Priceless Baby 1351

Chapter 1351: Not Making Any Sense (3)

Ouyang Feifei was speechless. How could he be so ridiculous?

She had made it very clear. But what was he doing now?

Anyhow, she would be engaged to another man in a month. She knew that she'd better stay away from Jun Yan.

"Please let go of me! Leave me alone!"

"Sorry, I can't. I have to make sure you are safe."

Jun Yan ignored her struggling and kept walking with her in his arms. She seemed helpless in front of this muscular male figure.

He took her all the way back to the castle and Ouyang Feifei had to give up struggling.

The ball was halfway through and many people were taking a break by the side.

When Jun Yan held Ouyang Feifei back they caught quite some attention.

Seeing him holding her in the arms, they wondered what was going on with these two.

Jing Xi was surprised to see them coming back like this. "Eldest Brother, you..."

"Miss Ouyang fell in the garden and hurt her knee and ankle. She needs to be attended to now."

"Sure, sure. We happen to have a doctor here."

Jing Xi had someone get the medical kit and called Gu Yici to help.

Jun Yan placed Ouyang Feifei on the couch.

Ouyang Feifei kept looking down without taking a glance at him.

Her parents rushed to her, and so did the others.

Ren Meixin was frightened to see her daughter bleeding. "Feifei, what happened? You are bleeding! What should we do?"

Ren Meixin treasured her daughter so much, since she was a baby and could never bear the sight of her being hurt, not to mention her bleeding.

Ouyang Qing was also worried. "Step aside. We should let Doctor Gu take care of it."

Ren Meixin got up and gave way to Gu Yici. He came to attend to her wound and said, "Don't worry. As long as we have it properly disinfected and bandaged, you will be fine soon."

"Such a huge wound! What if it leaves a scar? How could she wear dresses in the future?"

Ren Meixin was extremely worried. Ouyang Qing tried to stop her. "As long as her legs are fine, why bother worrying about dresses? Don't be silly!"

"How could that be silly? Our daughter has always been proud of her charming legs. What a pity it would be if there was a scar!"

Jing Xi tried to ease her mind. "Auntie, no worries. I'll give her something to remove any scars. Trust me!"

"OK, OK." Ren Meixin finally stopped worrying about the scar. But recalling that her daughter was taken here by Jun Yan, she asked again, "Jun Yan, do you know why she fell? What happened?"

"Miss Ouvang..."

While Jun Yan was wondering how to put it, Ouyang Feifei gave an explanation. "Mother, I went out for some fresh air but accidentally fell in the garden. It was very kind of the General to take me back."

Hearing her explanation, Jun Yan felt relieved. Ren Meixin had no doubt in her daughter's words and the couple thanked Jun Yan again.

"Jun Yan, thank you so much for saving our Feifei again. How could we pay back your kindness?"

"Don't mention it," Jun Yan answered. But he felt even more confused.

Ouyang Qing knew him well probably because they were colleagues. But how come Ren Meixin also seemed to know him? That's not making any sense!

Chapter 1352: It Suddenly Doesn't Hurt Anymore (4)

It was Jun Yan's first time meeting Ren Meixin, but he had no idea when he had saved Ouyang Feifei once.

Gu Yici quickly took care of the wound on Ouyang Feifei's knee.

"All right, it's done. Don't let the wound come in contact with water for a week," Gu Yici said.

"Is that it? Can she walk now?" Ren Meixin asked worriedly.

She told her daughter to try and walk. But as soon as Ouyang Feifei got up, the pain from her ankle made her sit back down.

"Oh, right! She sprained her ankle too," Jun yan said.

"Wait, let me have a look," Gu Yici said.

But as soon as he touched Ouyang Feifei's ankle, the pain made her pull her leg back.

Gu Yici grabbed her foot and twisted a little.

"Looks like it's dislocated," Gu Yici said. "I'm not good with this. I think its best if we send her to the hospital."

Ouyang Feifei's face turned pale from the pain, and she was sweating heavily on her forehead.

Jun Yan was a little hurt when he saw her trying her best to hold her pain and tears in.

"No need for that," Xu Xiyan said. "We have an experienced bonesetter here."

Xu Xiyan quickly brought her grandfather over to take a look at Ouyang Feifei.

Jing Huatook took a look at Ouyang Feifei's ankle before setting it back in a swift motion.

"Young lady, try and move your ankle," Jing Huaduo said.

Ouyang Feifei moved her ankle, and surprisingly, it did not hurt anymore.

"I think it's cured..." Ouyang Feifei said.

"Oh, my! Thank you so much! You're a savior!" Ren Meixin cried.

After seeing with her own eyes, Ren Meixin was surer that Renjing was not a fluke. She decided to introduce more patients to Jing Huaduo's clinic.

"You'll be fine. It's best if you don't wear any heels for the next few days," Jing Huaduo said.

The dance had ended early because of Ouyang Feifei's injury, but luckily it did not affect the wedding. Everyone was still happy that night.

The Ouyang family left with Ouyang Feifei on her father's back.

Ouyang Feifei did not even look at Jun Yan when she left.

Jun Yan was a little unhappy about what had happened. He blamed himself for inviting Ouyang Feifei to dance. He thought that she would've left if he did not do so.

When everyone had almost left, Jing Xi found some time to talk with Jun Yan.

"Hey, what's wrong? You looked like you were not having fun."

"Nothing."

But Jing Xi was not blind. She noticed that when Jun Yan took Ouyang Feifei back to the castle, the latter's eyes were red. It meant that Ouyang Feifei had been crying before that. Jing Xi could guess what had happened before.

"Come on, what happened between you and Feifei? Maybe I can help you."

"I really have no idea. It was my first time meeting her when I was appointed as the General, but she acted like I'd known her for quite some time," Jun Yan sighed. "She kept saying things that I didn't understand. She even looked sad when I declined her invitation. What's going on here?"

Chapter 1353: Her Trick Behind His Back (5)

It was exactly what Jing Xi had worried about. When the real Jun Yan met with Ouyang Feifei, Ouyang Feifei was definitely the one to be hurt!

"Hey... Eldest Brother, would you promise not to be mad if I make a confession?"

Jing Xi was ready to tell the truth. But she still had to get his promise first.

"Go ahead. I won't be mad at you!"

"Do you remember when we went across the border of Estan a while ago?"

"Yes, I remember."

"And do you remember how I looked at that time?"

Jun Yan tried to recall and said, "You were disguised as me."

"Yeah. That was why. I borrowed your identity and was in disguise when I met Ouyang Feifei. She had no idea I was a woman. Therefore when she saw you she thought it was the disguised me. Do you get it?"

"..."

Jun Yan thought it through and finally figured it out!

No wonder Ouyang Feifei seemed to know him well whereas he thought they had never met. It was again Jing Xi playing tricks behind his back.

You bad girl!

Although he had promised not to be mad, Jun Yan could not help being annoyed.

"Little Xixi! You stop!"

Before he could take any actions, Jing Xi had already run to her husband for protection.

She hid in Huo Yunshen's arms and added, "Eldest Brother, I did this for your sake! When could you find yourself a girlfriend if it was not for me? You made no effort and got a pretty girl now. You should thank me instead! And you are very welcome!"

"Look at what you've done!"

Jun Yan could have killed her. But there was actually nothing he could do now.

Ye Xun came to Jun Yan and patted him on the shoulder. "Eldest Bro, I reacted exactly like you when she did the same to me. But you probably will thank her for finding you a perfect match in the near future. You're just starting up. Enjoy it! Don't follow my bad example."

Speaking of that, he looked toward Huo Sanyan who was walking in with Ni Xuelin.

How biting it is now!

Jun Yan said nothing further. Anyhow, he found it hard to swallow being entitled to a girlfriend like this.

Fine!

The Jun family had arranged a marriage for him long ago when his grandfather was still alive. He was going to be engaged soon.

Ouyang Feifei would have her own life without him, and so would he.

They never belonged together. It was better this way.

They crossed the bridge and got into their cars separately.

Ye Xun asked his sister, "Are you coming with me?"

"Brother, you go ahead with Sanyan. Mr. Qi will give me a ride," Ni Xuelin answered.

Ye Xun took another glance at Qi Fang. He noticed that this man had been taking extra care of his sister.

He wondered whether they were dating. But Qi Fang had never gotten too close to his sister throughout the night except for a dance.

He had no idea how Ni Xuelin had gotten to know Qi Fang. But in order to protect her, he asked secretly, "How did you get to know him? Are you on a date?"

"What are you talking about! He used to be Mr. Helian Wei's private attorney and now is our legal advisor. We are just colleagues. He is giving me a ride on his way home."

Chapter 1354: Karma (6)

Ye Xun stared at Ni Xuelin and finally gave up.

"Fine. But you better wipe your glasses clean if you want to be in a relationship, you hear me? Don't say yes to every man!"

"I get it!"

After successfully persuading her brother, Ni Xuelin ran back to Qi Fang's car.

Ye Xun watched until the car had left and went to look for Huo Sanyan.

"Yanyan, come on, we should go home too," Ye Xun said once he found Huo Sanyan.

"I'm staying at my brother's place today!"

Huo Sanyan did not want to go back with Ye Xun and hid behind Jing Xi.

"You'll just be a bother to them! Come on."

Ye Xun had already opened the door to his sports car for her.

But Huo Sanyan did not get into his car and instead ran into Huo Yunshen's car, closing the door behind her.

"What are you doing?" Ye Xun scolded as he opened the door. "Are you coming back with me or not?"

"Are you going to let me stay with this kind of man? Look at how scary he is!" Huo Sanyan complained to Huo Yunshen. "Can you let me stay at your place for one night?"

Huo Yunshen looked out the window, and Ye Xun was looking at him, pleading for help.

Huo Yunshen was irritated by it. He could not believe that Ye Xun still could not get Huo Sanyan to love him back.

"All right, you can come with me."

Huo Yunshen gave Ye Xun a signal with his eyes and Ye Xun understood the meaning behind it.

"Thank you, my dear brother! You are the best!" Huo Sanyan smiled and turned to look at Ye Xun as he closed the door.

Huo Sanyan even stuck her tongue out at Ye Xun, signaling her victory.

Huo Yunshen's car began to move, and Ye Xun ran back to his car and followed behind them.

As the car drove, Huo Sanyan noticed that they weren't taking the usual road back to Yunjing Manor.

"Hey, are we going somewhere? The Yunjing Manor is not here."

She could make out that they were driving towards Ye Xun's mansion.

"We're taking another route," Huo Yunshen explained.

"I see..."

The car finally stopped in front of Ye Xun's mansion.

"We're here. You can leave now," Huo Yunshen said to Huo Sanyan.

"What? I thought you said you would let me stay at your place?" Huo Sanyan scolded.

"I did not. I just said that you could ride with me."

"What the...! Come on, is this how you treat your sister? Why are you siding with Ye Xun anyway? He's a bully!"

"Do you still remember how you kept spoiling me and Jing Xi's time when we had just started dating? This is payback."

"..." Huo Sanyan was about to cry out of desperation.

She finally understood what karma was.

But before Huo Sanyan could oppose, Ye Xun stopped his car behind them. He got out of his car and opened the door on Huo Sanyan's side.

"What now? Still going to run?" Ye Xun asked with a huge smile on his face.

"..."

Huo Sanyan could only curse Ye Xun in her head for losing again.

Chapter 1355: Bullshit (7)

Huo Yunshen started his car again and said before they left, "Ye Xun, be gentle to my sister!"

Ye Xun nodded hard. "No worries, Boss. I'll be extremely gentle to Yanyan."

Hearing him say this with sincerity, Huo Sanyan still found it hard to believe. Him being gentle...could that ever be possible?

When Huo Yunshen and Jing Xi left, Ye Xun lifted up Huo Sanyan and got her into the beachside villa.

"Hey! Let me go, I can walk myself!"

"No, I won't! Blame yourself for being so naughty!"

Ye Xun reasoned that he could not keep spoiling her. Otherwise, she might eventually break up with him and go to someone else.

He carried her all the way up to the bedroom and threw her onto the huge bed. Huo Sanyan even bounced up from the bed several times.

When she finally managed to get out of the bed, she saw that Ye Xun was taking off his clothes and unveiling his charming figure.

His firm muscles and charming eight pack abs...

What the hell is he doing?

"Yanyan..."

He spoke in a lower and hoarse voice.

Seeing his seductive look, Huo Sanyan got frightened and tightened her clothes. "Hey! You stay away from me! I'm warning you, Ye Xun! Don't ever touch me! Otherwise, I'll teach you a good lesson!"

Ye Xun disregarded her warning and came directly onto her.

"You take it easy. I won't hurt you."

Upon saying so he placed an overwhelming kiss on her lips with the smell of alcohol.

Ye Xun could never communicate properly with Huo Sanyan.

When he played nice, she kept more distance and always tried to run away from him.

Therefore he had to play hard once again!

What the...

Huo Sanyan realized that she should have never believed him. Whatever he said was bullshit. It was f*cking hurting!

They started with scorns, then some moaning, and eventually came to harmony.

When Ye Xun was trying his best to please Huo Sanyan, Qi Fang was driving across the city to his place.

Getting out of his car, he held Ni Xuelin's hand and took her home. He could not help himself from starting to kiss her once they entered the room.

After a lot of caressing, Qi Fang asked for something further. It might have been because of the alcohol that he could barely control himself and tried to have a serious affair with Ni Xuelin.

Ni Xuelin had moved out of Ye Xun's villa because of Qi Fang. He asked her to move into his place.

Despite the fact that they were in love and had been living together, they had never had gone anywhere further.

But due to the romance in the air tonight, they were both losing control.

When Qi Fang pushed her onto the couch, Ni Xuelin stopped him before he carried on.

"Qi Fang!"

"What, Xue-Er?"

Qi Fang was reluctant to be disturbed right now.

"Are you serious? I'm not as perfect as you thought."

"I can't be more serious, Xue-Er, you are the best for me."

Qi Fang was not good at forming sweet words. But whatever he said, it was from his heart.

The better he got to know Ni Xuelin, the more certain he felt that she was the one.

Ni Xuelin had refrained from having romantic affairs with Qi Fang. Because she was afraid that he would be disappointed and look down upon her when he found out it was not her first time.

Chapter 1356 (8)

Ni Xuelin felt a little humiliated from her previous relationship, where she had even had an abortion.

"I have something to tell you first," Ni Xuelin said. "If you can accept it, then let's continue; but if you can't, then I think we should break up."

Ni Xuelin was well prepared for losing Qi Fang after that.

"What's that?' Qi Fang asked, completely wide awake after hearing Ni Xuelin's serious tone.

"What if I told you this is not my first time?" It definitely stunned Qi Fang. Ni Xuelin's heart was broken when she saw the surprise on Qi Fang's face, and tears started to fill her eyes. "Were you keeping your distance because of this?" Qi Fang asked. "I'm sorry... I know that someone like me that's not perfect doesn't suit you... But it's unavoidable... I fell to a bastard in the past..." Ni Xuelin began to cry, and it hurt Qi Fang to see that. He could not even begin to imagine what painful past Ni Xuelin had endured. QI Fang pulled Ni Xuelin into his arms and hugged her tightly. "Do you think I would mind that? So what if this is not your first time?" "But..." "No buts! You're my girlfriend now, someone who I want to cherish forever. I'll love you forever, no matter what. If you don't believe me, then let's go and get engaged tomorrow." "I believe you... I believe you..." Ni Xuelin was really touched by Qi Fang's sincerity. "I won't let you get hurt ever again." QI Fang finally kissed her. That night, QI Fang let her know that he never hated her and told her how much he loved her. Their relationship finally deepened. Huo Yunshen finally arrived home with his wife and daughter. Su Wanqin was already asleep, and they crept quietly upstairs. The couple finally went back to their own room after helping Ying Bao shower and putting her to sleep. "You must be tired," Huo Yunshen said. "Indeed. I can feel the muscles cramping in my legs too."

"Come, sit, I'll help you massage them."

"Okay."

Xu Xiyan sat on the bed as Huo Yunshen kneeled before her and started to massage her legs.

Xu Xiyan yawned half an hour later and said, "Hey, let's go shower. It's almost time to sleep."

"Okay, let me carry you."

Huo Yunshen was about to pick Xu Xiyan up, but Xu Xiyan grabbed his hand and stopped him.

"No, I'm quite heavy now. Look at me, it looks like I've gained 30 kgs."

"So what? You're still the prettiest pregnant woman I've ever seen. You don't even look like you're pregnant from behind."

Chapter 1357: To Stop Before Losing Control (9)

Jing Xi found his words very pleasing. She chuckled and said, "How sweet. Did you just have honey?"

"Do you want to try?"

Huo Yunshen bent over and kissed on her lips. They did not stop even when Jing Xi fell onto the bed.

But before they went further, Huo Yushen sat up in time. "Well, that's all for today. Let's get you a shower now."

He tried to stop before he lost control in order not to harm her and the babies.

Jing Xi did not dare to risk it either, even though she did want more.

It was almost seven months. She had to be more careful with the two babies. Therefore she had to control herself too.

With Huo Yunshen's help, Jing Xi had a shower and stepped onto the scale afterward.

Upon seeing the figure she cried, "Oh no!"

Huo Yunshen rushed from the bathroom and checked on her. "What's up honey?"

"Nothing serious. But I put on another kilo. That's scary."

Jing Xi looked at the bulge on her belly and felt upset.

Huo Yunshen smiled and tried to comfort her. "No worries. It's them putting on weight. When you give birth to the babies you will become as slim as you used to be."

"I'm seriously worried. Honey, what if I become a fatty? Will you still love me?"

Jing Xi put on the robe and seemed very upset when looking at her swollen figure in the mirror.

Huo Yunshen finished his shower and came out with a towel wrapped around his body.

He came to her and cuddled her from behind. His hands were placed on her belly when he said, "Honey, you know what? You shouldn't worry at all! It's I who should be worried. What if you stop loving me when the babies are born?"

So he did worry too. Jing Xi felt relieved and instantly forgot about the annoyance.

She turned to cuddle him back and pressed her forehead on his.

"Take it easy. You will always be the most important to me. Our kids will eventually leave us. You are the one who will be here with me till the end. I couldn't love you more, honey."

They looked into each other's eyes and carried on with another round of caressing before they eventually headed into the bedroom.

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There was only Helian Wei and Jing Ruyue left in the Moon Castle.

The romantic melody was still playing. Helian Wei came and asked, "Yue-Er, are you tired?"

"A little bit."

"Shall I take you upstairs?"

"I can walk myself."

Jing Ruyue barely stood up before she felt herself being lifted from the ground and cuddled in his arms.

"Let me take you," Helian Wei said gently yet undeniably.

He brought her up the spiral staircase. But Jing Ruyue was worried that he was not as strong as he used to be after giving her a kidney.

"Put me down. Don't wear yourself out."

"I told you I can do this. You are so slim. It's not tiring at all."

In fact, Helian Wei had fully recovered. Losing a kidney had barely done him any harm.

He carried her into the bedroom and placed her on the bed. Jing Ruyue took a look around.

It was gorgeously and joyously decorated.

The huge bed was covered with rose petals and the room smelled rosy too. The lights on the ceiling formed a starry night.

Chapter 1358: Completely Hug Her (10)

"When did you put that light up?' Jing Ruyue asked.

She recalled that there were no chandeliers hanging from the ceiling before and had no idea when it had been installed.

"When you were sleeping. How is it? It's pretty, isn't it?" Helian Wei asked as he stared at Jing Ruyue, who was looking at the chandelier.

He quickly snuck a kiss on Jing Ruyue's lips when she was distracted.

Jing Ruyue lowered her head, and their eyes met.

"Little Moon, you're finally my bride. Do you know how long I've waited for this day?" Helian Wei asked softly.

"I know. I'm sorry for keeping you waiting."

"It's okay. I would have waited even if it took forever," Helian Wei said and looked at her. "Are you okay with me having been married to another woman once?"

"Yes," Jing Ruyue nodded her head. "I even wanted to ask you if you were okay with me being married to Xu Jinshan and staying by Mo Xie's side for 17 years or not."

They did not mind.

If they did, the wedding would not have happened.

Helian Wei knew that Xu Jinshan had never even once touched Jing Ruyue.

But even if something had happened, he still would not mind as long as he could be with her for the rest of his life.

"Those things are in the past now. All I know now is that I love you."

Helian Wei bent down and kissed her again.

"Yue'er, can I...?" Helian Wei asked.

Helian Wei had not asked to further their intimacy in the past because he was worried that she might not be able to handle it.

But after the wedding, Helian Wei wanted to make her his again.

"I don't know... It's been more than 20 years since I last..." Jing Ruyue blushed and lowered her head.

It meant that she was okay with it.

"Same here. Why don't we try?"

Helian Wei pulled her into his arms and hugged her tightly.

He slowly inched back into Jing Ruyue's heart that night.

He was finally able to be one with her again.

It was a very soft and lovely night.

The reflection of the Moon Castle's light on the waters of Tongxin Lake looked like a crescent.

The door to the Rose Garden was shut tightly, and guards were patrolling around the garden.

A woman stared at the castle from afar.

In her eyes were anger and jealousy.

Rage was building up in her as she thought of Helian Wei and Jing Ruyue living together in the garden, and it was their wedding night.

She felt hatred for not being able to live like them, like a fairytale.

She vowed to take her revenge on them,

And she planned to start with the people they were close to. She had her eys on Helian Qingyu, Jing Xi, and Huo Yunshen.

Chapter 1359: The Ungrateful Bastard (11)

Particularly Helian Qingyu. She had raised him and taken care of him for more than twenty years. But he turned out to be an ungrateful bastard.

He was after all not her own son, hence why he would not stand by her side. How could she leave this ungrateful one out there?

To see the four of them living happily ever after?

No way!

Yun Xuerou stood there for a long while before she left for the Northland. She was going there to draw out some help in order to seek revenge.

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It was especially encouraging for the seniors who had never stopped being nostalgic.

They were all looking forward to the reestablishment of their country, and the day that they could return to their land.

Then, Helian Qingyu started his first state visit to the Northland.

He was grateful for the king of the Northland who refused to ally with the rebels and had supported him to the very last moment.

Now that he had succeeded the presidency, the first thing he wanted to do was to maintain a friendly relationship with the Northland.

Three days later Helian Qingyu arrived at the Northland.

The Northland situated to the north of Estan was a developed industrial power.

Li City was the capital, where their meeting venue, the Wall Palace, was located.

Helian Qingyu and his retinues came to the Wall Palace and were accorded with a grand reception hosted by King Huangpu Heng.

Huangpu Heng had been a good friend to Helian Wei. Seeing the son of his old buddy, he felt like talking to his own juniors.

The state visit, therefore, went successfully. At the end of their visit, Huangpu Heng invited Helian Qingyu over for a private gathering at his home.

Inside the imperial castle, Helian Qingyu had a chance to meet Huangpu Heng's wife, Lady Rose.

Helian Qingyu had heard that Huangpu Heng's first wife had died earlier on and he married his second wife in his forties.

But this wife was a mysterious figure who never showed up in public.

When Helian Qingyu met Lady Rose, she was wearing a veil. She seemed pretty young and well taken care of.

Instead of being indifferent, she showed quite a bit of respect for Helian Qingyu and even prepared the feast herself.

Inside the castle Huangpu Heng took Helian Qingyu to meet his only son Huangpu Xuanye.

Huangpu Xuanye was merely seventeen. But the handsome young man looked no less resolute and stern than his father.

"Qingyu, this is my son, Xuanye."

After a brief introduction, Huangpu Heng called Huangpu Xuanye and said, "Xuanye, come and meet President Helian Qingyu. He is the newly appointed president of Estan. You can call him brother from now on."

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Chapter 1360: Change Of Heart (12)

It was as if everything was obsolete to Huangpu Xuanye; nothing could pique his interest.

He looked into the distance, and people could see the rebellious teenager in his eyes.

Huangpu Heng felt awkward when his son did not move.

"I'm really sorry, my son is kind of shy and cold," Huangpu Heng quickly explained. "I tried but failed to change his attitude. I hope you can forgive him."

But the truth was, Huangpu Xuanye used to be a boy filled with life. But ever since his mother passed away and his father married his step-mother, he had changed a lot.

He became cold and alone.

"No worries! I actually admire his personality," Helian Qingyu smiled.

Huangpu Heng led Helian Qingyu down the hallway and said, "But it's driving me crazy. He's like a brick. He only lives in his own world and does not care about anything else. I'm really worried."

"Is he always like this? What changed him?"

"He used to be a normal kid. But ever since his mother died and I remarried, he's changed. What I'm afraid of now is that he won't be able to sit on the throne after I retire. If that really happens, then we could only depend on you."

Huangpu Heng was right. Being a leader required wit and charm.

Connections between countries could only be built by talking with other people.

But if Huangpu Xuanye remained quiet all the time, there was no way he could perform such a feat.

Huangpu Heng was anxious because he was terminally ill and might not have long to live.

"It's still early to be worried, and he's still young anyway. He might grow into a responsible man in the future. You never know," Helian Qingyu comforted. "I think you can try and encourage him to leave the castle more."

"I did that, but it didn't work. But something weird happened not long ago. He actually went and visited Estan on his own accord."

"For real? If he wants to revisit Estan, I'll definitely take good care of him."

"Thank you so much. I'll ask him later. I'll let him follow you back if he wants to."

"Sure thing."

Helian Qingyu had his lunch with Huangpu Heng and his wife, Lady Rose.

He was lucky that Lady Rose took off her veil and showed her face during dinner.

Helian Qingyu was taken aback when he saw her face. He thought that he had seen her before, but he could not picture when.

But Helian QIngyu recovered quickly and took a seat.

"We don't have to wait for my son. He's not joining us," Huangpu Heng explained when he noticed Helian Qingyu was looking at the empty seat.

Helian Qingyu nodded.

They had their lunch, and Helian Qingyu accompanied the couple for an afternoon tea.

When Helian Qingyu was about to return, Huangpu Heng asked him to wait.

"I'll go ask my son if he wants to leave with you or not," Huangpu Heng said.