. It seemed that Childe Wang has been busy with running some affairs for the manor these days and basically left the manor at night. But the manservant didn’t know exactly how long it has lasted!”

Qu Le said.

Although it was Qing’er who was sent to watch over Wang Shengxue, she came across Wang Shengxue’s manservant, so she kept an eye on him and tried to cotton up to him when she was waiting for the dishes to be prepared. She had almost got all information the manservant knew.

“What a coincidence. It seems that Wang Shengxue is not completely stupid,” Shao Wanru said with a sneer and handed the note in her hand to Yujie.

“Find Wang Shengxue and flick the note in front of him, but don’t let him find you!”

The note was not big and had been balled up. It was not easy to run away after throwing it in front of someone. Compared with Qu Le, Yujie was much more agile.

“I’m going now!” Yujie said, lowered her head and wanted to leave. Shao Wanru looked at her clothes and said, “Wait a minute, take out your old clothes.”

She was dressed in her new clothes today. The Spring Festival was coming, so all the servants in the mansion had new clothes. Yujie had put on her new clothes as soon as she got them.

Her old clothes referred to the clothes she got from the other maids when she just came to the mansion.

During the three years in the Yuhui Nunnery, Duke Xing’s Mansion had never made any clothes for Shao Wanru’s maids. Therefore, when Shao Wanru and her maids came to Duke Xing’s Mansion this time,

they all dressed simply. Old Madam could not put up with it, so she instructed her maids to spare some clothes for Shao Wanru's maids. The clothes were made for others and didn't fit them well. So after the new clothes were distributed, Yujie and the other maids immediately put them on.

"Rest assured, Miss. I'm going to change my clothes right away!" Yujie looked at her new clothes and immediately understood what Shao Wanru meant. She said with a nod and went back to her room to change her clothes.

The new clothes had just been distributed. Except for the maids in the Piaoyun Courtyard, the maids in the other courtyards had not put on their new clothes. If Wang Shengxue saw a little of the new clothes, he could easily figure out it was someone from the Piaoyun Courtyard who threw the note at him.

It was better for Yujie to change into her old clothes. Wang Yishu was an insignificant person in the mansion, so the maids serving her were all dressed in very old clothes. Sometimes when every master in the mansion got a gift, she was excluded. This time her maids might not have gotten their new clothes.

It was the safest way for Yujie to wear her old clothes.

The maids went to prepare for it. When it was time to go, Shao Wanru headed for Wang Yishu's courtyard, followed by Yujie.

The Piaoyun Courtyard was far away from Wang Yishu's courtyard. It could almost be considered a travel from the center of Duke Xing's Mansion to a remote corner. They met plenty of maids and old maids on their way.

Seeing Shao Wanru come over, the maids and old maids bowed their heads respectfully. However, after Shao Wanru passed by, they began to talk about it in twos and threes.

The path neither led to the gate of the backyard nor led to any master's courtyard. Why did the Fifth Miss come in this direction?

"Is she just having a walk?" Someone guessed.

"It's not a good time for a walk. The snow on the road has not been cleared yet!" someone else said. Although most of the snow on the road had been cleared before, the road was piled up with plenty of snow again after the heavy snow last night, which made it inconvenient to walk.

People seldom came to this remote corner, so even the snow on the road had not been cleared. No one would come out for an aimless walk on a slippery road on such a cold day.

"Could it be that... she's going to see Miss Wang?" An old maid looked in that direction in confusion and asked.

"Miss Wang? Who is she?" a young maid asked. She, around eleven or twelve years old, didn't know much about what had happened three years ago, so she really couldn't remember that there was such a cousin Miss in a remote corner at once.

"She is the Childe Wang's younger sister. I heard that she ends up in such a half-dead state after having a dispute with the Fifth Miss!"

Another old maid said in a low voice despite her loose tongue.

Hearing what she said, most servants immediately understood. Watching Shao Wanru walking away, they suddenly understood what she was going to do.

It was said that Miss Wang attempted to set up the Fifth Miss, who was the Second Miss of the Qin's Mansion at that time, in the imperial palace, but her trick was seen through by the Fifth Miss. She was so ashamed that she fell to the ground and fainted after hitting a certain part of her body. After that, she was sent back to Duke Xing's Mansion and remained unconscious. If it weren't for Madam of Duke Xing who kept her alive with good medicine out of kindness, she would have been dead.

So the Fifth Miss was going to humiliate Miss Wang after hearing that she was still in the mansion?

The dispute between them happened in the imperial palace at that time, and it was said that they made quite a scene. The Fifth Miss must be furious. However, it had been so long, and Miss Wang was in such a miserable situation now. It was really disgraceful for the Fifth Miss to mess with Miss Wang now.

"The Fifth Miss is too narrow-minded!" someone said. On hearing these words, the other servants immediately nodded. Some bold people among them even chimed in with her opinion. After that, everyone's face darkened. The Fifth Miss was no longer the Second Miss of the Qin's Mansion. It was said that she was vigorous and resolute in her dealings, so they couldn't gossip about her at will.

Some of them were scared, turned around and said that they should leave for some business. A moment later, all of them had left.

Everyone thought that Shao Wanru was going to denounce Wang Yishu for what she had done to Shao Wanru, but no one would help Wang Yishu out. Wang Yishu was just a cousin living in Duke Xing's Mansion. Moreover, her brother was obviously disappointing and not promising. The Fifth Miss was different. She had been rewarded by Prince Chen more than once and even by the Empress Dowager. It was obvious that she was going to have a much brighter future.

No one cared about Miss Wang, since the worst thing likely to happen to her was nothing more than to be humiliated by the Fifth Miss.

Anyway, no one would be blamed even if anything happened to her, who was half-dead.

The servants all thought so. Some of them even thought that it was a good show. It would be good if they could watch it. However, they did not have the courage to follow Shao Wanru there, because no one would go to Wang Yishu's courtyard with no purpose!

If the Fifth Miss found that they went there to watch the fun, she would definitely sell them.

Shao Wanru ignored the thoughts of the maids and old maids behind her, and walked slowly to the most remote corner with Yujie. As they walked, the road was covered with increasing snow, and they even left their footprints in the snow. Fortunately, after they walked for a while, the snow on the road was cleared, and the road returned to smooth and clean.

Even so, Shao Wanru's head was covered with sweat. When she arrived at the gate of the courtyard, she breathed heavily and fixed her eyes on the courtyard.

It was a dilapidated courtyard, much smaller than her courtyard. After entering the courtyard, she found there were three rooms in a row which looked more like store rooms or woodsheds in a mansion.

A maid came out of the main room, looking listless. When she saw Shao Wanru and her maid standing at the door, she looked them up and down and then asked timidly, "May I ask who you are and why you come here?"

"My master is the Fifth Miss of our mansion. Hearing that your master is in poor condition, my master specially come to see her!" Yujie took two steps forward, looked the maid up and down, and asked.

"My master has just taken the medicine and is going to sleep now..." the maid said timidly. She didn't mean to refuse them, but Wang Yishu usually went to sleep at this time indeed. Wang Yishu was in poor health, so she was afraid to delay Wang Yishu's bed time so that Wang Yishu would get increasingly sick.

"Who... is outside?" A breathless voice came from behind her.

"Miss, it's the Fifth Miss in the mansion." The maid breathed a sigh of relief and answered in a hurry.

"The Fifth Miss?" Wang Yishu sat on her bed, closed her eyes and said with a creepy smile on her skinny face, "Invite her... in!"

"Fifth Miss, my master invites you in for a talk!" Hearing Wang Yishu's words, the maid hurried down the steps, bowed deeply to Shao Wanru and said.

"Where is Doctor Qiu?" Shao Wanru looked around and asked after finding no one else around.

"Doctor Qiu has left. After my master took the medicine, he said that he had to go out for some business. Besides, he told me to make sure that my master has a good rest and not to let her get tired!"

The maid reminded her implicitly that this was the reason why she didn't dare to disturb Wang Yishu just now.

Her master was in such poor health that her master had to sleep every time after taking medicine. She didn't know if her master's condition would worsen if her master didn't go to sleep at this time. As a little maid, she couldn't bear the responsibility!

However, Wang Yishu invited the Fifth Miss in after hearing her maid's words, so she would not be blamed even if Wang Yishu's condition worsened.

It was reasonable for the maid to think so. Wang Yishu's condition had worsened recently. She had asked Doctor Qiu in private, but he kept telling her not to let Wang Yishu get tired. Besides, he said that ordinary people could get sick easily in cold winter, not to mention Wang Yishu who had always been in poor health, so she should take care of Wang Yishu carefully.

Shao Wanru stepped up the stairs and looked at the curtain hanging above the door. The curtain was too thin to keep out the cold in winter. Because of the thin curtain, the door behind it was half-closed to keep out the wind.

Yujie stepped forward to push the door open and lifted the curtain to let Shao Wanru in. As soon as Shao Wanru stood at the door, a warm current mixed with the stagnant smell of medicine and all kinds of the other smells came to her nose, making her feel very uncomfortable in the stuffy room.

Shao Wanru, who had always considered the smell of the medicine pleasant, involuntarily took a step back at this moment.

It was an unpleasant and unbearable smell which even contained a faint stench.

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Yujie lifted the curtain so that the warm stench could go out.

The maid hurried over in an attempt to put down the curtain and said, "My master is in poor health and can't be exposed in the wind. Sister, please put down the curtain so that my master won't be exposed in the wind!"

"It's not good for your master to stay in a stuff room!" Yujie explained.

As soon as she finished speaking, Wang Yishu's restrained coughs came from inside. Although Wang Yishu had restrained her coughs, her coughs were still louder than those of ordinary people. Based on her coughs, Shao Wanru could tell that she was coughing very hard. It seemed that she was really hurt by the wind and became extremely weak.

"Put it down!" Shao Wanru said.

Yujie answered and put it down. Shao Wanru and Yujie were still standing outside the room and did not get in. Wang Yishu's maid rushed in hurriedly and patted Wang Yishu's back, while Wang Yishu was sitting on her bed.

She coughed so hard that her coughs sounded piercing. Finally, her condition got a little better. Shao Wanru stood quietly at the door and didn't get in.

"Fifth Miss, please come in!" Wang Yishu said in a hoarse voice which didn't seem to belong to a young lady.

Chapter 703 Have They Had Any Family Affection for Her?

Shao Wanru stamped the snow off her feet in the corridor and walked slowly into the room.

The furnishings in the room were very old and dirty and placed disorderly. Although they were made of good materials, after being placed here for three years without being maintained, they looked like some second-hand furnishings bought from a flea market.

Wang Yishu struggled to sit up weakly on her bed and glared at Shao Wanru without hiding the obvious hatred in her eyes.

With dark yellow hair and a dark yellow face, she seemed to be withering.

It was really hard to believe that Wang Yishu, who looked like an eighty-year-old woman in low spirits, was in her prime.

"Second Miss Qin... Fifth Miss Shao... Are you satisfied now?" Wang Yishu supported herself with her hand on a cushion, stared at Shao Wanru and said fiercely in a hoarse voice.

"Miss Wang, if you just want to say this, there's no need to continue this conversation!" Shao Wanru said lightly and turned to leave.

Although Wang Yishu was in a miserable situation now, she felt no pity for her.

When Wang Yishu met her for the first time that day in the imperial palace, Wang Yishu attempted to ruin her reputation by setting her up, which indicated that Wang Yishu was selfish and vicious. In this case, all the hardships Wang Yishu was suffering were the consequences of her own deeds.

Wang Yishu should hate Madam of Duke Xing and herself instead of venting her hatred on others and considering others the cause of her tragedy.

Wang Yishu thought that others deserved to be trampled under her feet as the stepping stones on her way to success and it would be their fault to try to resist it.

Shao Wanru really despised this kind of peremptory selfish thought.

“Wait... wait a minute...” Wang Yishu said.

Shao Wanru stopped in front of the curtain. After getting her footing, she said without looking back, “Miss Wang, if you tried every means to trick me here just in order to vent your anger on me, I advise you to drop this idea. Now only the two of us are here. We clearly know what happened at that time. Now it is Madam of Duke Xing who intends to kill you. It has nothing to do with me!”

She said coldly, and her words certainly meant that Wang Yishu suffered from her own actions and could only blame Madam of Duke Xing for this.

“Nonsense. It’s you who put me in this situation...” Wang Yishu said, reluctant to give in.

“I put you in this situation?” Shao Wanru suddenly turned around to look at Wang Yishu from a distance and said with obvious contempt in her eyes, “Miss Wang, what should I do so that you won’t think so? Should I fall into the trap set by you? Should I allow you to ruin my reputation by framing me in the imperial palace? Or should I be a stepping stone on your way to success? Miss Wang, you are so funny. When will you do this for someone else?”

Shao Wanru raised the corners of her delicate lips and looked straight at Wang Yishu with a trace of piercing coldness in her eyes, which cut through Wang Yishu’s opinionated thought like an arrow. Watched by her, Wang Yishu involuntarily shivering, but then she became furious.

“If it weren’t for you, I would not have fallen into such a miserable situation where I have been half-dead in the past three years. It’s all because of you...”

Wang Yishu shouted in a hoarse voice with a crazy look.

Even a normal person could go crazy after being locked up like this for three years. What was more, Wang Yishu had been lying in bed all the time and couldn’t even get up.

If she were in such a situation, she would rather die.

Shao Wanru kept staring at Wang Yishu calmly and raised the corners of her mouth, and she didn’t begin to talk slowly until she saw that Wang Yishu struggled so hard that she couldn’t even speak, “Miss Wang, do you think I’m the one who put you in this situation? It should be Madam of Duke Xing who sent a doctor to treat you in the past three years!”

“If it weren’t for you, I wouldn’t have fallen and been lying in bed for three years. I’d rather die now!” Wang Yishu said viciously.

She, who had spent the past three years living a life worse than death, kept thinking that she would rather die.

She saw no hope of recovery in the past three years. Although Duke Xing's Mansion hired a doctor to treat her specially, she had never gotten any better. She just pretended to fall at that time, but she did not expect that it would ruin her life. Wang Yishu glared at Shao Wanru, shedding tears.

Through her tears, she stared at Shao Wanru with such profound hatred that she almost wanted to pounce on Shao Wanru and bite her.

"If I were you, I would try to figure out why I stayed in bed and couldn't get up in the past three years. We both know that you just pretended to faint and fall to the ground in the imperial palace at that time. If you were seriously injured, you ought to have felt it after falling down, but in fact, you were fine at that time."

Compared with Wang Yishu who was furious, Shao Wanru was very calm and looked at Wang Yishu with her bright eyes.

"You..." Wang Yishu couldn't speak at the moment.

"If you didn't figure it out in the past three years, now you should realize what has happened!" Shao Wanru said with a sneer, "What did she promise to offer you this time?"

"What... what do you mean?" Wang Yishu swallowed her saliva and said with drifting eyes.

"Miss Wang, do you really not understand what I mean? It has been three years which is even long enough for a fool to figure out what has happened. You just pretended to faint in the imperial palace, but after you came back to Duke Xing's Mansion, you got sick after being treated. Miss Wang, don't you know who got the biggest benefit from it?"

Shao Wanru said, looking increasingly calm.

After falling in the imperial palace, Wang Yishu accidentally got hurt and had to stay in bed in the past three years, and she even remained half-dead during this period of time.

It was actually an excuse used to deceive others. But as time went by, even Wang Yishu was convinced that it was true. At this moment, when she heard Shao Wanru's words, she suddenly opened her eyes wide and reached out to press her chest where she felt a sense of suppression, as if something was about to jump out of it.

"You... you're talking nonsense!"

"Miss Wang, you should know clearly whether I am talking nonsense or not. Don't tell me that you tricked me to come to see you just in order to have this conversation. Three years ago, although I reclaimed my identity, I didn't meet you. After that, I went up the mountain to observe mourning for my parents, while you stayed in bed in the past three years. Now you tried every means to trick me to come to meet you. Do you think you can get any benefit from it?"

Shao Wanru said with increasing calmness and looked at Wang Yishu with indifference that could not be ignored.

“Miss Wang, your business has nothing to do with me. What happened between us three years ago has been bygone. Now that three years have passed, it’s meaningless for you to hold a grudge against me. Didn’t you think about what would happen after I came here? Now that I’m here, what would happen to you? If you die, who is going to take the blame?”

“You... you...” Wang Yishu said and pressed her hands tightly on her chest with a blush. The sense of suppression in the chest seemed to make her out of breath.

She felt like her lungs were about to explode. She struggled in pain, looked at Shao Wanru and stretched out one of her hands, seeming to be asking Shao Wanru for help.

Shao Wanru looked at Wang Yishu with deep eyes. After Yujie lifted the curtain for her, she turned around and left resolutely.

As early as when Wang Yishu asked Doctor Qiu to trick Shao Wanru to come to see her, she was doomed. If Shao Wanru didn’t come to see her, she might have a chance to survive. But Wang Yishu was doomed to be killed on the day Shao Wanru came to see her.

According to the news from Mingqiu Nun, Doctor Qiu had connections with Mingqiu Nun as she expected. They were from the same sect. Although Doctor Qiu was a skilled doctor, he developed unorthodox medical skills and was too anxious to get quick results so that he preferred to cure his patients in a shorter time. His treatment seemed to be very effective, but in fact, it could do harm to his patients’ health easily.

Some patients couldn’t stand his intensive treatment and died an unnatural death. Later, he was kicked out of the sect by Mingqiu Nun’s father, and no one knew where he had gone.

Mingqiu Nun’s father despised this kind of treatment pursuing therapeutic effect regardless of patients’ health, because it was a kind of unorthodox treatment fixing the symptom instead of the root and even the slightest carelessness could lead to patients’ death.

Doctor Qiu created his own acupuncture with which he could not only stimulate patients’ potential vitality but also kill them in an unconventional way. Now Wang Yishu’s feeble life should be prolonged by Doctor Qiu with his acupuncture, so she was so weak that she couldn’t even stand a drastic mood swing and rage.

When Shao Wanru came here, the trap had been set. Of course, there should be a follow-up...

Standing in the corridor, Shao Wanru stopped and looked up at the heavy sky. In the last life, Wen Xichi’s dying young was probably because of Doctor Qiu.

Wen Xichi’s second brother and his cousin sister were determined to kill him. Otherwise, they couldn’t have hired Doctor Qiu to treat him. Moreover, Doctor Qiu and Gu Xishu were related by blood, and it was Gu Xishu who invited Doctor Qiu to the Wen’s Mansion from outside the capital city.

In the last life, Wen Xichi didn’t survive in the end. As his widow, Shao Wanru was driven out of the Wen’s Mansion. Thinking of this, she felt a burning pain in her heart, uncomfortable and depressed, even more depressed than she was in the room just now. She, who almost couldn’t breathe, bit her lip so hard that her lips turned pale.

Hatred? How could she not nurse a hatred for them?

She nursed a bitter hatred for them in both of the two lives. Those people all intended to plot against her and put her in an everlasting hell. They all intended to destroy all of her gentleness and everything she had.

Thinking of what Gu Xishu and Shao Yanru had done to her, she found something became clear at this moment!

In the last life, Wen Xichi's second brother and cousin sister plotted against him. Nevertheless, if it weren't for her, he probably would have been able to die a few more years later. Because she married into the Wen's Mansion as his wife, they couldn't allow him, such an invalid, to live longer.

In this case, she indeed owed Wen Xichi. If it weren't for her, although he was sickly, he wouldn't have died so young!

Those people were so desperate to kill her that although she had been trampled under their feet, they would not let go of her.

If she could exchange her blood, she would rather have never been related to them by blood. Family affection? Had they ever had any family affection for her?

Feeling a burst of anger in her chest, she just looked at the gate of the courtyard coldly, waiting for those people to come over...

"Miss..." Yujie looked at the door and said. With noises from the door, a large group of people rushed into the dilapidated courtyard, headed by Old Madam, who came in aggressively. Seeing Shao Wanru waiting in the corridor with a calm face, Old Madam, who was in front of the others, froze for a moment.

Chapter 704 Rip Down the Veil of Tenderness

Shao Yanru, who supported Old Madam beside her, also saw Shao Wanru, who was so calm in the corridor. She couldn't help shivering in her heart.

Seeing Old Madam coming over step by step with Shao Yanru's help, Shao Wanru looked at her with extremely cold eyes. Under Old Madam's angry gaze, she took two steps forward slowly with a slight smile, came over and said after bowing sideways, "Greetings, Old Madam!"

"What are you doing?" Old Madam asked with a cold and unfriendly look. Shao Wanru, who stood in the corridor and looked at her in that way just now, didn't look like an obedient granddaughter.

"Miss Wang invited me here to talk about what happened in the imperial palace at that time. Old Madam, why do you come here at this time?" Shao Wanru looked up at Old Madam and said with a slight smile.

"Hearing from the servants that something terrible happened to cousin sister, grandma felt worried, so she led us to come to check on her!" Shao Yanru pulled herself together and said with a smile. Knowing that there was the hope of her recovery, she returned to the gentle and decorous First Miss of Duke Xing's Mansion at this time.

“Something terrible happened to Miss Wang? She was fine when I got in her room just now. Why did someone report it to Old Madam long before?” Shao Wanru said calmly and looked at Shao Yanru with burning eyes, which made Shao Yanru have an inexplicably bad intuition.

But she, who had always done a good job in controlling her emotions, just took a small step back and hid half of her body behind Old Madam, looking a little timid.

“Maybe someone reported it to me at the thought that something terrible was going to happen to her!” Old Madam looked at Shao Wanru with an unfriendly look and said. Seeing that even her favorite granddaughter stood aside to avoid confronting Shao Wanru, Old Madam became increasingly displeased with Shao Wanru.

“Bad news. Bad news. Something terrible happened to Miss Wang!” The maid suddenly rushed out of the room and screamed loudly.

After getting out of the room and seeing so many people outside, the maid froze for a moment, and then suddenly rushed to Old Madam, burst into tears and said, “Old Madam, please save Miss Wang! Save her! She... she’s dying!”

The maid said with tears streaming down her face and almost crashed to the ground when she threw herself at Old Madam’s feet.

“What happened to cousin sister?” Shao Yanru asked anxiously with her face changing dramatically, stepped forward and was about to rush in, but she found Shao Wanru was in front of her.

They met each other’s eyes in silence.

“Fifth Sister...” Shao Yanru said and looked at Shao Wanru with a pleading look, as if Shao Wanru tried to stop her from getting in.

Shao Wanru leaned to one side and said, “Big Sister, after you!”

“Fifth Sister...”

“Big Sister, what else do you want to say at this time? Aren’t you going inside to see Miss Wang? I heard that you have been on friendly terms with Miss Wang!”

Shao Wanru interrupted her rudely.

Shao Yanru clenched her fists in her sleeves and gritted her teeth secretly. But at this time, continuing the conversation could only make her seem to be less anxious than before. So she could only lift the edge of her dress and hurried into the room.

As the curtain was lifted, the smell of medicine mixed with a stench and a moldy smell immediately came out. It smelled so bad that Shao Yanru almost threw up. After getting her footing and catching her breath, she immediately rushed to Wang Yishu, who was lying in bed.

Wang Yishu was in poor condition at this moment. She pressed her hands on her chest with blood on her lips and a livid face, out of breath. When Shao Yanru came in, her blurred vision only allowed her to see a figure vaguely.

She pressed her chest hard. Seeing her in this state, Shao Yanru was shocked with her face changing dramatically. Although she was prepared for it, she stopped approaching Wang Yishu.

"Big Sister, seeing you come here, Miss Wang must want to tell you something!" Shao Wanru came in from behind her and said calmly, "If she can't finish her words now, she... may come to finish them later!"

Hearing her creepy words, seeing Wang Yishu struggling in pain, Shao Yanru hesitated at this moment although she was bold. She stood still at the door curtain and did not dare to move, only feeling that she could hardly breathe in such a depressing room.

Wang Yishu almost fixed her eyes on her, who was standing at the door curtain, with the kind of despair from a dying person. Wang Yishu's death was a part of her plan, but she didn't expect that when she saw Wang Yishu dying in front of her with her own eyes, she would be so disgusted and panic-stricken that she even wanted to throw up.

"Big Sister, Miss Wang is waiting for you... Would you like to go over there, take her hand and comfort her... If Miss Wang sees that you come to see her, she will be delighted although she's dying. In the future, she will meet you in your dream every day and thank you for what you have done to her. Big Sister, you and Miss Wang are so close sisters!"

Shao Wanru said in a very low voice, but even so, Shao Yanru heard her words clearly. With her face turning pale, Shao Yanru held her handkerchief with her cold fingers and kept thinking of Wang Yishu struggling with pain on the brink of death, feeling as if she were seized by the throat.

She felt as if something greasy was being stirred in her throat, but she couldn't throw up.

Shao Yanru took two steps back and almost stepped out of the room. Old Madam came in with Nanny Yu. Compared with Shao Yanru, Old Madam had much more experience. Although Wang Yishu seemed to be in poor condition, she, who had seen various situations, walked slowly towards Wang Yishu's bed after freezing for a while.

"Old Madam, please wait!" As Shao Wanru said, she reached out to stop Old Madam.

"What's going on? Do you have to kill her, who's on the brink of death?" Old Madam said with a gloomy face.

She meant that she was sure that it was Shao Wanru who put Wang Yishu in the current situation.

Shao Wanru almost burst out laughing. As she expected, they wouldn't be willing to let her go until they ruined her life. Old Madam declared her guilty even without asking.

"Old Madam, if you go there, you will destroy the traces left at the bedside. Although I came here before you, I didn't go there. If you go there now, it will be difficult to explain!"

Shao Wanru said very calmly, raised her head slightly and looked indifferently without dodging Old Madam's eyes.

Hearing what she said, everyone glanced at the bedside. Wang Yishu's bedside was relatively clean, and there were only a few light footprints left by the maid and a few big footprints which should be left by Doctor Qiu. Except for these, there were no other footprints.

"It's snowing outside. I came here just now and just had a short conversation with Miss Wang at the door before leaving. As soon as I got out of the room, Old Madam came with Big Sister and said that someone intended to hurt Miss Wang and Miss Wang was in poor condition. I don't know what it means. Could it be that someone intended to set me up? Old Madam's courtyard is far away from here. I probably haven't set out when Old Madam left her courtyard!"

Shao Wanru said with contempt.

Her attitude enraged Old Madam. Old Madam said with a gloomy face, "Since I didn't know that you were coming here, why do you think my visit here means someone intended to set you up?"

"Many people in the kitchen heard that I was coming to see Miss Wang. It was Doctor Qiu who kept telling me that Miss Wang wanted to meet me. However, I saw her dying when I came here. If Old Madam insisted that I have done something to Miss Wang, I can only say that I kept standing here until now!"

As Shao Wanru said, she stamped her feet gently, and there was snow falling off her soles.

She had stepped on plenty of snow on her way here, so there was a lot of snow on her soles. After she stamped her feet lightly, there was snow falling off her soles. If she had walked on the clean ground, she would inevitably leave some traces. It was impossible that there was no trace at all.

Wang Yishu's bedside was very clean. There were only a few footprints, which were left by the maid and Doctor Qiu.

After the maid, who came in with Old Madam, took a look at the ground in front of Wang Yishu's bed, her face darkened. Shao Wanru's words left her no chance to say what she had prepared before.

"What have you done to her so that she's in such a miserable situation?" Old Madam asked in an unfriendly tone.

"Old Madam, what do you think I could do to her from a distance?" Shao Wanru asked her back.

Her unruly attitude completely enraged Old Madam. Old Madam reached out angrily in an attempt to slap Shao Wanru.

Yujie stepped forward in a hurry to stand in front of Shao Wanru and was slapped by Old Madam.

"Old Madam, do you think that I probably put Miss Wang in this situation by enraging her? I could enrage her from a distance?" Shao Wanru pulled Yujie back and said with coldness in her eyes.

It was what Old Madam wanted to say, but Shao Wanru said it before her so that she couldn't speak at the moment. Of course, she would like to make Shao Wanru take the blame, otherwise, she wouldn't have come here in such a hurry.

"Fifth Sister, this is grandma. How can you talk to her in this way!" Shao Yanru rebuked her.

"Big Sister, do you mean that even if it has nothing to do with me, I should take the blame since Old Madam thinks so?" Shao Wanru glanced at Shao Yanru's hypocritical face and asked with a sneer.

"How... how can you say that!" Shao Yanru said in embarrassment.

"Since that's not the case, shouldn't we send for a doctor to treat Miss Wang now? Shouldn't we take this maid aside and ask her about what happened? Why did you keep staring at me and insist that I should take the blame without asking? Since I've been standing so far away from Miss Wang, how could she blame me for this? I couldn't poison Miss Wang from a distance, right?"

Shao Wanru said with a sneer.

Since Old Madam intended to make her take the blame, she would not care about the veil of tenderness anymore.

Wang Yishu was in terrible condition. She clearly knew that Wang Yishu could not survive although she was far away from her.

She was supposed to take the blame for Wang Yishu's death.

"Go and ask Doctor Qiu to come here!" Old Madam said with a cold face.

Immediately, an old maid ran out in a hurry. However, before she could reach the gate of the courtyard, Wang Yishu, who had been struggling under everyone's gaze, suddenly opened her eyes wide and her body began to twitch. After a while, she, who had leant against the cushion, became limp and fell off the cushion feebly.

The maid serving her screamed and pounced on her. After reaching out to feel her breath, she shouted bitterly, "Miss Wang is dead! Miss Wang is dead!"

Chapter 705 Hard to Tell Who Frames a Case against Whom!

The people inside and outside the room were all shocked. Old Madam had brought plenty of servants, many of whom were standing beneath the lifted door curtain and looking around at this moment. At the sight of this, they screamed with fear, and the others did the same.

"Shut up, all of you!" Old Madam rebuked them harshly.

After pulling herself together, she walked slowly to the bed. However, Nanny Yu walked to the bed quickly before her, reached out to feel Wang Yishu's breath, and then nodded at Old Madam silently, indicating that Wang Yishu was really dead.

"What happened?" Old Madam asked and looked sharply at Wang Yishu's maid, who was sitting on her heels in front of the bed and trembling all over.

"I... I know nothing. I know nothing. I know nothing... but that after the Fifth Miss came to have a short conversation with Miss Wang... Miss Wang..." The maid said incoherently.

In fact, she was not supposed to say that, but just now Shao Wanru had proved that she just had a short conversation with Wang Yishu at the door, so what she had prepared before could make no sense now.

Shao Yanru, who had recovered from the horror at this moment, took two steps forward to support Old Madam and looked at Wang Yishu, who was lying on the bed, without saying a word. There was no need to be afraid of Wang Yishu, who had to curry favor with her when she was alive and now had been dead!

Moreover, Wang Yishu brought this on herself and it was her mother's decision to kill Wang Yishu. She just took over the plan from her mother, who was locked up in the ancestral hall for the time being.

Although Wang Yishu died of persecution, she should blame Madam of Duke Xing or Doctor Qiu rather than her for it.

Thinking of this, Shao Yanru immediately became self-righteous. Looking at the footprints by Wang Yishu's bedside, she secretly sighed that it was quite a pity to let Shao Wanru escape from the most important trap she set for Shao Wanru.

The trap was set by her, so she knew clearly that there was a needle used for acupuncture on Wang Yishu's bed. Of course, it was left by Doctor Qiu in order to set up Shao Wanru, because Shao Wanru had treated Old Madam with her acupuncture. Although she didn't know how good Shao Wanru's medical skills were, Shao Wanru was capable of acupuncture.

Since Wang Yishu's death was related to acupuncture, she could make Shao Wanru take the blame for being narrow-minded enough to kill Wang Yishu with her acupuncture. However, she didn't expect Shao Wanru to be so cautious that Shao Wanru had never approached Wang Yishu since her arrival here. Although there was a needle on Wang Yishu's bed now, it couldn't prove that Shao Wanru killed Wang Yishu personally.

However, even with no direct evidence, she could make Shao Wanru take the blame for killing Wang Yishu indirectly by enraging her. The two of them had held grudges against each other since three years ago. Now Shao Wanru couldn't bear Wang Yishu's existence after returning to Duke Xing's Mansion, so she came to kill Wang Yishu indirectly by enraging her. Although it was less serious to kill Wang Yishu indirectly by enraging her than to kill her directly, it could tarnish Shao Wanru's reputation anyway.

The royal family was going to pick consorts for several princes soon. If there was some scandal about Shao Wanru at this time, it was impossible for Shao Wanru to be selected!

She couldn't allow Shao Wanru to be selected as the consort of any prince, because she somehow had a sense of crisis.

Before Shao Wanru became a threat to her, she had to get rid of Shao Wanru by ruining Shao Wanru's reputation so that Shao Wanru would be sent to the family temple and spend the rest of her life cultivating in seclusion there.

"You mean that I killed Miss Wang indirectly by enraging her. Well, tell me what I said to Miss Wang and how I enraged her!"

Shao Wanru was not surprised at the maid's words.

She had prepared for what was going to happen today and had been careful of every step. She would never let down her guard because of her preparation.

She clearly knew that Madam of Duke Xing and Shao Yanru would try all they could to get her into trouble even if they failed to set her up, so how could she not remain cautious?

"I... I didn't hear it clearly... I was serving Miss Wang at that time..." Hearing her detailed questions, the maid said in a panic.

It was not what the testimony she had prepared focused on, so how could she not panic when being asked detailed questions about it?

"You were serving Miss Wang... but didn't hear the conversation between my master and Miss Wang clearly?" Yujie looked at the maid with a sneer and questioned her.

"I... I really didn't hear it clearly..." The maid said and cried loudly to cover up the panic on her face.

"Since you didn't hear it clearly, how do you know that my master enraged Miss Wang in their conversation? My master has just stayed here for a while and had a short conversation with Miss Wang. Doctor Qiu kept asking my master to come to see Miss Wang, and he even said that Miss Wang was dying. My master had no choice but to agree and come here, only to see Miss Wang dying. Could it be that you and someone else killed Miss Wang and then intended to push the blame to my master?"

Yujie reached out to point at her and said angrily.

"I... I... I didn't do that. I have served Miss Wang for three years. How could I kill her?" The maid said and cried loudly.

"Are you sure that you didn't kill Miss Wang? You had to stay here with her for the past three years because of her." Yujie said in a gloomy tone.

"Old Madam, I didn't do that... I really don't know whether the Fifth Miss enraged Miss Wang or not. I didn't pay any attention to their conversation..."

The maid cried, while turning to Old Madam and begging her.

Shao Wanru was so angry that she almost laughed. In such a situation, the maid, who acted as if she knew nothing about what had happened, still insisted on pushing the blame onto her and thus making it impossible for her to defend herself. The maid was so loyal to Madam of Duke Xing that she didn't even forget to drag her into this at this moment.

The maid seized any opportunity to set her up! Madam of Duke Xing and Shao Yanru must have spent a lot of money bribing such a maid who dared to frame her!

"Wanru, tell me what happened!" Old Madam said and looked coldly at Shao Wanru with obvious disgust in her eyes.

"Old Madam, what do you want me to say? Do you mean that the maid's false testimony is more convincing than my words? Or do you mean that you trust a maid more than me although I'm a master in the mansion? Old Madam, you think that I might have killed Miss Wang indirectly by enraging her, but you didn't think that this maid might have killed Miss Wang before I came here. Otherwise, how could Miss Wang happen to die during my visit here? The person, who could make this happen at the right time, must be someone around Miss Wang!"

As Shao Wanru said slowly, she walked up to the maid and looked down at the maid with cold eyes, "If it's proved that this maid set me up, Old Madam, please send her to the government office and ask the officers to find out why she, a humble maid, dares to set me up. Not only she but also all her family members have to bear the consequences of setting up a master!"

"Fifth Sister, what are you doing? She is just a maid!" Seeing the maid trembling all over, Shao Yanru had to come forward and say.

"Well, Big Sister, do you mean that the maid told the truth!" Shao Wanru raised her eyebrows and asked.

"Fifth Sister, she's just a maid, while you are a master. If you say so, how could the maid live on?" Shao Yanru said softly.

"Fifth Miss... I... I really can't explain it clearly. If you doubt me... I'm willing to pay with my life!" Hearing Shao Yanru's words, the maid rolled her eyes, immediately had an idea and said. She stood up tearfully and looked around, seeming to be looking for something to knock her head on.

At the sight of this, the servant girls and old maids beside her hurried over to hold her back, for fear that she would really commit suicide.

Shao Wanru was so angry that she was about to laugh. She reached out to draw a note from her bosom and said, "Big Sister, this note is written by you, isn't it?"

"What note?" Shao Yanru said in panic and had a bad intuition. She was sure that there wasn't any note from her fallen into Shao Wanru's hands.

"Old Madam, please take a look!" Shao Wanru said, shook the note in her hand and handed it to Old Madam.

Old Madam looked at her suspiciously and took the note. When she saw the words on it clearly, her face changed dramatically at once.

It said "Make sure to take Shao Wanru to Wang Yishu's place today!"

There was no signature. But after taking a glance at the familiar handwriting, Old Madam could tell that it was written by Shao Yanru, and her hands couldn't help trembling.

"This is Big Sister's handwriting, right? No wonder in the kitchen, Doctor Qiu kept asking my maid to arrange a time for me to visit Miss Wang and said that Miss Wang's words would be good when death was near. Later, after my maid agreed, he, who was still not convinced, chased me out and didn't leave until he confirmed the time of my visit. Before anything happened to Miss Wang, Old Madam had got the news and knew that I was going to kill Miss Wang. It's really strange! Big Sister, tell me what happened."

As Shao Wanru said, she looked at Shao Yanru with the same expression and slightly raised the corners of her mouth with a hint of coldness on her calm face.

"The... the note is fake!" Shao Yanru froze for a moment and said in rage. She was sure that she had never written such a note.

"If it's fake, who else in the mansion couldn't bear my existence in the mansion and intended to set me up? Can you tell me?" Shao Wanru asked.

"I don't know... I don't know anything. How could I write such a note, let alone be unable to bear your existence in the mansion? Fifth Sister, you are making slanderous accusations against me. Why should I set you up?" Shao Yanru said with a trace of panic in her eyes, because she couldn't explain the note.

"Big Sister, in fact, I can't understand why you can't bear my existence in the mansion. I am from the eldest branch, while you are from the second branch. We are not supposed to be enemies, but why can't you bear my existence all the time? You made things difficult for me in the Yuhui Nunnery, and now you do it again!"

Shao Wanru said coldly.

Since Shao Yanru could frame her, she could do the same thing to Shao Yanru!

With the fact that Doctor Qiu kept urging her to come here, it was obvious that she was set up by someone. Even if Old Madam wanted to protect Shao Yanru, she would probably not allow her to do that. She bet that Shao Yanru could not have told Old Madam all about what had happened in the Yuhui Nunnery.

Someone like Shao Yanru would never expose herself as long as she could hide behind others, because she wanted to maintain her image as the gentle and kind First Miss of Duke Xing's Mansion in front of everyone so that they would use all beautiful words to describe her!

"How... How can you say that..." Shao Yanru said in panic.

"Well, let's stop here. Wang Yishu has been in poor health, and the doctor managed to keep her alive by giving her medicine in the past three years. Otherwise, she would have been dead long ago!" Old Madam interrupted Shao Yanru coldly and balled up the note in her hands. Now it seemed that Shao Yanru was more likely to be the one behind the scene.

However, Shao Yanru was her favorite granddaughter, so she couldn't allow any slightest damage done to Shao Yanru's reputation!

As expected, Old Madam decided to make concessions to avoid trouble. Shao Wanru showed a deep smile. It was Old Madam who decided to stop here. However, she was unwilling to let it go. Just now, she heard a rush of footsteps from outside. The person should have arrived, but was just eavesdropping at the side!

The pawn she set was about to join the game now!

Chapter 706 If Fifth Sister Stays, I'll Also Stay!

"Old Madam, how could my sister suddenly die? If you can't find out the truth about my sister's death, I will report it to the government office!" As soon as Old Madam finished speaking, a figure suddenly rushed in through the door, went straight to the bed, pushed away the maid and the old maid in front of him and shouted angrily.

It was Wang Shengxue, Wang Yishu's brother.

In fact, he had been here for a while, but just stood outside and listened to their fierce argument, thinking about how to get as many benefits as possible from his sister's death.

The fiercer their argument was, the better it would be. Either the First Miss's or the Fifth Miss's involvement in it could bring great benefits to him.

Unexpectedly, Old Madam intended to ascribe Wang Yishu's death to her weakness in a few words. At this time, he, who was unwilling to accept this explanation, immediately came forward.

Old Madam, who didn't expect Wang Shengxue to come, was shocked by his showing up, looked at him in astonishment and frowned.

"Old Madam, when I came to see my sister, she was fine. How could she die so soon? No matter she's killed by the First Miss or her death has something to do with the Fifth Miss, your Duke Xing's Mansion has to give me an explanation so that my sister can rest in peace!" Wang Shengxue said again.

Old Madam frowned tightly. The current situation was not as easy to deal with as she expected.

"Child Wang, Miss Wang has always been in poor health. If it weren't for the good medicine our mansion used to keep her alive, she probably would have been dead a long time ago. Today several masters came to see her, but didn't expect that she failed to prolong her feeble life!"

Nanny Yu hurried forward and said with a flattering smile.

Although they had argued fiercely just now, it was the domestic affairs of Duke Xing's Mansion. Wang Shengxue's intervention made Old Madam want to patch it up immediately.

She couldn't allow the government office's intervention, because she didn't know what they would find out. Moreover, even if they found out nothing in the end, a confrontation with Wang Shengxue in court might ruin the reputation of the Misses of Duke Xing's Mansion.

Her eldest granddaughter was expected to be the next empress, so she couldn't allow any damage to happen to her eldest granddaughter's reputation at this time.

How could she allow a piece of rubble to collide with a piece of delicate jade!

"My sister was fine and in good health three years ago. If Madam of Duke Xing hadn't asked her to deal with the Fifth Miss in the imperial palace by framing the Fifth Miss, how could she end up in such a tragedy now? I'd better report it to the court. I can't let my sister die of persecution!"

Wang Shengxue continued saying with an angry face.

As he said, he turned to look at Shao Yanru. Compared with the unfavored Fifth Miss Shao, of course, the First Miss Shao was much more useful to him. Wang Shengxue decided to drag the First Miss Shao into this.

The First Miss Shao was much more important to Duke Xing's Mansion than the Fifth Miss Shao.

Old Madam could make concessions for the First Miss Shao, but she would not necessarily do that for the Fifth Miss Shao!

Wang Shengxue was sure of this after he came in and heard their argument, so he mentioned the plot that the Madam of Duke Xing and Wang Yishu made against Shao Wanru in the past.

"What nonsense are you talking about!" As he expected, Shao Yanru couldn't stand it anymore and rebuked him angrily.

Wang Shengxue sneered and said, "Cousin, am I talking nonsense? Do I need to call my Second Aunt over and verify it in person? My sister didn't see Fifth Miss Shao before she entered the palace, so why would she frame her? If my Second Aunt hadn't told her something and promised her some benefits, why would she do that?"

He didn't believe that Old Madam would allow the news to go out.

Old Madam was enraged by him, who was overbearing. She sat in a chair on one side with her face turning livid and couldn't say a word.

Noticing that things were not going well, Nanny Yu hurriedly advised, "Childe Wang, how can you say that? No one knows who spoke evil of the Fifth Miss in front of Miss Wang so that Miss Wang attempted to set up the Fifth Miss. Now that Miss Wang is dead, what do you want to do about it? Miss Wang is a Miss from an aristocratic family anyway. Do you want to disturb her peace after death by arguing in court about what she had done?"

"But I can't let my sister die in vain!" Wang Shengxue refused to make a concession.

Shao Wanru glanced at him indifferently and turned her eyes slightly, thinking that Wang Shengxue was a scoundrel who wouldn't make any concession without benefits at this time.

With such an opportunity, he, who must have lived a difficult life in the capital city, wouldn't even mind trading his sister's life for benefits!

Wang Yishu had been lying in bed for long, so she was a little clouded in mind with a lack of knowledge and experience. However, Wang Shengxue was in a different situation. After all, he was a man with extensive experience, so how could he know nothing about the current situation?

He had guessed it, but he didn't say anything, because he had been waiting for this moment.

Shao Wanru lifted the corners of her lips silently and coldly watched the dog-eat-dog scene in front of her.

Seeing that Wang Shengxue refused to make a concession, Nanny Yu looked back at Old Madam, only to see Old Madam wink at her. Knowing that Old Madam wanted to gloss things over, she advised again, "Childe Wang, our mansion will certainly give an explanation of Miss Wang's death. Anyway she is the cousin Miss of our mansion, and Old Madam has always regarded her as a member of our mansion. How could Old Madam not feel sorry for her dying young?"

"What kind of explanation?" Wang Shengxue would not give in until he got a definite answer today.

Seeing that Old Madam didn't give a definite answer with a livid face, he walked to Wang Yishu's bed in a few steps and reached out to take out a small package under her pillow.

"Old Madam, I took the drug out for an identification after my sister felt uncomfortable a few days ago!"

With her heart skipping a beat, Shao Yanru suddenly felt that things were getting tough. Wang Shengxue acted so confidently. However, Shao Wanru spoke before her.

“Childe Wang, what’s in it? Is it the evidence of Miss Wang’s plot against me?”

“My sister was also set up by others, and this is the evidence left by them when they tried to kill her. The medicine she took not only couldn’t cure her, but also made her increasingly weak and even gradually unable to get up because it includes the medicinal materials counteracting each other. After taking this medicine for three years, even a healthy person wouldn’t be able to get out of the bed like my sister!”

Wang Shengxue raised his hand, looked at Old Madam complacently and said, “I took the dregs of decoction out to some famous doctors in the capital to identify and got this conclusion from them. Several famous doctors have identified it and wrote a note of the conclusion. If it is taken to the court, it can definitely be used as evidence of my sister’s being murdered!”

Shao Yanru went limp and almost fainted. With her face turning livid and then darkening, Old Madam, who was sitting in the chair, looked at the small parcel in Wang Shengxue’s hand in disbelief. If it really had been identified by the famous doctors outside as Wang Shengxue said, it would be solid evidence.

“Rest assured. I will investigate it. If your sister was really set up by someone in the mansion, I will definitely compensate you and won’t let you suffer losses.”

Old Madam had to stand up and promise.

“That’s great! In that case, I’ll go back and wait for your result!” Wang Shengxue put the small parcel into his coat and said to Old Madam with joined hands.

After that, he left under Old Madam’s gaze, showing no care for his sister, who just died a suspicious death, and leaving her body here.

Old Madam panted heavily in rage, only felt dizzy and intended to stand up with Nanny Yu’s help, but before she could stand up, she went limp and fainted directly.

The maids and old maids around her couldn’t help exclaiming.

Nanny Yu hurriedly drew a bottle from her bosom, took two pills out of it and fed them to Old Madam. Seeing that Old Madam got a little better, she instructed someone to help her back.

At the same time, she instructed some servants to clean up Wang Yishu’s body. In any case, since Wang Yishu died in Duke Xing’s Mansion, it was reasonable for Duke Xing’s Mansion to conduct her funeral. Moreover, judging from Wang Shengxue’s reactions just now, he didn’t seem to be willing to conduct his sister’s funeral.

Nanny Yu really thought that Wang Yishu was a poor person. Even her brother didn’t care about her and traded her death for benefits. Now even her funeral could only be conducted by Duke Xing’s Mansion.

“Big Sister, do you want to help conduct Miss Wang’s funeral? I heard that you have always been very concerned about Miss Wang and even sent her something from time to time in the past three years when she was sick.” Shao Wanru coldly watched them clean up Wang Yishu’s body and said to Shao Yanru, who was standing beside her.

While the servants in the room were busy, the two of them had got out of the room. Breathing the fresh air outside the room, they found the room was so stuffy that they even felt like throwing up.

Shao Yanru was quite good at fishing for fame and reputation. In the past, Wang Yishu was too sick to get up after failing to set up Shao Wanru in the imperial palace, so no one in the mansion thought highly of her. However, since Shao Yanru returned to Duke Xing's Mansion, she always sent some food and clothes, which earned her a good reputation in the mansion.

"Fifth Sister, if you stay, I will also stay!" Shao Yanru took a deep breath, suppressed the rolling disgust in her heart and said.

Shao Yanru intended to drag her into this?

Shao Wanru sneered. Shao Yanru didn't even forget to drag Shao Wanru into this at this time, and she must think it would be better if she could push Shao Wanru forward to conduct Wang Yishu's funeral.

"Big Sister, you have always been on friendly terms with Miss Wang, while I had little contact with Miss Wang. Just now Childe Wang said that Miss Wang attempted to set me up on Second Aunt's instructions three years ago, so I have no good impression of Miss Wang." Shao Wanru said and looked at Shao Yanru coldly and sharply without hiding the hostility in her eyes.

"Fifth Sister, you must be joking. Wang Shengxue seemed to intend to blackmail our mansion with Wang Yishu's death, so it was reasonable for him to push all the blame to our mansion. Fifth Sister, don't be tricked by him!" Shao Yanru pulled herself together and said, while turning to look into the room, "Look, he is even so cruel to his sister. How can we expect him to be grateful to the members of our mansion? My father has treated him well in vain!"

Of course, she meant that Wang Shengxue was so heartless that he made a false countercharge against his masters as soon as he found an opportunity and even left his only family member here with no care for her. So how his words could be convincing?

"You're right, Big Sister, but don't you think it's strange that Childe Wang left in such a hurry?" Shao Wanru rolled her eyes, looked at her with a smile.

Shao Yanru was stunned. Watching Shao Wanru smile, she froze and then suddenly reached out her hands forward with her face changing dramatically as if intending to grab something. Unexpectedly, she slipped and directly fell down in the corridor...

Chapter 707 Doctor Qiu Has Been Taken away

"Miss, I went to stop Doctor Qiu, but he was taken away by a servant working for Duke Xing. I didn't dare to come out of the place where I hid." Qing'er said.

When Qing'er came back, Shao Wanru had just come back. After freshening up, Shao Wanru sat on the couch, and Yujie stood quietly behind her after serving tea.

Hearing Qing'er's words, Shao Wanru looked up in shock and asked, "Duke Xing is in the manor today?"

She had thought that Duke Xing was not in the mansion, because he was usually not in the mansion at this time.

Qing'er shook her head and said, "I'm not sure of this, but when the two guards came to take Doctor Qiu away, they claimed that they were sent by Duke Xing."

Shao Wanru raised her long eyelashes, which fluttered twice, and asked, "When you waited for Doctor Qiu at the back door, the two guards didn't show up. They showed up when Doctor Qiu got there?"

"I hid there, waiting for Doctor Qiu, for fear that he would run away alertly when seeing me from a distance and I wouldn't be able to go all out to chase after him. I planned to knock him out and bring him here when he got there. Unexpectedly, after I waited for a while, I saw two guards show up and wait there. After that, Doctor Qiu got there!"

Qing'er said after thinking for a while.

Qing'er was the first one to get there, followed by the two guards and then Doctor Qiu. When Doctor Qiu showed up, the two guards took him away.

In this mansion, the person, the one who could dispatch the guards, had to be Duke Xing Shao Jing indeed.

"They didn't find you?" Shao Wanru asked.

"They couldn't have found me. After I saw them get there, I hid myself deeper and came back long after they left." Qing'er replied.

This was the reason why she came back late. If she came back right after the two guards took Doctor Qiu away, she would come back much earlier.

"Miss, why did Duke Xing take Doctor Qiu away? Could it be that he intended to inquire about the real cause of Miss Wang's death?" Yujie rolled her eyes and said with confusion.

"How long has it been since they took Doctor Qiu away?" With a sparkle in her eyes, Shao Wanru asked.

"It has been more than one and a half hour or so!" Qing'er said with certainty.

"Miss Wang was still alive at that time!" Yujie exclaimed and covered her mouth with her hands. Checking the time, she found that Wang Yishu was still alive at that time.

"What a coincidence!" Shao Wanru suddenly smiled and whispered.

It seemed more like a coincidence that Doctor Qiu was taken away by her Second Uncle. Did he do that because someone needed help from Doctor Qiu? He, who made this move at the right time, seemed to have everything under his control.

She found that her Second Uncle was not simple!

"Miss, what should we do now? Since Doctor Qiu has been taken away, we will definitely be unable to get him back!" Yujie, who focused on another aspect of the problem, said.

"It doesn't matter. Let it be. On the other hand, Wang Shengxue managed to escape from Duke Xing's Mansion!" Shao Wanru said indifferently.

Wang Shengxue left in a hurry, even leaving his sister's body here. On one hand, it was because he was cold-blooded and had little family affection for Wang Yishu. On the other hand, it was because he was very cunning.

He took away the evidence under Wang Yishu's pillow in front of everyone. It was said to be the identification proof of several famous doctors in the capital city. If it was made public, the whole Duke Xing's Mansion would suffer a storm and even Duke Xing might be implicated. Besides, Shao Yanru would have no hope of being a princess, and she might even be disqualified from marrying any prince.

Of course, something, that even Shao Wanru did not know, might be exposed.

Wang Shengxue dared to threaten Old Madam and Shao Yanru face to face because they were both women, who would panic in that situation despite their viciousness. But what if it was Duke Xing who he confronted at that time?

Shao Wanru was sure that Wang Shengxue might not even have the chance to escape from Duke Xing's Mansion.

Or maybe he could escape, but the evidence in his hands would definitely be snatched from him.

It was the most important reason why Wang Shengxue left in a hurry. Shao Wanru saw it clearly at that time. But she was glad to see Wang Shengxue leave, so she took it as a show and only gave Shao Yanru a tip in private later.

Shao Yanru, who was not stupid, immediately thought of this, so she suddenly went limp and fell heavily. If she could make a prompt decision to prevent Wang Shengxue from escaping at all costs, Duke Xing's Mansion would not be held back by Wang Shengxue.

After that, Shao Yanru hurried back and should be going to turn to Duke Xing to find a way to seize Wang Shengxue. As long as they seized Wang Shengxue, the evidence in his hands would inevitably fall into the hands of Duke Xing's Mansion and he would have no evidence to threaten Duke Xing's Mansion.

Shao Wanru left after Shao Yanru!

"Miss, will Duke Xing stop Childe Wang and take the evidence back?" Yujie asked worriedly. She didn't understand the whole thing until she heard Shao Wanru's explanation.

Like Shao Wanru, they all hoped that Wang Shengxue could make a big deal out of it. Even if he didn't make a big deal out of it, they were very pleased to see the whole Duke Xing's Mansion, especially Madam of Duke Xing and the First Miss Shao who had always intended to ruin Shao Wanru with various vicious plots, be threatened by him.

"Wang Shengxue is not stupid!" Shao Wanru shook her head and said. Shao Yanru misjudged the situation this time.

Wang Shengxue had never fought alone, because he had the support from his concubine, Ning Xueqing, who managed to be Wang Shengxue's legal wife in the last life by playing a trick at Old Madam's birthday party. Everyone thought that they sincerely loved each other and sympathized with them. Such a woman was obviously not simple.

In this life, Shao Wanru had never met Ning Xueqing, but only knew that because of what had happened three years ago, Ning Xueqing only became Wang Shengxue's concubine although she still married him. In this case, it was impossible for Ning Xueqing to be unaware of Madam of Duke Xing's plot to kill Wang

Yishu. This woman had always been scheming. It must be she who suggested Wang Shengxue asking the doctors in the capital city to identify Wang Yishu's dregs of decoction.

Since Ning Xueqing had intervened in it, she definitely would not allow the evidence in Wang Shengxue's hands to be snatched by Duke Xing's Mansion, which made it increasingly interesting.

After Wang Yishu's death, all the evidence was in Wang Shengxue's hands. What was her good Second Uncle going to do next? She could see the power of Duke Xing's Mansion from it and how much she had underestimated the power of Duke Xing's Mansion!

The more powerful Duke Xing's Mansion was, the more likely it was to have something to do with what had happened to her father. She was looking forward to seeing her Second Uncle's real power!

However, her Second Uncle had always been very shrewd, so she didn't know how much his hidden power he would show since she had no idea of his real power!

"Miss, do you mean that it's not easy to deal with Childe Wang and Duke Xing may not be able to capture him directly and get the evidence from him?" Qing'er thought for a moment and said.

In this respect, she was more thoughtful than Yujie and the others.

"I think so. Let's wait and see!" Shao Wanru said with a nod and deep eyes.

"Miss, will my failure to stop Doctor Qiu spoil your plan?" Qing'er was very convinced of Shao Wanru's calculation. Since Shao Wanru said so, she turned back to the last subject.

Shao Wanru shook her head and said, "It doesn't matter. I just wanted to ask Doctor Qiu about something, but he had no practical influence on Wang Yishu's matter. Moreover, Wang Shengxue is the key to this matter now."

It was indeed an idle move to send Qing'er to stop Doctor Qiu. The news from Mingqiu Nun aroused Shao Wanru's interest in this Doctor Qiu.

In two lives, Doctor Qiu was around her, and she almost let him escape under her nose again. She had an intuition that Doctor Qiu was very important.

Of course, it was not only because he was Wang Yishu's doctor. Doctor Qiu had said that Wang Yishu wanted to meet Shao Wanru and her words were good when death was near. After Wang Yishu's death, there was no testimony of the witness. He could say that it was Wang Yishu's idea to meet Shao Wanru, and no one could prove that he lied.

He just passed on a message for Wang Yishu out of kindness. Even if Wang Yishu was really set up by someone, it had nothing to do with Doctor Qiu.

Regarding Wang Yishu's sudden death, as a proficient doctor, Doctor Qiu would let no one find out what he had done in secret so that he could throw off suspicion.

There were several other patients dying in Doctor Qiu's treatment, but he stayed out of all these. It could be seen that he had his own way of treating patients, so he wouldn't be blamed for Wang Yishu's death.

As for the dregs of decoction, Shao Wanru could conclude that there was absolutely no problem with the prescription given by Doctor Qiu. In this case, he wouldn't be blamed for the dregs of decoction going wrong. After all, as a doctor, he was not the one in charge of boiling the medicinal herbs. It was very easy for someone in Duke Xing's Mansion to do something to the medicine.

She would like to see how Duke Xing's Mansion was going to deal with him. She was not in a hurry. Doctor Qiu was unwilling to live in obscurity...

"To treat Prince Zhou?" Doctor Qiu looked at Duke Xing in surprise and said.

"Yes, go to treat Prince Zhou. His Highness has broken his leg and moves with difficulty. Hearing that you are quite a proficient doctor, he specially sent for you. Now pack up and go to Prince Zhou's Mansion!" Shao Jing, Duke Xing, sat behind a large desk and said kindly.

"Shall I go now?" Doctor Qiu looked up and asked.

"Yes. Those sent by Prince Zhou are waiting outside. You can go directly!" Duke Xing said with a nod.

"But Miss Wang in the mansion..." Doctor Qiu hesitated for a moment and finally asked the question.

"It has little to do with you. You shall go to Prince Zhou's Mansion now. Just remember to stay away from Wang Shengxue when you meet him again!" Duke Xing said meaningfully.

He meant that Doctor Qiu had something to do with Wang Yishu's death, but he didn't say it bluntly. Doctor Qiu realized that Duke Xing was threatening him. He lowered his head and thought for a while, and then said to Duke Xing with joined hands, "I'll do as you ask!"

"Go ahead. I will send a manservant to carry your medicine chest. There are more rules in Prince Zhou's Mansion than in Duke Xing's Mansion. Since you are a famous doctor, you should behave like a famous doctor. It is inappropriate for you to carry the medicine chest by yourself!" Duke Xing said and nodded with an increasingly amiable smile.

He meant to deploy someone around Doctor Qiu, but Doctor Qiu had to agree. Duke Xing had made the situation clear to Doctor Qiu by telling him to stay away from Wang Shengxue. Doctor Qiu believed that Duke Xing had many ways to make him admit that Wang Yishu's death had something to do with him!

In other words, if he rejected Duke Xing's supervision, he could not leave Duke Xing's Mansion alive!

Those who suited their actions to the time were wise. He didn't dare to refuse to do so...

Chapter 708 A Shrewd Concubine

"A doctor surnamed Qiu?" In the Imperial Institute of Medicine, Chu Liuchen leaned against a couch and asked. He had been fine since he woke up, but the Empress Dowager was worried about him, so she asked him to stay in the imperial palace.

"Yes, this man surnamed Qiu and Mingqiu Nun are from the same sect, but he has been driven out of the sect long before!" Xiao Xuanzi, who served him beside him, said.

Chu Liuchen narrowed his eyes, supported his forehead with his hand and said, "Chu Liuzhou asked the doctor from Duke Xing. Duke Xing's Mansion is in a mess now, and Duke Xing secretly sent someone to watch over his nephew!"

"Yes, master, Duke Xing's Mansion is in a total mess now!" Xiao Xuanzi said with a smile. He had always disliked Duke Xing's Mansion, so he was glad to see Duke Xing's Mansion in a mess. "Master, shall we seize this man surnamed Wang and snatch the thing from him?"

Chu Liuchen shook his head and said, "We don't need to do that. It's good to see them in the current situation. I don't want to intervene in it at this time. I am going to help Chu Liuzhou. Pass a message to him. It would be boring if he knows nothing about what has happened in his mansion!"

"Master, do you mean... the horse?" Xiao Xuanzi rolled his eyes and responded cleverly.

"Exactly!" Chu Liuchen raised his eyebrows and said with an increasingly lazy smile. It didn't matter that Chu Liuzhou didn't know it. He, who had always been kind, could help Chu Liuzhou by letting him know it!

Seeing his master show such a smile, Xiao Xuanzi shivered, felt chills up his spine and hurriedly lowered his head.

"His Majesty is here!" There came a eunuch's shout from afar.

Chu Liuchen lowered his body a little. Xiao Xuanzi hurriedly went to fetch another cushion and put it behind his back, and then stepped aside obediently.

As the door was pushed open, the current Emperor, Emperor Qianyuan, strode in and was only followed by a eunuch, Derong. Then the door was gently closed behind him.

"Uncle!" Seeing the Emperor come in, Chu Liuchen sat up with his hands on the edges of the couch, as if intending to get out of the couch.

"Forego formalities." The Emperor said, waved his hand and walked up to him. Derong hurriedly carried a big nanmu chair over from the side.

"Uncle, in fact, I am fine!" Chu Liuchen said with a smile, got up from the couch with Xiao Xuanzi's help, and bowed to the Emperor.

His slightly pale face indicated that he had not recovered yet, but he was in good spirits with a pleasant smile on his handsome and gentle face.

"Well, you don't have to be overcourteous in front of me!" The Emperor said with a smile on his face.

Derong immediately took two steps forward and worked with Xiao Xuanzi to help Chu Liuchen up. They helped him back to the couch so that Chu Liuchen could continue leaning against it. Derong did not dare to neglect Prince Chen, since both the Empress Dowager and the Emperor were concerned about him.

"How are you feeling today?" After looking Chu Liuchen up and down and then looking at the cold medicine on the table, the Emperor frowned and said with displeasure, "Are you going to skip taking the medicine again?"

"Uncle, no matter how immature I am, I won't do that again. The medicine was too hot just now, so I instructed Xiao Xuanzi to put it there to get cool!" Chu Liuchen said with a smile.

"You also know that you are immature!" The Emperor said. Chu Liuchen's words made him burst into laughter and his face soften.

"Uncle, that's what happened in the past. I cherish my life very much now. Since I have to take care of you and grandma in the future, how can I ruin my health for nothing!" Chu Liuchen said and also laughed. He exuded a sort of special gentleness belonging to a young man while showing a smile on his delicate face, which made others feel comfortable.

With tenderness in his eye, he showed a sincere smile instead of the kind of rigid smile he usually showed. Although his smile was sometimes gentle, it somehow seemed like a fragile mask on his face.

"Uncle, since I've recovered, can I go back to my mansion? Living in the imperial palace... it's not as comfortable as living in my mansion!" Chu Liuchen said again.

"Are you fully recovered?" The Emperor looked at him in disbelief and asked.

"Of course. Several imperial physicians in the Imperial Institute of Medicine can prove it. If you don't believe me, you can call them here!" Chu Liuchen said with a smile.

"Why do you recover so fast?" The Emperor asked, not fully convinced. Chu Liuchen had been weaker than others since he was a child. Something, that had little influence on others, could cause him to get seriously sick and even imperil his life sometimes. When he was a child, he had been close to death several times.

Not only the Empress Dowager was frightened, but also the Emperor could not rest assured every time they thought of those experiences.

"Uncle, during the past three years, Qi Jue and Mingqiu Nun worked together to nurse my health. In fact, I'm fine now!" Chu Liuchen said bluntly.

The Emperor looked at him. Although he had sat up and talked for a while, he didn't look tired. The Emperor breathed a sigh of relief in his heart. He had always been worried that Chu Liuchen would be too sickly to grow up. Although Chu Liuchen had a pale face and was a little weaker than ordinary people, at least Chu Liuchen got a little better.

He had always felt guilty for what had happened to Chu Liuchen. If it weren't for him, Chu Liuchen wouldn't have been in so poor health! Chu Liuchen had been poisoned when he was born!

It was all because of him!

"Stay here one more day under observation, and you can go back to your mansion if you don't feel uncomfortable again. Your Imperial Grandmother will come to see you later. If you leave, your Imperial Grandmother will definitely be unhappy!" The Emperor tried to persuade him to stay in a soft tone.

Derong lowered his head and stood behind the Emperor with nothing else in his mind. As the Emperor's personal eunuch, he naturally knew that he did not need to say anything at this time.

He had paid attention to how the Emperor got along with several princes, and had always been clear about how the Emperor treated Prince Chen, but now he was confused!

In the past, no one knew how long Prince Chen could live, so no one would say anything about the Emperor's great concern for him.

But what about now?

Now the imperial court was a place where the talented gathered. At this time, Prince Chen returned to health. As a eunuch holding the writing brush for the Emperor, how could he not know what it meant?

He subconsciously raised his head slightly and met a pair of gentle and pretty eyes belonging to Chu Liuchen, who had a gentle smile and clear eyes, but he was somehow frightened and hurriedly lowered his head.

Was Prince Chen's returning to health at this time a blessing or a curse? Even he, the Emperor's trusted eunuch, was not sure.

But at that moment, Prince Chen's gentle eyes frightened him, as if he could see through all his thoughts.

What was the Emperor thinking? What was Prince Chen thinking? And what was the one, who had always behaved properly and acted like an invisible person in the imperial palace, thinking?

Derong had an intuition that the imperial court would not be peaceful anymore...

The funeral of Wang Yishu was simple!

But it was only relatively simple. No one had expected that Old Madam would request to conduct a funeral for Miss Wang, who had lived in a corner of Duke Xing's Mansion and almost been forgotten by everyone in Duke Xing's Mansion.

Although they didn't invite any guests, they conducted a decent funeral and even specially invited some monks to recite scriptures. The coffin was placed in Wang Shengxue's courtyard outside Duke Xing's Mansion.

Old Madam personally led a group of Misses of Duke Xing's Mansion to offer incense to Wang Yishu, showing enough respect.

Wang Yishu, a distant cousin of Duke Xing's Mansion living in Duke Xing's Mansion, was not supposed to be taken seriously by Duke Xing's Mansion even though she was dead. However, Duke Xing's Mansion showed great respect for her, which reminded others of Wang Yishu, who attempted to frame Shao Wanru in the imperial palace.

At that time, Wang Yishu was Madam of Duke Xing's niece, while Shao Wanru was the Second Miss of the Qin's Mansion. They somehow had become enemies since then. Thinking about it now, people believed that there must be something fishy about it.

In particular, Old Madam led a group of granddaughters to show respect for the Wang's Mansion, which gave people the impression that Duke Xing's Mansion felt guilty for Wang Yishu's death.

The courtyard of the Wang's Mansion was newly bought, and they had moved from the previous small courtyard to the big courtyard they had just bought.

However, Wang Yishu's funeral was conducted in the previous courtyard. It was said that the members of the Wang's Mansion thought that conducting a funeral in their new residence would bring them misfortune and they couldn't bear to live in the courtyard if the funeral was conducted there.

Therefore, Shao Wanru met Ning Xueqing, whom she had met in the last life, in this place, which seemed to be narrow.

Different from the ostentatious lady in the last life, Ning Xueqing in front of her was not arrogant at all. She looked docile and decorous. When she saw Old Madam, she became more respectful, kowtowed a few times before standing up, and then looked at Old Madam joyfully. It was her original maid, Dongxing, who stood beside her and greeted the guests with her. But now, Dongxing was on an equal footing with her.

Both of them were Wang Shengxue's concubines, having their own maids.

"You are the Second Miss of the Ning's Mansion?" Old Madam frowned and looked at Ning Xueqing. After looking her up and down, she said lightly.

"Yes!" Ning Xueqing said softly.

Old Madam turned her eyes in disgust. She had never liked this kind of woman, who was originally a Miss from an aristocratic family but abandoned herself to have an affair with a man. Ning Xueqing happened to be the kind of woman she hated the most.

The Misses from Duke Xing's Mansion looked at Ning Xueqing with arrogance and disdain. As Misses of noble birth, they really looked down on Ning Xueqing in front of them.

It seemed that Ning Xueqing didn't notice the contempt on their faces. She still followed them with a smile into the living room, and then instructed the servants to serve tea.

Dongxing followed her and also wanted to help, but she was a maid originally, so she became timid in front of the Mesdames and Misses of Duke Xing's Mansion. What was more, she was caught in Duke Xing's Mansion at that time. Although it had been three years, she still felt ashamed and angry every time she thought of it.

After thinking for a while, she still didn't dare to come over. So she stayed there, watching Ning Xueqing take care of the guests!

Shao Wanru sat behind everyone and glanced at Old Madam's and Shao Yanru's faces indifferently. Both of them looked sullen and seemed to be forced to come here. It should be requested by Wang Shengxue. Duke Xing's Mansion had to come here and offer incense to Wang Yishu. Old Madam and Shao Yanru considered it a disgrace to them.

However, if it was Wang Shengxue's only request, Shao Wanru would look down upon him!

What was more, Ning Xueqing was here. This woman had always been good at scheming, so their visiting here certainly would not be all she was up to!

“Madam, something terrible happened!” As soon as everyone sat down and took a sip of tea, they saw an old maid rush over in a panic and said to Ning Xueqing.

Chapter 709 The Corpse Seemed to Come back to Life at the Funeral!

Madam? Shao Wanru smiled slightly and continued looking at the teacup in her hand. Ning Xueqing, a concubine who could be addressed as Madam, was obviously powerful in the Wang’s Mansion.

In the last life, Wang Shengxue didn’t want to marry Ning Xueqing at first, but she managed to marry him!

Ning Xueqing, who seemed to be shocked, smiled apologetically at Old Madam, and then dragged the old maid aside and asked, “What happened?”

She didn’t talk loudly, but it was so quiet in the living room that the others could vaguely hear it. Although they were drinking tea, they all strained their ears to listen to the conversation between Ning Xueqing and the old maid.

“Ma... Madam... the corpse seemed to come back to life...” the old maid said in astonishment and panic.

All the others in the living room became nervous. They were all women, so they were most afraid of this kind of thing. What was more, someone among them had a guilty conscience. From Shao Wanru’s angle of view, she immediately saw that Shao Yanru shivered a little with her face suddenly turning pale and hurriedly reached out to keep her balance.

“What nonsense are you talking about? How could it be possible?” Ning Xueqing rebuked the old maid.

“Madam... it... it’s true...” As the old maid spoke, she almost burst into tears in fear. “Many people heard the sounds from inside the coffin... We... we... we were all badly scared...”

There were two old maids and a maid at the place where the coffin was stopped, and they all collapsed on the spot in fear.

“Ma... Madam... you said... said that the First Miss died... died of persecution. Only those who died of persecution... will be unwilling to leave...” the old maid stammered with her teeth trembling, sounding creepy.

Shao Yanru’s face was as pale as snow. No matter how vicious and scheming she was, she was panic-stricken in face of this kind of thing.

“Where... where... is Young Master?” Ning Xueqing, who was also frightened, became tongue-tied and stammered, behaving in a way completely different from the way she had behaved before.

Seeing Ning Xueqing panic, the old maid became more frightened and said, “He... he’s not here. He has gone out at this time...”

Ning Xueqing pulled herself together and said, “Let me... Let’s go and have a look... Bring... a few more people with us, including... the manservants outside!”

She seemed to intend to appease the others, but the way she spoke and her request to bring all the servants to boost her courage made them even more panicked.

Shao Wanru calmly watched them, picked up the teacup at hand and took another sip. After that, she slowly put it down and sneered silently.

Ghost?

If ghosts really existed, she would be the fierce ghost who climbed up from the sea of blood. She was really not afraid of such a trick!

However, she was not afraid, but it did not mean that the others were not either. Shao Yanru had lost her usual calmness and kept drinking tea.

“Ru’er!” Old Madam scolded her in a low voice.

Only then did Shao Yanru return to herself. She looked at Ning Xueqing with a pale face and then slowly narrowed her eyes.

Ning Xueqing left the old maid there, walked over and said with a forced smile, “Old Madam and Misses, I’m going outside to have a look. Please sit down for a while, and it will be time to offer incense soon!”

It could be seen that she said in an unnatural tone and forced a smile, but at least she did not tremble.

“Go ahead!” Old Madam said coldly.

As Ning Xueqing left in a hurry with the old maid, it became strangely quiet in the living room. Everyone was sitting quietly, and they could almost hear each other’s breathing. Meanwhile, the whistling cold wind from outside was striking the windows. The atmosphere somehow became creepy, as if there were something struggling but under control.

The sounds of the monks chanting scriptures came from afar, making them feel indescribably uncomfortable, short of breath and panic-stricken in the strange silence.

Shao Yanru, who couldn’t bear to continue sitting here, said, “Grandma, I want to go out for a walk with second sister!”

Of course, she didn’t dare to leave alone at this time, so Shao Jie’er became her best companion.

“Go ahead!” Old Madam said with a nod. She also found the atmosphere in the living room not good.

Shao Jie’er stood up helplessly and followed Shao Yanru out, because she didn’t dare to turn down Shao Yanru’s request.

Shao Caihuan also stood up and said, “Grandma, Fourth Sister and I also want to go out for a walk!”

“Go ahead!” Old Madam said, waved her hand and looked at Shao Wanru. “Wanru, do you want to go out and get some fresh air?”

Shao Wanru stood up, bowed sideways to Old Madam and said, “Thank you, grandma!”

Since the two of them had a fierce conflict that day, Old Madam had been kind to Shao Wanru these days and even gave her some gifts, as if she had forgotten that she had been so mad at Shao Wanru that she reached out in an attempt to slap Shao Wanru a few days ago.

Since Old Madam acted as if she had forgotten it, Shao Wanru naturally acted in the same way. In face of Old Madam's showing kindness to her, she accepted it with a smile.

At the moment, one of them acted like a kind grandma, while the other acted like a gentle granddaughter.

Shao Caihuan looked at Shao Wanru in surprise and then looked at Old Madam, who was sitting in the seat of honor. As Old Madam's biological granddaughter, Shao Caihuan was clear about how biased Old Madam was. For those who she liked, such as Shao Yanru, she would give them all the good things she got and do all she could to pave the way for them. For those who she didn't like, she wouldn't care about their feelings and even glance at them, even if they were her biological granddaughters! For example, Shao Cailing and Shao Caihuan had never been favored by Old Madam.

They had to take the blame for anything terrible and give away all good things to Shao Yanru. Even if the terrible thing was obviously related to Shao Yanru, Old Madam would push a granddaughter she didn't like out to take the blame.

The two sisters of the third branch had never had any good impression of their eldest sister.

Seeing that Old Madam was so kind to Shao Wanru, whom she had always despised and hated the most, at this moment, the two sisters were so confused.

However, the two sisters just quited thinking about it since they couldn't figure out why. Shao Caihuan warmly invited Shao Wanru to go with them, and the three of them went out of the living room together.

There was a small courtyard and several wing rooms outside. Wang Yishu's coffin was placed in the lodge.

From a distance, they saw Shao Jie'er and Shao Yanru walking slowly on the path.

Shao Caihuan proposed to walk in another direction because she didn't want to meet them.

However, the yard was too small. Before long, they met. After they greeted each other warmly, they continued walking in circles and then met again...

After several encounters, everyone lost interest and went to the living room together.

A maid suddenly ran over from the lodge outside, came up to them, stopped in a hurry, and then said while gasping, "Is the First Miss Shao here?"

Shao Yanru, who had calmed down at this time, asked, "What's the matter?"

"The Madam of our mansion invites you over!" the maid said, not looking very good.

"Why does she invite me over?" Shao Yanru said warily, "Even if she needs to invite someone over, it should be my grandma."

"No... it's not the Madam of our mansion, but... the First Miss of our mansion..." the maid stammered and looked so frightened that she managed to keep her balance with her hand on a small tree beside her.

Without Old Madam around, they weren't quite discreet in deed. Shao Jie'er exclaimed in dismay, and her face immediately turned as pale as snow.

No one other than Wang Yishu was the First Miss of the Wang's Mansion! How could a dead person want to meet Shao Yanru?

Shao Yanru took a deep breath and said coldly, "Slap her in the face!"

Shuqi, who followed her, stepped forward and slapped the maid of the Wang's Mansion twice, so that the latter staggered and fell to the ground.

"If you keep talking nonsense, I will kill you!" Shao Yanru said coldly. After that, she turned around and went to the living room with Shuqi, still moving with dignity and elegance.

Only Shao Wanru saw a trace of fear across her eyes when she turned around.

No matter how determined Shao Yanru was, she couldn't help panicking at this time. The plan to kill Wang Yishu was carried out by Madam of Duke Xing, but Shao Yanru had always known it, and it was even possible that Shao Yanru was the one who came up with the idea behind the scenes.

Shao Wanru had never doubted this.

So it was reasonable for Shao Yanru to panic, feel frightened and guilty in this situation.

Shao Jie'er hurried to follow her. After looking at the maid, who fell to the ground, and then looking at Shao Yanru, who was walking forward with her head high, Shao Caihuan took her sister to follow Shao Yanru, leaving Shao Wanru quietly looking at the maid, who fell to the ground.

The maid got up, still shivering all over.

Shao Wanru looked at the maid calmly with indifference in her eyes and asked, "Miss Wang, who is dead, wants to meet my Big Sister?"

Seeing her calm look, the maid also calmed down a little, took a deep breath and said, "It was the Madam of our mansion who invited the First Miss Shao over. Just now, a note came out of the First Miss's coffin, and the First Miss Shao's name was written on it, so Madam invited the First Miss Shao over."

Because the maid was panic-stricken just now, her words were incoherent, which made it sound like Wang Yishu wanted to invite Shao Yanru over.

her words made sense now. But even so, Shao Wanru still found it creepy after thinking over her words. Since Wang Yishu was dead, why was there a note, on which Shao Yanru's name was written, coming out of the coffin at this time?

"Go and ask the Madam of your mansion to come over!" Shao Wanru said lightly, not looking scared at all.

The maid, who had been slapped just now, didn't dare to disobey the order of any Miss from Duke Xing's Mansion. She turned around and ran out in a hurry. After a while, she came back with Ning Xueqing, who hurried over.

Seeing that it was Shao Wanru who invited her here, Ning Xueqing froze for a moment and looked at the maid beside her in astonishment. The maid was not smart, so she deliberately instructed the maid to pass on the message incoherently so as to make the message sound creepier. Unexpectedly, the maid brought back a vague message.

Shouldn't it be the First Miss of Duke Xing's Mansion who invited her here? Why was it the Fifth Miss Shao in front of her? Although the Fifth Miss Shao was also one of her targets, she was not going to set her up now!

"Greetings, Fifth Miss!" Ning Xueqing responded quickly. Although she was stunned for a moment, she hurriedly bowed to Shao Wanru and said with a smile. Although her face was also too pale, she behaved properly.

Shao Wanru glanced at her and looked her up and down! Shao Wanru was also present when Qin Yuru went to the Ning's Mansion to make a scene, but she didn't see Ning Xueqing there. Ning Xueqing must know such a significant thing, but she didn't show up when Qin Yuru made such a scene.

"Are you the Second Miss of the Ning's Mansion, now one of the two concubines of Childe Wang?"

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Her words were like a stab into Ning Xueqing's heart.

In the past, Ning Xueqing had never thought that one day she would become Wang Shengxue's concubine in such a disgraceful way. What was even more unbearable for her was that her former personal maid also became Wang Shengxue's concubine and was on an equal status with her.

It was all because of Duke Xing's Mansion!

She gritted her teeth and felt resentful, but she didn't dare to show it on her face and just said with a flattering smile, "Right!"

"You are quite adaptable to any circumstances!" Shao Wanru looked at her with a trace of incomprehensible coldness in her deep eyes and said, "Second Miss Ning,, are you really content to share a husband with your personal maid and be on an equal footing with her?"

She was trying to open Ning Xueqing's old sores again. Ning Xueqing got furious, but considering Shao Wanru's identity, she could only say, "Fifth Miss, you must be joking. I don't really care about that, as long as my husband is pleased!!"

"As long as Childe Wang is pleased? With the help of Duke Xing's Mansion, it's possible for him to marry a Miss from a noble family this time. When the time comes, Second Miss Ning, you can only be a concubine for the rest of your life, and your children can only be on an equal footing with the children of your former maid and can never be the direct descendants!" Shao Wanru said gently, as if she didn't know that her words were distressing Ning Xueqing again and again.

Ning Xueqing tried hard to clench her fists and said, "Thank you for your concern, Fifth Miss Shao. I'm willing to do anything as long as my husband is pleased!"

"Really? It's so rare to see a generous woman like you. Second Miss Ning, I have heard of you before I moved to the capital. Speaking of which, we have a close connection. At that time, my eldest sister and

the First Miss Ning had a fierce conflict!” Shao Wanru said with a smile, sounding like she was talking about the old days.

However, the two of them had no memory to share.

“The First Miss Ning did that kind of thing, and your maid attempted to set me up. In fact, I am still suspecting whether your maid and Childe Wang have coupled up behind your back since then?” Shao Wanru continued asking.

She seemed to say that intentionally or unintentionally. However, on hearing her words, Ning Xueqing immediately became alert, hurriedly shook her head and said, “Fifth Miss, I really don’t know what happened three years ago nor if the maid and my husband have coupled up since then!”

After that, she lowered her head with a bit of bitterness.

As a master, she did not know when her personal maid and her future husband had coupled up and they even cooperated to set up someone else behind her back, so that she was implicated and had to be a concubine. Anyone would feel aggrieved and sad in this situation.

Ning Xueqing’s reaction in such a short time made Shao Wanru admire her. It could be said that Ning Xueqing was one of the most responsive people she had seen.

Although she said that abruptly, Ning Xueqing could quickly react, as if she really knew nothing about what her husband and her former maid had done.

“Second Miss Ning, as the maid’s master, do you really know nothing about it? In this case, how did you manage to establish yourself in the past three years? A mansion can’t have two mistresses. Just now it seems that you live a much better life in the Wang’s Mansion than your maid does!” Shao Wanru said meaningfully.

If Ning Xueqing was really as useless as she said and knew nothing about what her husband and her former maid had done, she would have been set up in the past three years and unable to be in charge of the backyard of the Wang’s Mansion as a concubine!

“I’m sorry to let you see this mess, Fifth Miss. I have always treated her as my younger sister and intended to bring her to the Wang’s Mansion with me, so I didn’t set up defences against her. I didn’t expect that she’s such a person. She... she set up both you and me. Since I drew a clear line with her, I have left her no chance to succeed in her schemes!” Ning Xueqing said sincerely.

“Second Miss Ning, are you displeased with her?” Shao Wanru asked with a slight smile.

Ning Xueqing did not dare to nod casually, and could only lower her head and smile bitterly, suggesting her aversion to her maid without saying anything.

“Second Miss Ning, if you are displeased with her, in fact, I can get rid of her!” Shao Wanru said in a lazy voice with a slight smile, looking friendly.

However, Ning Xueqing was nervous. She didn’t dare to look down on the Fifth Miss Shao. Although she didn’t get any information, which directly reflected the Fifth Miss Shao’s personality, judging from what had happened to her eldest sister, what had happened after the Fifth Miss Shao returned to Duke Xing’s

Mansion, and what had happened to Wang Yishu this time, she had an intuition that the Fifth Miss Shao was not simple.

All these things indicated that the Fifth Miss Shao was not simple. Would such a Miss of Duke Xing's Mansion of high status help her deal with Dongxing?

Ning Xueqing pulled herself together and said, "Thank you, Fifth Miss, but..."

"You are displeased with her, so am I. Every time I saw her standing there, I thought of what happened three years ago. At that time, I didn't have the ability or the right to do anything to her, but now..." Shao Wanru interrupted her rudely and coldly with a trace of fierce rage in her eyes.

Shocked by her conspicuous rage, Ning Xueqing took two steps back and looked at Shao Wanru fearfully.

"But now, I don't think I can allow her to set me up without being punished and live a peaceful life until now and even for the rest of her life. Second Miss Ning, what about sending her to the government office, where she will be detained even if she can survive? When the time comes, she can no longer compete for your husband with you!" Shao Wanru continued saying, as if she didn't notice Ning Xueqing's expression.

Sending her to the government office? When Ning Xueqing thought of this, her face turned increasingly pale. She was the one who came up with the plot for Wang Shengxue behind the scene three years ago. If the government office looked into it, Dongxing would definitely give her away.

Three years ago, Dongxing could take the blame for her. But now Ning Xueqing was sure that Dongxing would let out the whole story and even add some inflammatory details.

In the past three years, Dongxing had been suppressed by her in the backyard of the Wang's Mansion. As a concubine on an equal footing with her, Dongxing had become ambitious long ago and was no longer the maid loyal to her.

"Please spare Dongxing, Fifth Miss. If anything happens to her, my husband will blame me!" Ning Xueqing knelt down in front of Shao Wanru directly and said with tears in her eyes, while wiping her tears with a handkerchief.

"You are unwilling to do that?" Shao Wanru asked with a strange expression.

Yujie, who was standing beside her, had taken two steps forward to pull Ning Xueyan up. She had always been strong, so that Ning Xueqing, who wanted to keep kneeling on the ground and begging for mercy, had to stand up.

"Fifth Miss, please spare Dongxing. She lost her head at that time!" Ning Xueqing pleaded.

Shao Wanru glanced at her face and suddenly said, "I heard that you are not on friendly terms with her. But you are so kind that you allowed her to marry into the Wang's Mansion so easily. Is it because..."

Speaking of this, she paused for a moment, but Ning Xueqing was so scared that her face immediately turned as pale as snow. If what had happened three years ago was revealed, she would definitely have to take the consequences. Although she was scheming, she was wet with cold sweat in fear at this time. She looked at Shao Wanru with imploring eyes, for fear that the Fifth Miss Shao would really take it seriously and sort through things again.

The Fifth Miss Shao had the backing of Rui'an Great Elder Princess rather than of Duke Xing's Mansion, so the Fifth Miss Shao would not let her go considering that the cause of Wang Yishu's death had something to do with Duke Xing's Mansion and would even be eager to see it revealed. Thinking of this, Ning Xueqing was scared. She was pleading for her own sake rather than for the sake of Dongxing.

Moreover, Shao Wanru pointed out that she was not on friendly terms with Dongxing now, so she, who tried so hard to plead for the sake of Dongxing, must have an ulterior motive.

Although she had known that this Fifth Miss Shao was not simple, she did not expect that she would be so difficult to deal with.

Shao Wanru looked at her and said slowly, "In fact, I can spare her once, but..."

"What do you want?" Ning Xueqing asked anxiously.

"It depends on your performance! Although the First Miss Wang's death is a shame, but..." Shao Wanru paused when speaking of this, which made Ning Xueqing's heart tremble. "I'm the final victim anyway, right?"

Ning Xueqing felt as if her heart were in her mouth. When she was about to say something, Shao Wanru smiled and turned to leave.

Watching her leave indifferently, Ning Xueqing felt timid with horror in her tearful eyes. She understood what the Fifth Miss Shao meant. Even if the cause of Wang Yishu's death was revealed, it would not do any harm to Shao Wanru. Even if the whole Duke Xing's Mansion was involved in it, Shao Wanru could stay out of it!

Because Shao Wanru was the final victim!

Wang Yishu was killed as an accomplice in the plot against Shao Wanru. Speaking of which, Wang Yishu didn't behave properly, so it would do nothing but harm to the reputation of the Wang's Mansion if the cause of her death was revealed.

Pulling herself together, Ning Xueqing asked the maid beside her in a low voice, "Has Young Master come back yet?"

The maid shook her head and said, "Young Master hasn't returned yet!"

"When he comes back, ask him to wait in the outer wing room, and then tell me quickly!" Ning Xueqing said after thinking for a moment. She and Wang Shengxue had planned to threaten Duke Xing's Mansion as much as possible with the cause of Wang Yishu's death and even try all they could to expose Duke Xing's Mansion's involvement in Wang Yishu's death in front of the public.

If they got a chance, they would even push the blame onto all members of Duke Xing's Mansion. But at the moment, she had to change her mind. The Fifth Miss of Duke Xing's Mansion was not easy to deal with. If she was really pissed off, the final victim in this desperate fight would be the Wang's Mansion rather her.

Although Wang Shengxue now was backed by someone, the one was not necessarily willing to offend Rui'an Great Elder Princess's Mansion. Wang Shengxue had been told that the one was willing to help

them deal with Duke Xing's Mansion, but making an enemy of Rui'an Great Elder Princess's Mansion would make the situation tricky!

What was more, the Fifth Miss Shao was in the right now. If she was just a delicate Miss spending most of her time in the backyard, the Wang's Mansion could do something else to silence her. But she was obviously not!

The trick they had played at Wang Yishu's funeral just now seemed to be targeted at the First Miss of Duke Xing's Mansion, but in fact, it was targeted at the Fifth Miss Shao. If the Fifth Miss Shao was very delicate, there was no need to consider her a threat. In this case, they could do whatever they wanted and even make use of the First Miss Shao to push all the blame onto the Fifth Miss Shao so that they could get some help from Rui'an Great Elder Princess.

The Wang's Mansion intended to talk black into white!

But now, Ning Xueqing didn't dare to set up the Fifth Miss Shao, who had crucial cards in her hand so that she didn't dare to challenge her.

"Yes, I'm going to the entrance to wait for Young Master right away!" The maid, who was smart, answered in a hurry.