

Chapter 981 Death Wish (2)

Yet, who would have thought...

Dan Yifan would be so badly injured.

“What on earth has happened? Who injured him?” Ye Ling asked with a frown.

The youths from the Ye Family seemed rather dazed and only snapped out of their trance and replied at Ye Ling’s shout. “It was... the Eldest Young Master of the Duan Family, Duan Tianyun.”

“Duan Tianyun?” Ye Ling and the others were all taken aback.

One should know that Duan Tianyun was the most powerful among the younger members of the Duan Family. However, Duan Tianyun had not acted before, so they had subconsciously overlooked his existence and thought that Duan Tianyun would not participate in this match.

“How could it be Duan Tianyun? Wasn’t it Duan Luoning who sparred with Yifan?” The Great Elder asked hurriedly.

The youths from the Ye Family said, “It is true that Duan Luoning issued the challenge. At first, it was Duan Luoning who stepped onto the dais with Young Master Dan. Young Master Dan even beat Duan Luoning. But Duan Tianyun suddenly entered the arena and stepped up onto the dais in his capacity as a Duan Family member... Young Master Dan had no choice but to take him on... Who knew that Duan Tianyun would be so vicious and give no quarter.”

The youths from the Ye Family were enraged when they recalled Duan Tianyun’s viciousness during the match. Duan Tianyun had not just been interested in winning; he had been out to kill.

“That Duan Tianyun! He’s so vicious!” The Great Elder’s eyes were bloodshot with rage. He wished he could tear Duan Tianyun into pieces.

“Now is not the time for this. Yifan has been badly injured. We should quickly find someone to treat him,” said Ye Ling with a frown.

They had not expected Duan Tianyun to appear.

They had thought that the Ye Family would certainly win this round.

Yet, who would have imagined that an accident like that would happen?

Now, they could already guess the conclusion without asking for further details.

Among the younger members of the Ye Family, Dan Yifan was the most powerful.

Now, even Dan Yifan had been defeated by Duan Tianyun. The Ye Family had probably lost.

Since they already had an idea of what had happened, Ye Ling and the others did not ask any more questions. Since they could not change the outcome, they would try their best to cut their losses.

The Great Elder hurriedly ordered someone to send Dan Yifan for treatment while Ye Ling told the other youths from the Ye Family to rest for the time being.

The youths were all dazed, as if thinking of something. They glanced at Ye Qingtang from time to time, and their expressions were complicated.

“The Duan Family came prepared. Duan Luoning’s challenge was only meant to bait them out. They were probably prepared from the start for Duan Tianyun to act.” Ye Ling took a deep breath and involuntarily thought of their previous agreement with the Duan Family.

If they lost this fight, the Ye Family would have to pay tribute to the Duan Family.

“The Duan Family’s plan was truly malicious. No matter how we considered the matter, we overlooked this point. Come to think of it, they did not allow Duan Tianyun to act so that we would let down our guard, but we were careless to have fallen into their trap!” Second Elder thumped the table heavily.

“With this defeat, our Ye Family will suffer severe losses...” Third Elder sighed softly.

The Great Elder’s expression was extremely ugly. His grandson had been badly injured, and they had fallen into the Duan Family’s trap. How could he not hate them?

“Since this is the reality, then we had better be prepared. Otherwise, the Duan Family will use it as an excuse to create trouble, and who knows how far they will take matters,” Third Elder said helplessly. They had no choice but to admit that they had lost the bet.

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Ye Qingtang, who had been standing by the side all this while, could not help but be rendered speechless when she saw her father’s and the various elders’ mournful looks.

She could tell.

They thought that the Ye Family had lost the match.

However...

They had not even asked about it.

“Father...” Ye Qingtang felt that she needed to have a good talk with her father about this matter.

But Ye Ling suddenly interrupted Ye Qingtang and said, “Tang Tang, you can see the current situation in the Ye Family. You should start your journey back to the Xuanling Sect today. You are not to concern yourself with whatever happens next. As your father, I only hope you can live peacefully within the sect.”

Even Dan Yifan was unable to turn the Ye Family’s current situation around. If Ye Qingtang continued to stay here, who knew how many other matters would arise for her to worry over?

“...” Could she just finish her sentence?

“Actually, in this match, our Ye Family...” Ye Qingtang continued.

“Eldest Young Lady, the Master has spoken sensibly. You should return to the Xuanling Sect first. After Yifan recovers from his injuries, I will also ask him to return to the Leiting Sect.” The Great Elder sighed softly and helplessly.

Since matters had reached this stage, they had no choice but to accept their fate.

“...” Was it so hard for her to finish a sentence?

Ye Qingtang could not help but feel a little frustrated. She was about to blurt out the outcome to Ye Ling and the others when someone suddenly kicked open the front door of the Ye House.

A few Ye Family guards nervously ran in, their faces pale, and said, “Master, Elders, something terrible has happened. The Master of the Duan Family is at the door!”

“What!” Ye Ling and the others were all stunned.

“The Duan Family is truly impatient. They’ve come knocking without delay.” The Second Elder laughed coldly.

“I would like to see what other tricks the Duan Family has up its sleeve!” The Great Elder’s expression was somber. Dan Yifan’s injuries had filled him with hatred for the Duan Family.

With that, the Great Elder led the way by standing up and walking towards the front yard.

Ye Ling and the others followed.

Ye Qingtang, who had been continually interrupted, could only speechlessly watch the departing figures of the crowd.

Was it so difficult to let her finish her sentence!!

The commotion in the front yard had alarmed many members of the Ye Family. The younger members who had just gone to rest now hurried back.

The Master of the Duan Family, Duan Yangjing, was standing somberly in the front yard on Ye Family territory. Behind him stood various elders from the Duan Family, Duan Tianrao, and Duan Tianrui.

“Ye Ling, come out!” Duan Yangjing stepped forward and roared fiercely.

When Ye Ling and the others reached the front yard and saw Duan Yangjing and the others who had come with ill intention, their expressions grew grave.

“Duan Yangjing, don’t go too far. You are now in Ye Family territory. You people from the Duan Family better behave yourselves!” Ye Ling coldly berated them.

“Behave? You Ye Family people dare to talk to me of behaving! If you don’t give us a good explanation today, I might even lead men and exterminate the Ye Family!” Duan Yangjing glared ferociously at Ye Ling. His eyes were so bloodshot they almost seemed to be dripping blood.

When Ye Ling and the others saw Duan Yangjing’s murderous expression, they maintained their dignity but could not help but grumble inwardly.

What was the matter with this Duan Yangjing?

Why did he bring so many people to come knocking?

Even if the Duan Family won this match, they should not behave like that.

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Duan Yangjing looked as if he wanted to eat them alive.

“Duan Yangjing, what do you mean?” Ye Ling spoke carefully. In the past, their Ye Family would certainly not be afraid of an attack from the Duan Family.

But in the past year, it was not just the younger members of the Duan Family who had rapidly improved in terms of ability with the help of the Long Family. Even the elders and Duan Yangjing had also improved rapidly.

Approximately a year ago, Duan Yangjing’s ability had been comparable to that of Second Elder. But now, he had broken through to the peak of the Third Heaven of Martial Qi Level One and was a mere step away from Martial Qi Level Two.

Even the elders of the Duan Family had all achieved the Second Heaven of Martial Qi Level One.

The Ye Family currently could not counteract this kind of fighting strength.

“What do I mean? Ye Ling, hand your daughter over!” Duan Yangjing said coldly.

“What?” Ye Ling was startled. His daughter?

“Are you still acting dumb? If you don’t hand Ye Qingtang over to me today, our Duan Family will slaughter your entire Ye Family!” threatened Duan Yangjing.

“Duan Yangjing, my daughter just returned to Lin Town yesterday. She doesn’t know anything. Why make things difficult for her? If you have any grievances, you can come after me.” Ye Ling would not budge an inch in matters concerning Ye Qingtang.

He did not understand what the matter was with Duan Yangjing to make the latter aggressively demand him to hand over his daughter.

“Don’t know anything? Ye Ling, don’t treat me like a fool! Today, your daughter, Ye Qingtang, severely injured my son Tianyun in the martial arts arena. If you don’t hand Ye Qingtang over today, you won’t be allowed to leave the Ye House at all!!” Duan Yangjing roared.

The three elders of the Ye Family and Ye Ling were all stunned by Duan Yangjing’s words.

“Wh... What?” Ye Ling thought he must have heard wrong. Otherwise, it must be Duan Yangjing who had gone crazy.

Tang Tang had severely injured Duan Tianyun?

What kind of joke was this?

“Duan Tianyun, you’re the villain here. Don’t you dare make the first complaint! It was Duan Tianyun from the Duan Family who severely wounded my grandson, Dan Yifan. My grandson is now still lying

unconscious on the sickbed, but you're here to shift the blame instead!" The Great Elder went forward and berated them.

What kind of ability did Ye Qingtang have?

She was merely a red spirit root and had just entered the Xuanling Sect a year ago. How could she possibly have the ability to severely injure Duan Tianyun, who had attained the Second Heaven of Martial Qi Level One?!

The Duan Family was clearly maligning her!

Duan Yangjing casually pointed to Duan Tianrao and Duan Tianrui, who were standing nearby.

"Tell the Ye Family what you saw at the martial arts arena."

Duan Tianrui immediately said, "I saw Ye Qingtang injure my older brother with my own eyes. My older brother had beaten Dan Yifan, but Ye Qingtang suddenly and unexpectedly challenged my older brother. She fought viciously and severely injured my older brother."

"It's not just me. Even those members of your Ye Family who were present would have witnessed it too." Duan Tianrui pointed at the youths from the Ye Family, who were standing in the front yard.

"What happened?" Ye Ling frowned slightly and looked at the youths.

These youths had been frightened out of their wits by the conclusion of the match and had forgotten to report to the Master. Now that they were publicly questioned, they recounted how Ye Qingtang had beaten Duan Tianyun.

The expressions of Ye Ling and the three elders grew increasingly bemused as the youths spoke.

They thought they had lost the match.

Had the Ye Family actually won?

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"Now that matters have reached this state, what do you have to say for yourselves?" Duan Yangjing looked coldly at everyone from the Ye Family.

Even he had been completely taken aback by the news he had just heard.

He had flown into a rage when he saw Duan Tianyun being carried back by Duan Family members.

The injuries that Duan Tianyun had sustained throughout his body were unusually severe. The bones throughout his body had been crushed. Although Duan Yangjing had invited numerous famous doctors to treat Duan Tianyun, the results had caused Duan Yangjing to break down.

Duan Tianyun's injuries had extended to his organs and affected his veins. Even if he recovered, he would probably be crippled. In the future, it would be impossible for him to continue his martial arts cultivation, much less return to the peak of the Second Heaven of Martial Qi Level One.

Ye Ling and the elders exchanged looks. Even with the youths from the Ye Family as witnesses, they still found it hard to accept the situation. However, it looked like they would have no time to ponder how Ye Qingtang had severely injured Duan Tianyun.

In the face of Duan Yangjing's aggressive stance, Ye Ling blandly spoke.

"The Duan Family was the first to suggest this match. Fights are dangerous, and injuries are common on the dais... Not only was someone from your Duan Family injured, but someone from our Ye Family was also severely injured. What is there to say?"

"Rubbish!" Duan Yangjing bellowed coldly. "Your Ye Family skills are inferior, so it's not surprising you sustained injuries. But my son is so talented, how could your daughter, Ye Qingtang, have injured him so severely! Today, I will make Ye Qingtang pay an eye for an eye."

Duan Yangjing's unreasonableness infuriated the Ye Family.

Did they mean that the people from the Duan Family counted as human beings but not those from the Ye Family?

"Duan Yangjing, don't go too far!" Ye Ling shouted coldly. He drew the sword at his side with a ringing sound.

The three elders behind him also drew their swords.

"Go too far?" Duan Yangjing laughed coldly. A malicious gleam suddenly flashed across his eyes. "So what if I'm bullying you today? Men, even if you have to completely overturn the Ye Family, you must capture Ye Qingtang today!"

At Duan Yangjing's command, the group of Duan Family members behind him immediately drew their swords and faced off with the group from the Ye Family.

The youths from the Ye Family saw that things had gone awry and prepared for battle.

"I heard that... you want to capture me?" A clear female voice suddenly rang out from behind them.

The moment she finished speaking, Ye Qingtang slowly walked out from behind the group from the Ye Family.

"Tang Tang?" Ye Ling was startled when he saw his daughter suddenly move forward.

Ye Qingtang gave Ye Ling a placating look and walked to face the group from the Duan Family.

"Ye Qingtang, you've finally appeared!" Duan Yangjing looked at Ye Qingtang, who had emerged from the crowd. His bloodshot eyes looked at her as if he wanted to flay her alive.

"Oh?" Ye Qingtang looked expressionlessly at the furious Duan Yangjing.

"Men, capture Ye Qingtang!" Duan Yangjing shouted.

"Let's see who dares to try!" Ye Ling stepped in front of Ye Qingtang, and the group from the Ye Family also advanced a step.

"Father, let me deal with this." Ye Qingtang placed her hand on Ye Ling's shoulder and spoke calmly.

Ye Ling hesitated, but Ye Qingtang had already walked in front of Ye Ling. Her calm eyes swept across the group from the Duan Family.

“You wish to avenge Duan Tianyun?” said Ye Qingtang.

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“You’ve injured my son. Of course I want your life as compensation,” said Duan Yangjing coldly.

“My life?” Ye Qingtang looked at Duan Yangjing. “I’m afraid you won’t be able to take that.”

Without waiting for Duan Yangjing to reply, Ye Qingtang said without consulting anyone, “Enough nonsense. Since you want revenge, all of you should come at me at the same time.”

“What?”

Ye Qingtang’s words surprised everyone.

“Tang Tang, you mustn’t be impulsive!” Ye Ling was shocked.

The group from the Duan Family were enraged by Ye Qingtang’s arrogant words. With that, an elder from the Duan Family leaped up and struck a blow at Ye Qingtang.

“Little girl, how dare you boast!”

Ye Qingtang lifted her head slightly and saw the Duan Family elder leaping towards her. She slowly lifted her hand and met his palm with her own palm!

There was a huge bang!

When the two palms met, the crisp sound of a bone breaking could be heard from the Duan Family elder’s arm.

There was the sound of an explosion, and the shards of white bone pierced through the skin of his arm. He was instantly sent flying by the force of the impact.

But Ye Qingtang stood motionlessly at her original spot. Her upraised palm was completely unharmed.

The faint smell of blood permeated the front yard of the Ye House.

Ye Ling and the others widened their eyes in disbelief as they looked at the Duan Family Elder, who had collapsed onto the ground.

This elder was at the mid-stage of the Second Heaven of Martial Qi Level One. Outside of the Long Family, few people in the entire Lin Town was a match for him.

However...

His entire arm had been rendered useless by one blow of Ye Qingtang’s palm?

“I said, you should all come at me at the same time... don’t you understand?” Ye Qingtang looked coldly at the Duan Family elder, who had collapsed to the ground with a broken arm.

The group from the Duan Family looked in shock at the Duan Family elder who had collapsed to the ground, their eyes full of disbelief.

How could this be...

“Kill her!” Duan Yangjing bellowed.

The moment he finished speaking, the group from the Duan Family rushed forward and pounced on Ye Qingtang.

Ye Qingtang stood motionless in her original spot, looking at the group from the Duan Family that was rushing forward. Her eyes were expressionless. As the group rushed up, she suddenly raised her eyes, which had been slightly lowered.

The moment she lifted her eyes, an intangible aura suddenly burst from her body.

Boom, boom!!

There was an ear-splitting crash. Before the men from the Duan Family even knew what was happening, the intangible force sent them flying in all directions while they were still in mid-air!

In a blink of an eye, the men from the Duan Family were scattered throughout the Ye House courtyard. Each of them spat out a mouthful of fresh blood when they landed on the ground.

Even Duan Yangjing, the most powerful of the Duan Family, who had reached the peak of the Third Heaven of Martial Qi Level One collapsed to the ground, unable to get up. A column of blood sprayed from his mouth.

In the blink of an eye, everyone from the Duan Family had been utterly defeated.

The front yard of the Ye House was a sea of weeping and wailing.

Ye Ling and the three elders were completely stunned.

They gaped at the group from the Duan Family who had collapsed on the ground. They had no idea what had just happened.

Why had all of them collapsed onto the ground, heavily injured, when Ye Qingtang had not even moved?

Ye Qingtang shook her head blandly when she saw the men from the Duan Family, who had collapsed on the ground. Then without consulting anyone, she walked towards Duan Yangjing.

At that moment, the previously aggressive Duan Yangjing who had been baying for blood was lying on the floor, his face ashen.

“I forgot something just now.” Ye Qingtang faced Duan Yangjing. Her eyes were slightly lowered, and from her vantage point, she looked at Duan Yangjing, who had fallen to the ground.

“Your son, Duan Tianyun, said on the dais that if he lost, he would publicly kowtow to me three times,” Ye Qingtang said unhurriedly. “However, he probably can’t get up right now. In that case...”

Ye Qingtang suddenly raised her hand, caught hold of Duan Yangjing's collar, and lifted him off the ground.

"As his father, you should do it in his stead."

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With that, Ye Qingtang did not give Duan Yangjing any time to react and simply shattered Duan Yangjing's kneecap with a kick. She pressed Duan Yangjing's head down and smashed it against the floor with a crash.

"One."

"You bastard! Ye Qingtang, I'll kill you!!" Duan Yangjing, who was pressed to the ground, had never been humiliated like that.

Crash!

Ye Qingtang lifted Duan Yangjing's head up and then smashed it on the ground again!

"Two."

Duan Yangjing's face had been heavily smashed on the ground twice in succession. His nose bridge had already been smashed to smithereens. Large patches of blood trickled out of his wound onto the ground.

But Ye Qingtang did not seem to notice. She lifted Duan Yangjing's head up and smashed it onto the ground again!

Crash!

There was another heavy thump. Duan Yangjing's face was pressed into a depression in the ground. His body twitched a few times, but he did not make another sound.

"Three..." Ye Qingtang straightened up at the last count. Her gaze swept across the faces of the other members of the Duan Family, who had all collapsed on the ground.

The moment Ye Qingtang's gaze passed over them, they felt a chill spreading throughout their bodies.

"Who else wants revenge?" Ye Qingtang looked at the members of the Duan Family.

The Duan Family members did not dare to even emit a peep.

"Based on the rules, the Duan Family must henceforth pay tribute to the Ye Family every month. Isn't that right?" Ye Qingtang repeated her question when she saw that no one had replied.

The Duan Family members looked at Duan Yangjing, who had fallen to the ground. They could not tell if he was dead or alive. No one dared to refuse. They all nodded vigorously, each afraid that they would be next.

Ye Qingtang looked at the group from the Duan Family and said, "Scram!"

With that, the Duan Family did not dare linger around any longer. They stood up clumsily and dragged the half-dead Duan Yangjing up from the ground. Then, they hurriedly slunk away from the Ye House.

The Ye Family members only snapped out of their trance when everyone from the Duan Family had left.

“Tang Tang, you...” Ye Ling looked at his daughter, both surprised and pleased.

“Father, these matters are not urgent. I have not had a chance to have a good talk with you since my return. I have some things here that the family might find useful.” Ye Qingtang looked at Ye Ling and sighed inwardly. When she had returned yesterday, she had wanted to have a good chat with her father and also distribute some items in her space ring to everyone in the Ye Family.

But before Ye Ling and the others could comprehend the implications of Ye Qingtang’s words, Ye Qingtang had already opened her space ring. She reached inside...

Cling... Clang...

Ye Qingtang pulled out a pile of weapons. She did not look at them closely and just stuffed a few of them in Ye Ling’s hand.

When everyone from the Ye Family glanced at them, they almost fainted from shock.

The weapons that Ye Qingtang had casually handed over were all divine weapons of yellow grade or above!

“Tang Tang, these things...” Before Ye Ling could finish speaking, Ye Qingtang simply pulled out another pile. When she saw that Ye Ling’s hands were full, she turned and stuffed them into Second Elder’s hands.

Another pile of yellow-grade weapons...

Ye Qingtang pulled out three or four piles. Her father’s and the three elders’ hands were all full.

“And here are some elixirs. They are quite effective in improving your powers. Father, take them and distribute them to everyone.” With that, Ye Qingtang pulled a pile of elixirs out of her space ring and stuffed them in the hands of a youth from the Ye Family.

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The youth’s eyes popped out as he looked at the elixirs that had been stuffed into his arms. His legs went soft when he glanced at them.

Even though he had never seen these elixirs in real life, he had heard of them in legends.

Even the most stupid person could progress through several levels within a few days just by gulping down these elixirs.

Everyone from the Ye Family knew the value of the items that Ye Qingtang had taken out of her space ring. They all widened their eyes in disbelief.

All these items were surpassingly precious. To the Ye Family, every weapon was a top-grade divine weapon that they seldom saw in everyday life.

If even the most ordinary disciple from the Ye Family wielded it in battle, his martial skills would advance swiftly, probably by more than one level.

“Are these... premium yellow-grade weapons?”

The Great Elder looked at Ye Qingtang in shock. In Lin Town, even the half-step Yin Yang Perfected Lord of the Long Family only had a superior yellow-grade weapon. He had certainly never owned a premium yellow-grade divine weapon.

However, Ye Qingtang had brought out ten weapons.

“Tang Tang... you...”

Ye Ling gaped at Ye Qingtang. He was momentarily speechless.

Only then did everyone from the Ye Family realize why Ye Qingtang had shown no interest when Dan Yifan had tried to give her his sword...

It was because Ye Qingtang had so many yellow-grade divine weapons!

“Qingtang, where... did you get these treasures?” Ye Ling spoke in a shocked tone after a moment.

Even if Ye Qingtang had only brought out just one item, it would probably incite all the martial arts cultivators in Lin Town to strive for it with all their might.

But before Ye Qingtang could explain, the Third Elder’s eyes flashed, and he suddenly said, “It is rumored that the Xuanling Sect that Eldest Young Lady is in has a mystic realm... Could it be that Eldest Young Lady has passed the test for the mystic realm and entered it to obtain a great destiny?!”

When they heard the Third Elder’s guess, everyone in the Ye Family was suddenly enlightened. It was probably as the Third Elder had said. The destinies in a sect’s mystic realm were said to be incredible. Even black-grade divine weapons existed, much less premium yellow-grade divine weapons!

“Um... something like that.” Ye Qingtang did not protest and simply went along with what the Third Elder had said.

Actually, the Third Elder was not too far off the mark. Ye Qingtang had gotten lucky at the Hundred Level of the Hell of Avicinaraka, where numerous powerful cultivators from sects had been killed or injured. It was almost the same as having obtained a destiny from a sect’s mystic realm.

“No wonder... no wonder the Eldest Young Lady could single-handedly defeat the Duan Family...” The Great Elder looked at Ye Qingtang meaningfully.

Based on Ye Qingtang’s abilities and cultivation as an outer sect disciple, it was simply out of the question for her to defeat the current Duan Family.

However, if Ye Qingtang had entered the sect’s mystic realm and obtained some great destiny and various Dharma treasures, then it was entirely possible for her to single-handedly defeat the Duan Family...

“Ai... Eldest Young Lady, although all these are divine items, the combined strength of the Long Family is just too great... The half-step Yin Yang Perfected Lord is near invincible, not to mention the other Martial

Qi Level Two and Three cultivators in the Long Family. I'm afraid that if the Long Family catches sight of these treasures, it will lead to the extermination of our Ye Family..." Third Elder sighed while looking at Ye Qingtang.

When they heard the Third Elder's words, the Great Elder and a few of the senior members of the Ye Family also looked worried.

Chapter 988 Rare Treasure (3)

The Duan Family was the Long Family's lackey. Every action had its consequences; when one beat a dog, one must answer to its master. Previously, Ye Qingtang had entered the match in her capacity as a member of the younger generation and defeated a younger member of the Duan Family. This was excusable, and others would have no grounds for accusing her.

However, Ye Qingtang had now taught the entire Duan Family a vicious lesson. Given the vengeful nature of the Duan Family, they would certainly not let it go. If the Long Family also got involved, the consequences were unthinkable.

To the Ye Family, the divine treasures that Ye Qingtang had taken out of her space ring were like hot potatoes.

Ye Qingtang swept a glance at everyone. Did this mean that they were blaming her?

"Ai, Eldest Young Lady, I'm afraid we aren't fortunate enough to own these treasures. Considering how you treated the Duan Family today, the Long Family will certainly make an appearance... Why don't we hand these treasures over to the Long Family first? That would be better than the Ye Family being exterminated," said the Third Elder.

Although everyone in the Ye Family was extremely unwilling to follow the Third Elder's suggestion, it was presently the most appropriate plan.

With these treasures in hand, their abilities would increase so greatly in a short span of time that they would be vastly different from their past selves. But no matter how powerful they were, they were still no match to the Long Family.

If they were unwilling to hand the treasures over, the Long Family would snatch them away. Then, they might lose their lives, not to mention their possessions. After weighing the pros and cons, the Third Elder's plan seemed to be the most reliable.

"Hmph, how can we just give these treasures to the Long Family for no reason? If we do that, what kind of standing will the Ye Family have?" The Second Elder shouted coldly.

"That's right." The Great Elder nodded and chimed in, "The Duan Family went too far and even severely injured my grandson. If our Ye Family now hands all these Dharma treasures over, we will have no reputation left!"

"Great Elder, of course I understand what you are thinking..." The Third Elder looked at the Great Elder and the Second Elder and said, "If we retain these treasures, they can indeed cause our martial arts abilities to span several levels. It will be an easy matter to crush the Duan Family and their ilk. But can

we depend on these treasures to oppose the Long Family?! Ultimately, which is more important: the treasures or our lives?"

"So what. If worse comes to worst, we will fight the Long Family to death!" shouted the Great Elder.

"Great Elder, I know you are angry because your grandson was injured. But let go of your anger. Opposing the Long Family is like using an egg to smash a rock. Even if we die, they won't be harmed." The Third Elder sighed.

At present, all Ye Family disciples, including the majority of the senior members of the Ye Family, all agreed with the Third Elder. They were willing to offer the treasures that Ye Qingtang had brought to the Long Family.

"Are you making this decision without consulting me? These things belong to me." Ye Qingtang swept a glance at the Ye Family's disciples and senior members before speaking calmly.

When they heard that, one of the senior members of the Ye Family frowned and said, "Eldest Young Lady, what are you saying? If you had not forced the Duan Family's hand, would we need to do this?"

"That's right. Eldest Young Lady, even if you have entered the Sect's mystic realm and obtained a great destiny, you cannot possibly oppose the Long Family. Furthermore, the Duan Family is the Long Family's lackey. You are well aware of all these facts, but you still battered the Duan Family without restraint. Aren't you aware of the consequences? As the Eldest Young Lady of the Ye Family, what you said is truly disappointing!"

Chapter 989 The Long Family (1)

As a few of the Ye Family members spoke coldly, many of the Ye Family disciples started to discuss the matter among themselves.

"Although Ye Qingtang is powerful, her power depends on the treasures obtained from the mystic realm. It was pretty good for her to be able to crush the Duan Family, but opposing the Long Family... that's a joke!"

"That's right. As the Eldest Young Lady of the Ye Family, she clearly knew the relationship between the Duan Family and the Long Family but still relied on the treasures she obtained from the mystic realm to humiliate the Duan Family. She wasn't just humiliating the Duan Family, she was trying to exterminate the Ye Family!"

"Hmph... Ye Qingtang still can't bear to let go of her treasure at this point. She doesn't care if the Ye Family is exterminated!"

A few of the Ye Family disciples looked resentfully at Ye Qingtang.

At that moment, Ye Ling's expression was extremely gloomy. If his daughter was really like that, would she have distributed the treasures to everyone in the Ye Family?!

"Shut up, everyone!" Ye Ling shouted coldly.

However, before Ye Ling could say anything more, a few young men and women strolled to the front door of the Ye House.

Among them was a man dressed in white, with a cold and arrogant demeanor. It was Duan Tianrao, who had doubled back after leaving with the Duan Family.

Standing in front of Duan Tianrao was a girl in red who carried an aloof expression. The girl had also brought along two maidservants.

“Young Lady of the Long Family... Long Rui?!”

Everyone in the Ye Family was shocked when they saw the girl in red.

The girl in red’s name was Long Rui, and she was the beloved daughter of the Master of the Long Family. Furthermore, her ability had entered the realm of the Second Heaven of Martial Qi Level Two, and she was the most outstanding supernaturally talented person in the Long Family!

Duan Tianrao was currently sweeping a glance around him. When he saw the Ye Family shrink back, he glanced at Ye Qingtang with a trace of smugness.

Fortunately, he had made a clean break with Ye Qingtang previously, and Ye Xun had also suddenly disappeared. Otherwise, he would not have had the immense good fortune of meeting Long Rui and have the hope of becoming the Long Family’s high-ranking son-in-law.

Ye Qingtang could never compare with his Long Rui, whether in terms of family background, martial arts ability, or talent. It was almost as if they were from two different worlds.

“The presence of the Young Lady from the Long Family is a great honor for our humble Ye House...” The Third Elder looked at Long Rui smilingly.

However, before Long Rui could speak, one of the Long Family’s maidservants said, “Who is Ye Qingtang!”

When they heard that, everyone from the Ye Family was shocked. Could it be because of the incident with the Duan Family...

“May I ask... why are you looking for the Eldest Young Lady of our Ye Family...” The Third Elder asked gingerly.

“Enough nonsense!” The maidservant of the Long Family shouted coldly. “I’ll ask the questions, and you’ll answer. Who is Ye Qingtang!”

“You’re looking for me.”

Ye Qingtang spoke first without giving the Third Elder an opportunity to reply.

“You are Ye Qingtang!” The maidservant from the Long Family looked Ye Qingtang over coldly with an attitude of superiority. Her eyes were full of disdain.

“Your Ye Family is really bold!” The maidservant from the Long Family suddenly shouted coldly. “Doesn’t the Ye Family know about the relationship between the Duan Family and the Long Family? What gave you the courage to condone this reckless and contemptible buffoon from your family, who provoked the Duan Family!”

“This...”

At that moment, everyone from the Ye Family looked at each other, unsure of how to reply.

“A misunderstanding... there must be a misunderstanding. It is not what you think...”

“That’s right. Our Young Lady has just returned. She hasn’t been in Lin Town for two years and did not know the rules... We hope the Long Family won’t blame her!”

A group of senior members from the Ye Family hurried forward to explain matters.

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“Is this your so-called ex-fiancée?”

Long Rui, who had not spoken until then, suddenly looked at Duan Tianrao, who was standing in front of her.

She had naturally heard about Duan Tianrao’s past since her arrival in Lin Town.

Duan Tianrao smiled helplessly when he heard Long Rui’s words.

“Which of us is better?” asked Long Rui.

“Ruiler, how can you lower yourself by comparing yourself to her? I don’t know what my parents saw in her... both of you are from different worlds,” said Duan Tianrao as he looked at Long Rui.

Veins immediately popped out on Ye Ling’s forehead. No matter what, Duan Tianrao had been his daughter’s ex-fiancé. Even though the engagement had been dissolved, he should not treat her like that...

However, Ye Ling did not dare to say anything in front of the Long Family, for fear that something he said might lead to the Ye Family being exterminated.

“Ye Qingtang, why aren’t you kneeling!”

With that, the maidservant from the Long Family looked at Ye Qingtang and shouted at her coldly.

“You... want me to kneel?” Ye Qingtang’s lips curved slightly in a trace of a bemused smile, as if she had just heard the world’s funniest joke.

“Why, do you dare to refuse?!”

The eyes of the two maidservants from the Long Family glittered coldly.

All the senior members of the Ye Family quavered at this scene.

“Everyone from the Long Family, please don’t be angry. The Eldest Young Lady of our Ye Family was in the wrong. Of course she should kneel and apologize, of course she should!”

“That’s right, we will certainly make the Eldest Young Lady apologize and give the Long Family a satisfactory account!”

A few senior members of the Ye Family spoke ingratiatingly while cold sweat seeped from their brows.

“That would naturally be the best, so that we won’t have to waste time,” one of the maidservants from the Long Family said.

“Eldest Young Lady, this is the Young Lady of the Long Family... We cannot afford to offend them. Just kneel and apologize. I’m sure the Long Family will be gracious and drop the matter.”

“Qingtang, please don’t be impulsive. If you don’t kneel, not just the Ye Family, but even you will not leave Lin Town alive!”

“Eldest Young Lady, it’s just kneeling for an apology... in any case, you were in the wrong in this case. If you were showing off in the match between the Duan Family and the Ye Family, then you should have left it at that. Now, even the Master of the Duan Family has been... hurry up and kneel to Miss Long Rui and these two young ladies from the Long Family and admit your guilt!”

All the senior members of the Ye Family looked at Ye Qingtang and spoke in rapid succession.

Before Ye Qingtang could say a word, a maidservant from the Long Family said, “Ye Qingtang, if you kneel, you will live. If you refuse, you will die.”

When she heard that, Ye Qingtang nodded slightly and responded. “Now, I am giving you a chance. If you kneel and admit you were wrong, I will allow you to live. Otherwise, you will die.”

“Ye Qingtang, what nonsense are you spouting!”

With that, all the senior members glared at Ye Qingtang in rage. How dare she talk to the ladies from the Long Family like that! Did this Ye Qingtang really have a death wish?

“Ye Qingtang, as a senior member of the Ye Family, I order you to immediately kneel and apologize to the two young ladies from the Long Family!”

“That won’t be necessary.”

One of the maidservants from the Long Family laughed coldly. “We already gave you a chance. A pity you did not treasure it.”

As the maidservant from the Long Family finished speaking, the two of them swiftly vanished from the yard.

Swoosh!

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Two longswords were unsheathed and swung straight for Ye Qingtang.

However, Ye Qingtang was still standing motionless in her original spot.

The two maidservants from the Long Family were extremely fast. However, to Ye Qingtang, they were basically like crawling ants.