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Chapter 193: A Sudden Event

A few minutes later, Xu Huan and Mo Wu had finished arranging everything. They returned to room one and signaled Huo Xuan and Mo Zhu to leave.

Unexpectedly, before the four of them could get up and leave, an unexpected guest arrived in the private room.

A middle-aged man in a customized suit stood politely at the door of the private room. He raised his hand and gently knocked on the wooden door of the private room. He asked in a low voice, "Ms. Mo, may I come in?"

When she saw that the person who came was the Gao family's master, Gao Rong, Mo Zhu's eyes darkened and she raised her eyebrows in surprise. "Alright, come in if you have something to say."

After receiving the girl's approval, Gao Rong casually closed the door of the private room and quickly walked two steps to the table. He raised his hand and handed a bank card to Mo Zhu.

This action confused the four of them. Mo Zhu stuck her hands in her pocket and stared straight at the man in front of her. She asked unhurriedly, "Mr. Gao, what do you mean by this?"

When Gao Rong heard this, he bowed lightly to Mo Zhu and said respectfully, "Ms. Mo, this card contains the one trillion yuan that you spent when you auctioned your first spirit herb. The Gao family has transferred the money you have paid into this card. If you don't mind, this money can be treated as what the Gao family is offering sincerely to make friends with you."

When Mo Zhu heard the man's words, she couldn't help but chuckle. She directly pointed out the thoughts in Gao Rong's heart without giving him face. "Why? Did you not expect that someone would really pay a high price for that herb? Are you suddenly changing your mind now?"

Gao Rong's expression froze when he heard this. He understood that Mo Zhu was not easy to fool, so he did not hide it. He sighed and explained bluntly, "Ms. Mo, don't misunderstand. I have no other intentions. To be honest, the spirit herb you bought is called the Soul Returning Herb. This herb is too precious, and I had no choice but to resort to this."

Seeing that the four people in the private room were staring at him expressionlessly, Gao Rong pinched the space between his eyebrows and continued helplessly, "Everyone, you might not know this, but this spirit herb is a treasure that the Gao family has kept for many years. According to rumors, only two stalks have been successfully planted in H Nation in the past hundred years. One of them was in the hands of a medical sage, and the other was obtained by my second uncle by chance. That's why it has been kept in the Gao family until now."

After a pause, Gao Rong quietly and secretly observed Mo Zhu's expression before adding, "That medical sage was originally my second uncle's best friend, but for some reason, he lost contact with him in the past few years."

"Before this auction started, my second uncle specially sent me an email asking me to take out the Soul Herb this time and auction it on the spot. If a doctor who knows his stuff offers a high price for this spirit herb, he will definitely want me to return the full amount to you after the auction ends. He also said..."

Mo Zhu knew that there would be more to it. She crossed her arms in front of her chest and raised her eyebrows as she asked, "What else did he say? He even said that he wanted to meet me?"

Gao Rong was so shocked when he heard this that he raised his head to look at Mo Zhu. He suddenly nodded his head twice. "Ms. Mo is indeed as accurate as a god. My second uncle said that he hopes to meet you when he has the chance."

Mo Zhu zipped up her coat and lowered her head slightly. No one knew what she was thinking about. A moment later, she raised her eyes coldly and looked back at Gao Rong. "If I don't want to see that second uncle of yours, do you think the Gao family will take back this spirit herb? The auction has rules. The Gao family can be considered a prestigious family in Beijing. You won't break your promise over such a small matter, right?"

Gao Rong was so frightened by Mo Zhu's words that he did not dare to breathe loudly. He immediately waved his hand hurriedly and explained loudly, "If you refuse, I will definitely not force you. This medicine is naturally yours. However, my second uncle has repeatedly emphasized that I can't accept your money. I hope you can accept this card. Otherwise, I'm afraid I won't have the face to return to the Gao family.."

Chapter 194: Accepting the Invite

After placing the card on the wooden table in front of Mo Zhu solemnly, Gao Rong bowed respectfully and said, "Ms. Mo, my second uncle's name is Gao Qing. If you change your mind, you can contact me anytime."

After saying this, Gao Rong saw that Mo Zhu was still expressionless. He sighed and prepared to leave.

Before he could move, Mo Zhu's cold voice suddenly came from behind. "Take your card back. Transfer the money to the account I paid with and tell him that I'll go to the Gao family to see him tomorrow afternoon."

When he heard Mo Zhu agree, Gao Rong was afraid that the girl would turn unhappy suddenly and change her mind. He quickly picked up his bank card from the table and hurriedly agreed before leaving room one.

Just as Gao Rong walked out of the private room, a sneaky figure stuck his head out from the door and looked in. When the person saw Mo Zhu's face, he immediately revealed a huge smile and pounced at the girl.

"Xiao Zhu, Xiao Zhu, I miss you so much. So you're here. I've finally found you."

This voice was so cringy that it made one feel vaguely uncomfortable physiologically. Before Mo Zhu could react, Huo Xuan reflexively pulled the person from Mo Zhu's side two meters away.

"Xiao Zhu, you! You've forgotten your old love after having a new lover. I'm going to sue you for abandonment! Boohoo, to think that I've been thinking about you day and night since I left you. A day apart feels like three years. I didn't expect you to be so fickle!"

The person who spoke was Xiao Yuan, who had been sending messages to Mo Zhu just now. Now that he saw Mo Zhu in a private room with three men, he could not help but purse his lips and complain.

"Xiao Zhu, you, you're actually with three men..." Before Xiao Yuan could finish, Huo Xuan could no longer stand it and opened the door to throw him out.

After being dragged two steps by the man, Xiao Yuan pushed Huo Xuan away angrily and glared at him. "What's wrong with you! Don't touch me!"

Huo Xuan raised his eyebrows and looked at Xiao Yuan coldly, a hint of displeasure on his face. "Mo Zhu is mine. Stay away from her, or don't blame me for being nasty to you!"

Hearing Huo Xuan's half threatening words, the anger in Xiao Yuan's chest rushed to the top of his head. He didn't speak again and punched Huo Xuan's face.

Huo Xuan had already expected this move from him. He immediately dodged the punch and started fighting with Xiao Yuan.

In an instant, the two of them were locked in a fight. Mo Zhu frowned when she saw this and sat down speechlessly before calmly drinking her tea.

Seeing Mo Zhu's indifference, Xu Huan silently looked at the private room that had already been ruined by the two of them. He raised his eyes, turned to Mo Zhu and asked, "Little Bamboo, do we really not have to care about these two people? If they continue fighting, we will probably have to pay a lot of compensation to the hotel!"

Although it was impossible to tell who had the upper hand and who was at the disadvantage just by looking at the two of them fight, Xu Huan thought that since they had come to auction the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb, and the people from the various families in the living room had not all left, it was inevitable that such a big commotion would be bad.

When Mo Zhu heard this, she glanced coldly at the two people who were fighting each other. Her fingers knocked lightly on the table from time to time. "With your little boxing skills, do you believe that if you go and break the fight, the one who will be injured is you?"

"Alright, then I won't care." Xu Huan pursed his lips and felt that Mo Zhu's words made sense. He also sat down with interest to watch the two of them fight.

About five minutes later, Xiao Yuan gradually lost to Huo Xuan. In a few moves, he was forced to a corner by Huo Xuan. He hugged his head and couldn't help but beg, "Senior, senior, stop hitting me. I admit defeat.. I admit defeat, alright?"

Chapter 195: Meeting Xiao Yuan Again

Upon hearing Xiao Yuan's begging, Mo Zhu's pupils constricted. She turned her head and looked at Huo Xuan without blinking.

As expected, Huo Xuan stopped. As he tidied up his messy cuffs and collar, he asked in a low voice, "How many days have you been in Beijing? Why didn't you send someone to inform me?"

Xiao Yuan also tugged at his messy clothes. He glanced at Huo Xuan and replied plainly, "I just arrived last week."

Huo Xuan nodded in understanding. He lowered his eyes and said, "How many days do you plan to stay in Beijing this time?"

Hearing Huo Xuan's question, Xiao Yuan carefully raised his head and glanced at him timidly. He lowered his voice and said, "You must not tell my old man about my return. I came back secretly this time and I'll leave in two days. If my old man finds out about this and gets angry, I'll complain to Aunt Man!"

Huo Xuan raised his eyebrows and looked at him with a mixture of anger and amusement. "Are you that afraid of Grandfather Xiao? Then why don't you stay at home obediently instead?"

Upon hearing his words, Xiao Yuan immediately put on a bitter expression. He waved at Huo Xuan and sighed deeply. "It's not like you don't know what kind of person my grandfather is. There are very few grandchildren in the family. He wants me to inherit the Xiao family's huge family business."

After a pause, Xiao Yuan lowered his head and added with a sigh, "Am I good at doing business? Obviously not! If not for my grandfather using all sorts of methods to force me to take over the company every day, I wouldn't be bothered to wander around alone!"

When Huo Xuan heard this, he ignored Xiao Yuan and turned around to see Mo Zhu staring at him. He was about to explain when the girl interrupted him. "Senior?"

Mo Zhu touched her chin curiously, curled her lips into a sinister smile, and looked at Xiao Yuan. "Why haven't I heard that the two of you have such a relationship? Which sect are you from? Tell me about it."

Xiao Yuan shivered from Mo Zhu's stare. He trembled as he clarified, "Xiao Zhu, don't misunderstand. Although Huo Xuan is my senior, my entire heart is on your side. I swear!"

As if he was afraid that Mo Zhu would suspect him, Xiao Yuan immediately patted his chest and swore.

Seeing that the man's answer was not what she wanted to hear, Mo Zhu cleared her throat and said, "Don't talk about these useless things. Tell me the truth and let me see your sincerity."

Understanding the meaning in Mo Zhu's words, Xiao Yuan gave Huo Xuan a resentful glance before lowering his head guiltily and explaining softly, "I guarantee that the information I gave you about this fella is true. At that time, you asked me to investigate him. In order not to let him find out, I even went overseas specially to hide for a few days..."

"Investigate me?" Huo Xuan raised his eyebrows, staring coldly at the man in front of him who was admitting his mistake with his head lowered.

After saying this, Xiao Yuan, who did not manage to be on the good side of either of them, begged with a long face, "My two bosses, you can't blame me for this, can you? You two weren't familiar with each other at that time, and I couldn't directly reveal everyone's relationship. This is already the best solution."

After a pause, Xiao Yuan looked at the two of them awkwardly. "I had no choice. Besides, we're all on the same boat now. Why don't we forget the past?"

Although Huo Xuan and Mo Zhu's expressions looked much better after the man tried to explain actively, Mo Zhu still deliberately asked, "Then according to what you mean, you still think you did the right thing?"

Xiao Yuan did not hear the teasing in Mo Zhu's tone. He immediately scratched his head and smiled awkwardly. "It's not good to say that, but I've indirectly improved the relationship between the two of you. We're a family, so let's not speak different languages. We have to communicate more in the future.."

Chapter 196: Blocked By Someone

Mo Zhu did not speak and continued to look at Xiao Yuan coldly.

Being stared at by the girl like this, he could not help but feel a little scared and he could not help but shiver. Xiao Yuan took the initiative to touch his nose and said, "Haha, since the misunderstanding has been cleared, I believe I have nothing to do here."

After a pause, he stammered as he turned to look at Huo Xuan, who was standing quietly at the side, and he continued to explain, "Senior, you also know that my old man likes to participate in events like this the most. It's not safe for me to be here anyway. I'll leave first. I'll catch up with you and Xiao Zhu another day!"

After saying this, Xiao Yuan did not dare to look up to see their reaction. He immediately pushed the door open and left the private room quickly.

After his figure completely disappeared into the corridor, Huo Xuan, Mo Zhu, and the others slowly stood up and left the hotel.

A waiter had already parked the car by the roadside in advance. After the few of them got into the car, Mo Wu started the car and drove steadily back to the Huo family.

At this moment, the sky had already turned completely dark. After driving for about 15 minutes, just as the car was about to drive into a relatively narrow alley, Mo Wu saw something and his pupils suddenly constricted. He suddenly slammed on the brakes.

Staring at the few trees around him, Mo Wu turned his gaze to the rearview mirror with a dark expression and said seriously, "Young Master, there are many experts lying in ambush on this path. They don't look like they have good intentions."

Just as he finished speaking, dozens of men in black suddenly appeared in the dark. All of them held weapons and appeared near their car with cold eyes. Instantly, they surrounded the car so tightly that not even a drop of water could pass through.

"Then stop the car and let me meet them." Mo Zhu leaned lazily against the back seat and looked at the dark crowd in front of the car indifferently.

When Huo Xuan heard this, he raised his hand and moved his wrist. His sharp eyes looked coldly at the people who came to court death outside the car window. He loosened his collar a little and opened the door. As he got out of the car, he instructed Mo Zhu, "Rest well in the car. I'll be done with these people in no time."

After saying this, Huo Xuan raised his hand and waved indifferently at Xu Huan and Mo Wu, who were in the front row. Then, he directly closed the car door tightly.

The two of them instantly understood Huo Xuan's intentions. Without saying anything, they opened the car door and followed closely behind the man.

After the three of them stood calmly in front of the group of men in black, Mo Zhu retracted her gaze. She casually placed a hand on the armrest of her seat and smiled lightly.

At this moment, Huo Xuan was already facing the group of people who had come with ill intentions. He impatiently rolled up his sleeves to his elbows and fixed them. He looked at the leader in black in the front row and frowned slightly. "Which family are you from?"

Once he asked this, the men in black instantly looked at each other. They had a tacit understanding that no one took the initiative to speak.

Xu Huan, who was standing quietly behind Huo Xuan, did not have much patience left. He glanced at the man in black coldly and said with a hint of displeasure, "Brother Huo, why are you wasting your time with these people? Hurry up and settle them so we can go home to rest."

When Huo Xuan heard this, he turned to look at Xu Huan from the corner of his eye. His lips curled into a cold smile as he narrowed his eyes and said, "Alright then. I originally wanted to show mercy and leave your corpses intact, but it seems like everyone is unwilling to accept my kindness."

After saying this, Huo Xuan ignored Mo Wu and Xu Huan, who were behind him. He quickly rushed into the crowd. When his figure disappeared, the men in black opposite

him simultaneously let out shrill screams. Before everyone could react, they were all lying on the ground with their limbs broken.

From afar, Mo Zhu looked over from the car. The men in black were quickly torn apart by Huo Xuan like puppets..

Chapter 197: Another Team Arrived

Interestingly, although Huo Xuan had ruthlessly attacked, he didn't directly kill everyone. Although they were lying on the ground and couldn't move freely, they could wail and spit out a few mouthfuls of blood from time to time.

Huo Xuan wanted their lives, but he definitely wasn't going to let these people who dared to come to block his way die just like that. He wanted them to watch helplessly as the blood flowed out of their bodies, so they would truly taste the feeling of living a life worse than death.

From the moment the man got out of the car, Mo Zhu had been observing the current situation quietly. She had watched every move Huo Xuan made seriously.

This man's skills were very powerful. Clearly, he had been meticulously nurtured since he was young and had undergone some special training. He was able to kill people instantly without a trace, and he could deal with so many people at the same time. Such a ruthless move was not something a small sect could hand over.

Raising her eyes slightly, Mo Zhu was a little curious about the secrets Huo Xuan had. She had always thought that she was already very ruthless by killing them, but she didn't expect her fiancé to be even worse than her.

Seeing that everyone was wiped out by Huo Xuan in an instant, Xu Huan pursed his lips angrily. "Brother Huo, aren't you taking action too quickly? I don't even have the chance to do anything."

As if he despised the group of people in front of him for being weak, he took two steps forward and stomped on the nearest man in black ruthlessly. As he exerted strength, he grumbled, "How boring."

However, when he saw how powerful Huo Xuan was, Mo Wu instantly became excited. Back then, when Young Master wasn't poisoned by the Heart-Devouring Poison, he was invincible. After he was poisoned, his body deteriorated day by day before he was forced to go to Cloud City to recuperate.

He did not expect that after he was treated by Mo Zhu, not only did her body recover completely, she even looked much stronger than before.

After settling everyone successfully, Huo Xuan patted the killer's shoulder and calmly tidied up the slightly messy corners of his clothes. Just as he was about to turn around and get into the car, he suddenly heard a few rustling sounds coming from the trees beside him.

He paused and turned around coldly. As expected, a few minutes later, another group of strangers of unknown backgrounds and holding weapons appeared on the road and surrounded them.

Mo Wu's expression darkened when he saw this. He immediately assumed a defensive posture.

Seeing that there were many people who had come this time, Huo Xuan turned his wrist and looked at them coldly. Although their expressions were still unfriendly, they looked like they were well-trained.

Not long later, a man in a light-colored suit slowly walked out of the crowd. He stared intently at Huo Xuan in front of him and said with a very disdainful tone, "Huo Xuan, everyone is also living in Beijing. As long as you hand over the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb that you won today obediently, I can spare your life on the account of the Huo family."

When Huo Xuan heard the other party's arrogant words, he raised his eyebrows and smiled noncommittally. He looked back at the other party with cold eyes and replied casually, "You want the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb? I'm afraid you don't have the ability to."

Upon hearing Huo Xuan's shameless words, the subordinate standing behind the suited man frowned and took a step forward. "Huo Xuan, our young master is talking to you nicely. It's fine if you don't answer him respectfully, but it seems like you want to do this the hard way."

"Oh? Which family is your young master from?" Huo Xuan rubbed his palms lightly, his tone indifferent, as if he didn't care about these people opposite him at all.

"You don't have to know so much. Be good and hand over the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow. Not only will I let you go, but I will also spare the two little brothers beside you."

After a pause, the suited man seemed to have recalled something and he licked his lips with misty eyes. "Of course. And that little beauty in the car.. I took a hurried look at her at the auction tonight. She's really beautiful..."

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Chapter 198: The Magical Pill

Before the man could finish, he was suddenly punched in the face. He suddenly trembled and couldn't help but spit out a mouthful of blood. At the same time that the dull pain came, a few teeth fell from the corner of his mouth.

Huo Xuan rubbed his fists and looked at the suited man as if he was looking at a dead man. "You're courting death."

Just as he finished speaking, he raised his hand and gestured to Xu Huan and Mo Wu. The three of them started moving through the crowd, especially Huo Xuan. He was so fast that only afterimages were left behind wherever he went.

The people who came were from the capital's Qian family. The Qian family had been in the underground business of the capital for many years. Compared to having money, they were more like hired thugs. They had not successfully won the bid for the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb at the auction tonight. Now that the auction had ended, they had the intention to snatch the herb.

The man in the suit was the young master of the Qian family. He usually relied on the fact that the Qian family had a big business and caused a lot of trouble for the family. He wasn't very capable, but he always wanted to be in the limelight. Who knew that he would bump into Huo Xuan at this moment?

Seeing that the people he brought were obviously not Huo Xuan's match, Young Master Qian quickly instructed as he hid in the crowd, covering his mouth that was leaking air under the protection of his subordinates, "Don't stare at the two people behind him. Deal with Huo Xuan first!"

Just as he finished speaking, his sharp eyes caught a glimpse of Mo Zhu, who was sitting quietly in the car and watching the show. His eyes darkened and turned around. The suited man turned his head and instructed his subordinate in a low voice, "Get a team to capture Huo Xuan's fiancée from the car and use her to threaten Huo Xuan. I don't believe that we can't get the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb!"

When the subordinate heard this, he immediately called for a group of people to circle around the car door and prepared to take action. Unexpectedly, before they could do anything, Xu Huan saw through their intentions.

He quickly ran two steps to the side of the car. At this moment, Xu Huan was too lazy to say anything else. He directly and violently tidied up the few of them.

Seeing that the situation wasn't looking good, the suited man roared angrily in Huo Xuan's direction, "Someone! Bring a few guns over. I don't believe we can't deal with them today!"

As the Qian family had been in the underground business for a long time, he naturally hid a lot of weapons like guns.

After saying this, many subordinates decisively ran back to the car behind the bushes and took out a few big guns.

Huo Xuan's expression turned cold when he saw this. He dodged their attacks and quickly retreated to the side of the car. He quickly knocked on the window on Mo Zhu's side.

After the girl lowered the car window by half, Huo Xuan frowned and instructed worriedly, "Those people have guns. Stay in the car obediently and don't get down from the car. This car has been specially modified. It has a bulletproof function and ordinary bullets can't penetrate it."

Mo Zhu nodded obediently and lowered her eyes to look at the time on her phone. Her expression was slightly impatient. She dug in her pocket for a while and waved at Huo Xuan. "Put your hand in through the car window."

Huo Xuan looked up at Mo Zhu in surprise when he heard the girl's request. Then, he obediently reached his right hand into the half-opened car window.

Three candy-like things were suddenly stuffed into her palm. Before Huo Xuan could ask, Mo Zhu yawned lazily and explained, "Have one first and share the rest with Xu Huan and Mo Wu. It's getting late. Let's end the battle quickly. I'm a little sleepy."

Huo Xuan smiled lightly when he heard this. He nodded and rushed back into the crowd that was still fighting.

Mo Zhu rolled up the car window again and looked coldly at the crowd who was fighting.

Because she was in Beijing now, it was not convenient for her to take action in order to hide her identity. Otherwise, with her help, even if more people came, she would definitely be able to end the battle quickly. If everything went smoothly, at this moment, she might have already finished washing up and laid on the bed, preparing to sleep.

With the help of Mo Zhu's "magical pill", the three of them instantly felt that their bodies had inexhaustible strength. Their movements became increasingly faster, and their attacks became more and more ruthless. In a few minutes, almost everyone present was finished by them..

Chapter 199: Settling the Battle

At the same time, the subordinate who was sent by the suited man to retrieve the weapon also ran back quickly from the forest. Young Master Qian took the gun and narrowed his eyes, aiming it at Huo Xuan coldly.

Although Huo Xuan was always in the middle of the fight, he had long noticed the commotion there. After Young Master Qian shot, he took the opportunity to avoid the bullet.

Seeing that his attack had missed, the man in the suit raised his gun and started shooting indiscriminately. When Mo Zhu saw this scene in the car, her expression instantly turned cold. She took out the two silver needles that she always carried with her from her pocket, pushed the door open, and prepared to take action.

After hiding the silver needles in her sleeve, before she could raise her hand, there was suddenly a rush of footsteps behind her. Mo Zhu raised her eyes to look behind her. Another group of unknown people had joined the battle in a hurry.

A silver light flashed in front of her. Mo Zhu noticed that the person behind her also had a gun. Just as she turned around and was about to fight, she saw that the person had shot the right hand of the man in a suit who was raising the gun.

Mo Zhu's eyes darkened, her expression unfathomably dark.

From the looks of it, these people were Huo Xuan's helpers.

With the addition of this group of people, the Qian family was no match for them at all. Huo Xuan and Xu Huan's battle ended very quickly.

After defeating everyone, Huo Xuan accurately found the suited man's location from the crowd and walked towards him.

This shocked the young master of the Qian family. He understood his current situation and couldn't care less about his dignity. He immediately begged with a trembling voice, "Huo Xuan, no, no, Young Master Huo, please be magnanimous and don't be calculative with me. Let me off this time. I, I promise you that there won't be a next time!"

After saying this, seeing Huo Xuan standing in front of him indifferently and looking at him coldly, he continued trembling, "Young Master Huo, I'm a member of the Qian family. I don't want the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb anymore. You have to let me off this time. When I return to the Qian family, I'll send you any treasure you want."

“Heh.” Upon hearing the man’s words, Huo Xuan sneered and sneered indifferently, “Let you go back to the Qian family? Why? Do you really think I, Huo Xuan, am a fool? Let you go back and recuperate before finding trouble with me again?”

When the suited man heard this, he was afraid that Huo Xuan would continue thinking about it. He quickly said, “It’s not like that, Huo Xuan. Please be magnanimous and let me go back. Look at me. I’m already in this state, how can I still find trouble with you?”

After the fight just now, the man’s bones were all broken. It was already very difficult for him to speak now.

Seeing that Huo Xuan had moved his gaze away and was still unmoved, the suited man knew in his heart that the person in front of him had made up his mind not to let him off. He raised his head with difficulty to look at the group of people who had joined the battle just now. In the crowd, he saw Lu Zheng’s face clearly from afar. He was so shocked that his eyes widened. He spat ruthlessly and shouted angrily, “Lu Zheng! I should have guessed that it was you long ago!”

After a pause, the suited man propped himself up with his elbow and took a deep breath before saying, “You’re also here for the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb?”

When Lu Zheng saw that he had recognized him, he did not hide it anymore. He slowly walked out from the dark. He crossed his arms and looked at the person lying on the ground indifferently. “So what if I am?”

The suited man spat out a mouthful of blood when he heard this. His eyes were fixed on Lu Zheng, who had come in front of him, as if they were filled with poison. “Don’t forget that the Qian family and your Lu family are the true allies. You actually betrayed us and helped Huo Xuan? Aren’t you afraid that I will reveal your true colors when I return?”

Lu Zheng seemed to be amused by Young Master Qian’s words. He lowered his eyes and looked at the man in a suit. His eyes were illuminated by the street lamps on the side road. He curled his lips slightly and said, “Only by surviving can you be qualified to threaten others. Do you think I, Lu Zheng, am afraid of a dead person?”

“You! How dare you!” When the man in a suit heard this, his voice revealed deep fear.

Before he could finish, Lu Zheng did not say anything else. He raised his hand and raised the gun again. A moment later, the bullet entered the space between the young master’s eyebrows..

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Chapter 200: New Request

After settling these people from the Qian family, Huo Xuan didn’t even look at Lu Zheng.

He went straight to the car door and stared at Mo Zhu intently. His expression darkened as he said seriously, "Didn't you say that you would wait for me in the car? Why did you get out of the car yourself? It was so dangerous just now. What if you were injured!"

Mo Zhu patted Huo Xuan's hand comfortingly and replied indifferently, "I was afraid you wouldn't be able to handle it. So I got out of the car to take a look."

After saying this, Mo Zhu turned around and opened the car door, preparing to get into the car. Before she could move, Lu Zheng, who had been standing at the side and quietly observing the two of them, changed his expression and said respectfully, "Ms. Mo, I've heard a lot about you. I would like to ask you for a small favor."

"Oh?" Mo Zhu raised her eyebrows and glanced at Lu Zheng indifferently. "You've heard a lot about me? Why don't I know when I became so famous?"

Lu Zheng smiled awkwardly when he heard this. He frowned and explained softly, "I've heard a little about Ms. Mo's reputation as the divine doctor. If you agree to my request, you can decide how much you want to get."

Upon hearing Lu Zheng's words, Mo Zhu did not continue the conversation. She stared at him expressionlessly for a long time and seemed to be estimating the price.

After a while, Mo Zhu retracted her gaze. As if she had thought it through, she said bluntly, "It's fine if you want me to save someone. Organize all the assets of the Lu family. I want the entire Lu family."

After a pause, Mo Zhu seemed to have recalled something and added, "Also, you called me wrong just now. I'm not the divine doctor you mentioned."

Although Mo Zhu's voice was not loud, everyone present still heard her clearly. After hearing her request, Lu Zheng and the subordinates behind him widened their eyes in shock with disbelief.

Lu Zheng frowned tightly. She wants all the assets of the Lu family. For a moment, he did not dare to agree.

As a big family with a hundred years of foundation in Beijing, their main family branch already had a few houses, not to mention about the many collateral branches of the Lu family. Mo Zhu had asked for all of the Lu family's assets. All of the assets, real estate, and shares were really not a small number.

Lu Zheng pinched the space between his eyebrows without batting an eyelid. He thought for a few minutes before saying in a low voice, "Ms. Mo, the Lu family has too many people. It's not easy to calculate their assets in a short period of time. Can you change your request?"

Mo Zhu seemed to have expected this answer. She raised her eyebrows and teased, "Sure, if you can't do it, prepare a suitable coffin for the person you want to save. If Hades wants to take him in, he won't give you so much time to consider."

Lu Zheng had never expected Mo Zhu to be such a person. He didn't expect the rumored fiancée from Huo Xuan's hometown to have such ability and aura.

Although he was unhappy with Mo Zhu's attitude, Lu Zheng had to suppress the anger in his heart and continue to persuade her.

"Ms. Mo, if you're unhappy because I raised the price at the auction tonight and fought for the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb with you, I hereby apologize to you. I hope you don't take this matter to heart."

After a pause, Lu Zheng continued politely, "I'm in such a hurry to get the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb because I really want to use it to save someone. I really don't have any other good solution at the moment, so I have no choice but to personally beg Ms. Mo. Ms. Mo, please help the Lu family this time on the account that I'm being so sincere."

When Mo Zhu heard this, she looked at Lu Zheng in amusement. "I've offered the conditions and I've given you the chance. It's not my business whether I can do it or not.."

Chapter 201: An Agreed Deal

After Mo Zhu said this calmly, she turned around and was about to get into the car without looking back. Lu Zheng saw that there was no room for negotiation and he was afraid that he would make the girl unhappy. He frowned and immediately agreed. "Ms. Mo, as long as you agree to help me with this matter and promise me that I will do my part well."

Lu Zheng's eyes moved slightly. He gently raised his right hand in a direction that Mo Zhu could not see. Unexpectedly, before he could lower his hand, the girl who had her back facing him suddenly turned around.

Mo Zhu looked up and glanced at Lu Zheng coldly, her expression dark as if she was extremely unhappy. "You didn't agree with my conditions just now. If you want me to take action now, other than the assets of everyone in the Lu family that I mentioned previously, I still want your right hand that was secretly raised behind my back."

When Lu Zheng heard this, his expression instantly turned cold. Seeing the ruthless aura around him dissipate, Huo Xuan quickly took two steps forward and pulled Mo Zhu into his arms.

The two of them did not speak again and just looked at each other silently. After a few minutes, Lu Zheng's gaze changed and he smiled evilly. "Ms. Mo, why are you so angry? I'm sorry for offending you just now. Give me a few days. I will definitely arrange everything for you."

After hearing this, Mo Zhu turned around and ignored the people from the Lu family. She walked straight into the car.

When the girl turned around again, Lu Zheng lowered his eyes. In a place where others could not see, a cold glint flashed across his eyes.

Once the auction tonight had ended, he instructed someone to arrange for a lot of people to be stationed on the road from the hotel to the Huo residence. Originally, he had wanted to bring his people personally to snatch the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb after the Huo family's car passed by.

Unexpectedly, just as he left the hotel, he received news from the Lu family. They said that they had sent someone to the Gao family to inquire about the news secretly. The first spirit herb he had bid at a high price with Mo Zhu was called the Soul Returning Herb. It was a sacred herb that was even harder to buy than the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb.

Furthermore, according to Elder Fei's understanding of various spirit pills and miraculous medicine over the years, if someone who knew medicine or had some attainments in the medical field obtained this spirit herb that was hard to come by, they would be able to refine special pills with amazing effects. However, as for the exact effect, it would depend on the skills of the alchemist.

There was once a rumor that 20 years ago, an expert had developed a spirit pill that could cure a hundred poisons with the Soul Returning Herb. Not only could this pill cure all sorts of vicious poison, but it could also provide health protection against poison for ordinary people who had not been poisoned.

However, there were too few people who knew about this spirit herb. In the entire capital, there were only a few.

When Lu Zheng received these news, he pondered carefully for a moment and finally decided to give up on using force to fight for the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb. Putting aside the fact that doing so might anger the Huo family and bring trouble to the Lu family, he could conclude from Mo Zhu's performance at the auction today that Huo Xuan's little fiancée definitely had unfathomable medical skills.

Therefore, he felt that instead of forcefully opposing Huo Xuan and Mo Zhu, it was better to show his sincerity and ask Mo Zhu to help him.

After understanding that, Lu Zheng happened to chance across the young master of the Qian family who had brought along quite a number of people to take the opportunity to snatch the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb. Therefore, he had carefully arranged it and rushed to the scene with his people in time.

He was not considered to be too late. Although Mo Zhu had agreed to his request, she wanted the entire Lu family. Regarding this request, Lu Zheng had to return to the old mansion personally to ask the master of the family. After all, he was only the nominal heir of the Lu family and he could not make decisions just yet.

There were many people eyeing this position covetously. If he was not careful, he would be pulled down from it. He could only be at ease and give Mo Zhu a true answer only with the support of the family head..

Chapter 202: The Dark Tide

Huo Xuan and the two others followed behind Mo Zhu and quickly got into the car. After everyone sat down quietly, Mo Wu started the car and drove steadily on the path again.

In the car, Xu Huan turned to look at Huo Xuan in the back seat uneasily from the front passenger seat. He said with a hint of worry, "Now, the people from the various families in Beijing must know that we were the ones who won the bid for the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb. The Qian family's people coming to look for trouble is just the beginning. I'm worried that we will encounter such unexpected situations in the future."

After saying this, Xu Huan's eyes dimmed as he pondered for a moment before adding, "Why don't we hurry back to Cloud City and use the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb and Soul Returning Herb before they come looking for us? After they can't find the spirit herb or after they obtain the news that we've already used the spirit herb to save them, they might stop finding trouble with us."

When Huo Xuan heard Xu Huan's words, he turned his head and looked out the window quietly, his dark eyes filled with a cold glint.

Seeing Huo Xuan's indifference, Xu Huan turned to look at Mo Zhu. "Little Bamboo, if Brother Huo is ignoring me, say something. This Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb is going to be used to treat your grandmother's illness anyway. As long as you agree to this arrangement, we'll immediately set off to return to Cloud City."

Mo Zhu thought about Xu Huan's words carefully and felt that what he said made sense.

Now, the wealthy families in Beijing were all eyeing the spirit herb in her hand covetously. She probably could not protect such a precious herb alone. Besides that, with her current power, she could not take control of the situation herself. Also, the people hiding in the dark and waiting for the chance to attack them were probably not as familiar as Cloud City as compared to them.

Thinking about it in this way, it was indeed better to return to Cloud City immediately rather than continue staying here.

However, she had her own principles. Mo Zhu gently raised her hand and rubbed her palm. When she thought of the meeting she had agreed to with Gao Qing before she left the auction, she frowned and said, "It's not time to go back yet. Besides, I've already agreed to Gao Rong's visit to the Gao family tomorrow. I can't break my promise."

After saying this, Mo Zhu waved her hand to indicate to Xu Huan that there was no need to persuade her. Seeing that the girl had already made her decision, Xu Huan pinched the space between his eyebrows and turned around to look out the window.

About half an hour later, the car steadily stopped at the entrance of the Huo family's mansion. After Huo Xuan and Mo Zhu got out of the car one after another, Mo Wu drove Xu Huan back to the Xu family.

Just as Mo Zhu reached the entrance of the mansion, her phone suddenly vibrated from her pocket. She took out her phone skillfully from her pocket and looked at the caller ID. She pursed her lips and said to Huo Xuan, who had been following closely beside her, "You go in first. I'll take a call here first."

After Huo Xuan's figure disappeared from the entrance of the mansion, Mo Zhu picked up the call with a cold expression.

Just as she placed the phone on her ear, Cheng Yi's deep voice came from the receiver.

"You know what happened at the Gao family's auction tonight, right? Or did you watch it with your own eyes?"

After a pause, seeing that Mo Zhu did not really want to continue the conversation, he took the initiative to invite her. "Since you're here in Beijing, why don't we meet?"

When Mo Zhu heard this, she lowered her head and played with the zipper of her coat as she replied coldly, "There have been too many things happening these two days. It's not convenient. Let's talk about it next time when we have the chance."

As if he had expected that the girl might refuse to meet him with this reason, Cheng Yi took a step back and continued, "Although it's not convenient to meet me, you should have time to visit the Pavilion of Love, right? Ever since the headquarters of the Pavilion of Love have been set up in Beijing, you have never visited it right?"

"I'll definitely do it when I have the chance next time."

When Cheng Yi heard Mo Zhu's answer, he knew what the girl was thinking. He sighed lightly. He did not know how to persuade Mo Zhu..

Chapter 203: A Problem

Recently, although the various families in Beijing looked harmonious on the surface, there were actually actions brewing in the dark and small movements behind their backs. Although they did not know which faction Mo Zhu belonged to, it was always better to be more careful.

“Today, their fight for the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb is just the beginning. The Love Pavilion has found out that the various families in the capital will probably have some unpredictable big movements in the near future. Since you’re unwilling to say, I won’t ask anymore. However, you have to be careful when you do things.”

Upon hearing Mo Zhu’s faint “yes”, Cheng Yi reminded her worriedly, “If anything really happens, your life is more important. At most, you can just escape to the Pavilion of Love. Although the families that are hiding in the dark have strong abilities and their forces are intertwined, our Pavilion of Love has been in the industry for so many years and is definitely not someone to be trifled with. I, Cheng Yi, have the ability to protect someone!”

When Mo Zhu heard Cheng Yi’s words, she felt a lump in her throat for no reason. She had known the man for so many years and it was rare for him to say such heartfelt words. Knowing that Cheng Yi was really worried about her, Mo Zhu replied, “Got it.”

After hanging up the phone, even when she was walking into the Huo family, Mo Zhu was still thinking about what Cheng Yi had said just now. The movements of the various forces in Beijing this time were definitely not small. Otherwise, with Cheng Yi’s many years of experience in the martial arts world, he would not suddenly remind her to be careful.

Mo Zhu frowned slightly and unconsciously clenched her fists.

Just as she entered, Mo Zhu was shocked by the entire room. She looked at Huo Xuan, who was sitting in the main hall nonchalantly and drinking tea, in surprise. She didn’t understand why the Huo family’s mansion was so lively at night.

She walked straight forward and sat beside Huo Xuan. Mo Zhu silently sized everyone up coldly. Apart from Huo Lian and Huo Qing, whom she had met a few days ago, there was actually an unfamiliar middle-aged man present.

Mo Zhu calmed down and carefully recalled. She was certain that she hadn’t seen this man before. Thinking about the information she had gathered about the Huo family when she was investigating Huo Xuan, she felt that this person was very likely the leader of the Huo family’s second branch, Huo Peng, who was also Huo Xuan’s second uncle.

When the servant waiting by the side saw that Mo Zhu had already reached home, she hurriedly walked two steps to Old Master Huo's door. She raised her hand and knocked lightly on the door. "Old Master Huo, Ms. Mo is back."

The sound of clothes rustling came from inside the door. A moment later, with the help of Huo Tao and Chen Man, Old Master Huo slowly walked towards the sofa in the main hall.

After Old Master Huo sat down, he saw Mo Zhu sitting quietly beside Huo Xuan, drinking tea obediently. He asked kindly, "Girl, you're back. Did everything go smoothly today?"

Mo Zhu looked up at Old Master Huo and replied politely, "It's quite good, Grandpa Huo."

Upon hearing the calm conversation between the two of them, the middle-aged man who had been staring at Mo Zhu with a cold gaze couldn't help but reprimand her bluntly, "Dad, why are you still talking so politely to this little girl? Hurry up and ask her to take out the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb she won today. The treasure she won with the Huo family's money should be given to the Huo family."

When Mo Zhu heard this, she turned her head and looked back at him coldly. Her lips curled into a faint smile and she said with disdain, "Look at you. If I don't take out the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb today, will the Huo family attack me?"

Huo Xuan was already a little angry when Huo Peng spoke. Previously, because he was too weak from the poison in his body, he had no choice but to travel to Cloud City to recuperate. That was why he neglected the management of Beijing's business and allowed Huo Peng and his family to be the only ones in Beijing.

Now, because of this reason, Huo Peng became really confident and he actually dared to speak to Mo Zhu like this in front of him.

Thinking of this, Huo Xuan stood in front of Mo Zhu angrily and blocked Huo Peng's line of sight. He gently pulled the girl's hand and said softly, "Xiao Zhu, the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb is yours. No matter who it is today, they can forget about taking it away from you.."

Chapter 204: The Argument Escalated

Upon hearing this, Huo Lian, whose temper was as explosive as a barrel, couldn't hold back any longer. She slammed the wooden table in front of her, stood up, pointed at Huo Xuan and started cursing angrily.

"Sure, he's really the good son that Big Brother has raised. He hasn't even married his wife yet and he's already siding with outsiders. All the books you've studied for so many

years have been for nothing. Big Brother and Sister-in-law have raised you, a traitor, for nothing. You're really an ingrate!"

Huo Lian's dark eyes were filled with anger. Previously, on the account of Old Master Huo, she didn't have the confidence to criticize Huo Xuan. Now that Huo Peng was here to back her up, even in front of Huo Tao and Chen Man, she had the guts to reprimand their son!

When Huo Xuan heard this, he turned his head and looked straight at Huo Lian with a dark expression. His gaze was so sharp that it made one feel a little afraid. "Auntie, we're all members of the Huo family. We have to do it on account of the Huo family. Besides, my parents are still here. Those who don't know might think that you're criticizing my father and grandfather for not educating me well."

After a pause, Huo Xuan added coldly, "I don't need others to gossip about me and how I deal with things."

Seeing the tense atmosphere around her, Chen Man pinched her eyebrows, cleared her throat, and replied, "Xuan'er, how can you talk to your aunt like this? You have to be a little more polite when talking to your elders."

After saying this, Chen Man turned around and looked at Huo Lian with an unhappy expression. "Sister, don't blame me for criticizing you. You insulted Xuan'er in front of the old master and your brother. Are you looking down on our family?"

Although Huo Lian was angry, she had grown up in the Huo family and wasn't so brainless. Now that Chen Man had placed the blame on her, she immediately changed her tone and said, "Sister-in-law, I was just talking in the heat of the moment. I was just angered by Xuan'er's actions."

After a pause, Huo Lian looked at Mo Zhu with ill intentions. She turned her eyes and added, "Everyone knows that Xuan'er won the bid for the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb today, and we are all thinking for the Huo family. In my opinion, there's no need for this girl to keep a spirit herb like the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb. We all have a share of the Huo family's assets. We can't let an outsider get it so easily."

Seeing that Mo Zhu was addressed as an "outsider" by Huo Lian, Chen Man was already a little angry. She flicked her sleeve and stood up unhappily. She looked at Huo Lian coldly and said, "You're wrong. First of all, Mo Zhu is my daughter-in-law. Although she hasn't officially entered the Huo family's genealogy, regardless of whether the others in the Huo family recognize her or not, she and Xuan'er are already engaged in Cloud City, so Mo Zhu is not an outsider. She is the recognized and official fiancée of the eldest grandson of the Huo family."

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After hearing Chen Man's words, Huo Lian's face turned red and she was speechless. She stammered for a long time but couldn't say a word.

Chen Man took a few steps forward expressionlessly and walked to Huo Peng, who was standing quietly at the side. She gave him a cold glance and cleared her throat before saying, "It's not that I'm being arrogant, I believe everyone knows better than I do about the business dealings of the Huo family all these years. The main source of the Huo family's funds has always been earned painstakingly by Huo Tao and Huo Xuan."

"If Xuan'er hadn't been sick, the business in the capital would have been ten times better.. To put it nicely, this is the case, but to put it bluntly, even if Xuan'er really bought this medicine for Xiao Zhu, what if my son spent some money on his fiancée? Did he spend the money you guys earned?"

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Chapter 205: Speechless

At this moment, Huo Peng also felt a little ashamed. He did not dare to look Huo Tao and Chen Man in the eye. He lowered his head and stared at his shoe that was faintly exposed under his pants.

“Sister-in-law, I just think that this Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb is more useful in our hands than in this girl’s. With it, our Huo family’s status and reputation in Beijing will definitely improve!” Huo Lian bit her lip and gently retorted Chen Man.

“Heh, it’s just a herb. How can it have anything to do with the Huo family’s status in Beijing? You really can say anything to get the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb.”

Chen Man sneered coldly. “The Huo family doesn’t have anyone who knows medicine. There’s no point in keeping this medicine. In my opinion, there’s no need to fight over it.”

When Huo Lian heard Chen Man’s words, she immediately frowned unhappily and started provoking her, “Sister-in-law, aren’t you openly biased towards that girl? We’re talking about the ownership of the spirit medicine now. What does it have to do with the Huo family knowing medicine or not?”

Chen Man returned to her seat and looked up at Huo Lian. She explained with a disdainful expression, “Do you know why so many noble families in Beijing have taken a liking to the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb? It’s because it is an excellent herb catalyst for refining pills. The medicine refined using it as the catalyst can solve many difficult illnesses, so everyone is fighting to get it to treat and save people.”

Before Chen Man could finish, Huo Lian caught the main point in her words and quickly explained, “Isn’t Dad poisoned by the Heart-Devouring Poison? Isn’t it better to leave it behind to cure the poison in Dad’s body?”

“Haha, Dad’s illness has been cured by the doctor Xuan’er brought over. Don’t tell me you don’t know about this?” Chen Man glared at Huo Lian with a faint smile and said mockingly.

“That’s true. I’m busy socializing every day, so I naturally won’t take such a small matter at home to heart. However, I heard that Old Master Shen has recently been diagnosed with hemiplegia and has no choice but to lie in bed every day for treatment. I wonder if you’re so eager to get the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb because you want to use it to fawn on your nominal good sister from the Shen family.”

When Huo Lian heard this, she lowered her head guiltily and didn’t dare to speak. She didn’t expect Chen Man to find out about this.

Old Master Shen did suffer from hemiplegia some time ago, and the divine doctor who was invited last week happened to mention that the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb that the Gao family was auctioning today had the effect of treating hemiplegia. In

order to curry favor with the Shen family, she had spent a lot of effort to get an admission ticket to the auction through Huo Peng.

Unexpectedly, when she arrived at the venue, she realized that almost all the big families had come. In front of the capital of hundreds of billions, her little money was not presentable at all. She could only wait for the auction to end before thinking of another idea.

Therefore, when she heard that the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb had been won by Huo Xuan, she left the auction happily. She didn't even return home and drove straight to the Huo residence. She had guarded there and waited for Huo Xuan and Mo Zhu to return so she could ask for the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb. For this, she had specially asked Huo Peng to come and support her.

Huo Lian lowered her eyes and thought for a moment. She put on a wronged expression and said with a helpless expression, "Sister-in-law, since you already know, I won't hide it. I do have a reason for wanting the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb."

After a pause, afraid that Chen Man would see through her selfishness, Huo Lian avoided the main point and explained, "Sister-in-law, Old Master Shen's illness is getting worse. As long as we give the spirit medicine to the Shen family as a gift, they will definitely help us more in Beijing in the future."

Huo Lian carefully looked up at Chen Man.. "Sister-in-law, don't you want the Huo family to develop better in the future?"

Chapter 206: Unreasonable

When Chen Man heard this, she looked at Huo Lian with cold eyes and said with a frown, "Do you really think that by giving the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb to the Shen family, they would think more highly of you? Don't be fooled by others into giving away the spirit herb and getting nothing in the end."

Chen Man pondered quietly for a moment and seemed to have recalled something. She looked up and continued, "Many years ago, a total of two Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb appeared in Beijing. If my investigations are correct, their Shen family had previously obtained one, but I don't know what the Shen family had taken this spirit herb for. Now that they have caused this karma, it's hard to say if it's retribution."

Yesterday, when she heard that Huo Xuan and Mo Zhu were going to participate in the auction to bid for the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb, Chen Man specially found someone to inquire about this spirit herb. This investigation indeed allowed her to find some information.

The cultivation environment of the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb was as special as the Soul Returning Herb. Therefore, it had been many years since a spirit herb had been successfully cultivated in the country. As science and technology continued to develop, more and more cultivation bases began to be unsuitable for the growth of spirit herbs. This resulted in the herbs that were already rare in the market becoming increasingly rare, to the point that they were almost extinct.

Through the investigation, Chen Man knew in her heart that the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb actually wasn't as effective as the rumors claimed. It was just because the environment was harsh now and it was not easy to grow it, and that spirit herbs were rare and hard to find in the market. Thus, it resulted in countless noble families in Beijing fighting for it.

Although the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb was a medicinal ingredient that works as a good guiding drug for many complicated diseases, if the doctor who used it did not have such high medical attainments, even if he obtained this spirit herb, he might not be able to completely cure the illness.

Chen Man knew that Mo Zhu had spent so much effort to bid for the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb in order to rush back to Cloud City as soon as possible to save her grandmother. She also understood how difficult it had been for Mo Zhu's grandmother to bring her up alone. Therefore, no matter who wanted to snatch this spirit herb today, she had to stand on Mo Zhu's side.

"You!" Huo Lian was ridiculed by Chen Man's words. She held her breath until her chest hurt. "Sister-in-law, what are you saying? It's fine if you don't want to give the spirit herb to me, but you're still saying such dignified words to prevaricate me. Do you think I'm easy to fool?"

Chen Man still looked at her indifferently. Now that she saw how anxious she was, she was not moved at all. "Sister, don't blame me for not giving you face. There are some things that are better said earlier than later. In that case, since the Old Master and everyone are here today, I might as well speak frankly."

After a pause, Chen Man stared at Huo Lian expressionlessly. "Sister, your brother and I got married early. I've watched you grow up in the Huo family all these years. Let's forget about the past and start from the time you got married. Ever since you got married, you've taken so many things to subsidize your in-law behind the old man's back. It should have been a few billion yuan in total."

"Originally, I didn't want to fall out with you because of this matter, but I didn't expect you to be so aggressive today. I have no choice but to come out with this plan and let Second Brother and the Old Master judge for themselves. As a daughter who has been married, it's not right for you to keep taking things from your maiden family, right?"

When Huo Lian heard this, her eyes widened. Clearly, she hadn't expected Chen Man to put this matter on the surface. "Sister-in-law, how can you say that about me? You should know what kind of life I've been living with my in-laws all these years. If I don't use the Huo family's funds as a supplement, I'll be ostracized by my in-laws!"

When Chen Man heard this, she raised her eyebrows disapprovingly. "Sister, you chose your own in-laws to live your life with.. What does it have to do with others whether you live comfortably or not? If the family doesn't have enough money, they can think of a way to do business well. How is it right for you to come to your maiden family every other day to take money?"

Chapter 207: Don't Dare to Say Anything More

"A married daughter is like water that has been poured out. Since we're talking about this, I think you should return to the Huo family as little as possible in the future. Otherwise, if the Huo family loses something valuable and someone accidentally suspects you, it will hurt our relationship."

Just as Chen Man finished speaking, Huo Lian's expression changed drastically and she couldn't help but flare up. "Sister-in-law! What are you saying? Are you saying that you want to chase me out of the Huo family in front of the old man and my brothers?"

When Chen Man heard this, she calmly looked up at Huo Lian and said with slight disdain, "You can't say that. Since you were able to criticize my daughter-in-law like that just now. Can't I discipline you on behalf of the old man? Everyone says that a sister-in-law is like a mother. As the sister-in-law, it's natural for me to educate my younger sister."

Huo Lian was a person who spoke rashly. Although her face was red from anger, she couldn't think of a retort. She held her chest with one hand and tried to catch her breath while pointing at Chen Man in front of her with the other hand.

Seeing the anxious atmosphere, Huo Peng, who had been standing quietly at the side and watching the show, couldn't help but take a step forward and say, "Sister-in-law, let's talk about my younger sister another day. Why don't we discuss the ownership of the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb? It's not impossible to give the spirit herb to this little girl, unless she returns the one trillion in the Huo family's account."

Huo Peng's expression carried a hint of displeasure. He was at the auction venue tonight and had accurately heard that the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb was sold at a price of one trillion. Huo Peng was almost certain that such a huge sum of money was definitely paid by Huo Xuan with the Huo family's funds.

When Chen Man heard this, she turned to the man angrily and continued coldly, "Which eye of yours saw that Xiao Zhu spent our money to buy the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb? Second Brother, you can't just say it without thinking."

When Huo Peng saw that Chen Man was protecting Mo Zhu wholeheartedly, he touched his chin and retorted, "Sister-in-law, according to you, could this little girl have produced such a huge sum of money out of thin air?"

Hearing Huo Peng's doubts, Chen Man sneered. "Since you don't believe me, why don't we check the Huo family's accounts together?"

Huo Peng's pupils immediately constricted when he heard this. His expression changed drastically as he waved his hand. "It's alright, it's alright, Sister-in-law. Why don't we leave the Ten Thousand Aged Pine Snow Herb to Mo Zhu? After all, she had personally bid for it. Logically speaking, we should give it to her."

Since Huo Peng had said so, the expressions of the others who came to the Huo family with him immediately changed and they started to agree.

"Yes, yes. Let's give this spirit herb to Mo Zhu."

Seeing this, Chen Man looked at everyone indifferently. Although she did not show it on her face, she knew very well that the reason why these people's attitudes changed so quickly was probably because they were afraid of the checking of accounts she had mentioned just now.

That's right. All these years, when the Huo family wanted to settle accounts, there would always be some unknown funds lost. She and Huo Tao had always turned a blind eye to it. If they were really going to calculate, not to mention asking these people to make up for the lost money, it was also possible for these people to be detained at the police station if the sum was too huge.

"Second Brother! How can you say such things? Didn't we agree before we came..."
When Huo Lian heard that everyone was frightened by Chen Man, her expression was cold and she immediately wanted to argue with her.

Huo Tao naturally understood what she wanted to say. Before Huo Lian could finish, he cleared his throat and interrupted the woman with a stern expression. "Sister-in-law is right. Since you're already married, you should return to the Huo family as little as possible from now on. It's more important to live honestly. Don't keep thinking of using the Huo family's money to make up for your in-law's hole.."

Chapter 208: Problem Solved

When Huo Lian heard this, she suddenly took two steps forward and stood in front of Huo Tao. She said unhappily, "Second Brother, what do you mean by this? Are you going to chase me out of the Huo family?"

Huo Tao pinched the space between his eyebrows helplessly and explained lightly, "Sister, I'm doing this for your own good. Look at you running to the Huo family every other day. Those who don't know might think that you've suffered some grievances in your in-law's family. If these words are spread by outsiders, the Huo family naturally won't gossip about it, but if your sisters-in-law hear it, I don't know how they will criticize you. It won't affect you well."

When Huo Lian heard this, her hands clenched into fists ruthlessly. She gritted her teeth in anger. "Sure, I get it. You guys are sincerely trying to chase me out of the Huo family!"

She turned to look at Old Master Huo, and Huo Lian put on a wronged expression. "Dad, look at how these people are forcing your daughter. You have to get justice for me. We can't let them continue talking like this. Are you going to chase me out of the Huo family too?"

After so many years, Old Master Huo had already seen Huo Lian's true colors. He sat on the sofa and calmly drank his tea. "I can't help you much. Ever since your brother got married, I've handed the Huo family's business to Man'er. Now, everything in the Huo family is under your sister-in-law's control. If she wants you to stay, you have to. If she wants you to leave, you have to leave."

"Hmph." Upon hearing Old Master's words, Huo Lian understood that he had already made up his mind not to speak up for her. She stomped her feet ruthlessly, glared at the crowd coldly, turned around, and ran out the door.

Seeing Huo Lian leave, Huo Tao cleared his throat awkwardly. He waved his hand and took the initiative to take two steps forward to look at Old Master Huo. "It's getting late. Since the misunderstanding has been resolved and the matter has been mostly resolved, I won't disturb Dad, Brother, and Sister-in-law from resting. Everyone, sleep early."

After saying this, before Old Master Huo could nod, Huo Tao hurriedly waved at the crowd in the hall and immediately turned around to walk towards the door.

After everyone left one after another, Old Master Huo instructed everyone to return to their rooms to rest as he was tired.

The next morning, Mo Zhu woke up very early. Thinking that she had an appointment with the Gao family, she and Huo Xuan drove straight to the Gao family after lunch.

Because they had discussed the time in advance, when the two of them arrived at the Gao family, Gao Rong was already dressed neatly and waiting respectfully at the Gao family's entrance.

Now that he saw Mo Zhu push open the car door and get out of the car, he quickly walked up to her. "Ms. Mo, my second uncle has been waiting for you inside for a long time."

There was barely any emotion in Mo Zhu's eyes as she nodded indifferently, signaling Gao Rong to lead the way.

Gao Rong didn't speak when he saw this. He brought the two of them straight into the house. Halfway there, Mo Zhu suddenly stopped and said to Huo Xuan, who was following behind her, "I'll go myself. Wait for me in the main hall."

When Huo Xuan heard Mo Zhu's words, he nodded obediently. He raised his hand and gently touched the girl's hair. He replied softly, "Alright, I'll wait for you in the main hall. If there's anything, just call me."

Gao Rong, who was walking in front, heard the conversation between the two of them and immediately instructed the servants in the house. "Make a pot of good tea and bring Young Master Huo to the main hall to rest."

After saying that, he bent down and continued to lead the way for Mo Zhu.

The Gao family's mansion was not in the famous wealthy district in Beijing. The decorations in the mansion were very elegant and did not reveal the extravagance of the rich. Compared to the other noble families, it was rather elegant and pleasant.

As the room was not very spacious, the two of them arrived at Gao Qing's door after taking a few steps. Gao Rong stopped and tidied up his clothes slightly. He raised his hand and knocked lightly. "Second Uncle, Ms. Mo has arrived."

After a while, the person inside coughed twice. After a rustling sound, a weak voice came. "Please come in, Ms.. Mo."

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Chapter 209: Invited to Go

When Gao Rong heard this, he respectfully pushed open the door and brought Mo Zhu to a wooden bed in the room.

Mo Zhu looked up and saw an old man who looked over in his fifties lying on the small bed in front of her.

The old man's face was pale, and his lips were slightly swollen, as if he didn't have much time left.

He raised his hand and signaled Gao Rong to leave. The old man coughed twice and said to Mo Zhu, "I'm not feeling well and can't pick Ms. Mo up personally. Please forgive me."

After settling Mo Zhu on the chair by the bed, Gao Rong gently left the room and closed the door.

After Gao Rong left, Mo Zhu glanced at Gao Qing, who was weak on the bed, and said indifferently, "I'm afraid you don't have many days left with this body of yours."

When Gao Qing heard this, he smiled lightly and propped himself up with his elbows. "About a month."

After saying this, seeing that Mo Zhu was still as indifferent as ever, he cleared his throat and asked, "Has Brother Guo been well recently?"

Mo Zhu looked up at Gao Qing. "I don't know."

Gao Qing sighed, and his tone revealed a hint of helplessness. "So many years have passed. I wonder how Brother Guo is living now. His medical skills are so amazing, I believe his life must be very good too. Brother Guo has saved countless people in most of his life. If not for that incident that happened coincidentally, his reputation would have already spread far and wide."

Mo Zhu ignored the old man. She turned her gaze to a small wooden box on the bedside table. She lowered her eyes and continued, "Brother Guo is such a stubborn person. I still remember the words he left for me when he left. He said that he had shouldered a lot and endured a lot because of his excellent medical skills. If he had a next life, he would never walk the path of learning medicine again."

After a pause, Gao Qing seemed to have recalled something and smiled lightly. "Speaking of which, I haven't seen Brother Guo for many years. He seemed to be hiding from us on purpose. No matter how many people I sent to ask around, we couldn't find any news about him. It was only when that child, Rong'er, was organizing an auction two days ago that I thought that I might be able to use the Soul Returning Herb to lure the expert who knows about Brother Guo."

"Fortunately, I succeeded in waiting for it. It was planted by Brother Guo personally, and he had also personally destroyed all the Soul Returning Herbs in this world. The last two stalks, other than the one he kept for himself, Brother Guo left the last one for me."

After saying this, Gao Qing suddenly coughed violently. Seeing this, Mo Zhu picked up the water from the table and handed it to him. Gao Qing took it and hurriedly drank two

mouthfuls before looking at Mo Zhu and continuing, "Although I know that this world has disappointed Brother Guo, the Soul Returning Herb is the greatest achievement of his life. Even if Brother Guo doesn't use it to save others in the future, I want to return this spirit herb to him as a memory."

Mo Zhu raised her eyebrows and said indifferently, "So you arranged for Gao Rong to auction the Soul Returning Herb?"

Nodding lightly, Gao Qing lowered his head and took a sip of water. "Yes, I was thinking that even if Brother Guo didn't come to the auction, at least the various families in the capital would send people. Maybe I would be lucky enough to meet Brother Guo's old friends."

After a pause, Gao Qing frowned slightly and looked at Mo Zhu. "How did Ms. Mo and Brother Guo meet?"

Mo Zhu looked at him indifferently and lowered her eyes to think before saying, "I'm his disciple."

When Gao Qing heard this, he smiled and said, "I knew that Brother Guo definitely wouldn't give up easily. Since he took you as his disciple, he must have taught you everything he had learned in his life!"

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Chapter 210: Agreeing

"You can say that," Mo Zhu replied indifferently.

Gao Qing nodded in understanding. "In that case, I have a favor to ask of you."

After saying this, he gently reached out and pointed at the small wooden box on the bedside table not far away. "Ms. Mo, can you help me bring this box back to Brother Guo? I'm already halfway into the grave. I'm afraid I won't be able to see Brother Guo for the last time. Ms. Mo, please pass this to him and tell Brother Guo that this box was left behind by Xiao Lan after he left."

When she heard the two words 'Xiao Lan', Mo Zhu raised her eyebrows in surprise.

She had some impression of the name Xiao Lan. She had often heard Old Guo mention her name.

When Gao Qing said this, he sighed unhurriedly and continued, "This girl is also very stubborn. No matter how many years he has been gone, she has still been constantly

looking for him. The last time she left home, she even said that if she can't find him in this life, she'll continue to look for him in her next life."

"Xiao Lan said that if anything happens to her accidentally one day, I have to help her bury this small box somewhere and she'll just treat it as if she never had this relationship with Brother Guo."

Gao Qing looked up at Mo Zhu, afraid that the girl was unwilling to help him with this. He quickly explained, "Ms. Mo, you might not know the inside story of this matter. Xiao Lan is my sister. She knew Brother Guo before and they have separated because of some other misunderstandings. It's not convenient for me to mention the past. I only hope that you can help me send this thing over. It can be considered my last worry."

Seeing how sincere and confident the old man was, Mo Zhu nodded and stood up. She quickly took two steps and stuffed the small wooden box into her coat pocket.

Knowing that Mo Zhu was agreeing to his request, Gao Qing smiled happily and said, "In that case, I'll thank you here, Ms. Mo. Thank you for willing to make a trip down to help me with this personally. We've prepared a meal for you. Please eat before you leave."

When Mo Zhu heard this, she stood up and nodded before leaving Gao Qing's room.

They slowly arrived at the main hall. At this moment, Gao Rong and Huo Xuan were discussing business casually. When he saw Mo Zhu walk out, Gao Rong immediately stood up and asked respectfully, "Ms. Mo, how's the discussion between you and my second uncle?"

Mo Zhu looked up and glanced at Gao Rong indifferently. She lowered her eyes thoughtfully and replied simply, "We're done."

After saying this, she seemed to have recalled something. Mo Zhu turned to stare at Gao Rong and asked in confusion, "Back then, although the Gao family wasn't the first among the noble families in Beijing, you could still be ranked in the top three. Why has your status fallen so much recently?"

Originally, Mo Zhu didn't have much interest or understanding of the rankings and battles between the various families in Beijing, but because of Huo Xuan, she had more or less investigated the relevant information previously.

After checking, some of the contents surprised her. Although the situation in Beijing was complicated, the various families were still the leaders. She had originally thought that with the Gao family's strength, they could still be ranked in the top three. She did not expect that they could barely squeeze into tenth place.

The Gao family's business and development seemed to be getting worse year by year.

Mo Zhu frowned tightly, as if she did not understand the twists and turns. Even if the Gao family had been slacking recently, their strength should not have fallen so quickly.

Before Mo Zhu could figure it out, Gao Rong revealed a bitter smile and said helplessly, “Ms. Mo, you might not know this, but ever since my father passed away, although I inherited the position of the Gao family’s master, it has always been my second uncle who is managing the entire Gao family. I believe you have seen it now. My second uncle is critically ill, and the wealthy families in Beijing have been thinking of ways to target us. They all want to have a share of the Gao family..”