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Chapter 461: Problem with Fengshui

After the emperor thought about it for a moment, he finally said, "I know what to do. Don't worry about it for now! Just give me the addresses of those imposters!"

After Luo Cheng nodded, he took out the letter with the address and handed it over.

He had already said what needed to be said. Then, the emperor asked someone to hand the key to a house in a secret place in the capital to Luo Cheng and let him leave.

The emperor felt that he had forgotten something, but he couldn't remember what it was.

It wasn't until Luo Cheng had been gone for a while that the emperor remembered.

"Why did I forget to ask where this young brat lives now?

When Xiao Dezi heard this, he immediately laughed.

"Didn't you already give the Seventh Prince a house? He must be living in that new house! Otherwise, why would he come to the royal family to ask you for a house?"

The emperor laughed when he heard that.

"Xiao Dezi, you're so meticulous! You're right. I have to arrange for someone to clean the house so that my seventh son and his wife can move in quickly!"

"How can I trouble you to worry about such trivial matters?! After you decided on the residence, I arranged for someone to clean the Seventh Prince's residence! Please forgive me for taking the liberty to make the decision on my own!" Xiao Dezi quickly went forward and apologized.

"What's wrong with you?! Only you could think of such a thing so meticulously. I didn't think of it at all! Tell me, how about we go visit my seventh son again tonight? I have to go take a look at the place before I can be at ease!" The emperor suddenly said.

When Xiao Dezi heard this, he immediately muttered to himself, "Are you sure you're not after the delicious food made by the Seventh Prince's consort?"

Although the emperor wasn't picky with food, very few chefs could impress the emperor.

Today, he might feel that the dishes made by this imperial chef were quite tasty, but at night, he would feel that the dishes made by another imperial chef were quite tasty.

However, after meeting the Seventh Prince's consort, the emperor found everything she cooked delicious and couldn't forget them.

If Xiao Dezi hadn't eaten with him, he would have suspected that the Seventh Prince's consort had poisoned the emperor.

In fact, the dishes made by the Seventh Prince's consort were really delicious!

Even he couldn't help but wonder what the Seventh Prince's consort was cooking whenever it was time to eat.

"Your Majesty, you're right. I'll only be at ease after taking a look!" For the sake of delicious food, Xiao Dezi was going all out.

Seeing that Xiao Dezi also agreed with his plan, the emperor immediately nodded in satisfaction.

He actually had the potential to be a good father.

In the past, he was too busy managing the government, so he didn't have time to fulfill his duties as a father.

Now, he didn't have to focus all his attention on politics, so he could finally be a good father.

Of course, there should be a reward for being a good father, right?

It was no big deal to eat at his son's place in return for being a good father.

His son was nurtured by him, so it was only right for him to eat three meals a day at his place, right?!

After thinking of countless excuses, the emperor finally prepared to sneak out of the royal family and freeload.

He was visiting his son to show his concern!

After Luo Cheng left the royal family, he walked around a few times. After disguising himself, he shook off the people following him and returned to the place they lived now.

When Li Xiaoran saw Luo Cheng return with a relaxed expression, she knew that the matter had been settled.

"We might have to prepare to change places again! This time, I asked my father for a hidden house. Let's live there! However, we have to change our disguise when we move over so that we won't attract attention! Next, it'll be time for us to take action!" Luo Cheng said when he saw Li Xiaoran.

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she laughed.

"That's true. In the past, it was always others who secretly schemed against us.

Now, it's time for us to deal with those people!"

Luo Cheng nodded with a smile. Some things didn't need to be explained too clearly.

Shrewd people understood it easily.

Soon, the group of people disguised their appearances and moved into the house given by the emperor.

Luo Cheng thought that he still needed to clean the house, but when he arrived, the entire house had already been tidied up.

"Young Master, you're here! Everything is packed and everyone has been taken away! I stayed here to leave the key for you!" When a servant saw that they had come, he walked forward and handed over the keys!

When Luo Cheng saw the waist tag on the servant, he understood his identity and nodded.

"Thank you, Uncle De!"

When the servant heard a familiar name, he confirmed that Luo Cheng was the person he was waiting for, so he left in relief.

After entering the house, everyone began to settle down.

Unlike when they moved into the Seventh Prince's residence, Luo Cheng had arranged for his own people to stay in this residence.

Soon, everyone was settled.

When Li Xiaoran saw this house, which was the third place she had moved into since coming to the capital, she felt invigorated.

"Husband, this house is not bad. I feel very comfortable in it, unlike that Seventh Prince's residence, which always gives me a creepy feeling!" Li Xiaoran drank her tea and said her feelings.

"Madam, you're right. There's something wrong with the Seventh Prince's residence. There's a huge fengshui problem!" Wu Qinghe suddenly interrupted.

"If you knew, why didn't you say so earlier?" Zi Cheng glared at Wu Qinghe and asked.

"I didn't understand at that time!" Wu Qinghe widened his eyes and explained, "On the surface, the fengshui of the Seventh Prince's residence looks very good, but upon closer look, there are small traps everywhere! The so-called fengshui array actually causes a huge impact with small changes. It took me a few days to figure out the meaning of this fengshui array!"

When Zi Zheng heard Wu Qinghe's words, he immediately thought of something.

"No wonder you wandered around the Seventh Prince's residence every day.

You were checking the array of his residence!"

"What do you mean by wandering around? I was studying it seriously!" Wu

Qinghe said indignantly, "The other party is filled with malice towards you! Brother Luo Cheng, do you know what the final outcome will be if you live in that house over the long term?"

This time, everyone's attention was attracted. Everyone was waiting for Wu Qinghe to continue.

"What will the consequences be?" Luo Cheng asked.

After Wu Qinghe thought about it for a moment, he said, "If you lived in it over the long term, you would have become mentally unstable, or worst, you would have died.. Even if you didn't live in the Seventh Prince's residence, it still would have affected you substantially!"

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"He's not even living in the residence anymore, so how can it affect him?" Zi Cheng couldn't sit still anymore and quickly walked forward to ask.

"You're a boorish man who only knows how to fight. You don't understand the dangers of fengshui at all. If a cunning person uses fengshui to do evil, it's impossible to guard against it. Take Brother Luo Cheng's fengshui situation in the Seventh Prince's residence as an example. After this fengshui situation was completed, even if Brother Luo Cheng didn't live there, his birthday and horoscope would have been nailed to that house. In other words, no matter how far Brother Luo Cheng went, he would be affected by this fengshui situation. He would have a cold personality and no wife or children." Wu Qinghe explained it in the simplest way.

"What? No wife or children? How much hatred does the culprit have for him?!" Zi Zheng was stunned.

"It's true! This fengshui layout is really that powerful!" Wu Qinghe said firmly. "That can't be! Isn't Young Master already married to Madam?" Zi Cheng frowned as he said, "How can he have no wife or children?"

When Wu Qinghe heard this, he wasn't angry. Instead, he looked at Li Xiaoran.

"Of course I know about this. That's why I was puzzled at the beginning! The fengshui layout should have prevented him from having a wife or children, but Madam became Brother Luo Cheng's wife. That's why I was very puzzled.

That's why I studied it for a long time before I finally came to a conclusion!" "What conclusion?" Zi Cheng and Zi Cheng asked in unison.

Luo Cheng and Li Xiaoran also looked at Wu Qinghe curiously to see what he would say.

At this moment, Luo Cheng suddenly remembered what his subordinate had heard about Li Yan.

Li Yan said that he had pushed her out to block the sword for him back then and that he was coldhearted.

Therefore, the reason he and Li Xiaoran became husband and wife was definitely because of Li Xiaoran.

As expected, Wu Qinghe's next words confirmed Luo Cheng's guess. "It's because Madam is very special!"

"Tsk!" The group booed with an expression that said, "We already know."

"No, listen to me carefully! I've said it before. Madam's appearance is very strange and there are all sorts of contradictions about her! Madam has the appearance of a rich person, but she's not. However, Madam is shrouded in a purple aura of nobility. In addition, Madam has a strong aura of prosperity! I think Madam's aura of prosperity affected the effectiveness of that fengshui array!" Wu Qinghe explained what he had figured out.

Li Xiaoran thought about Wu Qinghe's words carefully.

Perhaps it wasn't because she had purple aura, nobility, or blessings. Perhaps it was because she had the soul of a person from an alternate world, so the fengshui setup by those fengshui mentors was useless against her. As for Luo Cheng, after he interacted with her for such a long time, he was no longer so affected by the fengshui setup!

Although the reasons were different, the outcome was the same.

Luo Cheng was unaffected and had a wife because of her uniqueness.

"Then can't we destroy this fengshui layout?" Li Xiaoran thought of something and asked a very important question.

When Wu Qinghe heard this, his expression turned solemn.

"All these years, those fengshui layouts have already bound to Brother Luo Cheng's birthday and horoscope. Destroying this fengshui layout is equivalent to destroying Brother Luo Cheng. I don't have the ability to crack them! Not to mention me, even the most powerful fengshui mentor in the world is helpless!"

As soon as he said this, everyone's mood turned solemn.

Only Li Xiaoran didn't think much of it.

"I don't think that's the case! There are two sides to everything. Isn't there a saying that there's light at the end of the tunnel? God seems to have blocked all ways out, but it might not be a dead end. God has feelings as well. When god closes a door, he opens a window. There's always a way out. You think there's no way, but that's because you haven't found the window!"

As soon as she said this, everyone perked up.

"In this world, the law of growth of all things is the combination of Yin and Yang. There is Yin and Yang, and there is life when there is death. Wu Qinghe, you're so obsessed with superficial metaphysics and fate that you've forgotten a fundamental principle! The complexity of humans lies in the fact that there are many variables. You have to remember that no matter what happens, there will definitely be a chance of survival!" Li Xiaoran explained her comprehension. For example, she was clearly doomed in the modern world, but the variable of transmigration had changed her fate in this life.

Her arrival changed Luo Cheng's fate as well.

Therefore, many things were not absolute. There was always a way out. When Luo Cheng saw Li Xiaoran talking to Wu Qinghe so confidently and eloquently, his face was filled with admiration.

Li Xiaoran had such extraordinary charm. She was always able to find a way out in the most difficult situations.

It had been like this when they were still with the Li family and when they encountered danger with him. Now that they had come to the capital and heard about the fengshui layout, she saw through the situation once again!

How could he not be attracted to such a lively and clever woman?!

When Wu Qinghe heard Li Xiaoran's words, he suddenly understood something.

Speaking of which, this was already the second epiphany Li Xiaoran had given him.

Last time, he had an epiphany because of Li Xiaoran, but he didn't expect to have another epiphany not long after.

Everyone noticed Wu Qinghe's abnormality and left quietly, leaving Wu Qinghe all alone.

"I'm a little hungry. I wonder if there are any ingredients in the kitchen. Let's go over and take a look together! If there aren't any ingredients, we have to buy some ourselves!" Li Xiaoran suggested when she heard her stomach growl.

"Alright, let's go over and take a look together! Coincidentally, everyone is tired, so let's cook something delicious today to relax! We have something important to do next!" Luo Cheng said.

Since Li Xiaoran and Luo Cheng had already said so, everyone had to respond positively.

When the group arrived at the kitchen, they realized that it was filled with all kinds of fresh ingredients.

"Husband, did you ask someone to buy these things?" Li Xiaoran asked in confusion.

"No! This is the first time I've come to this house! I haven't left you since I entered!" Luo Cheng shook his head and said..

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Just as everyone was feeling confused, Luo Cheng found something and walked towards a place in the kitchen.

Luo Cheng bent down and took out the rice from the rice jar. Then, he sniffed it.

"My father asked someone to send it to us! This rice can only be eaten by the royal family!"

When Li Xiaoran heard Luo Cheng's words, she walked over and grabbed a handful of rice to take a closer look.

"This rice grain is slender and crystalline. No wonder it's exclusively for the royal family! Come, let's steam this rice today. As a woman from the countryside, I want to try the rice eaten by the nobles in the royal family!" When Luo Cheng heard Li Xiaoran's words, he was immediately amused.

To him, the rice eaten by the royal family wasn't as delicious as the rice he ate in Sichuan.

It seemed to be the best quality rice, but because it was exclusively for the royal family, it lacked a sense of comfort. Naturally, it didn't have that same delicious taste.

Li Xiaoran had high expectations for this rice. After all, she had never eaten good quality rice since she was young.

Be it in the modern world or here, the rice she ate tasted the same.

Of course, when one was hungry, everything tasted delicious.

"Madam, there are so many delicious ingredients today. What should we eat?" Zi Cheng looked at the pile of ingredients in the kitchen as he asked.

When Li Xiaoran saw that the weather was getting hotter and hotter, she thought for a moment before saying, "Everyone has had no appetite during this period of time, so why don't we make some appetizing dishes?! We'll braise two pots of veggies, one pot of rice, and one pot of mung bean porridge. There are a lot of ingredients here, so we can braise the meat and make salad with the veggies. When the porridge is cold, we'll eat the braised meat and salad. It'll be very appetizing!"

"Why don't we make some fried dumplings?! I think fried dumplings will be very appetizing when paired with porridge!" Zi Zheng thought of something and said.

"Alright, is there anything else you want to eat?" Li Xiaoran nodded and asked again.

The others shook their heads.

"Then let's split the tasks and cook together!" Li Xiaoran said as she arranged tasks for everyone.

Wu Qinghe was in charge of kneading and rolling the noodles while Zi Zheng chopped meat to make dumplings.

Luo Cheng and Zi Cheng mixed brine with Li Xiaoran. Then, they blanched the ingredients and placed them in the brine to braise.

While the meat was being braised, Li Xiaoran got some salad pig ears and pig guts. Then, she made several salad dishes with them.

For example, shredded potatoes, lotus roots, peas, peanuts, and fungus.

When the emperor brought Xiao Dezi over to freeload again, there were already two tables of food in the courtyard.

There was a large basin of mung bean porridge and a pot of braised rice.

The braised dishes were cut into a large basin and placed there according to the ingredients.

The salad dishes were also placed at the side in large portions.

There were also fried dumplings that had just been cooked in a large basin.

This way, everyone could pick what they wanted to eat from these ingredients.

They could take as much as they ate and could add more after eating.

This way of eating was like that of buffets in the modern era.

The others found this way of eating very novel.

At this moment, the emperor appeared at Luo Cheng and Li Xiaoran's house with Xiao Dezi.

"It seems that we came at the right time! Seventh son's wife, what new dishes did you cook today?"

Li Xiaoran wasn't surprised to hear the emperor's voice.

The emperor seemed to be addicted to coming to their house to freeload.

"It's not a new dish. I just changed the eating method!" Li Xiaoran said as she looked at Luo Cheng. "Husband, I'm so hungry. You can show your dad around.

I'm going to eat first!"

Luo Cheng knew that Li Xiaoran was really hungry, so he nodded and led the emperor to the plate area to get a bowl, chopsticks, and spoon.

After he scooped a bowl of mung bean porridge first, he took the plate to the area where the food was placed.

After the emperor watched Luo Cheng's actions, he knew what to do. Compared to how he used to eat a large table of dishes alone, he preferred this a la carte way of eating better.

They could eat whatever they wanted. At the same time, the others could eat whatever they wanted. There was no restriction at all.

"Not bad. I think the royal family should implement the same eating method!" The emperor nodded as he praised.

Li Xiaoran, who had just eaten a fried dumpling, immediately objected when she heard the emperor's words.

"Sir, don't do this in the royal family, unless you let the eunuchs and palace maids do it! This kind of buffet is only suitable when many people gather together to eat. It's too wasteful to eat a buffet all alone!"

When the emperor heard Li Xiaoran's words, he was immediately dejected.

"Girl, you're so bold. You say whatever you want to me! Aren't you afraid that I'll chop off your head?"

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she was immediately amused.

Unafraid of the emperor's threat at all, Li Xiaoran said with a smile, "I'm not afraid of you beheading me! If you behead me, your son will hate you for the rest of his life, so it isn't worth it! The gains don't make up for the losses! It's best to listen to my advice. Treat me better and pamper me a little! After all, I'm the best person to help you ease the relationship between you and your son!"

When the emperor heard Li Xiaoran's words, he was angry and amused, but in the end, all his emotions turned into helplessness.

"Only an unruly girl like you isn't afraid of me. That's why I'm more tolerant of you! Anyone else would have suffered punishment!" The emperor muttered indignantly.

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she immediately smiled even more happily.

"Old Master, it's not that I'm unruly, but I have nothing to ask of you. I sincerely treat you as my family and elder. That's why you can sense my sincerity and are willing to pamper me a little! Don't be in a hurry to deny it. You know if it's true or not very well! Instead of continuing to bicker with me, why don't you sit down and enjoy the delicious food? We can continue arguing after we're full!"

When the emperor heard Li Xiaoran's words and saw the dishes in his hand, he quickly sat down and ate.

It had to be said that this method of eating was really enjoyable.

He could eat whatever he wanted. The emperor ate a few bowls of mung bean porridge and a lot of vegetables as well.

"This tastes more and more delicious the more I eat it! What kind of ingredients are these?" the emperor asked as he ate.

When Li Xiaoran heard the emperor's words, her expression immediately became strange..

Chapter 464: You Look Like an Immortal

Li Xiaoran glanced at Luo Cheng and looked at him inquiringly.

One had to know that many high-ranking officials and nobles in the government didn't eat pork. Generally, the only people who ate pork were commoners.

Moreover, most of the ingredients used to make braised dishes were pig guts. In the modern era, even the commoners despised these things.

What if the emperor couldn't take the truth and vomited?

After Luo Cheng received Li Xiaoran's pleading look, he put down the bowl and chopsticks.

"This is pig ears, this is pig mouth, this is pig liver, this is pig heart and lungs, and this is pig intestine..."

When the emperor heard Luo Chengs introduction, he was stunned for a moment before he continued to eat without changing his expression.

"No wonder you didn't answer my question. Are you afraid that I won't be able to eat it after knowing what the ingredients are? Hmph, you've underestimated me! I'm someone who has suffered ordeals back then. It's just some pig

internal organs. As long as they can fill my stomach, I can eat them!"

Actually, there was something the emperor didn't say. To be able to make those internal organs so delicious, it was no wonder that this girl had previously boasted that she was a foodie expert.

Thinking of this, the emperor looked at his son, Luo Cheng. "You like these things too?"

Luo Cheng knew what the emperor was asking and nodded.

"Before I met my wife, I didn't even get to eat these things! It was only after I met Xiaoran that started to enjoy such delicious food!"

For some reason, the emperor suddenly envied his son.

How lucky was he to be able to enjoy such delicious food every day?!

Suddenly, the emperor despised his son.

His son was lucky to have met such a good wife.

"Then you have to treat her well!" For some reason, the emperor suddenly changed his attitude. It was as if Luo Cheng wasn't his son, but was Li Xiaoran's elder instead. "Tell me, what sort of husband are you? Why don't you buy some good clothes and beautiful jewelry for your wife? In the capital, those noblewomen are all very spendthrift. Other people are willing to spend money on their wives, but as a prince, why are you so stingy?"

When Li Xiaoran heard the emperor's words, her eyes widened.

She had not misheard. The emperor was actually defending her!

When Luo Cheng heard the reprimand, he immediately rolled his eyes disapprovingly.

"Father, do you think I'm like you? Am I an irresponsible womanizer? Don't treat Xiaoran like those noblewomen in the capital. Li Xiaoran is extraordinary! She likes simple outfits. Firstly, she won't let herself suffer, and secondly, she won't cause trouble by showing off too much."

When the emperor heard this, he was enraged.

"That's because you don't have the ability to protect your own wife!"

When Luo Cheng heard this, his expression darkened and he immediately retorted, "You make it sound like you have the ability to protect your own wife? Father, think about how many women who have been doted on by you in the palace have died. Instead of reflecting on yourself, you despise me for not protecting my people well. I advise you to reflect on yourself first!"

"Not only did you talk back to me, but you also exposed my sorespot!" The emperor was so angry that his beard was trembling.

"You exposed my sorespot first. Double standards? Father, don't blame me for returning the favor!" Luo Cheng retorted.

The two of them started arguing.

When Xiao Dezi, who was eating, saw this, he quickly went forward to stop the argument, but Li Xiaoran stopped him.

"This is what father and son should be like! How can a father never be angry with his son?! Let's ignore them and just eat. Don't disturb the communication between the father and son!" Li Xiaoran said with a smile.

When the others heard Li Xiaoran's words and saw that the father and son had begun to bang on the table while arguing in a childish manner, they were enlightened and quickly left to eat elsewhere.

Li Xiaoran was full at this moment. Seeing that the father and son were arguing, she simply went to the kitchen to prepare some tea and drinks.

After making a pot of sweet tea with lemon and honey, Li Xiaoran poured herself a cup. Then, she sat in a chair and drank it while watching the father and son argue with relish.

Before long, the childish father and son's mouths were dry from the quarreling, so Li Xiaoran sent two cups of lemon honey tea to them at the right time.

They instantly felt much better after drinking this glass of lemon honey tea.

"What's this drink? It tastes very good!" The emperor asked after drinking it in one go.

'The method of making boney lemon water is actually very simple_ You can slice the lemon directly, remove the seeds inside, and pour honey in to soak. When you need to drink it, you can soak it in warm water or cold water. In this warm weather, it tastes better when its soaked in cold water!" Li Xiaoran smiled as she told him how to make honey lemon water.

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"Is there a need for it to be so complicated? In terms of food, the simpler it is, the better you can enjoy the original taste of the food! Some people like the refreshing taste of mint, so you can also soak mint in this water. The taste will be different!" Li Xiaoran nodded as she said. Li Xiaoran's words enlightened the emperor.

Thinking of what he had been struggling to deal with in the palace for a long time recently, he suddenly had an idea.

"That's right. The original taste of food needs to be brought out in a simple way!"

At the thought of this, the emperor laughed heartily.

"You're indeed very smart! You easily solved the problem that has been bothering me for a long time!"

With that, the emperor reached out and patted Luo Cheng's shoulder happily.

"You're luckier than me! Treat this girl well! If only I had met a woman as good as Li Xiaoran back then! You're really lucky!"

With that, the emperor waved his hand to summon Xiao Dezi and strode away. The emperor came and left so suddenly that Li Xiaoran was baffled.

"What's wrong with him?"

Luo Cheng looked at Li Xiaoran with amusement in his eyes.

"You were like a god in the sky that day!"

Chapter 465: Hit

"Huh?" Li Xiaoran didn't expect Luo Cheng to say this.

"You have the Midas touch! Li Xiaoran, you're so impressive today. You inspired two people at once!" Luo Cheng said meaningfully.

Li Xiaoran shrugged, indicating that she had not done anything in particular.

That night, many people slept peacefully.

No one knew that after this night, a new round of changes would happen in the capital.

This round of changes was actually started by Li Xiaoran.

The next day, the emperor gave an imperial decree that all the scholars for this year's imperial examination had to stay for longer.

Some people were happy, some were worried, and some were panicking.

At this moment, Qi Fei and Ai Mingze were gathered in a room while discussing something.

"What's going on? Why did the emperor suddenly issue a decree to keep all the scholars in the capital? It's been a long time since the imperial examination. Why haven't the rankings been announced yet?" Ai Mingze said anxiously. "Don't panic! The more flustered you are, the more likely you will mess up. Calm down, please calm down!" Qi Fei wasn't flustered at all.

What was done was done. The rest was up to fate.

Besides, their movements were very discreet this time. Even Pei Xuanxin didn't notice anything.

As long as they didnt panic, they would definitely be fine.

After the imperial decree was announced, the imperial rankings for the imperial examination were released that afternoon.

Pei Xuanxin, who had received the news, also came to the imperial ranking list to see his ranking.

Although he was confident, Pei Xuanxin still looked up starting from the last place.

Pei Xuanxin finally found his ranking.

He was actually ranked seventh.

After seeing this outcome, Pei Xuanxin was finally relieved.

He had studied hard and his hard work finally paid off.

Thinking of this, Pei Xuanxin wished he could return to his hometown immediately and tell his old mother that he had passed.

Qi Fei and Ai Mingze were also looking at the rankings. Although the two of them had Pei Xuanxin's help and had entered the rankings, their rankings were very low.

Even so, the two of them were very happy.

For the two of them, the ranking wasn't important. It was fine as long as they entered the Ranking List of Scholars!

On this day, some were happy, some were sad, and some were crying. Li Yan finally found the Seventh Prince's residence, but unfortunately, it was empty. She couldn't even enter.

She had just dragged her tired body back when she saw Pei Xuanxin return with a happy expression.

"Li Xiaoran, I passed! I'm ranked seventh!"

In the past, Li Yan would definitely be very happy, but at this moment, she could only force a smile.

"Congratulations, husband! Are you still going to participate in the palace examination?"

Pei Xuanxin was very happy. At this moment, he didn't notice Li Yan's forced smile and was still immersed in the joy of passing his examination.

"That's right. The palace examination will be held in three days! The difference is that everyone on the scholar rankings will participate in the palace examination this time. I wonder how the emperor will test us! I hope I can pass the palace examination with flying colors. Only then can I have a better official career!" "Then you should rest well for a few days so you can perform well on the palace examination!" Li Yan finally came back to her senses and encouraged him.

Now that it was impossible for her to find the Seventh Prince, she could only hold onto Pei Xuanxin.

Li Yan, who had finally recovered from her obsession, became smarter now.

Pei Xuanxin nodded, indicating that he would definitely work hard and let Li Yan live a good life in the future.

After Pei Xuanxin obtained such a good ranking, he naturally thought of Qi Fei and Ai Mingze, who had come to participate in the examination together.

When he heard that the two of them had passed the examination, Pei Xuanxin was also happy for them, so he asked the two of them out to a restaurant to celebrate.

At this moment, Luo Cheng had also obtained the news that Pei Xuanxin got seventh place on the examination. Thinking of what Li Yan had said previously, Luo Cheng smiled. It seemed that what Li Yan said was true.

But so what?

Everything had changed!

Li Xiaoran was already his wife, and Pei Xuanxin had married Li Yan.

Thinking of this, Luo Cheng ignored this news and got busy.

While everyone's attention was on the examination, Luo Cheng began his counterattack plan.

At the same time, in a quiet house, a man was sitting in the main hall with wine and some side dishes, as if he was waiting for someone.

It didn't take long for a figure to jump off the wall and appear in front of the man.

"Seventh Brother, I knew you would definitely be fine!" Ling Heng smiled when he saw Luo Cheng appear in front of him.

"Since you invited me, I naturally won't refuse! I heard that you were sent by my father to deal with the sea transportation in Jiangnan a few months ago. Since you're back today. It seems that the matters over there have been settled!" Luo Cheng sat down with a smile and poured himself a glass of wine.

Ling Heng nodded and said, "Actually, I didn't do anything! Seventh Brother, you know that it's very difficult to take action against the shipping industry now!"

Luo Cheng nodded. "Then let's not talk about these unhappy things. We should catch up and relax instead of talking about these annoying things!" Ling Heng nodded and raised his glass.

The buddies ignored everything else and only talked about brotherhood.

At this moment, Li Xiaoran also went to the liveliest teahouse nearby in disguise.

Coincidentally, Pei Xuanxin, Qi Fei, and Ai Mingze were also in the private room of this teahouse.

Li Xiaoran had just entered the private room and ordered refreshments when she heard a man's voice coming from the private room next door.

"Brother pei! Why didn't your wife come here to celebrate with you today?" Qi Fei asked aloofly.

"My wife isn't feeling well today. She's been tired from taking care of me recently, so I let her rest at home!" Pei Xuanxin replied with a smile.

"Your wife has indeed worked hard!" Qi Fei said with a smile.

Ai Mingze thought of something and reminded him with a smile, "By the way heard that Madam and the Seventh Prince's consort are from the same famil' and theyre cousins. I wonder when you'll visit the Seventh Prince? If you manage to get close to the Seventh Prince, don't forget us!"

When Li Xiaoran heard this, her heart skipped a beat.

She forgot that Li Yan followed Pei Xuanxin to the capital to participate in the examination! She had been so busy recently that she forgot about this!"

Chapter 466: Arrest

Li Xiaoran didn't expect to meet them in the capital.

Fortunately, Li Yan didn't come!

As this thought flashed across her mind, Li Xiaoran suddenly thought of something and a teasing smile flashed across her face.

Li Yan was probably someone who had been reborn.

However, she wondered what Li Yan would think now that she knew that Luo Cheng was the government's Seventh Prince.

She must be regretting it now!

On second thought, if Li Yan could live with Pei Xuanxin in peace, her future life would probably be very good!

From the conversation of the people next door, Pei Xuanxin must have done well on the exam.

However, would Li Yan be willing to accept this?

With Li Xiaoran's understanding of Li Yan, she definitely wouldn't.

Things were going to be fun.

Li Xiaoran could already forsee that in the coming days, once Li Yan received the news, she would definitely think of ways to cause trouble.

"That's not suitable! Speaking of which, I've never met the Seventh Prince before! Besides, we're about to participate in the palace examination, so let's see if we have a chance to visit him after the palace examination!" Pei Xuanxin said in a hesitant voice. "It's indeed unsuitable. Brother Pei, you're right. We should participate in the palace examination first. After all, the examination is more important now!" Qi Fei quickly echoed. Then, when Pei Xuanxin wasn't paying attention, he glared at Ai Mingze.

Ai Mingze understood what Pei Xuanxin meant and immediately changed the topic.

For some reason, after talking about the Seventh Prince, Pei Xuanxin felt a little uneasy.

He didn't know why, but he felt that there was some kind of connection between him and the Seventh Prince.

Li Xiaoran no longer paid attention to Pei Xuanxin and did her own thing instead.

She had barely taken two sips of her tea when the person she was waiting for arrived.

There were many people coming in and out of the teahouse. At this moment, a

girl walked in with a maidservant.

After Li Xiaoran saw this girl, she looked at Wu Qinghe.

"Wu Qinghe, you must have gained something from your epiphany yesterday! Look at that girl in a light green dress who just entered the teahouse. Analyze her fate!"

When Wu Qinghe heard Li Xiaoran's words, he looked at the girl she was talking about.

After taking a closer look, Wu Qinghe's expression suddenly changed drastically.

"Madam, this little girl will encounter disaster today! And it's not the small kind, but the big kind!"

Li Xiaoran originally wanted to see what Wu Qinghe had gained after his epiphany yesterday, but she didn't expect to receive such news.

"Are you sure?"

"Madam, this is a matter of life and death. How can I be wrong?!" Wu Qinghe said firmly.

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she thought for a moment and stood up.

"We have to help!"

With that, Li Xiaoran had already walked out of the private room.

When Zi Zheng and Wu Qinghe saw this, they quickly followed.

Unexpectedly, as soon as the group of people went out, they saw the door of the private room next door open.

When Pei Xuanxin walked out of the private room, he bumped into Li Xiaoran.

Upon seeing Li Xiaoran's face, Pei Xuanxin recalled the familiar figure from his previous dream.

He had never seen her face in his previous dream, but after seeing Li Xiaoran's appearance, his dream wife immediately had a face.

"May I ask..." Just as Pei Xuanxin was about to ask something, a cry of surprise came from downstairs.

Li Xiaoran had a bad feeling and immediately ran downstairs.

When Pei Xuanxin saw the familiar beauty running away, he wanted to shout something, but he didn't.

The commotion outside alarmed many people. When Li Xiaoran rushed down, the girl in green, who was alive just now, had already fallen into a pool of blood.

"What are you guys waiting for? Hurry up and find a doctor!" Seeing that the surrounding people were frightened, Li Xiaoran quickly rushed over.

Li Xiaoran shouted as she checked the woman's injuries.

Zi Cheng also ran over. When he saw the girl's injuries, he immediately reached out and placed his hand on her neck.

After a while, Zi Cheng looked up at Li Xiaoran and shook his head.

After Li Xiaoran saw the look in Zi Cheng's eyes, her face was filled with disbelief. Then, she looked down at the woman lying in a pool of blood.

At this moment, Li Xiaoran's heart ached.

"Why are you doing this? It's not worth it!"

Unfortunately, the green-robed girl was no longer breathing and couldn't hear Li Xiaoran at all.

At this moment, the doctor was also invited over.

Just as Zi Cheng had predicted, the doctor shook his head after the diagnosis.

"It's too late. She's already dead!"

At this moment, the bailiffs outside also walked in. "Everyone, move aside. The officials are here. Everyone, move aside!"

Li Xiaoran put the little girl down gently and stood up.

At this moment, the bailiffs surrounded them. When they saw this scene, they immediately pulled out their knives and pointed them at Li Xiaoran. "How dare you kill someone in front of everyone? Someone, take her away!"

Seeing this, Zi Cheng and Wu Qinghe realized that something was wrong and quickly walked forward to protect Li Xiaoran.

"Let's see who dares to!" Zi Zheng stared at these bailiffs as he scolded angrily, "What government are you guys from? How dare you arrest people without evidence?"

"That's right. When Madam saw her lying in a pool of blood, she couldn't stand it anymore and ran down the stairs to save her. How come she's being treated as a murderer? Everyone saw it. Are you going to arrest a good person?" Wu Qinghe was furious and scolded angrily. Qinghe was furious and scolded angrily.

Seeing this, the others chimed in.

"That's right. This little girl was clearly injured by someone else. Why is it this woman's fault?! Is there really no just law in this world?" Someone said indignantly.

"I can testify that when this girl in front of me had an accident, this woman was in a private room on the second floor and happened to meet me. This woman also heard the commotion downstairs, so she rushed down and told everyone to find a doctor!" Pei Xuanxin also stood up to testify when he saw this scene.

Now, the others stood up and glared at the bailiffs.

"Pfft! Don't you understand? The man who hurt her is the son of the Minister of War, Dou Jun. How would these people dare to go forward to capture him? Therefore, they could only find an unlucky person as a scapegoat!" A woman who was drinking alone chuckled and exposed the true reason..

Chapter 467: Let's See Who Dares To

When Li Xiaoran looked over, she saw the woman in red raising her glass and gesturing at her.

Li Xiaoran could sense that the other party had no ill intentions towards her, so she smiled and nodded in agreement.

The bailiffs who had surrounded Li Xiaoran and the other two were already caught between a rock and a hard place.

They couldn't afford to offend Young Master Dou of the Minister of War's family, so they could only brace themselves and take this woman away.

"What do you know?" The leader of the bailiffs, Yan Fanyi, scolded sternly, "Not all crimes are as simple as they seem! All kinds of things need to be investigated by adults. Now, we have reason to suspect that this woman is related to this murder case. If you guys say another word, we'll punish you guys as accomplices!"

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she immediately clapped her hands in praise.

"Alright, alright! I've really broadened my horizons this time! At the end of the day, you're just bullying people who don't have a powerful background! You're picking on the weak. But why are you so sure that I'll take it lying down? Aren't you afraid that my identity, background, and background are even more powerful than that of the Minister of War's son?"

When Yan Fanyi heard Li Xiaoran's words, he immediately sneered.

"Don't threaten me. I, Yan Fanyi, have seen many women like you! Take her away. We can't let the murderer be so arrogant!"

When the surrounding bailiffs heard Yan Fanyi's words, they immediately planned to attack.

This time, everyone felt worried for Li Xiaoran.

Pei Xuanxin looked even more worried and his mind raced as he thought about how to save her.

When the woman in red who had spoken earlier saw that the bailiffs actually wanted to forcefully bring Li Xiaoran away, she immediately grabbed the sword beside her and planned to save Li Xiaoran.

At this moment, a man's voice entered everyone's ears.

"Oh really? I want to see who can take my wife from me today!"

When Li Xiaoran saw Luo Cheng walking in from outside the teahouse, she smiled.

"I also want to see who's so bold as to slander my seventh sister-in-law!" Ling Heng said with a smile.

As the two of them spoke, the situation in the teahouse changed drastically.

Everyone who had been worried about Li Xiaoran just now laughed out loud.

The group of bailiffs, especially the leader, Yan Fanyi, broke out in cold sweat.

At this moment, Yan Fanyi recalled what Li Xiaoran had said previously and immediately regretted it.

Why was he so unlucky? He was just doing his usual patrol. How did he get involved in this mess?

Seeing that the situation had reversed and that Li Xiaoran was actually the Seventh Prince's consort, who was the talk of the capital, the woman in red smiled. Then, she put down her sword and continued to drink.

"Why aren't you talking now?" Luo Cheng stared at the bailiff called Yan Fanyi as he asked coldly.

Yan Fanyi felt terrified. At this moment, his teeth were trembling from Luo Cheng's intimidating aura.

Luo Cheng stared at Yan Fanyi as he said, "You were very arrogant just now and you wanted to frame my wife without any evidence. Why don't you dare to speak now? As bailiffs patrolling the streets, you should maintain the security of the streets and alleys in the capital. Unexpectedly, despite taking the taxes paid by the commoners, you guys only know how to flatter and bully the commoners! It seems that it's time for the bailiffs in the capital to be reshuffled!"

"Seventh Brother, you're right. It's indeed time to deal with this matter! During this period of time, more and more incidents have happened in the capital, and students from all over the world have gathered here. If the security isn't good and the people of our government get injured, that will be a crisis! When I meet the emperor tomorrow, I will mention the security of the capital to my father so that the commoners can live and work in peace!" Ling Heng said seriously. Yan Fanyi's legs went weak and he fell to the ground. He knew that he was doomed.

If there was really a major crackdown in the capital, those who were dealt with would definitely hate him to death.

After all, without what he had done today, the others wouldn't have been implicated.

Yan Fanyi's heart skipped a beat and his gaze suddenly landed on Li Xiaoran, who wasn't far away.

Thinking that the cause of all this was Li Xiaoran, Yan Fanyi kowtowed in Li Xiaoran's direction and begged for forgiveness.

"Please forgive me for my ignorance! I have an old mother and a pair of children. Please forgive me this time!"

Li Xiaoran didn't say anything when she saw Yan Fanyi kowtowing to her.

If Luo Cheng had not appeared in time today, she would have suffered even with Zi Zheng and Wu Qinghe protecting her.

She was lucky to be married to Luo Cheng. That was why this bailiff begged her for mercy.

If it were anyone else, would this bailiff have acted like this?

NO!

Li Xiaoran Imew very well what kind of people these people were, so she wouldn't forgive them at all.

"Now, you know how to beg for mercy, but when I didn't reveal my identity previously, did you ever think of letting me off to catch the real murderer?" As soon as Li Xiaoran said this, Yan Fanyi was speechless.

If Li Xiaoran wasn't the Seventh Prince's consort, he definitely would have forcefully arrested Li Xiaoran and pinned this woman's death on her.

"You wouldn't have let me off! Similarly, I won't let you off either! Do you think there won't be retribution for your habit of bullying the weak and fearing the strong? Wrong, it's not that they won't take revenge, but the time hasn't come vet. When the time comes, the heavens will naturally settle scores with you.

Today, it's time for you to bear the consequences of your actions!" Li Xiaoran said coldly.

Li Xiaoran couldn't sympathize with such a person at all. Moreover, from this man's emotions, she could tell that he was definitely not a kind person.

He must have done similar things in the past.

Thinking of this, Li Xiaoran thought of something else.

"Husband, I think this person has probably done this sort of thing quite often in the past! Why don't we investigate carefully to see if there's anything fishy about the cases he handled?!"

Chapter 468: One Less Person

Luo Cheng nodded and remembered this.

There were many bad people in this world. After they caught one, they encountered another one.

However, if they could capture one, there would be one less, so it wasn't pointless.

Before meeting them, he had probably harmed countless people, so it was time to investigate.

Soon, Yan Fanyi was taken away.

Seeing that the matter was almost settled, the third prince, Ling Heng, turned his attention to the murder case.

With a wave of his hand, the personal guard behind him came forward and grabbed Dou Jun.

Dou Jun started to panic when the Seventh Prince and the Third Prince appeared.

Although his identity could make many people wary, the Third Prince wasn't among them.

As for the Seventh Prince, he wouldn't show him any mercy either.

"I, I, I didn't kill anyone. It really wasn't me! She killed herself. It had nothing to do with me!" Dou Jun defended himself while trembling under the Third Prince's glare.

"You know how to speak human language now? When my sister-in-law was falsely accused, why didn't you help her clear her name?! Their people will investigate the matter, so Dou Jun, you should follow the bailiffs obediently! If you're really innocent, I believe the bailiffs will definitely give you justice!" Ling Heng said.

"No, no, no, I want to see my father! I didn't kill anyone. I'm innocent. I want to see my father!" Dou Jun was unwilling to go to prison no matter what. At this moment, he wanted to look for his father.

However, how could Ling Heng let him do as he wished? He asked someone to arrest Dou Jun and send him to the station.

Of course, the deceased would also be sent to the government offices by the bailiffs.

When Li Xiaoran saw all this, she suddenly felt that something was wrong.

"There's supposed to be someone else, but where is she?" Li Xiaoran asked in confusion.

Luo Cheng and Ling Heng looked over. They didn't know who Li Xiaoran was talking about.

"There's someone else! When this girl came in, she had a maid with her. That maid is missing!" Li Xiaoran quickly told them about this important clue. "There was a maid with the deceased?" When Luo Cheng heard this, he

immediately looked around. "Have any of you noticed that maid before?"

The others shook their heads in confusion. After all, they were all sitting in their seats drinking tea while talking, so they didn't pay attention to their surroundings.

At this moment, the woman in red who had helped out previously said, "I saw that there was indeed a maid following her. However, that girl seemed to have been frightened and disappeared in the blink of an eye!"

The third prince, Ling Heng, realized that this maidservant was very important, so he immediately asked someone to look for her.

"Was there anything special about this maid?" After Luo Cheng thought about it for a moment, he asked Li Xiaoran.

After Li Xiaoran thought about it for a moment, she shook her head. "There was nothing special about him, and she had an ordinary appearance, the type you won't be able to notice in the crowd!"

At this point, Li Xiaoran recalled again. "I can draw her portrait! Bring me paper and a burned wooden stick. The wooden stick can't be too thick. It should be about the size of half a finger!"

Soon, Luo Cheng asked someone to prepare what Li Xiaoran wanted.

After tidying up the nearest wooden table, Li Xiaoran laid the drawing paper on the table and started drawing on it with a carbonized wooden stick sharpened with a knife.

Li Xiaoran was immersed in her memories. As she recalled her appearance, she began to draw.

After half an hour, a person who looked like a maid appeared on the paper.

After Ling Heng saw it, he was immediately shocked.

"I really didn't expect you to be so good at drawing. You can draw people so vividly. With such a portrait, the government definitely won't catch the wrong person in the future!"

Luo Cheng had seen Li Xiaoran's drawing skills before, so he wasn't surprised.

After the portrait was drawn, Li Xiaoran didn't stop. Instead, she took another piece of paper and continued drawing.

After drawing a total of five portraits, Li Xiaoran stopped.

"These five portraits should be enough. We'll keep one for ourselves and give the remaining four to the people from the government offices!" Li Xiaoran said.

"Give three copies to the government! I'll take one copy with me! Since I encountered this matter, I naturally won't ignore it!" Ling Heng said.

Li Xiaoran looked at Luo Cheng. Seeing her man nod, she knew that she could trust the Third Prince, so she gave him a copy of the portrait.

After the other bailiffs in the government saw the Seventh Prince's abilities, they all became respectful.

Previously, there might have been people who looked down on the Seventh Prince's consort, but now, their opinions had changed.

Anyone who could draw a person's portrait to such a realistic extent was definitely a big shot!

Such a person could only be roped in and couldn't be offended!

Soon, this murder case was taken over by the bailiffs.

Because this was the crime scene, everyone left their identities and evacuated in an orderly manner.

When she walked out of the teahouse, Li Xiaoran saw the woman in the red dress. She thought about it for a moment before walking over.

"Thank you for speaking up for us just now. I wonder what your name is? I want to be your friend!"

The woman in red was waiting for a carriage with a sword in her hand. When she heard Li Xiaoran's voice, she turned around and revealed a strange smile.

"Do you know who I am? You don't even know my identity, but you came to befriend me. Aren't you afraid of regretting it in the future?" The woman in red said.

"I don't make friends based on status. I befriend whoever I like! In that situation, only you stood up to help me. Just this alone is worth befriending you for!" Li Xiaoran replied with a smile.

"Alright, I won't judge you by your status! If I told you that I'm a demoness that many young ladies in the capital avoid, would you still be willing to befriend me? How about this? Go back and tell the Seventh Prince to ask around about my reputation in the capital before deciding if you want to befriend me!" After the woman in red said this, she saw the carriage coming and flew into it.

"You haven't told me where to find you. What's your name?" Li Xiaoran asked anxiously.

"Your husband must know!" The woman in red said before she drove the carriage away.

After watching them leave, Li Xiaoran turned to look at her man.

"Husband!" Li Xiaoran shouted as she looked at Luo Cheng eagerly.

Luo Cheng quickly replied, "I'll get someone to investigate immediately! It's rare for you to take the initiative to befriend someone, so we can't let her off!"

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she immediately laughed.

Chapter 469: True Virtue

That night, information about the femme fatale appeared in front of Li Xiaoran.

Li Xiaoran looked at the information one by one with amusement in her eyes.

"No wonder she asked me to ask around about her first. If it were anyone else, they would definitely be so frightened that they wouldn't want to see her again!"

Luo Cheng had just finished dealing with the matter at hand. When he heard Li Xiaoran's words, he recalled the information he had seen previously and raised his eyebrows.

"It seems that you still haven't changed your mind?"

"Why should I change my mind? I like women like Meng Yan! This is what a person should be like, especially a woman!" Li Xiaoran tilted her head as she looked at Luo Cheng and said, "She's self-reliant and doesn't rely on her family. She can do whatever she wants. If others want to control her, they'll be controlled by her instead. She doesn't have to be a noble. She's a noble herself.

Her fate is in her own hands! How good is that?!"

Luo Cheng nodded. He agreed with Li Xiaoran's opinion.

"To be honest, with Meng Yan's personality, she's indeed an oddball in the capital. She's out of place with the people around her! However, if you really want to become friends with her, she's the most reliable person. It's just that such a person won't become friends with others that easily. She seems easygoing, but she's actually very guarded. Only after you truly obtain her approval will you have a friend worthy of entrusting your life to!"

Li Xiaoran didn't expect Luo Cheng to say such a thing, so she asked in surprise, "You have a very high opinion of Meng Yan! In that case, you don't object to me becoming friends with Meng Yan? I wonder if I might cause you trouble."

Luo Cheng shook his head with a smile. "Don't worry about this. Do whatever you want! I told you, you don't have to worry about me. I'll support you no matter what you do!"

With Luo Cheng's permission, Li Xiaoran was naturally relieved.

To be honest, she didn't know much about Meng Yan. She just felt that she was a kind person worth befriending.

However, after reading about Meng Yan, she liked Meng Yan even more.

Mene Yan was carefree and caDable.

Befriending such a person was very beneficial to her!

The next day, when Meng Yan happened to walk out of a textile shop, she saw Li Xiaoran standing at the side.

Looking at Li Xiaoran, who was standing beside her with a smile, Meng Yan raised her eyebrows.

"What? You still dare to look for me?"

"Why wouldn't I dare to? Do you eat people, or do you plan to take advantage of me?" Li Xiaoran raised her eyebrows and asked.

"Aren't you afraid that I'll ruin your reputation as the Seventh Prince's consort?" Meng Yan asked.

"Me? What reputation do I have?" When Li Xiaoran heard this, she immediately pointed at herself with a smile. "I'm a country bumpkin. I was lucky enough to marry the Seventh Prince and go from rags to riches overnight. My reputation has been ruined long ago!"

Meng Yan couldn't help but laugh at Li Xiaoran's self-deprecation. 'You know your reputation very well!"

"That's right! I know myself very well. I wonder if you're willing to befriend a country girl with an interesting soul like me without regard for my family background?" Li Xiaoran asked with a smile.

When Meng Yan heard Li Xiaoran's words, she laughed.

"If you don't despise my reputation, why would I despise your background?

Let's go. I plan to try new dishes in a restaurant. Why don't we go together?"

"Alright!" Li Xiaoran nodded in agreement.

"Then get into my carriage!" Meng Yan said.

Li Xiaoran froze for a moment before nodding and walking straight towards Meng Yan's carriage.

After Zi Cheng, who had been following Li Xiaoran, heard this, he quickly got into the carriage and planned to follow Meng Yan's carriage.

After all, he was Li Xiaoran's guard now, so he naturally couldn't be too far away from her.

After getting into the carriage, Li Xiaoran realized that there was actually something strange about this carriage.

It looked inconspicuous from the outside, but the inside was very comfy.

"This carriage feels comfy. Did you ask someone to modify it? I actually don't feel any bumpiness at all!" Li Xiaoran sized it up as she said.

When Meng Yan heard Li Xiaoran's words, she said in surprise, "You don't look like a girl from the countryside at all! No wonder the Seventh Prince married you. It seems that you have some unique qualities. It's just that the others don't realize your strengths! "

"Why should others see my strengths? It's fine as long as the people I care about see my strengths! I'm already at the center of attention, so it's better to keep a low profile!" Li Xiaoran chuckled and said.

When Meng Yan heard Li Xiaoran's words, her eyes widened and she had a new understanding of Li Xiaoran.

"You're really wise! Many people don't realize this! However, you're quite impressive. You kicked out Prime Minister Yan's beloved granddaughter, Yan Xiaoqiao, just like that!"

"This person has already bullied me right to my face, so why do I have to worry so much? At this moment, I can do whatever I want! Besides, this matter isn't over yet! I have to make Yan Xiaoqiao give up on my man!" Li Xiaoran said fiercely.

When Meng Yan saw Li Xiaoran's fierce expression and heard her words, her eyes lit up.

"Not bad. As a woman, you should be like this! So-called virtuosity is all bullsh*t!"

"No, no, no. We should be virtuous women, but the standards of virtuous women being promoted in this society have been secretly changed by men. Truly virtuous women are actually completely different from the current ones!" Li Xiaoran expressed her opinion.

"Please elaborate!" This was the first time Meng Yan had heard of such a novel concept, so she was immediately interested.

After Li Xiaoran thought about it for a moment, she said, "A virtuous woman doesn't despise the man she chooses when he's insignificant. Instead, she encourages him, helps him, and promotes his ambition. When her man becomes too arrogant, she humbles him and prevents him from being controlled by his greed. When her man is in danger, she helps him resolve the crisis. When her man is misunderstood, she trusts him and understands him! "

"What if the Seventh Prince takes in a concubine in the future? Don't tell me he'll be faithful to you for the rest of his life. Do you even believe it yourself?" Meng Yan asked.

'Why not? There are faithful people in this world, so I'm willing to believe him. But believing them is one thing, and reality is another! I'm already prepared for the worst." Li Xiaoran smiled and said..

Chapter 470: Have the Courage to Love

These contradictory words stunned Meng Yan.

To be honest, she had not interacted with Li Xiaoran for long, but as she got to know her better, she felt that this girl was very extraordinary.

"What do you mean? Don't you find it contradictory?"

"What's there to be conflicted about?! There are many things in this world that are either black or white. There will be compromises. I believe that my husband will love someone for the rest of his life, but this doesn't mean that I can't withstand the outcome of him not loving me! You're capable and can earn money to support yourself, so when you get married in the future, are you afraid that your man will be disloyal to you and betray you?" Li Xiaoran looked at Meng Yan as she asked.

After Meng Yan thought about it for a moment, she said, "Why not? I'm afraid of such a thing too!"

To be honest, she was actually afraid of getting married.

She had seen many people in relationships, but very few of them ended up well.

Therefore, right from the beginning, Meng Yan didn't believe that a man would give her true love.

Li Xiaoran could sense Meng Yan's emotions, so she deliberated for a moment and asked, "If you don't have a man, will you be able to live a fullfilling life? Will you be able to survive?"

Meng Yan frpze for a moment before saying, "Of course. I can earn money myself. Even without those d*mn men, I can live a good life!"

"That's right! Then what are you afraid of?! The worst outcome is that you'll return to being single and earn money to support yourself. Even if you have a child, you can raise the child with your own abilities. So, what are you worried about?" Li Xiaoran asked.

"If one day, such a good man really appears in front of you and gives you all his love, you should have enough courage to accept it. Even if he changes his mind in the future, as long as you two have once loved each other sincerely, it won't be a loss. Besides, men and romance aren't that big of a deal. Even without them, you can still live a carefree life!"

When Meng Yan heard Li Xiaoran's words, she immediately felt that they made sense, but she was still puzzled.

"Aren't that big of a deal? How can you get over heartbreak just like that? Many men and women can't move on after ending relationships!"

Li Xiaoran didn't deny this. Instead, she said firmly, "So, when women fall in love with a man, they can't be a hopeless romantic. They have to have their own thoughts and be able to distinguish right from wrong. Even if they encounter betrayal, they can't get too carried away. Instead, they have to maintain their pride and self-love. Women have to love themselves more no matter when or where! Think about it, if you don't even feel sorry for yourself, how can you expect others to feel sorry for you?"

"Don't love a man more than you love yourself. Love yourself more, be independent, don't rely on a man, and be financially independent. This way, you can deal with all kinds of trouble. Heartbreak is common, but the key is whether you can stand up after being injured!"

No one had ever said such a thing to Meng Yan before.

At this moment, Meng Yan was in a dilemma.

Her experiences since she was young had made her a little disgusted and wary of romantic relationships.

However, she was also a woman who had feelings. She was also attracted to outstanding people.

However, the fear in her heart made her retreat. She didn't dare to try at all.

Before this, Meng Yan had been suppressing herself.

However, Li Xiaoran's words seemed to have opened a new door for Meng Yan.

"Meng Yan, there are some things you have to try! Only after you try it will you know if it's worth it. If you haven't tried it before, you'll never know if it's worth it! Remember my words. Never stop loving just because you've been hurt once! The more hurt you are, the more you have to love! Love yourself, love life, and love this world!" Li Xiaoran's words pointed out a new path for Meng Yan.

When the carriage arrived, Meng Yan and Li Xiaoran had already hit it off.

Zi Zheng, who was following behind, was shocked to see the two of them walking together intimately.

Zi Cheng became impressed by his sister-in-law's socializing skills.

"This shop is run by a couple that specializes in making some innovative dishes they're good at. It only serves three tables of customers a day, and you have to make reservations in advance. The people who come here to eat have to be recommended by regular customers. Otherwise, they won't entertain them at all! I brought you here today, so you can come here yourself in the future! However, if you come here to eat, you have to take care of this family in the future. After all, in the capital, there are many people who cause trouble all day long and bully good people!" Meng Yan introduced as she brought Li Xiaoran into this quiet place.

Li Xiaoran nodded. She didn't speak, but she agreed with this business model.

Cooking innovative dishes was a special method to earn money.

After Meng Yan sniffed the aroma in the air, she said with a smile, "Uncle Chuan and Aunt Chuan invited me to try the new dishes today. Smell this aroma. It seems that we're in for a treat this time!"

"Then I'm lucky to be able to taste delicious new dishes!" Li Xiaoran said with a smile.

"That's right. It can only mean that you're fated with these new dishes!" Meng

Yan teased.

As they spoke, the three of them walked into the hall of the house.

When a kid saw Meng Yan, he immediately smiled and welcomed her.

"Sister Meng Yan, you came at the right time! The dishes are about to be served. Go to the private room and sit down first. New dishes will be served later!"

"Then I'll wait and see! Come, Little Quan, greet Sister Xiaoran! In the future, Sister Xiaoran will also become a guest of your shop. You have to treat her well!" Meng Yan replied as she introduced Li Xiaoran.

"Sister Xiaoran!" Little Quan was a very sensible child, so when he heard Meng Yan's words, he greeted her with a smile.

Seeing this, Li Xiaoran thought of something and took out a few candies from her wallet.

"Since you've called me sister, I naturally have to give you a gift. This is the candy I carry with me. Take it and try it. Take it as a greeting gift from me!"

When Little Quan saw these candies, he immediately grinned.

"Thank you, Sister Xiaoran. My sister and I like candy very much!" With that, Little Quan took the candy and placed it in his wallet carefully. "I'll eat candy with my sister later!"

When Li Xiaoran heard Little Quan's words, she simply took out a few more and stuffed them into his wallet..