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Chapter 961: Taking Action in Front of the Empress

Hearing that Infanta Yuan'an came in crying, the Empress was stunned for a moment.

She was very satisfied with Infanta Yuan'an as her daughter-in-law.

She was not only pleased with the fact that Infanta Yuan'an had Great Elder Princess as her backing, but was also pleased with Infanta Yuan'an's fortune, which mattered extremely. Her precious fortune indicated that her future status would be indescribably noble.

In the past, Infanta Yuan'an had been extremely dignified and decent and behaved very well among the Misses from aristocratic families. She had a different kind of dignified and decent manner from Shao Yanru's, who just looked dignified and decent, not like Infanta Yuan'an. The infanta was also fair in dealing with things. She was gracious and handled affairs with noble manners.

"Infanta Yuan'an, who is so dignified and decent, has been bullied?" The Empress felt a little upset.

"My son will be the crown prince and the Emperor in the future, which makes Infanta Yuan'an the future crown princess and the future Empress. How could she get bullied and come to complain to me in crying? Shouldn't she just strike back?

"Is it Princess Chen who came with her that bullied her? Princess Chen looks so weak and delicate that she doesn't look like a strong figure at all. Moreover, even if she is strong, so what? With the identity of Infanta Yuan'an, how could she allow Princess Chen to bully her?

"It's not Prince Chen that did it to her."

"Invite Infanta Yuan'an and Princess Chen in!" the Empress frowned and said.

The eunuch hurried down, and soon he led two people in.

As soon as Infanta Yuan'an entered the room, she quickly came over and bowed to the Empress, and then her eyes became redder and redder. "Your Majesty... Your Majesty..."

Her words were full of grievance as she said them while crying.

"Yuan'an, you may get up!" The Empress raised her hand slightly. A palace maid came over to help Infanta Yuan'an up and helped her sit down on one side.

Shao Wanru also knelt down and bowed.

"You may also get up, Princess Chen!" the Empress said with a smile. She glanced at Shao Wanru's delicate face with a calm and emotionless look on it. Although she looked a little younger than Infanta Yuan'an, the Empress appreciated her calmness.

"Only my son's wife should have such a temperament. How Infanta Yuan'an is doing today is really disgraceful!"

Shao Wanru didn't get up, but waved off the hands of the palace maid who went to support her hand and said with her eyes widened slightly, "Your Majesty, please uphold justice for me!"

"You..." Infanta Yuan'an said in anger. Shao Wanru actually spoke before her, but she couldn't ignore her dignity, nor could she speak before Shao Wanru at this time.

"Did something happen?" The Empress's face darkened.

"Your Majesty, I met Infanta Yuan'an before..." Shao Wanru told the whole story calmly. After that, she kowtowed to the Empress, raised her head, and said, "Your Majesty, if I was bumped into by Second Young Master Qu at that time, would my reputation be ruined?"

Her reputation could not be regarded as ruined if he only bumped into her, but Second Young Master Qu was a playboy. Who knew if he would hold Shao Wanru in his arms out of lust?

It was not impossible. Looking at Shao Wanru's delicate facial features, the Empress felt that it must be true.

Qu Xinghong was obsessed with beauties and he would most likely grope them when he met them. The Empress assumed that when he met Shao Wanru, he would inevitably reach out to hold her in his arms and might even do something more outrageous. After she got disrespected in public, her reputation would almost be ruined.

Even though it was an accident, it would bring shame to the royal family.

The Empress could even ask Chu Liuchen to divorce Shao Wanru or demote her to a concubine due to this matter.

But the Empress thought that it was unlikely for her to do so because if she did it, she would really offend Rui'an Great Elder Princess and even Chu Liuchen. It was said that Chu Liuchen was very satisfied with Princess Chen. Of course, this had been only hearsay. The descendants of the royal family were not simple. The Empress did not know if that rumor was true.

If what she imagined had actually happened, the Empress thought it was good and could use it to threaten Shao Wanru. In the future, Shao Wanru would not dare to act tough in front of her. The Empress felt great that she now could take advantage of Shao Wanru's mistake.

The problem was that it did not happen, and moreover, Infanta Yuan'an had made the trouble public and brought it to her.

If Infanta Yuan'an was just an ordinary Miss, the Empress could protect her. However, Infanta Yuan'an had another identity, which was her son's future wife. For this reason, she could not protect Infanta Yuan'an openly.

"If he just bumped into you a little, it's not a big deal. Get up and talk!" the Empress smiled gently, shrugging it off.

"Your Majesty, Princess Chen beat my second brother and said something else to frame me up!" Infanta Yuan'an got anxious and also knelt down.

The Empress was not very happy. She thought that Infanta Yuan'an had a bad intention in this matter. At this time, it was best to make concessions, but she still held on to it. It was too much and her action was off-key.

The Empress didn't know that Shao Wanru and Infanta Yuan'an had fallen out just now. And right now, either one of them would win or be suppressed. How could Infanta Yuan'an be willing to be suppressed by her? At this moment, she couldn't have a guilty conscience. Otherwise, all the gossip in the future would be targeting her.

She couldn't allow that to happen.

Shao Wanru's eyes were clear, and she remained in her posture. She asked unhurriedly, "Infanta Yuan'an, tell me what I said to frame you up. Can the Empress also hear it?"

"You said... you said that this is between Prince Zhou and Prince Chen!" Infanta Yuan'an now had to say it because she was in a difficult situation.

The Empress's heart skipped a beat. What she avoided most was her son's affairs. All of her son's affairs were important matters, and she couldn't let the Emperor dislike her son anymore.

"What happened between Prince Zhou and Prince Chen? Aren't they good brothers?" Shao Wanru pretended not to see the displeasure in the Empress's eyes and asked deliberately.

Infanta Yuan'an was so angry that her face turned livid. Shao Wanru had not said so when she was in Butterfly Clothing Shop. Every word she said was hinting that Prince Chen and Prince Zhou were not on good terms, and Infanta Yuan'an was going against her for Prince Zhou's sake.

"Princess Chen, you, you said before that I did this for Prince Zhou to deal with Prince Chen's Mansion!" Infanta Yuan'an said angrily. After that, her face changed dramatically, and she pressed her trembling fingers to the ground. She was so angry that she lost her composure and even said such words.

How could such words be casually spoken?

As expected, the Empress slammed her teacup on the table. "Infanta Yuan'an, what do you mean? Prince Zhou and Prince Chen are brothers and have always been on good terms. What are you two talking about?"

"Your Majesty, you are right. I also think that Prince Zhou has a good relationship with Prince Chen. I don't understand what Infanta Yuan'an means. Why is she going against me like this? Why does she want to ruin my reputation? What good is it for her if my reputation is ruined? Or has Infanta Yuan'an been intending to target Prince Chen's Mansion?" Shao Wanru answered in an extremely calm tone.

Infanta Yuan'an was so mad that she wanted to bite Shao Wanru. What Shao Wanru said sounded like Infanta Yuan'an was making trouble rudely and hurting people, but these things had nothing to do with Prince Zhou's Mansion. After all, she had not married into Prince Zhou's Mansion yet and had not been the real Princess Zhou. No matter what happened, it had nothing to do with Prince Zhou.

The Empress liked to hear what Shao Wanru said. What she hated most was involving her son in this kind of thing. She nodded at once and turned to look at Infanta Yuan'an. "What happened exactly? How could your second brother fall down all of a sudden?"

Shao Wanru sneered in her heart. "The Empress is indeed partial. She said that in order to find an excuse for Infanta Yuan'an and she intends to get rid of this matter in the name of an accident!

"How could there be such an easy thing in the world?

"In the past, I did not fight for everything, but it doesn't mean that I will endure it when others bully me.

"If I tolerate it now, others will bully me more by the next time. Only if I nip it in the bud when others try to hurt me will no one dare to slander me lightly in the future."

"Your Majesty, I... I really don't know why this happened. I... wasn't being cautious at that time. Who knew that my second brother couldn't stand still!" Infanta Yuan'an was a smart person. Although she wanted to kill Shao Wanru, she hurriedly grasped at the straw sent by the Empress and used it to save herself.

"Infanta Yuan'an, you weren't being cautious? But even so, it's true that your brother offended me, isn't it? I'm now Princess Chen. Shouldn't he be punished for offending me?" said Shao Wanru with deep eyes.

She did not argue how it happened, nor did she ask if it was an accident at that time. She only stressed her emphasis.

This was what aggrieved Infanta Yuan'an the most. Hearing Shao Wanru's words, she immediately wiped her tears with a handkerchief and said, "Your Majesty, what my brother did was really just an accident. When Princess Chen came over, she asked someone to beat my brother and humiliated him in front of so many people. Please... please uphold justice for me. My elder brother was just being careless!"

Infanta Yuan'an said very well and made it sound like it was all just an accident. She didn't believe that Shao Wanru could defeat her with just an accident.

With the Empress's help, Shao Wanru's reputation of being domineering could be confirmed.

She had just married into Prince Chen's Mansion, but she was already so domineering. It could be seen that she was not a good person. The daughter-in-law of the royal family should be decent and reasonable, and she should do things reasonably. How could she declare somebody guilty just based on an accident?

"He was being careless?" Shao Wanru suddenly reached out her hand and asked.

Infanta Yuan'an was shocked and hurriedly stepped back, thinking that Shao Wanru was going to slap her.

Shao Wanru's hand slid across her cheek, and her sharp nails scratched her tender face lightly. Immediately, a scratch appeared on her delicate face, leaving a faint bloodstain.

Everyone was shocked. Princess Chen just scratched Infanta Yuan'an's face in front of the Empress.

"Your Majesty..." Infanta Yuan'an, who had come to her senses, covered her face and cried sadly and indignantly, but at the same time, she also breathed a sigh of relief in her heart. Shao Wanru dared to do such a thing in front of the Empress, which meant that she was doomed.

After this incident, the Empress had the reason to punish her as much as she wanted.

"How dare you!" At this time, the Empress came to her senses. She slammed her hand on the table heavily, and her face turned pale with anger. No woman had ever dared to be so presumptuous in front of her before.

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Chapter 962: Another Accident, Admit It or Not?

"Your Highness, I intended to pull the falling hair for Infanta Yuan'an, but she turned her head sideways in a panic and bumped into my fingertips!" Shao Wanru answered calmly.

"You..." Infanta Yuan'an was fuming with rage.

"Infanta Yuan'an, don't be afraid. I will not hit you in front of the Empress!" Shao Wanru said with a smile.

"It's totally an accident brought about by Infanta Yuan'an. Your Highness, are you going to punish me for such an accident?" Shao Wanru turned around and said softly to the Empress.

The Empress's face darkened. She got so angry that she wanted to smash the cup in her hand, but she had to restrain herself. If what had happened before was an accident, what had happened now was also indeed an accident.

She had previously determined that what Infanta Yuan'an had said was just an accident. Now she couldn't say what Shao Wanru did just now was not an accident. It was true that Infanta Yuan'an got her face scratched because she turned her head sideways in a panic.

Infanta Yuan'an was not smart. The Empress was not sure whether Infanta Yuan'an would be helpful or troublesome to her son in the future. If she had known this, she would have chosen her daughter-in-law more carefully at that time. Maybe there had been a more suitable one.

Infanta Yuan'an's behavior made the Empress angry; now she could not say what Shao Wanru did just now was not an accident.

The hall fell silent, and the Empress looked coldly at Shao Wanru with a hint of anger.

Infanta Yuan'an involuntarily grasped the hem of her dress tightly and bit her lip. She felt panicky. It was obviously not an accident, but she did not have anything to prove it.

She shared the same view of the Empress; if what had happened before was an "accident", then what happened just now could also be taken as an "accident", unless the previous one was not an accident.

After a long while, the Empress said slowly, "Since it was an accident, don't let it affect your harmonious relationship. You two should be friendly with each other in the future!"

"We should do as you say!" Shao Wanru said with a slight smile and agreed with the Empress extremely gently. A palace maid came over to help her stand up and sit down beside the Empress.

After witnessing what happened just now, the Empress would not really think that Shao Wanru was meek.

Infanta Yuan'an was unwilling to give up. The Empress stopped both of them, which meant that she was sure Yuan'an had bad intentions. Besides, it also meant that Yuan'an's brother had been hit for nothing.

Since he got hit, someone must be punished.

"Your Highness... my second brother is wronged!" Infanta Yuan'an said. She did not get up and looked at the Empress with tears in her eyes. Her eyes were full of expectation.

She couldn't lose in the first confrontation with Shao Wanru.

"Infanta Yuan'an, are you saying that there was nothing wrong about what your second brother had done and said?" Shao Wanru knew that Infanta Yuan'an would not submit so she responded by asking her with a slight smile.

And then she turned to the Empress and said, "Your Highness, Third Young Master Wen was also there at that time. If you want to know how Second Young Master Qu had defamed Prince Chen's Mansion in his words, you can invite him into the palace and inquire him!"

"He defamed Prince Chen's Mansion?" The Empress was surprised and wanted to slap Infanta Yuan'an's face hard.

"That sickly child is beloved by the Emperor and the Empress Dowager; how could he defame him?

"It's alright if this matter only concerns Shao Wanru, but if it actually involves Chu Liuchen, not to mention the Empress Dowager, even the Emperor would blame me.

"Infanta Yuan'an is said to have a good fortune, but would this daughter-in-law actually be helpful to my son?" the Empress thought to herself.

"Well, that's it. Second Young Master Qu offended others, so he should be punished!" the Empress said.

She knew very well that she could not be biased at this time.

"Your Highness, he's my second brother!" Infanta Yuan'an couldn't believe what the Empress said and cried out sadly, with tears falling down her face.

She was Prince Zhou's wife. If her second brother lost face, Prince Zhou would also lose face.

Infanta Yuan'an reminded the Empress that this matter also concerned Prince Zhou's dignity.

"How dare you! Even if the prince breaks the law, he will be punished!" the Empress said harshly, with her face darkened. She disliked this insensible daughter-in-law!

This matter was obviously a bad thing, and Infanta Yuan'an was so stupid to try to get Prince Zhou involved. She lacked the grace of a future empress; on the contrary, she looked like one of those imperial concubines who came to her and cried that they were wronged.

Every time that happened, the Empress looked down at them with a condescending attitude. Even if they were imperial concubines, they were still concubines. All they could do was crying.

However, she had chosen Infanta Yuan'an for her son as the Princess, who would become the future Crown Princess and the future Empress. How could she lose her grace like this? She wasn't compared to Princess Chen.

By their looks, Princess Chen was younger and meeker, but she was acting reasonably and gracefully like a princess, while Infanta Yuan'an looked like a concubine.

Comparing the two, she found the difference was obvious. The Empress was unhappy.

"Your Highness, bad news, bad news!" A eunuch ran in hurriedly, sweating profusely.

"What's the matter?" the Empress said unhappily. The Phoenix Palace should be regulated. Everyone made such a fuss over everything.

"Prince Chen broke Second Young Master Qu's arm!" the eunuch said, wiping the cold sweat on his forehead.

"What?" Infanta Yuan'an staggered and almost fainted.

"What's going on?" the Empress was stunned for a moment and asked anxiously. It gave her a headache. Now, this matter could not be smoothed over.

"Prince Chen came from Prince Chen's Mansion and met Second Young Master Qu at the Palace gate. He broke Second Young Master Qu's arm straight away and said that it was a revenge for Princess Chen's matter!" the eunuch said.

"How, how did Prince Chen know about this?" The Empress hurriedly turned back and look at Shao Wanru.

"Before I entered the Palace, I sent someone to inform Prince Chen. He also knew what had happened when I went shopping for clothes and accessories before. Originally, he wanted to go shopping with me, but there was an emergency, so he told me to go shopping alone and inform him when I came back!" Shao Wanru said in an extremely orderly manner.

There was no trace of panic on her face as if what she said was the truth.

"You... you... how could you be so unkind?" Infanta Yuan'an was very sad and angry. Her idea got her second brother's hand broken. This was her second brother, who had blood ties with her. Although he was not very capable, he was very nice to her.

"Infanta Yuan'an, you're wrong. I wasn't being unkind. All I did was tell Prince Chen about it. I didn't expect that he would meet Second Young Master Qu. Maybe he agitated Prince Chen again! After all, what he had said not only agitated me but also agitated Prince Chen," Shao Wanru said like she had no choice.

In a word, Qu Xinghong asked for it himself, and it had nothing to do with anyone else!

Infanta Yuan'an was so angry that she almost gnashed her teeth into pieces. If the Empress wasn't here, she would uncontrollably pounce on Shao Wanru and scratch her hateful face.

"Does the Emperor know about this?" the Empress ignored them and continued.

"Someone has already reported it to the Emperor and the Empress Dowager!" the eunuch replied.

So the Emperor and the Empress Dowager already knew about it!

The Empress took a deep breath, suppressed the surging anger in her heart, and stood up. "Let's go to the Empress Dowager's palace and let her decide on this matter!"

She couldn't smooth over this matter now, and she shouldn't. It involved her son, so she needed to act fairly and decently and let Empress Dowager decide.

She was the Empress. She could not be partial toward her son. By doing so, the Emperor and the Empress Dowager would trust her more!

"Yes!" Shao Wanru said softly.

Infanta Yuan'an stood up with the help of a palace maid. She gritted her teeth and followed the Empress.

The group of people headed for Empress Dowager's Palace of Benevolent Peace.

They arrived at the Palace of Benevolent Peace and asked someone to report to the Empress Dowager. And then the Empress walked in with Infanta Yuan'an and Shao Wanru.

The Empress Dowager sat in a large chair. When she saw them come in, she merely raised her eyes and looked displeased.

After the Empress sat down, Shao Wanru and Infanta Yuan'an knelt down in front of the Empress Dowager. The palace maids did not help them get up, which meant that the Empress Dowager did not forego their formalities.

The Empress Dowager ignored the two who had knelt down and asked the Empress slowly, "Empress, what's the matter?"

"In fact, it was just an accident. Second Young Master Qu fell down the stairs and almost bumped into Princess Chen, but actually, he didn't bump into Princess Chen. Princess Chen asked a servant girl to slap Second Young Master Qu in the face. Infanta Yuan'an and Princess Chen got into a fight and went to the Palace together to seek justice from me. I didn't expect that Prince Chen hit Second Young Master Qu at the gate of the palace!" the Empress sighed helplessly and briefly reported what had happened.

Shao Wanru lowered her eyebrows, but her eyes were cold. What the Empress had said sounded like that she was the one to blame.

"What she said was very funny. Her words hinted that I and Chu Liuchen were being unreasonable and hit Second Young Master Qu one after another!" Shao Wanru thought to herself.

"Second Young Master Qu is a good-for-nothing, but after all, he is the legitimate grandson of Ruiping Great Elder Princess. It's really improper that Princess Chen and Prince Chen hit him and broke his arm!" the Empress said and then frowned slightly.

"Princess Chen, is that true?" the Empress Dowager turned to Shao Wanru and asked in a deep voice.

"Your Highness, it's true. At that time, I was so scared that I thought that someone had deliberately harassed me in order to make Prince Chen lose face. That was why I asked a servant girl to slap Second Young Master Qu. Whether he did it on purpose or not, it was true that he offended me in that case. If he had bumped into me, I might have to kill myself for being harassed!" Shao Wanru did not object to the Empress; instead, she responded to her words calmly. She lowered her eyebrows slightly, looking respectful but not weak.

At this moment, she would not be weak, nor would she get Chu Liuchen into trouble!

A broken arm versus a suicide; one could immediately tell which one was more serious...

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Chapter 963: It's Better Not to Marry Her

"My second brother didn't bump into you!" Infanta Yuan'an said anxiously.

"It will be worse if he did bump into me!" Shao Wanru said. She would not back down!

"You had a servant girl around, so it was impossible for him to bump into you!" Infanta Yuan'an said.

"Yujie is very strong. A normal servant girl wouldn't have been able to stop him!" Shao Wanru said.

"You... are you determined to have my second brother punished?" Infanta Yuan'an was at a disadvantage. Looking at Shao Wanru, who remained calm, she panicked. She kowtowed to the Empress Dowager twice and said with tears rolling down her face, "Empress Dowager, please save my brother. He really didn't do it on purpose!"

"He offended my princess and said he didn't do it on purpose. If he did it on purpose, did he mean to humiliate me?" There was a cold voice from the door.

Chu Liuchen walked into the hall slowly. Although there was a smile on his face, he looked cold and dangerous. He narrowed his long eyes slightly and looked coldly at Infanta Yuan'an, which made her unconsciously shrink and involuntarily lower her head. "Is... is he really the sick Prince Chen?" Infanta Yuan'an wondered.

"Greetings, Imperial Grandmother and Empress!" Chu Liuchen came in and saluted first.

"You may forgo the formalities. Tell me what happened," the Empress Dowager waved her hand and said.

Chu Liuchen strode to the chair, sat down and said, "Imperial Grandmother, what else could it be? It was about my princess being bullied. Second Young Master Qu is a playboy. In the past, he gossiped about unmarried ladies and wives with other playboys. But my wife is not someone that he can casually gossip about!"

He said those words casually, with a hint of indifference and coldness that lowered the temperature of the hall by a few degrees.

Of course, Empress Dowager knew that her grandson was really angry. She looked at Shao Wanru's delicate little face and admitted that she was indeed extremely beautiful. The playboys would definitely

gossip about her if they saw her. But the royal family's dignity could not be damaged at all, and the daughter-in-law was also part of the royal family. No one could gossip about them casually.

Infanta Yuan'an really wanted to refute him, but the Empress winked at her, so she had to suppress her grievance and gnashed her teeth hard.

She understood the Empress was telling her to contain herself, but she really couldn't!

"Imperial Grandmother, no matter what Second Young Master Qu had done, he had hurt me. If I didn't teach him a lesson, it would give him the idea that he can do whatever he wants to me!" Chu Liuchen continued.

"Where is Second Young Master Qu?" the Empress Dowager sighed secretly and said, trying to patch up their quarrels. No matter how wrong Qu Xinghong had been, he was the legitimate grandson of Ruiping Great Elder Princess.

"He has been escorted to Great Elder Princess's Mansion by the eunuch at the gate!" Chu Liuchen said lightly.

"Well, since it has come to this, Second Young Master Qu did not benefit from it at all, so he will not gossip casually in the future!" the Empress Dowager said.

Infanta Yuan'an moved her body a bit. She was unwilling to submit. Prince Chen and his wife were not injured at all, but her second brother's arm was broken. And now they were talking about forgiving her second brother?

"That's it?" someone said.

Infanta Yuan'an was shocked and hurriedly covered her mouth with her hand. Then she realized that these words were not from her, but from Prince Chen. She was so angry that she trembled. "Things have come to this. Why is he unwilling to stop?" Infanta Yuan'an thought.

"Prince Chen, what do you have in mind? Ruiping Great Elder Princess is a royal princess with dignity," the Empress said.

Chu Liuchen's expression didn't change. His eyes fell on Infanta Yuan'an and he said, "What Second Young Master Qu did may be an accident, but what she did was not an accident, was it?"

Being stared at by him, Infanta Yuan'an felt as if she had been targeted by a poisonous snake. She became nervous, knelt stiffly there, and did not dare to move.

"Your Highness, Second Brother and I have always been on good terms. She has already got into a fight with my wife before she marries Second Brother; after she marries into our family in the future, she may harm my relationship with my second brother!" Chu Liuchen raised his eyebrows and said disdainfully, "It's better not to marry a wife that would alienate royal brothers from each other!"

Her words were so unkind. No matter what, Infanta Yuan'an was Prince Zhou's fiancée, and they were betrothed by the Emperor. But he, as a brother, disliked his elder brother's fiancée.

Infanta Yuan'an was so angry. She bit her lip tightly and suppressed the anger simmering in her chest. She would not let go of the sickly Chu Liuchen, nor would she let go of Shao Wanru, who leveraged Chu Liuchen's power.

After the sick man died, she wondered whether Shao Wanru would still be so conceited.

"Prince Chen, they were betrothed by the Emperor!" the Empress said, with her face darkened. Chu Liuchen's words not only humiliated Infanta Yuan'an but also humiliated her.

Her son did not marry a wife to please Chu Liuchen. Why did he have the say about whether her son's wife was good or not? And why didn't he divorce Shao Wanru for the sake of brotherly harmony?

"The Emperor's decision could also be changed, and the royal family's harmony is always the most important!" Chu Liuchen said lazily.

"The Emperor's words carry weight!" The Empress's face became more and more gloomy.

"Of course, Emperor's words carry weight. However, before Infanta Yuan'an marries into the royal family, she has already made a mess in the family!" Chu Liuchen said seemingly reasonably.

Infanta Yuan'an, who was kneeling there, felt that the anger in her chest was boiling. How could Chu Liuchen be so arrogant? He blatantly said such words in front of the Empress, which meant he didn't take the Empress seriously at all.

But with his attitude, she didn't dare to move. She felt that Chu Liuchen was looking at her coldly. She was clear that if she refuted him at this time, she couldn't bear the result.

She had to contain herself, even if she didn't want to.

Shao Wanru was also listening to Chu Liuchen's words. She lowered her head and looked calm, but there was a soft smile on her face. She felt really good. She didn't need to say anything and just listened quietly there.

It indeed felt very good to be protected, especially when she was protected by someone so powerful. She believed that after this time, no matter who wanted to get her into trouble, they would have to think it over: if they provoked Chu Liuchen, could they bear the result?

She also felt so sweet that Chu Liuchen was willing to confront the Empress for her.

He was protecting her, unconditionally. Shao Wanru bit her lip and inexplicably felt like crying again. Since her rebirth, she only felt gentle when she was with Chu Liuchen. She would cry and make a fuss in front of him, like a real girl without any burdens.

"Well, Chen'er, let's drop the matter!" the Empress Dowager finally said.

"Imperial Grandmother..." Chu Liuchen said reluctantly.

"Well, that's it. Get up!" The Empress Dowager would not allow him to make trouble. She gave him a glare and ordered palace maids to help Shao Wanru and Infanta Yuan'an up and sit on her sides.

Shao Wanru happened to sit next to Chu Liuchen.

"Imperial Grandmother, that's all. I will go back first. My princess is very aggrieved!" Chu Liuchen reached out to hold Shao Wanru's hand and said openly.

Shao Wanru blushed and wanted to shake off his hand. How could they hold hands in front of so many people?

However, Chu Liuchen clenched her fist so tightly that she couldn't shake off his hand. She was too embarrassed to shake it too hard, so she could only let him hold her hand and stand up.

"Okay, go back and have a rest first. Take care of yourself!" seeing that he finally stopped making a fuss, the Empress Dowager felt relieved and said to him with a smile.

"Imperial Grandmother, don't worry. I will take care of myself. It's not an easy thing for me to get married. I won't make my wife a widow!" Chu Liuchen said smugly as if he was so happy to have a wife.

Shao Wanru's face turned red. His words were so improper. In the past he was like a handsome young man from an ink painting, now it turned out to be his disguise.

"If you keep talking nonsense, you can stay here to copy Buddhist scriptures for me to quell the anger!" The Empress Dowager's fury was resolved by Chu Liuchen and she reached out her hand to pat him. This was the last thing she liked to hear. If it had been someone else who said it, she would definitely punish that person harshly. But it was Chu Liuchen himself who said this, so she could do nothing about it!

"Okay, okay, okay, I'm leaving. Imperial Grandmother, I'll come to see you tomorrow!" Chu Liuchen said. He did not take those words seriously and put on the gentle and elegant smile again.

If it hadn't been for the previous incident, Infanta Yuan'an would have thought that he was really gentle and handsome.

"You can go now!" the Empress Dowager said.

Chu Liuchen took Shao Wanru's hand and bowed to the Empress again. He was being very polite as if he had never humiliated the Empress before.

The Empress smiled stiffly and wanted to say something, but she found it hard to say it, so she remained silent. In the end, she could only force herself to smile and wave her hand as the Empress Dowager did. Watching them leave, her eyes went dark and cold!

"Sure enough, he has never seen a woman before. So when he marries a wife that's only fair, he treasures her so much!

"However, it's fine. In the future, when there is someone better, I will send her to Prince Chen's Mansion and mess that place up. It would be better if it kills Chu Liuchen," the Empress thought to herself.

"Mother, I'm afraid that Ruiping Great Elder Princess will come to the Palace later..." after taking a deep breath, the Empress suppressed the anger in her heart and reminded the Empress Dowager in a soft voice.

"I will leave this matter to you. I'm in poor health, so I won't meet Great Elder Princess!" The Empress Dowager frowned and pushed this matter to the Empress. "If Ruiping Great Elder Princess comes to the Palace, she must come to cry and complain.

"But what can I do? I can't punish Chen'er! Second Young Master Qu was so incapable. How could he be so stupid to try to bump into Shao Wanru?" The Empress Dowager had experienced many crafty plots when she was young. She would not actually consider it an accident.

She looked at Infanta Yuan'an with a little displeasure in her eyes. She was afraid that this granddaughter-in-law would bring trouble into the family. Even before she married into the family, she had caused discord between Chen'er and Prince Zhou. Both of them were her grandsons. Although it was a little biased, Empress Dowager thought that Infanta Yuan'an was the worst.

As for Shao Wanru, Chu Liuchen treasured her so much that Empress Dowager couldn't do anything to her.

Wasn't Infanta Yuan'an the troublemaker?

"Empress, when the Great Elder Princess comes, tell her to keep an eye on her granddaughter. She is going to get married soon, so she should embroider more dowries!" The Empress Dowager looked cold.

These words were almost a reprimand. Infanta Yuan'an's face turned red, and her tears rolled down her face, but she did not dare to argue for herself!

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Chapter 964: You Can't, Prince Zhou Can't Either!

Infanta Yuan'an followed Ruiping Great Elder Princess out of the Palace.

After getting on the carriage, she couldn't hold back her tears anymore. She covered her mouth with a handkerchief and choked with sobs!

Ruiping Great Elder Princess looked at her coldly with disappointment in her eyes.

"Grandma, why? Why would it end up like this?" Infanta Yuan'an raised her head and looked at Ruiping Great Elder Princess with her red and swollen eyes. And then her eyes were filled with resentment. She said, "She is a princess, but I will also become a princess. Besides, I am the wife of a legitimate son. There is no reason she could trample me!"

"It's because Prince Chen showed up and protected her, but Prince Zhou didn't show up and protect you!" Looking at her granddaughter's aggrieved look, Ruiping Great Elder Princess sighed, the coldness in her eyes gradually fading. Her granddaughter was smart, and she had a good reputation for her conduct. But she had failed this time.

"A woman's dignity depends on how much a man cares about her!" Ruiping Great Elder Princess said.

Infanta Yuan'an disagreed and said, "Shao Wanru is married. It's normal for Prince Chen to protect her, but I'm not married yet. Even if Prince Zhou wants to protect me, he has no grounds for doing so!"

"Now that you know he has no grounds for protecting you, then why did you make trouble? It's improper for you to make trouble now!" Ruiping Great Elder Princess said and reached out to knock hard on Infanta Yuan'an's forehead. She was exasperated at her granddaughter's failure to live up to her expectations.

"Grandma, I... I happened to meet her and suddenly came up with that idea..." Infanta Yuan'an felt guilty and bit her lip. It was really just an accident at that time.

Before she met Shao Wanru, she had no such bad intention. She had been comparing herself with Shao Wanru and always felt that she herself would be the future Empress in the end. In order to rise to that position, she had been behaving generously and decently. However, when it came to Shao Wanru, she became jealous of her.

Shao Wanru was not the only one that unsettled her. Shao Yanru had been unsettling her before, but now there was only Shao Wanru. Even though Prince Zhou's intention was vague and obscure, she could sense there was something unusual.

She had hidden this jealousy and no one had noticed it.

That day, when she saw Shao Wanru, suddenly she wanted to humiliate her, so she had someone trip up her second brother and made Qu Xinghong almost bump into Shao Wanru.

"You suddenly came up with that idea and get your second brother in trouble? Do you think everyone can humiliate Prince Chen at will? No! You can't do that, and neither can Prince Zhou!" Ruiping Great Elder Princess got angry at the thought of this.

Although her second grandson was disappointing, he was her legitimate grandson with noble status. Prince Chen breaking her grandson's arm at the palace gate was like slapping Ruiping Great Elder Princess in the face, and she had to bear it.

"Why is it that even Prince Zhou can't do it? Prince Chen is just a sick patient. Is there any other reason? The Former Emperor passed away long ago. If it were not for the Emperor's kindness, as a son of the Former Emperor, Prince Chen would not have survived." Infanta Yuan'an became even more unconvinced.

Prince Zhou was the most legitimate one among the princes.

Although he was not the eldest son, he was the legitimate son of the Empress. In Infanta Yuan'an's mind, Chu Liuchen had nothing to compare with the legitimate son.

"Empress Dowager dotes on him, and the Emperor favors him very much. That's enough!" Ruiping Great Elder Princess said.

"The Emperor is just pretending to favor him. Does the Emperor actually favor him? I don't think so! It's just because he is so sick, so the Emperor would not find fault with him!" Infanta Yuan'an said with a sneer. She had been frightened by Chu Liuchen just moments before, but now she no longer hid the anger in her chest. "Prince Chen may die anytime, so the Emperor doesn't have to deal with him, because he won't live long!" Infanta Yuan'an continued.

And then her mouth was quickly covered by Ruiping Great Elder Princess's hand. Great Elder Princess's face turned pale, and she scolded her harshly in a low voice, "Shut up. You can't say things like that!"

Infanta Yuan'an pushed Ruiping Great Elder Princess's hand, and then shook her head, indicating that she would not say that to anyone else.

Ruiping Great Elder Princess lowered her hand but still looked nervous. Fortunately, they were in the carriage. There was no one else in the carriage, so they could talk freely, and no one would hear it.

"Grandma, is Prince Chen really..." Infanta Yuan'an said in a low voice.

"Don't say that!" Ruiping Great Elder Princess waved her hand and warned her with a cold look, "You can't say this kind of thing carelessly. Even if you will be Princess Zhou in the future, you should avoid saying this kind of thing. Remember that Empress Dowager favors Prince Chen the most and always cares about him. If someone gets in the way of Prince Chen, the Empress Dowager will not let off that person. Even the Emperor is not as important as Prince Chen in her mind!"

"Grandma, do I have to salute Shao Wanru when I meet her in the future?" Infanta Yuan'an said unwillingly. She would be Princess Zhou in the future.

"If you don't salute, you should at least get along with her. Let's forget what happened today and never mention seeking revenge for your second brother again. If he has anyone to revenge on, it's you!" Ruiping Great Elder Princess said with resentment.

Thinking of her innocent second grandson who was dragged in, she warned Infanta Yuan'an with a livid face, "Yuan'an, you have to remember that after you marry into Princess Zhou's Mansion, you can't drag Great Elder Princess's Mansion through the mire of struggling for the throne. What Prince Zhou's Mansion should do is benefit Great Elder Princess's Mansion, not harm Great Elder Princess's Mansion. Otherwise, I would rather you don't marry Prince Zhou!"

She used to be satisfied with her granddaughter, but now she was disappointed. She had confronted Princess Chen before she married Prince Zhou.

"Grandma, is Second Brother... all right?" Infanta Yuan'an asked guiltily. Speaking of this matter, Qu Xinghong was totally innocent.

"I'm afraid his arm can't be cured. Even if it is cured, it may be stiff in the future!" Ruiping Great Elder Princess frowned and said angrily.

"They were so unkind. Second Brother is really innocent. He didn't do it on purpose!" Infanta Yuan'an said.

"He didn't do it on purpose, but everyone can see that you did it on purpose. Don't think that they will consider you innocent because you didn't admit it just now. Prince Chen is not a person who will suffer losses. In the past, he has made Prince Zhou and Prince Yue suffer a lot, let alone you," Ruiping Great Elder Princess said coldly. Her eyes were filled with anger.

Although she knew that Prince Chen could not be offended, Ruiping Great Elder Princess hated him for humiliating her grandson this way.

Like Infanta Yuan'an, she was also annoyed with Chu Liuchen. But of course, she hated Shao Wanru the most. If it weren't for Shao Wanru, such a thing wouldn't have happened to her grandson. If this matter spread out, she had no idea what others would think of her and the Great Elder Princess's Mansion.

Thinking of this, Ruiping Great Elder Princess felt depressed.

"Grandma, don't worry. I will be well-behaved in the future. Even if I don't like her, I will hide it, and I will be on good terms with her!" Seeing her grandma's look, Infanta Yuan'an hurriedly comforted her.

"It's best if you think so!" Ruiping Great Elder Princess sighed. Although she comforted her granddaughter and repeatedly warned her not to provoke Shao Wanru, she did not approve of Shao Wanru in her heart either.

In her mind, her own granddaughter was certainly nobler than Rui'an's granddaughter.

Even though they both married the prince, Prince Zhou was more legitimate than Prince Chen who was just a sick patient. But now it was not the time to confront Prince Chen's Mansion. When this sick patient was still alive, they had to deal with Princess Chen carefully. They knew it from Prince Chen's behavior today. He protected her so much.

Ruiping Great Elder Princess glanced at her granddaughter and felt a little helpless. Prince Zhou didn't even show up today. It was really not a good thing!

Although it was a little improper for Prince Zhou to show up for the matter, his presence in the Palace of Benevolent Peace would be considered silent support for Yuan'an, and people wouldn't look down upon her when something happened.

However, Prince Zhou didn't show up, while Prince Chen showed up to revenge himself on Infanta Yuan'an in person.

It was obvious which princess was more valued by the prince!

There were many smart people in the Palace, and they immediately realized how the two princes valued the two princesses. In the future, when they met Princess Chen and Princess Zhou, they would obviously respect the former more than the latter.

Her granddaughter's move not only failed to harm Shao Wanru but instead made herself lose face in front of many people in the Palace. What she said before was right. A woman's dignity was supported by a man. It was not helpful for a woman to be assertive if she was not supported by a man.

Prince Chen supported Princess Chen, but Prince Zhou did not show up, and people could tell the difference between the two princesses.

"Don't go out of the mansion recently. Do some embroideries when you have time. Before you marry into Prince Zhou's Mansion, it will do more harm than good for you to go outside, because it will make the Empress Dowager and the Empress unhappy. The daughters-in-law of the royal family should stay calm!" Ruiping Great Elder Princess reminded her.

"Grandma, I know. I won't do it again. I went to buy some good clothes today. I thought that the embroideries and clothes in that shop are good, so I wanted to buy some and asked my second brother to accompany me!" Infanta Yuan'an wiped her tears and nodded obediently.

Seeing that her granddaughter was obedient, Ruiping Great Elder Princess was less angry and gave her some advice.

The carriage arrived at Ruiping Great Elder Princess's Mansion. After they got out of the carriage, Ruiping Great Elder Princess hurried to see her grandson first. After Infanta Yuan'an got out of the carriage, she stood at the gate and called a servant girl over. They said something in a low voice, and then she followed Ruiping Great Elder Princess into the mansion.

She still couldn't bear it, but she wouldn't be as reckless as she was today.

If she, as the future Princess Zhou, couldn't do anything to Shao Wanru, what if she cooperated with the future Princess Yue?

She heard that the future Princess Yue had a good relationship with Shao Wanru...

After they went back to Prince Chen's Mansion, Shao Wanru went back to her courtyard, and Chu Liuchen also followed her in. When they were inside, Shao Wanru sat down and took a sip of tea. Then she frowned and put down the teacup in her hand. She raised her watery eyes and said seriously, "Your Highness, did I cause you trouble?"

Ruiping Great Elder Princess was not easy to deal with. In her last life, even after Prince Zhou had failed in the rebellion and died, Infanta Yuan'an still lived a good life, maintaining the dignity of a princess and an infanta. Ruiping Great Elder Princess must have contributed a lot to it. Ruiping Great Elder Princess's Mansion was not implicated even in that case, which meant that the mansion was extraordinary.

"So what? I'm not afraid of any trouble!" Chu Liuchen said lazily.

"You came here as soon as you heard the message from me?" Shao Wanru said in surprise, "You just broke Qu Xinghong's arm without asking him about it?"

It was said that he had broken Qu Xinghong's arm at the gate of the Palace without a word!

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Chapter 965: Miss Him Already

"Why would I ask him? He wouldn't learn the lesson if I didn't hit him. Zhuozhuo, don't worry. Second Young Master Qu won't dare to gossip anymore!" Chu Liuchen said with a smile in a gentle voice.

It was true that Second Young Master Qu wouldn't dare to gossip again. He had got his arm broken before he could say anything!

This rude and even violent protection made Shao Wanru feel bittersweet; she reached out to hold Chu Liuchen's hand and said, "Will Ruiping Great Elder Princess's Mansion hold it against us?"

"What can they do? If they further pursue this matter, her grandson would be fine, but it would be her granddaughter who would get into trouble!" Chu Liuchen was very pleased that Shao Wanru took the initiative to reach out to him. He reached out to hold Shao Wanru's hand and said with gentleness in his eyes, "They have much to gain from a Princess Zhou than from a good-for-nothing grandson!"

Shao Wanru understood what he meant. Princess Zhou might become the future Empress. When Infanta Yuan'an took the position of the Empress, Ruiping Great Elder Princess's Mansion would become the Empress's family, and in the future, the crown prince might come from Infanta Yuan'an's branch. In this way, at least, the honor and wealth of the Great Elder Princess's Mansion could be maintained for decades.

This was also the most important reason why Ruiping Great Elder Princess valued Infanta Yuan'an.

"It should be an impromptu idea for Infanta Yuan'an to go to Butterfly Clothing Shop today!" Shao Wanru blinked her shimmery eyes and said.

"She overestimated herself!" Chu Liuchen said coldly.

"She probably hates me. But in the past, although she wasn't close to me, she didn't seem to hate me!" Shao Wanru said, dwelling on it.

"Ignore her!" Chu Liuchen said indifferently.

"If Ruiping Great Elder Princess holds it against you..." Shao Wanru said uneasily. She was worried about Chu Liuchen, afraid that it would affect him.

"Don't worry!" Apparently, Chu Liuchen didn't want to talk about the affairs of Ruiping Great Elder Princess's Mansion anymore. He shook their holding hands and said, "I heard that Wen Xichi was also there today?"

"Yes, he happened to come down the stairs, but why did he come to Butterfly Clothing Shop?" Shao Wanru nodded and said. She also felt strange about it. She had thought that he came with Infanta Yuan'an, but now she found that he had nothing to do with Infanta Yuan'an. Was it really a coincidence that he came there?

"He shopped for his mother. I heard that Madam Wen likes the clothes in Butterfly Clothing Shop very much!" Chu Liuchen pulled Shao Wanru over and said lazily with a smile.

Speaking of Butterfly Clothing Shop, Shao Wanru became concerned. She pulled Chu Liuchen and said, "What about Butterfly Clothing Shop? I'm afraid that Prince Yue will find out about it!"

"So what? You think he won't let you open a shop?" Chu Liuchen said indifferently.

"If he finds out that the shop belongs to me, you might get involved. It's not good. If someone investigates the shop carefully, he might find out the matter of Duke Yong's Mansion, and it won't be good for anyone to get involved!" Shao Wanru said worriedly.

When something got Chu Liuchen involved, it would be difficult to smooth it over. This was why she preferred to deal with things by herself when she was able to.

She wanted to get Chu Liuchen as far away from any bad things as she could.

"Can you think of a way to protect Butterfly Clothing Shop without making people know that this shop belongs to me?" Shao Wanru asked.

"Beg me!" Chu Liuchen said lazily.

"What?" Shao Wanru said in astonishment and opened her watery eyes wide, thinking that she had heard it wrong.

"Beg me!" This time, it was obvious that Prince Chen said extremely shameless words with a handsome face. "I should get benefits out of it, right? If I get nothing out of it, why should I do it?"

"I've got nothing for you!" Shao Wanru pinched his hand hard. However, although Prince Chen looked weak, he was actually not weak at all. He did not take Shao Wanru's pinch seriously.

Instead, he raised those handsome eyes and said, "It is not okay for Princess Chen to ask someone to do the job without giving any benefit. Even if you are my princess, you have to settle this matter clearly, lest you tangle with me in the future!"

"I will not tangle with you!" Shao Wanru blushed and said angrily.

"Who else will you be tangling with? I am the only one that you are allowed to tangle with." Chu Liuchen pulled Shao Wanru into his arms, pointing at his handsome face and said, "My princess, you can decide for yourself!"

Of course, there were only him and Zhuozhuo that would tangle with each other. As for the others, they should stay away as far as possible.

Wen Xichi looked strange, or it could be said that he acted strangely when he saw Zhuozhuo. He seemed to have thousands of words to say to her, but they didn't seem to be very close.

It felt very strange. There seemed to be something between them, but they looked fine.

Chu Liuchen didn't doubt Shao Wanru, but he didn't like Wen Xichi, who wasn't being clear and didn't want to be clear about it.

In the past, he thought that Wen Xichi was a figure, but now he felt very annoyed by him. He wouldn't let him get close to Zhuozhuo so as not to cause any trouble.

Shao Wanru knew that he was thick-skinned, but she didn't expect him to be so thick-skinned as to point at his face, hinting at her kissing him. She reached out to pinch his face.

But she didn't expect to be pushed over to the bed by Chu Liuchen, who kissed her directly and made her overwhelmed. In the end, she was held in Chu Liuchen's arms with her hands and feet aching.

"How about I ask a supervisor to own this shop?" Chu Liuchen held Shao Wanru with satisfaction and asked beside her ear with a smile.

Shao Wanru kicked him hard and said, "No; people will still connect it with you!"

"Then you should have someone in your shop to give some benefits to the supervisor of my mansion!" Chu Liuchen reached out to hold Shao Wanru's feet and pinched them.

Shao Wanru hurriedly pulled back her feet and struggled to get rid of his big hands. Her face was as red as blood. She gasped for breath and said, "What... what do you mean?"

She was afraid that he would mess around again, so she held his waist tightly with both hands so that he could not move again.

Chu Liuchen felt very comfortable in this way, so he stopped messing with Shao Wanru and said, "It's not easy for the shops without any background to survive in the capital city. Or they could give some benefits to a person with a powerful background. There are many shops like this in the capital city!"

"If I give some benefits to the supervisor of your mansion, can he deal with some small matters?" Shao Wanru thought for a moment and said. She had never encountered such a thing before.

"Yes, but just for small matters!" Chu Liuchen said.

Shao Wanru rolled her watery eyes and immediately understood the meaning beyond his words. There indeed would only be small matters. Even if Chu Liuyue suspected her Butterfly Clothing Shop, he didn't dare to make a big deal out of it, in case Prince Yue's Mansion got involved at that time. As for the matter of Wei Dahai, he didn't dare to make a big deal out of it, so it would be a small matter!

It was easy to deal with a small matter; if it was a sneaky scheme, she could deal with it through other means.

At least they could muddle through it. Although it seemed that the shop had something to do with Prince Chen's Mansion, but the connection was thin, and it was right for Chu Liuchen to say that he didn't know about it. After all, the person involved was a supervisor of the mansion.

"Okay, I'll give some benefits to the supervisor!" Shao Wanru said with a smile and nodded. This was a good idea. The connection between the shop and Prince Chen's Mansion was very thin.

"You'd better give those benefits to me. Give me some first. I heard that you've got plenty of them!" Chu Liuchen teased.

"No, I don't have any!" Shao Wanru said coquettishly and rolled her eyes.

"You definitely have. Let me search for them!" Chu Liuchen pressed Shao Wanru on his body and reached out to search her body. Shao Wanru burst into laughter, struggled to roll on the bed, and shouted, "You... you get down, get down now!"

"No. I'm going to search for my princess's money..." Chu Liuchen said shamelessly.

The two of them messed around on the bed...

Chu Liuchen left in the morning the next day. Shao Wanru sent him to the gate and watched the carriages go out one by one, with Chu Liuchen's carriage at the forefront.

Qin Huaiyong rode on the horse and followed Chu Liuchen's carriage. Commandery Prince Qing also rode on the horse and guarded the carriage. They were followed by other members of the mission.

They were also carrying a large number of knitting products, medicines and beautiful porcelains.

These were all gifts brought by the mission.

Shao Wanru stood on the city wall, watched the line slowly leave the city and bit her lip. She already missed Chu Liuchen before he went far away.

Although Chu Liuchen had recovered, he was not in good health. Even though he had practiced martial arts since he was a child, he still needed to be taken care of. Shao Wanru was very worried about him going to Xu State in Nan Jiang.

But since Chu Liuchen had made up his mind, she would not object! She would be there for him!

No matter what would happen in the future, she would be there for him till the end. In her last life, they had been separated, but in this life, they would never let go of each other's hands.

She did not care about the bloody scene in her dream. She was willing to accompany Chu Liuchen into the blood sea.

Having witnessed her last life in the dream, she became colder and crueler than ordinary women.

She would repay kindness with kindness and repay injury with injury. She would not repay injury with kindness.

"Princess, let's go down. The Prince has left!" Yujie said to Shao Wanru, who was standing on the top of the city wall. There was only a shadow of the envoy team, so they couldn't see anyone clearly. The wind on top of the city wall was getting stronger and rustling the cloak.

"Princess, let's go down. It's too windy here!" Qu Le also said.

Shao Wanru reluctantly turned back her gaze, sighed softly, and nodded. There was no good for her to stay any longer. She just hoped that he could come back safely as soon as possible.

Two servant girls helped Shao Wanru down from the city wall. When she just put her feet on the ground, she suddenly heard a voice. "Princess Chen?"

Shao Wanru turned her head and saw Wen Xichi in an official's robe. She blinked her watery eyes, and then bowed and said, "Greetings, Lord Wen!"

"What was Princess Chen doing up there?" Wen Xichi looked up at the high city wall and asked.

"Princess is seeing our Prince off. She can see it more clearly from the top of the city wall!" Yujie answered.

"Lord Wen, what's the matter?" Shao Wanru looked at Wen Xichi calmly and asked. Wen Xichi was not among the officials who saw Prince Chen off just now, so it was a little strange for Wen Xichi, who was dressed in an official's robe, to show up at this time.

"Princess Chen, can we talk in private?" Wen Xichi pointed at a teahouse across the street and said, "There is a case that involves you, so I want to ask you something!"

Wen Xichi's words were very polite, and he was also well-mannered. He stepped aside with a smile on his face, which made Shao Wanru unable to refuse him!

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Chapter 966: Play Safe and Seek Only to Avoid Mistakes

"Please, Your Highness!" Shao Wanru nodded.

Wen Xichi led the way, and Shao Wanru followed him with two servant girls. They entered the teahouse together.

When the people in the teahouse saw Wen Xichi's clothes, they knew he was from the Ministry of Justice. Shao Wanru looked either rich or noble. These people didn't know what had happened, and they didn't dare to make any noise.

They ordered a private room, and the store assistant led them upstairs.

When she sat down, Shao Wanru didn't drink the tea. Instead, she went straight to the point and asked, "what's the matter? Please tell me!"

Wen Xichi reached out and poured a cup of tea for her. Then he pushed it to her and poured a cup for himself. He picked up the tea and took a sip before slowly putting it down.

"Princess Chen, you are the owner of Butterfly Clothing Shop, aren't you?"

"Don't you know it?" Shao Wanru said coldly. Her eyes were deep, and she looked right into him.

Others might not know about this, but Wen Xichi was involved in this matter. He helped her buy this shop.

"Have you done anything else through the Butterfly Clothing Shop?" Wen Xichi asked after a moment of silence.

"What are you referring to?" Shao Wanru looked even calmer.

Wen Xichi was stunned by her question. After thinking for a while, he said, "Prince Yue noticed your Butterfly Clothing Shop."

He gave the news straight to her.

"The shop is just for business. How could it get involved with Prince Yue?" said Shao Wanru, composedly.

Wen Xichi looked directly at Shao Wanru and asked, "the Fanglan Embroidery Shop had been in a lot of trouble. It had a serious mishap when doing business with the Butterfly Clothing Shop. I heard the matter of Duke Yong's Mansion was revealed from there!"

"There are many business shops. Almost all the shops related to the capital city are doing business together. As for Fanglan Embroidery Shop, I only learned about what had happened to it later. If I had known about it, I wouldn't have done business with it at that time!" Shao Wanru said calmly.

"But Prince Yue may not think the same way as you do!" Wen Xichi hesitated for a moment.

"So what?" Shao Wanru raised her eyebrows. She was no longer the Second Miss Qin who had just arrived in the capital.

"Prince Yue may deal with Butterfly Clothing Shop." Wen Xichi said gently without hiding anything. It seemed that he had been quite frank since he came here today.

Dealing with a small shop was a piece of cake for a prince.

Shao Wanru raised the corner of her mouth slightly and said with a light and cold smile, "Prince Yue is so self-centered. Many shops have been doing business with the Fanglan Embroidery Shop. Is he going to seal up them all?"

If Chu Liuyue did that, she needn't care about it anymore. It would not do him any good if he made it a bigger trouble. If Duke Yong's Mansion involved him in the future, Chu Liuyue would be in trouble!

"But the Butterfly Clothing Shop is different!"

"What's the difference? Is it because I am the owner?" Shao Wanru asked.

"Prince Yue doesn't know that it's yours!" Wen Xichi shook his head and denied it.

Shao Wanru raised her eyes and observed Wen Xichi's expression carefully. She didn't think he was lying." Thank you!"

Since Wen Xichi didn't say it, it was good for her. No matter what reason Wen Xichi had for this, Shao Wanru had to thank him.

Wen Xichi didn't say it, and then Chu Liuchen's plot could be carried out. Yesterday, she met the supervisor that Chu Liuchen found, and they arranged everything.

"Prince Yue will handle Butterfly Clothing Shop. You should be careful!" Wen Xichi stood up, cupped his hands to her, and strode away.

"Princess, is he here only for this?" With surprise, Yujie looked at the slightly closed door. Third Young Master Wen seemed to come here for investigation. However, he just brought them this message. "What did he mean?"

Yujie did not think that he was very familiar with her master!

"I don't know!" Shao Wanru shook her head suspiciously. His conduct was also a mystery to her. His appearance here puzzled her just like what happened yesterday.

"Should we send someone to keep an eye on him?" Qu Le suggested. Since Prince Chen was not in the mansion now, they should pay more attention to serving Princess Chen.

"No, he is from the Ministry of Justice. If we keep an eye on him, he will find out!" Shao Wanru said.

The officials of the Ministry of Justice had their unique way of doing things and were sensitive to some things. Before figuring everything out, Shao Wanru did not intend to let anyone spy on Wen Xichi.

He didn't make her feel threatened.

Maybe it was because of the previous life! Chu Liuchen had told her that Wen Xichi and Chu Liuyue were very close. It seemed that Wen Xichi offered Chu Liuyue some plots, like the rumor about the "disaster," which almost killed her. Nevertheless, she didn't hold much hostility toward Wen Xichi.

But Shao Wanru could clearly distinguish between her previous life and the present one.

"Let's go!" Shao Wanru also stood up.

Yujie hurriedly asked the shop-boy for the check, but she was told that Wen Xichi had paid the bill when he left.

They got out of the teahouse and got on the carriage parked on the side. The carriage took a turn, intending to head for the Prince Chen's Mansion. Unexpectedly, it was held up in traffic halfway.

Qu Le lifted the curtain slightly, and Shao Wanru looked through the gap. The road ahead was clogged with carriages. The carriage before her could not move at all.

"Go and see what's the matter!" Shao Wanru said.

Yujie jumped out of the carriage and ran forward. After a while, she ran back breathlessly and said, "Let's take a detour. The intersection in front of us is blocked. It's said that we need to make way for the imperial exam. The road over there is blocked."

"Why didn't the carriages ahead turn back?" Shao Wanru rolled her watery eyes and asked. Since the road was blocked, they could just come back. How could all the carriages get stuck here?

"The road barrier was not tightly closed. A carriage got stuck there when trying to pass. Then, the following carriage, not knowing what had happened, bumped into it. I'm afraid that they can't come back no matter how much they want to!" Yujie said as she lifted the curtain. At this time, there were carriages coming from the back. However, they noticed the accident in front of them and didn't try to push through. Since they were all retreating, the road behind hadn't yet been tightly blocked.

"Let's go!" Shao Wanru nodded.

The carriage turned around, squeezed through the crowd, and moved to another street outside. It took them a long time to take this detour. By the time they returned to Prince Chen's Mansion, it was almost lunch.

After dressing up, Shao Wanru sat down on the couch by the window and asked, "Is Madame Dong here?"

The matter of the Butterfly Clothing Shop had been arranged yesterday, and the news had been spread out. They had offered a good deal to a supervisor of Prince Chen's Mansion. So, Madame Dong certainly had to contribute some gold and silver.

"Yes, she is drinking tea in the flower hall outside." Yujie came in with a smile.

"Let her in!" Shao Wanru ordered.

Yujie answered and left. After a while, she came in with Madame Dong.

After bowing to Shao Wanru, Madame Dong looked at her with concern and asked, "I heard what happened yesterday. Are you all right?"

Things that happened yesterday were all in the palace, and then the news was sealed. An ordinary citizen like Madame Dong could never know it.

"Don't worry, Madame Dong. Our princess is fine. Second Young Master Qu's hand was broken by our prince!" Qu Le felt relieved as soon as she thought of this.

Infanta Yuan'an had been trying to plot against her master, but in the end, she was the one who suffered. Even her brother's hand had been broken by the prince. She deserved it.

"Second Young Master Qu's hand was broken by Prince Chen?" Madame Dong took a deep breath. She could tell that Shao Wanru was fine, but she did not expect Prince Chen to be so powerful.

Second Young Master Qu was useless, but he was the legitimate grandson of Ruiping Great Elder Princess after all.

"Since his hand is broken, Infanta Yuan'an should live a more peaceful life!" Shao Wanru said lightly and asked someone to serve tea," Prince Yue would deal with Butterfly Clothing Shop secretly. You should be careful recently. Play safe and seek only to avoid mistakes!"

"Don't worry, Your Highness. I will be very careful!" Madame Dong looked serious.

"I guess... Prince Yue won't use official means. He is also afraid that the Emperor will check up on him. However, he couldn't bear his failure. No matter whether Butterfly Clothing Shop is innocent or not, Prince Yue must have decided to vent his anger on it!" Shao Wanru said, tapping gently on the table.

This was the only possibility she could think of just now.

Chu Liuyue didn't dare to use officials above board, so he had to go underground.

It meant that he would use dirty tricks.

"If you can't deal with him, meet me at Prince Chen's Mansion!" Shao Wanru reminded Madame Dong, who was obviously no match for Chu Liuyue. Even if Madame Dong could prepare some good plans, it would not be easy to deal with him.

"Don't worry, Your Highness. I will report to Prince Chen's Mansion!" Madame Dong was also cautious and said seriously after thinking for a while.

She would never force herself to do something beyond her ability, which would result in failure. Such an action was never valiant but foolish.

Shao Wanru nodded, thinking that this was the best way.

After that, she told Madame Dong about something she needed to pay attention to. After listening to everything carefully, Madame Dong left.

Shao Wanru planned everything down to the last detail, but in fact, she was wrong in thinking like that. No one had expected that this matter was caused by something else.

It was about a matter and a person that had nothing to do with Butterfly Clothing Shop!

The second day after Chu Liuchen left, the Palace Examination began. As soon as the candidates entered, the whole capital city quieted down all of a sudden.

There were many descendants from aristocratic families, and some of them would take the exam. One after another, those candidates for the Palace Examination from outside the capital city also entered. At this time, even the most prosperous streets in the past seemed to have lost their lively atmosphere.

The first thing people talked about when they met would be the Palace examination this time. All the top three winners of the Palace Examination three years ago had an outstanding appearance. No one knew who would be the winners this time.

Many daughters of aristocratic families were waiting to get a husband from the candidates of the Palace Examination. They usually would have a bright future and would be much better than many rich playboys who lived in disgrace, idling away their life. Even worse, some were in favor of making scandals and stirring up trouble, just like the four masters in the Grand Prince's Mansion. They were nothing but first-class trouble-making masters who were well-known for those humiliating things they did!

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Chapter 967: Chu Huairan, A Dissolute Coward

The fourth young master of Grand Prince's Mansion had hooked up with the daughter of the Di family. They had an affair and had a child. After that, she married Ningyuan Army General and raised the child as the First Miss of the Qin family, a vicious and unrestrained First Miss.

Fortunately, the First Miss married into her mother's family in the end. The people she harmed were no others but Madam Di's family members. It served them right. As a man sows, so does he reap.

But Ningyuan Army General was pathetic. He had raised and loved his daughter for more than ten years, but it turned out she was the biological daughter of another man. Lucky for him, he found himself another wife. It was said that on the day he learned the fact, Ningyuan Army General divorced Madam Di and sent her back to the Di's Mansion without giving her any property. From then on, he and Madam Di had nothing to do with each other.

It was understandable for him to do this. If Ningyuan Army General didn't have a wife and a son now, he would be mad with anger. Madam Di was indebted to him for what she had done. Ningyuan Army General was going to serve the country as an envoy in Xu State. When such a thing happened at this time, many people couldn't help but sigh with emotion. Sometimes, even a great man might get a wife and a child without morals.

Grand Prince's Mansion, which had always kept a low profile, lost its reputation because of this matter.

After Qin Huaiyong left for Xu State, somehow, everyone shifted their attention to Grand Prince's Mansion. Maybe it was because the matter was exposed to the public.

Duke Yong's Mansion was gone and they had left the capital city. Now, in the capital, only Grand Prince's Mansion was related to this matter.

Qin Yuru was forced to give up her marriage by Madam Di. Yet she was still the biological daughter of the Fourth Young Master Chu. Now that she would be sentenced to death, wasn't there anyone from the Grand Prince's Mansion to visit her?

According to some well-informed people, even Princess Chen, who used to be at odds with First Miss Qin and had been framed by her several times, had generously gone to the prison to visit her once. However, the Fourth Young Master Chu, also her biological father, had never visited her once.

Grand Prince's Mansion appeared to be so heartlessly indifferent to their family member!

Early in the morning, Chu Huairan was called over by his father.

He had just come out of a concubine's room, looking like he had not woken up. His shirt was even misaligned. It was obvious that he had come in a hurry.

He yawned as he entered the room. Then, he said after greetings. "It's so early. What's so urgent? I want to have a good sleep!"

A teacup was smashed right into him, and Chu Huairan dodged it very quickly. After all, he had been smashed several times. How could he react slowly?

"Please say whatever you want to. How could you hit me without saying a word?" Chu Huairan sobered up and said impatiently.

"You bastard, are you asking me to say what evil things you've done? Shame on you!" Seeing his fourth son like this, the Grand Prince became furious.

"It's not the first time I've behaved like this. It has been for so many years. Why do you have to make trouble with me?" Chu Huairan said disapprovingly. He sat down on a chair on one side, picked up the tea, and took a sip.

"You bastard, how dare you to say that!" Grand Prince looked at the side, grabbed something, and was about to smash it down again.

"If you don't talk nicely, I'll leave. Won't you feel tired when smashing things all day long?" Chu Huairan snorted unhappily. He was extremely dissatisfied with his father's disturbance in the early morning. He could have slept longer with his beloved concubine if not for him.

It's just an illegitimate daughter! No big deal!

"An illegitimate daughter worths little. Anyway, she's going to die. Your life won't change with or without her!" Chu Huairan said.

He really had a lot of daughters. Some of them were kept in his own yard, and some were raised elsewhere. Even he himself didn't know how many daughters he had. Anyway, for him, those who lived in other people's families were, of course, the daughters of others.

Qin Yuru was surnamed Qin, so she had to do with him.

The first time he saw Madam Di, a good-looking woman, he wanted to hook up with her within a short period. Unexpectedly, she was born to be a bitch. She took the initiative to get close to him even before he took any action. After spending some time together, they had sex, and she actually asked him to marry her!

How could it be possible? He had a wife who was his cousin and grew up with him. How could he divorce his wife for Madam Di? Since then, Chu Huairan ignored Madam Di. When Madam Di married far away, she sent him a letter saying that she was pregnant with his baby!

So what? Was he the kind of person who lacked children?

Neither daughters nor sons were important to him. He just ignored the letter and threw it aside. When Madam Di married far away, he watched the whole thing indifferently as if he was an outsider.

Then he simply left this matter behind!

Only when the truth was beginning to come out did he remember it again. How could others be so interested in the matter that happened so many years ago? It was really annoying.

"An illegitimate daughter? She is the illegitimate daughter of Ningyuan Army General!" Grand Prince became angrier because of his son's careless attitude.

"What's wrong with Qin Huaiyong? He's not the only one who is cuckolded!" argued Chu Huairan. Seeing his father glaring at him and wanting to smash something again, he immediately tried to calm him down. "Well, all right. Qin Huaiyong's different. He's a hero who has contributed a lot to the country. And I'm a useless loser! But now everything has happened, what else can I do? Can I send Qin Yuru back to Madam Di's belly?"

Hearing his even more absurd words, Grand Prince turned so angry that his whole body started trembling. He couldn't believe such a vile spawn was his son! If he had known this, he would have strangled him to death when he was born so that he would never harm his family.

"Go and see Qin Yuru!" Putting down the ornaments in his hands, Grand Prince shouted angrily.

"Seriously?" Chu Huairan yelled and violently shook his head. "No, I won't go. She is ruthless enough even to murder her mother, let alone me. If I go there, I'm afraid I won't be able to come back alive."

His frightened look enraged Grand Prince even more. He was even afraid that his daughter would hurt him! What a useless son!

"She is your daughter. Won't you go and see her? Now you are the closet person to her in the capital city!" Grand Prince said, trying hard to suppress his anger.

"So what? I haven't been there for her for so many years, and she's all right!" Chu Huairan kept shaking his head. He really didn't want to see Qin Yuru. When she arrived at his mansion, he just took a look at her and told the truth. He said that she was his daughter and Madam Di's evidence was true.

But that was all. How could he bear any responsibility to her? He remembered that his father was very happy to get such a granddaughter. He even drove him out and talked a lot with Qin Yuru.

He didn't hear those words, but it could be seen that his father was very happy. Thus, he didn't have any burden on the acceptance of this illegitimate daughter. After that, he repeatedly said that he would ask the Emperor for a title to save Qin Yuru's reputation.

Chu Huairan felt that these things had little to do with him. Since his father had taken it over, what else could he do? He didn't care about it, but it would be fine if this matter was settled.

But to their surprise, Qin Yuru was so vicious that she burned her biological mother to death on the way to their mansion. After knowing the news, Chu Huairan decided that he would never see this daughter again. Qin Yuru was not a delicate and weak daughter at all but a deadly vicious one.

Now that Madam Di was dead, it would be his turn next!

"Go to see her today and bring her some food and clothing. No matter what, she is a descendant of our family." The longer Grand Prince looked at his good-for-nothing son, the more he disliked him. However, no matter how much he disliked him, there was nothing he could do to change the reality. At present, only Chu Huairan's appearance could save their reputation.

"Why are you staring at me? Who would want a vicious daughter like her? Anyway, I don't want her. Didn't you admire her a lot before? I won't go. You can just go there and show off your affection for her. You don't even have to take it sincerely! Anyway, we would break it off with her before long."

Chu Huairan said with an ugly smile.

He really didn't want to go. In fact, he thought that it was better for his father to take care of all the things. It was his father who hurriedly went to get into contact with Qin Yuru. It was now the perfect time for him to take care of her. How could his father let him do this?

Chu Huairan was just a rich playboy who never achieved anything. All he wanted to do was live a comfortable life. He did not have so much energy to do other things.

Recently, it hadn't been easy for those sons of rich families in the capital city to maintain their cozy life. Especially when the group of playboys learned that Prince Chen broke Second Young Master Qu's arm, they gathered together and decided that they should have a good rest for a period of time. Otherwise, who knew what would happen? Anyway, it was certain that they had to experience a tough time recently.

This was also the reason why Chu Huairan didn't go out last night and only had fun in his own manor.

Anyway, he had made up his mind that he would never go to see Qin Yuru. He would rather die than meet her. In his mind, she was a terrifying woman who killed her mother. If he went to have a look at her, maybe he would have nightmares every day in the future and could never have a good time.

Grand Prince also regretted that he got some wishful thinking upon reading Madam Di's letter.

In the letter, she said that many women were raised in Duke Yong's Mansion. It seemed that a royal was behind Duke Yong's Mansion in supporting those women. As for who this person was, Grand Prince thought it must be one of the men he knew. If he kept digging through the clues, he would definitely get something worthwhile.

This was also the reason why he immediately recognized Qin Yuru as a family member and talked nicely with her for a long time.

Grand Prince's Mansion was in a decline. Most of the sons were quite disappointing and only a few became a little competitive. However, they could barely manage to maintain the achievements of their predecessors. The fall of Grand Prince's Mansion was inevitable as they grew farther and farther apart from the royal family members. They needed a good opportunity. Then there came Qin Yuru, their chance to revive.

No matter who was behind Duke Yong's Mansion, it was good to find out the secret or use it as a bargaining chip.

Unexpectedly, before he could figure it out, Qin Yuru was exposed. Even the matter of concubine market was found out. At that time, Grand Prince knew he could no longer get anything from her...

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Chapter 968: Are You Used to Living Here?

"There are no other choices for you. You must go there today! Guards, come here and take him to Qin Yuru!" Grand Prince slammed the table heavily and snapped in a harsh voice.

It turned out that Qin Yuru was indeed a descendant of his family. Even though she committed such a heinous crime, Grand Prince's Mansion had to send someone to visit her. Otherwise, they would become even more mean and malevolent in others' eyes.

Two guards came in and reached out to pull Chu Huairan.

"Okay, fine! I'll go! Get your hands off me. My clothes are new. You'll have to pay for it if they are wrinkled!" Chu Huairan stood up resentfully and pushed away the hands of the two guards. He rolled up his sleeves, looking at his father sitting up in high on the chair. "Let's make it clear first. I'll go away after seeing her, and that'll be all. Don't let anyone stop me from leaving. It will only bring more shame to our family!"

"Hurry up and leave!" Grand Prince suddenly felt another impulse to smash something.

"I'll go. Who cares!" Chu Huairan muttered, turned around, and left. He got on the carriage and went to the Ministry of Justice.

When he arrived at the Ministry of Justice, he informed the court official of the Ministry of Justice, who then led him in. After that, he asked the official in charge of female prisons to bring Qin Yuru here.

Although Chu Huairan came here to visit a prisoner, he was not willing to go down to the cell. He felt that the bad luck down there would ruin his good fortune.

The court official had no choice but to bring Qin Yuru up here. Fortunately, he knew it clearly that Chu Huairan was never a capable man, and Qin Yuru did not commit the crime of rebellion. Thus, he didn't have to stick to the rules.

Qin Yuru was taken to a small room. When she saw Chu Huairan sitting inside, her lifeless eyes immediately lit up, and she immediately knelt down with a thud. With tears in her eyes, she cried out, "Father!"

She had seen Chu Huairan in the Grand Prince's Mansion.

Chu Huairan felt extremely loath to see Qin Yuru. However, when he saw her thin and haggard look, he inexplicably felt sorry for her as a father. He waved his hand and said, "You... get up and talk!"

"Father!" Qin Yuru put her head to the ground and cried sadly again. She could not even speak for her sobbing.

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Chu Huairan turned around uneasily and said, "Get up, get up. Let's talk about it when you stand up!"

"Yes, father!" answered Qin Yuru. She stood up, her eyes with excitement and vitality still fixed on him. Compared with the previous lifeless appearance, she looked much more pleasing to the eye now.

"Sit down!" Chu Huairan pointed to the stool beside her.

"Yes." Qin Yuru sat down obediently, staring at Chu Huairan with her eyes, as if she loved her father dearly.

Chu Huairan coughed and asked casually, "Are you used to living here?"

He felt quite awkward as soon as he finished asking.

"Father, I... I am very well. I'm sorry that I brought shame on you!" Qin Yuru's tears fell again. Without a handkerchief, she could only wipe her tears with her dirty clothes.

"What were you thinking back then? No matter how bad Madam Di was, she was your biological mother!" Chu Huairan snorted.

"Father, how... how could I really kill my mother? It's just that... they wronged me. No matter how ruthless I am, I can't really kill my mother!" Qin Yuru lowered her head, crying.

"You mean, it was Qin Huaiyong who plotted against you?" At this time, Chu Huairan reacted fast, and his face turned a little ugly. He didn't care about Qin Yuru, but if Qin Huaiyong really did that, it would be a deliberate slap in his face.

The case was nothing serious, but it was known to almost everyone now, which made him a great fool, one way and another. If it was really Qin Huaiyong's plot, he couldn't let it go so easily.

Why should he be the one with a bad reputation while Qin Huaiyong got the sympathy of all?

Although Chu Huairan had never had a good reputation, he cared about it now.

"Father... I... I want to reunite with you and be your daughter. Maybe we could live happily together as a family in the future. Why would I kill my mother at that time? With her, wouldn't my life be greater?" Qin Yuru explained sadly.

"Live happily together?" Chu Huairan thought that she was too naive. Even if Madam Di was still alive, he would not allow her to move into his mansion. He would never accept such a fierce and unreasonable woman, not to mention that Madam Di was the wife of Ningyuan Army General. Once she lived in his mansion, many beauties living there must be disturbed.

Of course, he would never speak his mind to Qin Yuru.

Chu Huairan coughed slightly and said, "do you have any evidence to prove that Qin Huaiyong framed up you?"

"Oh, that's related to the Qin's Mansion. How... how can I get the evidence? Even if there is, it's long gone at this time!" Qin Yuru shook her head. Her eyes that brightened up when she saw her father were dimmed with grievance.

The longer he looked at her, the more pitiful she became in his eyes.

Chu Huairan didn't have much father's love for her, but he was irritated at this time. He was angry at Qin Huaiyong's scheme. It must be that Qin Huaiyong schemed to murder Madam Di upon knowing that she had cheated on him.

He was originally a playboy without any real talent. Because of his high social status, he was surrounded by a group of people trying hard to please him. How could he understand those schemes and intrigues? Qin Yuru thought that Madam Di's characters would block her way to huge success, so she simply took her life to get the pity of Grand Prince's Mansion. That was why she killed Madam Di. But Chu Huairan would never figure it out.

"Wait for me here. I'll let your grandfather check it out. We'll definitely find out the truth!" Chu Huairan clapped his hands on the table with an aura of authority.

"Don't go. It's not a big deal. I mean it. That's it. Anyway, I'm all alone now. It's better for me to die. When I die, I can go to accompany my mother in the underworld. But I can't do anything for you then..." Speaking of this, Qin Yuru sobbed.

Tears welled up in her eyes as she looked at Chu Huairan, as if she wanted to print his face on her heart. She wanted to remember her biological father in her heart and never forget him.

Looking at Qin Yuru like this, Chu Huairan inexplicably felt uncomfortable.

No matter what evil things she had done, she was still a member of the royal family. Qin Huaiyong was never allowed to harm her as he wished.

"Stay in this prison for a while. I'll find someone to take care of you. As for the evidence, I'll check it out. I'll definitely save you after I find the truth!" Chu Huairan promised.

There was still a period of time before her execution in autumn. Chu Huairan felt that if she was innocent, his father was well capable of investigating the matter thoroughly.

"Don't bother. I... Thanks for your kindness. Even if I die, I will be grateful to you!"

Tears poured down her face. She looked ashamed and painful, for she didn't want her biological father to be in a dilemma. She would rather sacrifice her life than make things difficult for her father.

If Qin Yuru begged him to prove her innocence, with his indifferent temperament, Chu Huairan would not take it seriously. He had never cared about his children. But now it was Chu Huairan who took the initiative to help Qin Yuru. However, she actually refused him only because she was afraid of troubling her father.

Chu Huairan felt that she was a nice girl. In his eyes, she could never be the one who had killed her mother. So, he immediately said, "Well, you go back first. I know what to do next!"

How could he let Qin Huaiyong take advantage of his daughter?

The female officer came over to take Qin Yuru back. Qin Yuru stood up and kowtowed to Chu Huairan respectfully a few times. Then, she reluctantly left while crying.

Chu Huairan stood up and found the court official of the Ministry of Justice with his servants, asking him to take good care of Qin Yuru. He repeatedly expressed that Qin Yuru was his daughter and hinted that Qin Yuru's fate might be reversed, telling him that Qin Yuru was never the vicious person who killed her mother.

The official's position in the Ministry of Justice was not high, so he did not dare to refuse him. He kept nodding and said that he would follow Chu Huairan's instructions and would never let this lady suffer. Besides, he would take good care of her until she left the Ministry of Justice.

Chu Huairan was very satisfied with his cooperative attitude. Before leaving, he gave the official a sum of money for him to look after Qin Yuru. Then he returned to the mansion with his men to look for Grand Prince.

As soon as he left the Ministry of Justice, someone reported the news to Shao Wanru. Looking at the message vanishing in front of her, Shao Wanru smiled.

"Miss, will the Fourth Young Master Chu help First Miss investigate?" Yujie asked curiously.

She witnessed how the First Miss had been at that time and could not understand the current situation. Would this Fourth Young Master Chu really investigate this matter? Was there any need to survey such an obvious matter? The evidence was solid and clear!

"Although he won't check it out, at least he has shown his sincerity. Qin Yuru's life in prison will be much better, and she will definitely not be as disheartened as before!" Shao Wanru said lightly and meaningfully, "this will also make things more convenient for her. Of course, it will also give some people a false impression, which helps her a lot!"

Qin Yuru didn't take any action before, not because she didn't want to take any action, but because she was looking for a good opportunity. Now this opportunity appeared. On the one hand, the officer in the jail would become less vigilant toward her. On the other hand, it would make Qi Tianyu think highly of her. It would make a big difference if Qin Yuru gained the support of Grand Prince's Mansion.

Once Chu Huairan agreed to reverse the previous judgment for her, it meant that there was a possibility: Qin Yuru was innocent. If she was innocent, she would definitely be released, and as a royal member, she would naturally be respected by others...

"Keep an eye on her and Qi Tianyu!" Shao Wanru tapped lightly on the table and said, guessing that Qin Yuru might take action soon.

Sure enough, the next day, she received the news that Qin Yuru tried to get the female jailer to send a letter to Qi Tianyu!

Qi Tianyu received Qin Yuru's letter but did not go to see her immediately. He pushed their meeting to the evening and secretly took a carriage to the Ministry of Justice.

Although he was not an official of the Ministry of Justice, he had friends in there. It was not difficult for him to meet Qin Yuru secretly...

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Chapter 969: Make All the Arrangements and Complicated Plots

"Brother Qi!" Seeing Qi Tianyu, Qin Yuru was very excited. She wanted to get close to him, but she didn't dare to. Standing where she was, she burst into tears. Suddenly, she knelt down, kowtowing to Qi Tianyu, and then crawled on the ground. "Brother Qi, I'm sorry. I'm so sorry!"

Like Chu Huairan, Qi Tianyu did not go to the cell to see Qin Yuru. Instead, he asked someone to bring her to a small room on the side to meet her.

He didn't want too many people to know that he had been here!

"Sister Yuru, get up!" Looking at Qin Yuru as pitiful as this, Qi Tianyu said slowly.

The woman in front of him was not as enchanting as she used to be. At that time, Qin Yuru, in her prime, appeared courageous and enthusiastic. Those rules in the capital city hadn't yet trapped her in. Since they were childhood sweethearts, they were special in each other's eyes. Qi Tianyu had thought that they were destined to be together, so he also treated Qin Yuru with all his heart and soul.

Before the flowers and under the moon, they had spent a long romantic time together behind their elders. Although they didn't make love, they had always hugged each other.

Now that he thought about it, he felt as if these things happened in their previous life!

The woman in front of him had long lost her lively appearance. She was skinny and wizened. It seemed as if she were more than ten years older than her sister. There was a trace of desperation in her eyes, making him feel quite dispirited.

Qin Yuru got up and sat down cautiously on a stool on one side. She put her hands on her rough dress and looked up at Qi Tianyu with tears in the corners of her eyes.

"Brother Qi, I... I regret it!" Qin Yuru slowly lowered her head and looked at her hands. Although there were still tears in the corners of her eyes, she smiled a little. It was a bitter smile in Qi Tianyu's eyes.

He didn't say anything, just pursing his lips tightly. His eyes landed on the table in front of him as if he were studying the lines on it!

Qin Yuru added, "Brother Qi, I have ended up in such a miserable situation. If... If there is a next life, I will never let you down. I will never allow myself to fall into such a situation. In the end, I even... ended up as a killer who murdered her mother!"

When Qin Yuru said this, her smile became brighter, but more and more tears kept coming out, which made her look even more pitiful.

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Finally, Qi Tianyu sighed and raised his head. "Sister Yuru, what's the point of saying this? It's all in the past!"

"Is it all in the past? Oh, you're right. When I was in Jiangzhou, I was the happiest. I was carefree and didn't have much... Well, it's just that my mother... my mother repeatedly told me how good the Duke Yong's Mansion was... She kept warning me that if I didn't marry into Duke Yong's Mansion, she... she would no longer recognize me as her daughter... I... at that time..."

Speaking of this, Qin Yuru cried so hard that she couldn't make a sound.

Qi Tianyu remained silent. He waited until her sobs ceased, and he said slowly, "What's the point of talking about this now? It's all over!"

"No, it isn't. If it weren't for this, I... I wouldn't have done this to my mother..." Qin Yuru retorted excitedly. When she said this, she found that she had said something wrong and immediately shut up. However, the meaning of her words was very obvious.

"Do you mean that you killed your mother because she forced you to marry into Duke Yong's Mansion?" Qi Tianyu asked in surprise.

He was not Chu Huairan, so he knew that it was true that Qin Yuru killed her mother. It was almost impossible for her to reverse the verdict. Nevertheless, when he heard it from Qin Yuru, he still felt very stunned.

"My life was ruined by my mother. Although she gave birth to me, she also destroyed me. Now that she is dead, I will also be sentenced to death. I believe I don't owe her anything. Only you... Brother Qi..." Qin Yuru became so excited that her voice was broken when she said this. Then she couldn't continue and burst into tears.

She meant that she and Madam Di were even, and the only one she felt sorry for was Qi Tianyu.

Though Qi Tianyu had no feelings for Qin Yuru now, or even hated her, he felt a little pity for her when he heard what she said.

Their deep affection in the past could not be expressed in just a few words.

"Brother Qi, tell me some things that happened in Jiangzhou. I don't have any other thoughts now. It's just that whenever I recall those past days by chance, I feel that I have experienced a happy life!" Qin Yuru finally managed to hold back her sobs and looked up at Qi Tianyu with expectation.

It was so hard to refuse such a request.

After pondering for a while, Qi Tianyu slowly talked about some of the past events in Jiangzhou, which were all about their childhood. As he talked about it, he marveled at how much things had changed.

At first, Qin Yuru only listened with tears in her eyes, but then she interrupted from time to time. When they recalled their past, some romantic feelings they had in the past were aroused.

Qi Tianyu kept talking while Qin Yuru listened with rapt attention. Two hours passed quickly, and they barely noticed it.

Qi Tianyu stood up and said apologetically, "Sister Yuru, I have to go back!"

"Brother Qi, please!" Qin Yuru stood up and turned sideways. After wiping away her tears, she forced a smile. She was very aware that such a smile would appear much bitter.

"If you want to know more about those past things in Jiangzhou, I can ask my servant to tell you!" Qi Tianyu thought for a while.

"Thank you, Brother Qi... I... Except for my father, only you have come here to see me!" Qin Yuru shed tears, lowering her head. She was pitifully thin now and was quite a different person from who she was in Jiangzhou.

If it weren't for the fact that Qi Tianyu had been watching her fall into such a situation, he would have thought that the person in front of him was someone else.

After a sigh, he said, "Sister Yuru, you don't have to be so polite. This is the only thing I can do now... From time to time, I will come to see you again!"

"Thank you, Brother Qi!"

Qin Yuru burst into tears again and then looked at Qi Tianyu with expecting eyes. Her eyes with tears didn't look away even when Qi Tianyu left.

The female office tried to pull her away, but she pleaded, "Please... Please let me stay here a little longer. I'll go back when I can no longer see him!"

The receding figure ahead paused for a moment, but he still left in the end.

"Princess, what does First Miss Qin want to do? To reunite with the First Young Master of the Qi Family?" When Qing'er reported it, Qu Le blinked her eyes and asked in confusion.

Would Qin Yuru be sincere? Of course not!

Shao Wanru put down the medical book in her hand and shook her head. It was never easy to fool Qi Tianyu. With Qi Tianyu's character, he could never fall in love with Qin Yuru again. Qin Yuru was very clear about that. However, for the sake of their previous relationship and the Grand Prince's Mansion, he could take care of her.

As long as Qin Yuru didn't ask for too much, he could satisfy her needs.

Qin Yuru broke off their engagement, so Qi Tianyu was the victim. Now when others learned that he was willing to take care of Qin Yuru, they would only think of him as a generous and faithful man.

Qi Tianyu was fully aware that an official's reputation was very important.

"Has the servant gone there?"

"Yes. A servant went there early the next morning. The First Young Master of the Qi Family had a deal with the prison. The young male servant also brought a meal to visit First Miss Qin and even sat in the cell to chat with her for four hours. When he came out, he seemed to be rewarded and told the prison officer that he would come back tomorrow!" Qing'er said.

It was not difficult to find out the information, but it was not clear what they were talking about. The prison was very well guarded. It was not easy to find out what information they had exchanged.

Of course, if Shao Wanru really wanted to know it, Qing'er also had a way.

"Think of a way to get in touch with the servant and find out who he was talking about with Qin Yuru. Then you can approach him as a maid from the Grand Prince's Mansion!" Shao Wanru thought for a while and got this idea.

Compared with inquiring for information from the prison, it would be much easier to get it from Qi Tianyu's servant. The servant had been staying with Qi Tianyu since they were in Jiangzhou. It was true that he was loyal to Qi Tianyu, but he had a drinking problem. He could say anything when he was drunk.

Moreover, it was reasonable to inquire about Qin Yuru as someone from the Grand Prince's Mansion. Chu Huairan had been to the prison before, which meant that the Grand Prince's Mansion still recognized Qin Yuru as a family member.

In the eyes of those with ulterior motives, there were a lot of things that could be done.

Whether to protect their reputation or for other reasons, Chu Huairan admitted that Qin Yuru was his daughter.

"Do you want us to get in touch with the servant immediately?" After thinking for a while, Qing'er asked.

"Don't hurry to inquire about the information at first. I just need you to get in touch with the servant. I'm afraid that it would arouse Qi Tianyu's suspicion if he got drunk recently. Let's observe him for a few days first!" Shao Wanru shook her head and said, "Try to let him believe that the person he meets is definitely from the Grand Prince's Mansion!"

Qi Tianyu's servant was usually a cautious person. He would drink too much with a stranger. Thus, they had to quieten his suspicions beforehand.

If Qin Yuru wanted to know something from the young male servant, she would not be able to get what she wanted at once. Instead, she also had to gain his trust first.

The matter of her parents in Jiangzhou was full of doubts. Shao Wanru couldn't get anything from Qi Tianyu, but Qin Yuru could. Although Qin Yuru couldn't compare with Qi Tianyu, her current situation could help her eliminate Qi Tianyu's suspicion.

When it came to the matter of Jiangzhou, they had to start from Qi Tianyu!

Qin Huaiyong and Jiangzhou's magistrate must know something. There was no evidence in the capital city, but what about Jiangzhou?

Qin Yuru played as a pawn for her!

It was time to see if this pawn could play its role.

Qing'er immediately understood Shao Wanru's meaning and said, "Please rest assured. I'll arrange for someone to get in contact with the servant. After winning his trust, our person will take him to drink. In the next few days, we'll just need to get familiar with each other." She then left to arrange the people.

Qing'er was in charge of the guards of the inner court of Prince Chen's Mansion and some secret guards. Besides, she would protect Shao Wanru closely. Before Chu Liuchen left, he called Qing'er over, telling her to guard Shao Wanru well.

As soon as Qing'er left, Yujie suddenly came in to report with a smile. "Princess, Miss Zhang is here to see you!"

The visitor was the daughter of Prime Minister Zhang, who met Shao Wanru in the Yuhui Nunnery. Then, they got along very well with each other during the Pageant. Although she would be Princess Yue, Shao Wanru still appreciated her.

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Chapter 970: Meeting an Old Friend Again

"Princess Chen!" When Zhang Qilan saw Shao Wanru, she bowed respectfully. Shao Wanru pulled her up with a smile and teased, "I will call you sister-in-law in the future!"

Even though she was never a timid girl, Zhang Qilan's face still flushed. She threw her handkerchief at her and said, "See whom I've brought here!"

Zhang Qilan stepped aside and revealed a delicate girl behind her. She had a delicate face and looked very thin. When she looked at people, she looked a little shy. Her shy face looked inexplicably familiar. Shao Wanru rolled her watery eyes and couldn't help but show a surprised expression.

She knew her! She was Luo Xiaowan, the daughter of the wife of Duke Yangqu's son!

"Greetings, Princess Chen!" Luo Xiaowan took two steps forward and saluted Shao Wanru.

Shao Wanru hurriedly reached out to help her up and said excitedly, "Sister Xiaowan, is it really you?"

"It's me!" Seeing Shao Wanru's intimate attitude, Luo Xiaowan breathed a sigh of relief. With a trace of smile in her eyes, she nodded.

"Great. I haven't seen you for a long time. I heard that you are recuperating. Why don't you go out all the time?" Shao Wanru was really grateful to her old acquaintance in Jiangzhou. At this time, she couldn't help asking.

"I'm not feeling well... That's why I've been taking good care of my health!" Luo Xiaowan lowered her head and said vaguely.

Zhang Qilan said, "the incident is long past now, and it's not your fault. You don't have to feel embarrassed!"

There seemed to be something hidden behind her words. Shao Wanru asked, "What's wrong? Did anything happen?"

"Do you still remember that you met the wife of Duke Yangqu's son in Jiangzhou three years ago?" Zhang Qilan did not have so many scruples and asked directly.

"Qilan..." Luo Xiaowan stamped her feet and said with a red face.

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"Let's go in and talk!" Shao Wanru looked at the people who served them on both sides and said. Just now, in order to welcome Zhang Qilan, she specially came to the gate of the courtyard.

At this time, when they were talking at the gate of the courtyard, they were surrounded by a large group of old maids and servant girls waiting by the side.

"Oh, I didn't notice it. I was so eager to talk just now. Let's go in and talk!" Zhang Qilan immediately understood what was happening. This place was indeed not a good place for chats.

They entered the main room and sat down one after another.

After the servant girls served the tea, Shao Wanru waved her hand, and Yujie left with a group of servant girls and old maids, leaving only three of them in the room.

"What's going on?" Shao Wanru asked.

"Princess Chen!" Luo Xiaowan wanted to say something but stopped. She bit her lips and lowered her head, twisting the handkerchief in her hand. She did not know where to start.

Zhang Qilan spoke up for her. "Three years ago, the wife of Duke Yangqu's son took Xiaowan to a blind date. It was an engagement with someone who was related to them in some way. The two families made the engagement for them since they were little. Though the boy's family moved out of the capital, their engagement still worked. The wife of Duke Yangqu's son loved Xiaowan very much, so she took her to look for the boy. Unexpectedly, they found out something!"

"What did you find?" Shao Wanru raised her watery eyes and asked suspiciously. It seemed that it had something to do with her.

However, Luo Xiaowan, busy rubbing the handkerchief in her hands, still didn't look up. It was obvious that she was quite worried.

"They planned to spend one night in Jiangzhou and went to the place where they were going to meet the boy's family. It had never occurred to them that they would see Princess Chen there. When such a thing happened, the wife of Duke Yangqu's son became much more watchful. When you were in Jiangzhou, Madam Di had a good reputation, but in fact, she was a wolf in sheep's clothing. She even wanted to sell you, merely because you blocked her daughter's way."

"The family that Xiaowan had engaged to is very nice. Someone passed the message, saying that her husband-to-be was a perfect man. The wife of Duke Yangqu's son was very satisfied with the family. She took Xiaowan there simply for them to meet each other. Their marriage would be settled without a doubt. However, no one had expected Madam Di to be a master of disguise. The Princess especially hurried up and arrived at the place one day earlier!"

Zhang Qilan paused when she said this.

Shao Wanru remained silent, but her serious expression clearly showed that she was listening carefully.

She had indeed listened to all of this attentively. In her past life, Luo Xiaowan had not been happy. The family she had chosen turned out to be an ungrateful person. She did not know if it was the same family that Zhang Qilan was talking about.

Judging from Luo Xiaowan's dress, she was still unmarried. Thus, even if something happened, it was still not too late. She could not help but let out a sigh of relief.

Ever since she entered the capital, she had never seen Luo Xiaowan and did not know what had happened to her. Therefore, even if she wanted to remind her, she couldn't do it.

"That family wasn't that nice at all. The wife of Duke Yangqu's son went to that place one day earlier and happened to see the young master buying accessories with his two delicate concubines. It was evident that he wasn't a decent man. The wife of Duke Yang Qu's son slapped the young master in anger and then went back to the manor furiously. She wanted to break off the engagement, but the wife of Duke Yangqu didn't agree, so their engagement stayed in stalemate for three years!"

"Hasn't it been solved yet?" Shao Wanru's heart skipped a beat and she asked.

"Not yet. The wife of Duke Yangqu wants so much to marry the family that she doesn't care about Xiaowan's opinion at all. It's useless for the wife of Duke Yangqu's son to say anything. We can only drag it on like this. Recently, the family has sent a letter saying that they must marry Xiaowan, which made the wife of Duke Yangqu's son very angry!" Zhang Qilan sighed. Anyone who encountered this kind of thing would fall into a filthy mood.

Luo Xiaowan was never a strong-willed woman, and this matter made her even weaker.

"I haven't seen you for three years. Is it because of this matter?" Shao Wanru blinked and asked.

"I was not in the mood to hang out. My mother also told me to keep it a secret. Whether I quit the engagement or not, it's not a good thing for a woman!"

The rims of Luo Xiaowan's eyes were red when she talked. Even after three years, she could still remember clearly how slutty he was. At first glance, she could tell that he was not a good person. Yet, he was praised as a good lover. She would rather die than marry someone like him!

"Why didn't the wife of Duke Yangqu agree to break off the engagement?" Shao Wanru thought of the key point. Since he was not a good match, why didn't she care about her granddaughter at all?

"This marriage has something to do with Marquis Xing's Mansion," said Zhang Qilan.

"What do you mean?" Shao Wanru became increasingly curious.

"In fact, this marriage was arranged by the Old Madam of Marquis Xing's Mansion. When I was little, the two families had begun to discuss it. Grandma said if I gave it up now, I would bring disgrace upon the Old Madam!" Luo Xiaowan spoke up this time. She raised her head and looked at Shao Wanru with a pleading face. "Could you please help me and persuade the Old Madam of your manor?"

"Is she the matchmaker?" Shao Wanru was stunned. The matter that had involved so many people turned out to be so closely related to her. Sometimes, the fate between people was really magic.

"Even if the Old Madam was the matchmaker, the marriage could be broken up. Why haven't you ended it?"

This matter sounded more and more mysterious. In her last life, Shao Wanru had never met the wife of Duke Yangqu's son in Jiangzhou, and she did not see Madam Di send someone to harm her either. Of course, she would not have doubts about the family who was engaged to Luo Xiaowan because of this. Then, they would arrive at that place at the appointed time and would certainly not witness the rake's ugly behavior.

The engagement went on well. It didn't take long for Luo Xiaowan to marry into their family and start a miserable life. The marriage was actually a tragedy.

Now, did her rebirth change Luo Xiaowan's fate? As a result, Luo Xiaowan had not gotten married yet, and it seemed that this marriage would not happen at all.

She had met the wife of Duke Yangqu's son that day and knew that she was a nice lady who was brisk and neat in handling matters. Since she had been able to delay the marriage, she had made up her mind not to let Luo Xiaowan marry him. In her mind, it was better for Luo Xiaowan to be a single older woman than to become a wife simmering with resentment.

In this case, why couldn't they break up the engagement? Her grandmother, the Old Madam of Marquis Xing's Mansion, couldn't be that competent!

"In fact, it was the idea of the Old Madam of your mansion and the Empress!" Zhang Qilan said discontentedly, "This was originally a small matter. I don't know how that family got contacted with the Empress who invited the Old Madam of your mansion to be a matchmaker."

If it was just a simple marriage related only to the two families, they could give it up when Luo Xiaowan could not accept it. However, as long as the Empress was involved in this matter, it was no longer an ordinary matter. If the marriage was broken, it would embarrass the Empress. The wife of Duke Yangqu didn't dare to do that. After all, she wasn't as courageous as the wife of Duke Yangqu's son.

This matter dragged on and on. This was also the reason why Luo Xiaowan did not show up in front of others. No one was in the mood to have fun when being entangled in such an annoying thing. Luo Xiaowan, who was weak in character, could do nothing but cry all day long.

For some reason, Shao Wanru felt that Luo Xiaowan was very like her in her past life. So, she could not help but feel pity for her.

"I assume that's why you're over here, right?" Shao Wanru's eyes flashed slightly as she asked.

"Please... Please help me, Princess Chen..." Luo Xiaowan stood up and was about to bow to Shao Wanru. However, Shao Wanru stopped her and said sincerely, "don't be so courteous. When we were in Jiangzhou, the wife of Duke Yangqu's son helped me. Besides, you and I are like old friends from the start. Now that we have met again, you don't have to be so polite. I will definitely think of ways to help you!"

When she was in Jiangzhou, she owed the wife of Duke Yangqu's son. Later, when she came to the capital city, the wife of Duke Yangqu had also helped her.

"Many thanks, Princess Chen!" Luo Xiaowan choked out, feeling deeply touched in her heart. She was no longer as anxious and fearful as she was on the road.

She had had a great conversation with Shao Wanru three years ago. But now, Shao Wanru's identity had changed dramatically. She thought that it might not be useful to recall their past.

Shao Wanru raised her eyes, looked at them, and said, "tell me what the wife of Duke Yangqu was thinking about? In her opinion, how can we minimize the harm of this matter?"

These questions were essential. She had to figure them out first...