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Chapter 491: Worst Case

Princess Ning Xin was originally glaring at Li Xiaoran angrily, but when she heard Li Xiaoran's words, her expression immediately changed.

At this moment, Princess Ning Xin was very shocked. All these years, no one had ever seen through her.

But the woman in front of her, whom she looked down on, bruised her fragile ego so easily.

After saying this, Li Xiaoran ignored Princess Ning Xin and came to the Eldest

Princess's side. Then, she poured herself a glass of water and drank it.

After drinking a mouthful of tea, Li Xiaoran immediately spat it out.

The Eldest Princess was originally looking at Princess Ning Xin, but when she saw Li Xiaoran spit out the tea, she immediately frowned.

"What happened?"

At this moment, Li Xiaoran's expression changed. Then, she looked at the eldest princess and then at Shu Ruyue, who wasn't far away.

"Ruyue, come and take a look. Is there something wrong with this tea?!"

When Shu Ruyue heard Li Xiaoran's words, her expression immediately changed and she quickly ran over.

The Eldest Princess didn't expect Li Xiaoran to say such a thing. Then, she looked at a servant on the other side.

Seeing this, the servant walked forward and poured some tea out of the teapot.

Sure enough, their expressions changed.

"How is it?" Li Xiaoran asked Shu Ruyue.

"Your tongue is really sensitive. There is indeed some drug in this tea. After drinking it, your entire body will go numb and your limbs will only be able to move very slowly. Very few people will notice this drug mixed in the tea. At first, you won't feel anything, but as time passes, your entire body will go numb. After two hours, you won't be able to move!" After Shu Ruyue tasted the tea, she came to this conclusion.

"That's right. This girl is right. Someone drugged this tea," the woman said.

When the Eldest Princess heard this, she immediately frowned.

On the other side, the woman returned to the Eldest Princess's side and took a sip of the pot of tea she had drunk from previously. Then, she took out a bottle of medicine and a pill from her pocket. "Eldest Princess, take it!"

After the Eldest Princess nodded, she took the pill and swallowed it.

After swallowing the pill, the Eldest Princess looked at Li Xiaoran.

"Give them one too!"

The woman froze for a moment before taking out three pills.

"You guys should take it too! This pill can detoxify all poisons. After taking this, you don't have to be afraid of others poisoning you!" The Eldest Princess understood Li Xiaoran's personality, so she explained.

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she took the pill and swallowed it.

Shu Ruyue frowned. After seeing Li Xiaoran swallow it, she carefully observed the pill and finally swallowed it as well.

In the end, Princess Ning Xin also stood up and took a pill.

"What do you think?" Seeing that everyone had taken the antidote pill, the

Eldest Princess began to focus on this matter.

Li Xiaoran understood what the Eldest Princess meant and thought about it for a moment.

"We can't confirm if all the tea at this banquet has been tampered with or not."

Whenever I encounter something, I consider the worst scenario first. In this

case, the worst case scenario is that all the tea has been drugged. In that case, the other party's goal is quite thought-provoking. The consequences will be unimaginable! "

"That's impossible. If that's the case, I'll ask them to leave now!" Princess Ning Xin's expression changed.

She had never expected things to turn out like this. She had only organized a flower banquet.

"What if the anesthetic takes effect after they leave the farmstead? Wouldn't it be even more dangerous then?" Li Xiaoran glanced at Princess Ning Xin and said, "If I were you, I would have to give instructions to your trusted aides at this moment. Moreover, they have to be people who have never drunk the tea in the garden. Hurry up and get reinforcements. If you're late, there might be an unexpected change in the situation!"

"You mean that this matter is not personal, but that someone wants to subdue us to threaten other people?" The Eldest Princess already understood what Li Xiaoran meant.

"My intuition tells me that's the case!" Li Xiaoran replied.

At this moment, Li Xiaoran recalled that she had parked the carriage outside the farmstead and suddenly came back to her senses.

No wonder when she saw so many people previously, her first thought was to park the carriages outside to prevent being blocked here in case of an emergency.

It turned out that she had a bad feeling right from the beginning.

On the other side, Princess Ning Xin was already panicking. She didn't know who to ask for help from.

When Li Xiaoran sensed Princess Ning Xin's panic, she sighed.

As expected, this fussy princess was unreliable.

They had only encountered such a small matter, but Princess Ning Xin was already frightened out of her wits.

The Eldest Princess also noticed Princess Ning Xin's state. After shaking her head, she looked at the person beside her.

"Go and get someone to transfer the soldiers from the capital's guards!" As the Eldest Princess spoke, she took out a token on her body. "Take this token. The other party will know what to do after seeing it!"

A maid walked forward, took the token, and turned to leave.

"Eldest Princess, this is inappropriate!" The servant who had given her the antidote said disapprovingly.

The Eldest Princess wasn't worried at all and said, "Don't worry, I won't die here!"

At this moment, a cry of surprise came from not far away.

Right on the heels of that, the crowd panicked.

Soon, a person who looked like a maid rushed over.

"Princess, there's bad news! Someone died in the garden!"

After Li Xiaoran and Shu Ruyue exchanged looks, they looked at the maid who rushed over.

Princess Ning Xin found a chair and sat down. She had yet to recover from the shock yet.

When she heard the maid shouting that someone was dead, her body went limp and she collapsed on the chair.

Seeing this, the Eldest Princess asked coldly, "Why are you so flustered? No matter what happens, you have to remain calm! Come forward and tell me what's going on."

After being reprimanded, the maid looked terrified.

Just as the maid walked forward to report, Li Xiaoran suddenly felt the other party's emotions change.

At this moment, Li Xiaoran realized something, so as she ran towards the

Eldest Princess, she shouted, "Eldest Princess, be careful!"

In the blink of an eye, the maid took out a hidden weapon from her sleeve and shot at the Eldest Princess's chest.

In a moment of desperation, Li Xiaoran kicked the chair where the Eldest Princess was sitting.

After the chair fell, the Eldest Princess fell. Then, the hidden arrow flew over the Eldest Princess's head and pierced into a pillar behind her.

However, no one expected that the woman who had been protecting the Eldest Princess and who gave the Eldest Princess the antidote would actually raise her dagger and stab at the Eldest Princess...

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Seeing this, Shu Ruyue was shocked. Just as she was about to capture the servant, Li Xiaoran stopped her. "Ruyue, don't attack!"

When Shu Ruyue heard Li Xiaoran's words, she paused and realized that the dagger in the servant's hand had pierced a black insect into the Eldest Princess's chest.

It turned out that the old servant didn't want to hurt the Eldest Princess, but to save her.

"I really didn't expect to see such a poisonous insect again after so many years!" After the old servant carefully looked at the poisonous insect on the dagger, she helped the Eldest Princess up. "Eldest Princess, sorry!"

Although the Eldest Princess was shocked, she had been through a lot, so she didn't care.

"What are you talking about?! Ah Li, we've been together for so many years."

Why would I suspect you?!"

Although the fall just now looked dangerous, the Eldest Princess wasn't injured.

The chair fell, but it was stopped in midair by the old servant called Ah Li.

Therefore, the Eldest Princess survived this daunting experience without mishap.

At the same time, the guard in the courtyard rushed over. Before the other party could commit another crime, she was caught by the guard.

When Li Xiaoran saw so many guards rushing out, she felt a little relieved.

It seemed that Princess Ning Xin wasn't that stupid and had done some preparations for the banquet.

With these guards around today, even if something happened, they would at least be able to resist.

The Eldest Princess didn't even look at the maid. She directly handed her over to the guard leader for interrogation.

Because there were more important things than the assassination attempt.

"Mr. Jiao, you saw it too. Someone set up a scheme at today's banquet. Send someone to spread the news now and call Imperial Physician Liu over. Let him check if the tea here has been drugged!"

Mr. Jiao's expression changed when he heard that.

"Yes, I'll get someone to call Imperial Physician Liu over now!"

After settling the matters here, the Eldest Princess looked at Li Xiaoran and Princess Ning Xin, who had yet to recover.

"The two of you, follow me over to take a look at the murder scene over there! Also, get someone to report it to the government office. Since there's been a murder, we naturally have to report it to the authorities! Mr. Jiao, have you sent someone to watch over the deceased?"

"Let's go. The two of you can follow me over to take a look!"

Li Xiaoran and Princess Ning Xin nodded before walking towards the dead woman.

Not long after, Li Xiaoran saw an orchard not far away.

The fruit trees were filled with fruits and the aroma of various fruits wafted out. After smelling them, she had the urge to try them!

However, after the death, no one had the mood to do so anymore.

For some reason, Princess Ning Xin felt a chill down her spine as soon as she walked into the orchard.

After she approached Li Xiaoran, she looked around and lowered her voice to ask, "Is what you said about seeing that dirty thing true?"

When Li Xiaoran saw Princess Ning Xin's frightened expression, she said,

"It's a lie!"

"You!" When Ning Xin realized that she had been deceived by Li Xiaoran, she immediately glared at her angrily.

Li Xiaoran also glared at Princess Ning Xin.

"What? You're allowed to bully me, but I'm not allowed to fool you? I let you learn a lesson. If you're stupid, don't blame others for being too smart!" When Princess Ning Xin heard Li Xiaoran's words, she suddenly felt pain on her face again.

"As expected of a woman from the countryside. You're so vulgar. Does my seventh brother know that you like to hit people? If he sees your vulgar true colors, do you think my seventh brother will still like you?"

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she immediately sneered.

"If he doesn't like me because of this and wants to dump me, then he's the one missing out! After all, I'm such a good wife, but he actually doesn't want me anymore? He doesn't know his stuff."

When Princess Ning Xin heard Li Xiaoran's words, she actually forgot to refute.

She had seen thick-skinned people, but she had never seen anyone this thick-skinned before.

When the Eldest Princess heard Li Xiaoran's boasting, she could barely suppress her laughter.

"Enough is enough! Have you ever seen anyone like you, who keeps flattering yourself from time to time?!"

"I'm not flattering myself. I just feel that I'm the best and worthy of my husband's sincerity! Since you guys aren't familiar with me, of course you think that I'm bragging. When you guys get familiar with me in the future, you'll know that I'm really not lying to you!" Li Xiaoran explained seriously.

The Eldest Princess was speechless. At this moment, she suspected why her brother, the emperor, liked the little girl in front of her.

Could it be because this girl was so shamelessly confident?

Coincidentally, at this moment, the group arrived at the place where the corpse was found.

Li Xiaoran stopped and observed carefully.

The Eldest Princess didn't go forward. Instead, she stopped not far away and looked at the dead woman in front of her.

"Who was the first to discover the corpse?" the Eldest Princess asked.

At that moment, a woman in a light yellow dress walked forward.

"Eldest Princess, it's me! I'm Zheng Jiazhao, the eldest granddaughter of Imperial Secretary of the Left Government. I've liked to eat these fruits ever since I was young. This time, I wanted to come in and pick some of all the fruits to try. Unexpectedly, I saw this scene when I walked here!"

As the woman spoke, she took out the basket she was carrying and showed it to everyone to prove that she wasn't spouting nonsense.

Upon closer inspection, there were indeed different types of fruits in the

basket.

When the Eldest Princess heard this, she asked, "What did you see when you came? How were you so sure that this person was dead?"

"I saw that her body was covered in blood. It was obvious that she was dead!"

On the other side, the old servant called Ah Li walked forward and carefully avoided the footprints on the ground. Then, she began to examine the woman lying in a pool of blood.

After a while, the old servant called Ah Li stood up again and fell into deep thought.

"Ah Li, what's going on?"

When Wei Li heard the Eldest Princess's question, she deliberated for a moment and said, "This woman is already dead, but strangely enough, her heart is beating again!"

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At this moment, the Imperial Physician Dr. Liu arrived.

Because it involved a human life, he came here to confirm the death.

Li Xiaoran didn't speak and kept observing. Then, she saw Meng Yan walking over from behind.

When Li Xiaoran saw Meng Yan, she walked over.

"Where were you just now? Did you see the situation here?" Li Xiaoran asked in a low voice.

"Like you, I only came over when I heard someone shouting that someone was dead. When I came, there were already many people around!" Meng Yan said in a low voice, "What do you think about this?"

'Don't touch anything in this farmstead today. We found an anesthetic in the tea just now. It's a medicine that can numb your entire body!" Li Xiaoran lowered her voice and said.

When Meng Yan heard this, she was stunned.

"Have you drunk tea or eaten anything since you came in?"

Meng Yan shook her head and said, "I was in a hurry to find him, so how could I be in the mood to eat or drink tea?!"

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she was immediately relieved.

"It's good that you didn't touch anything. Don't touch anything!"

On the other side, the Imperial Physician Dr. Liu had already finished the diagnosis and he said to the Eldest Princess, "Greetings, Eldest Princess. I've just checked. This woman is indeed dead!"

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she suddenly felt something and said, "Wait!" When the Eldest Princess heard Li Xiaoran's words, she looked over.

"You have a different opinion?"

"I think this woman is not completely dead. We can still save her!" Li Xiaoran walked forward and said.

"Why are you so sure? She has bled so much and her injuries are serious. She's already dead. Why do you still think she can be saved?" The Eldest Princess asked in confusion.

"It's my intuition! Eldest Princess, saving her life is more important at the moment. This girl can still be saved, so we can't give up just like that!" Li Xiaoran said.

Li Xiaoran naturally couldn't say the real reason.

She felt that the girl in front of her wasn't dead because she still had emotions.

A person's death was like a light going out. If they were already dead, there would be no emotions.

Since she had emotions, she wasn't dead yet.

However, no one at the event location was willing to believe her, which made Li Xiaoran very dejected.

When Meng Yan heard Li Xiaoran's words, she couldn't believe it either.

After all, even the imperial doctor said that she was dead!

At this moment, Princess Ning Xin stood up and asked the question on everyone's mind.

"Even the Imperial Physician Dr. Liu said that she's dead. Are you more knowledgeable than the imperial doctor?"

Li Xiaoran glanced at Princess Ning Xin as she explained calmly, "Didn't you hear the person in front of you say that her chest is still heaving? Concluding that a person is dead doesn't just depend on confirming if there's any breathing, but also on other things!"

This time, Princess Ning Xin didn't dare to refute.

After all, Wei Li wasn't an ordinary palace maid, but a palace maid that had been through life and death with the Eldest Princess.

When the eldest princess heard Li Xiaoran's words, she looked at Wei Li.

"Ah Li, do you think this person can be saved?"

After Wei Li thought for a moment, she looked at Li Xiaoran.

"What do you think is the way to confirm that someone is really dead?"

Li Xiaoran thought for a moment and said, "Breathing and pulse can be faked, but there's another key aspect called brain death."

At this point, Li Xiaoran pointed at her head.

"I think she's still alive. She's definitely not dead! Please investigate if there's any possibility of suspended animation! After all, it's a little abnormal for such a small wound to bleed so much! Didn't everyone notice? There's too much blood on the ground! You can ask some experienced coroners how much blood can flow out after a person dies."

As soon as she said this, the group of people who were in a panic just now looked at the woman's body carefully.

They wouldn't have known if they had not seen it, but upon looking, they were shocked.

As expected, there was too much blood. Some of the red blood was even absorbed by the soil in the ground.

Logically speaking, even if a normal person was injured and lost all their blood, there shouldn't be so much blood!

When Wei Li heard Li Xiaoran's words, she thought of what she had just said about suspended animation. She immediately thought of something, so she turned around and checked the woman's eyes again. Then, she pulled open the woman's bloody shirt.

Although there was a wound, it wasn't big, so logically speaking, she should not have bled so much.

She retook this woman's pulse. Her pulse and her breathing were both gone.

This situation was really like she had taken a suspended animation drug.

Thinking of this, Wei Li took a pill from her pocket and pinched the woman's cheek. Then, she placed the pill in the woman's mouth and let her take it.

After taking the pill, the girl immediately coughed violently. Then, she suddenly spat out a mouthful of black blood and opened her eyes.

"She's alive. She revived. Oh my god!" Many people exclaimed.

When Li Xiaoran saw that the woman called Lu Haixin had woken up, she smiled.

No matter what, it was good that she could be saved.

"Ah Li, what's going on?" The Eldest Princess asked curiously.

At this moment, Wei Li turned around and came to the Eldest Princess's side.

Then, she replied, "Eldest Princess, Miss Lu must have been poisoned. There's

a very rare poison where atter taking it, she will seem dead, since she has no pulse or breathing, so it's very easy to mistake her for dead. After she takes this poison, we have to give her the antidote within two hours. Otherwise, she won't have any breathing or pulse from now on. She'll be no different from a truly dead person!"

Those words shocked everyone.

They didn't expect this sort of drug to exist in this world.

After Lu Haixin woke up, she vomited a lot of black blood and her face turned pale.

At this moment, she looked in Li Xiaoran's direction.

"Thank you!"

Li Xiaoran was a little surprised to hear her say that.

"Although you entered suspended animation, you were conscious and heard what we just said?"

Lu Haixin nodded in agreement with Li Xiaoran.

Everyone was shocked by this.

No one expected things to turn out like this.

"Imperial Physician Dr. Liu, go take Miss Lu's pulse now. See if there's anything else wrong with her. Then, send someone to call the doctor over and treat Miss Lu's external injuries!" The Eldest Princess said.

Seeing this, the Imperial Physician Dr. Liu quickly went forward to take Lu Haixin's pulse again.

Li Xiaoran walked to the front and used a stone to dig up some blood-stained mud before sniffing it.

"This blood doesn't seem to be human blood!"

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Shu Ruyue also walked over and sniffed the blood.

"This is pig blood!"

"How do you know?" Li Xiaoran asked in confusion.

"My uncle is a butcher. When I was young, I helped him kill pigs often and I smelled pig blood a lot, so I naturally know," Shu Ruyue said.

"In that case, someone used pig blood as human blood to delude us!" Li Xiaoran said thoughtfully.

"Then does this person want Miss Lu to die or live?" Shu Ruyue thought of something and asked.

"Who knows?" Li Xiaoran shrugged.

Speaking of which, Li Xiaoran didn't expect this at all.

She had come here to retaliate against scheming women. Why did the situation change so quickly and why did she get caught up in a crime case instead?

On the other side, the doctor's wife also rushed over. Then, the Eldest Princess began to ask everyone to retreat and leave everything here to the doctor to handle.

The matter was temporarily resolved.

As for what Lu Haixin had experienced, the Lu family would probably investigate.

Of course, Li Xiaoran didn't know if the Eldest Princess would investigate.

If she was in the Eldest Princess' position, she would definitely investigate.

Before she could dwell on it, she heard the Eldest Princess's voice in her ear.

"Do you think this is the same mastermind as the person who poisoned the tea?"

When Li Xiaoran looked over, she realized that the Eldest Princess's gaze was on her.

"Are you asking me?

"Who else could I be asking?" the Eldest Princess said while raising her eyebrows.

After Li Xiaoran thought for a moment, she said, "I don't know. There are too few clues!"

"Don't give me that. Don't you have very strong intuition? Then does your intuition tell you that these two things are related?" the Eldest Princess asked.

After Li Xiaoran thought for a moment, she finally nodded.

"Yes, I think all of this is like a net, and we're prey trapped in the middle of it.

Perhaps this is just the beginning!"

As soon as Li Xiaoran said this, the Eldest Princess's expression turned ugly. For some reason, her intuition told her that she should believe Li Xiaoran's judgment.

After the Eldest Princess thought for a moment, she looked at Mr. Jiao and said, "Mr. Jiao, go and see if any capital guards are here."

Mr. Jiao nodded and immediately sent someone out of the garden to ask around.

Next, the Eldest Princess asked Princess Ning Xin to accompany everyone to the garden to admire the flowers, while she brought Li Xiaoran and Shu Ruyue to investigate the tea poisoning incident.

As Li Xiaoran followed behind the Eldest Princess, she muttered,

"What's with this situation?! I came to teach those people who look down on me a lesson, but why did things escalate into this?!"

When the Eldest Princess, who was walking in front, heard this, she was immediately amused.

"Are you unhappy? I won't give others a chance even if they beg me! Let me tell you, if you follow me to settle today's matter, you'll get more benefits than if you deal with those women. At least from now on, no one will dare to look down on you!"

When Li Xiaoran heard this, her eyes lit up.

"On second thought, you're right. There are so many of them, while I'm all alone. I'm a little girl, so if I can deter those people with less effort, it'll naturally be the best!"

When the Eldest Princess heard Li Xiaoran's words, she glanced at her.

"Have you figured it out yet? Why are you still muttering behind my back? Let's go and settle the matter quickly!" The Eldest Princess glanced at Li Xiaoran and shouted.

"Coming! Eldest Princess, I'll support you!" Li Xiaoran quickly jogged to the Eldest Princess's side with a smile and grabbed her arm to support her.

"Does Luo Cheng know about this side of you? Look at you now. You're such a suckup!" The Eldest Princess couldn't help but say.

"Of course. I'm only fawning over you because you're good to me! If it were anyone else, see if I wouldn't be so nice to them! Even if the Old Master came, I wouldn't be so nice!" Li Xiaoran said proudly.

Others didn't understand who 'Old Master' was, but the Eldest Princess guessed

"You see the Old Master often?"

"I see him often?! It's him who shamelessly comes to my house every day to freeload! I don't understand. The best chef in the world is cooking for him, but the food doesn't taste good enough to him and he keeps freeloading at our house!" Li Xiaoran muttered in annoyance.

To be honest, she really couldn't figure it out.

Although her culinary skills were not bad, it wasn't to the extent that people obsessed over it! If ordinary people were obsessed with her dishes, she could understand.

But why was the emperor, who enjoyed good wine and delicacies all day long, so obsessed with her cooking?

When the Eldest Princess heard Li Xiaoran's words, she was shocked.

After pondering for a moment, the Eldest Princess said, "Then I have to go to your house for dinner in the future as well."

"Eldest Princess, you want to come too?" Li Xiaoran widened her eyes when she heard this.

"Why? Am I not welcome?" The Eldest Princess glanced at Li Xiaoran and asked.

"You're welcome. How can I not welcome you?! However, can you guys not keep coming to freeload?! Although my husband and I can earn money, we can't afford all this freeloading! The Old Master came previously, and now, you want to come. If all the elders of the royal family come, I'll be exhausted! At that time, I'll definitely pack my bags and escape to Sichuan! Having too many relatives isn't a good thing! Any one of them is enough to bankrupt us!" Li Xiaoran said.

The Eldest Princess was amused by Li Xiaoran's words.

"Don't worry, as an elder, I have no reason to let you juniors spend money to support me. I'll bring ingredients and pay for the food. Besides, I'm Luo Cheng's Auntie after all. What's wrong with you two juniors treating me to a meal?" When Li Xiaoran heard this, her expression immediately turned bitter.

"You keep using this excuse to snub us. If another elder uses this excuse to snub us next time, how will my husband and I survive?"

When the Eldest Princess heard Li Xiaoran's words, she pretended to reach out to hit her.

"You little girl, you're so rude. Should I teach you a lesson on behalf of Luo Cheng today?"

Li Xiaoran quickly dodged and said with a smile, "You can't.. If you teach me a lesson, my husband will feel sorry for me!"

Chapter 495: How Could It Be Foolproof?

The Eldest Princess was amused by Li Xiaoran.

To be honest, she really didn't have such a glib-tongued and witty junior around her.

This was the first time she had encountered someone like Li Xiaoran.

But honestly, she liked this intelligent girl quite a lot.

Most importantly, she could take a beating and tough things out at the critical moment.

She could act weak when she should and act tough when she should.

If her unfilial son married a commoner like Li Xiaoran, she wouldn't object.

But the woman her son fancied was stupid and only knew how to sow discord between them.

Thinking of this, the Eldest Princess couldn't help but envy the emperor.

Luo Cheng had never made the emperor worry about him, and he had become so outstanding on his own.

Now that he had married an equally outstanding wife, his future was full of potential

The Eldest Princess knew that among all the princes, Luo Cheng really had no ambitions for the throne.

Therefore, under such circumstances, the Eldest Princess was willing to get closer to the Seventh Prince.

At this moment, the Imperial Physician Dr. Liu had already brought the female doctor to examine the tea.

Before long, the Imperial Physician Dr. Liu came forward to reply. "Eldest Princess, I've already checked all the tea in the farmstead. All the tea has been drugged."

This outcome was actually within their expectations.

"Mr. Jiao, have you arrested all the palace servants who handled the tea?"

Mr. Jiao nodded and reported, "There were a total of six palace servants in charge of tea today, and they're all imprisoned now. The tea being provided now has been checked by the Imperial Physician Dr. Liu before it was sent over. This time, all the tea have been sent to three locations, and someone was sent to watch over each location. Whoever wants to drink tea can only go to those three locations!"

When the Eldest Princess heard this, she nodded in satisfaction.

"Good job. It's better to be careful at this time!"

At this point, the Eldest Princess waved her hand to dismiss them and let them continue working.

The Imperial Physician Dr. Liu went to check the other food.

One could never be too careful.

If those behind the scenes also tampered with the food, the consequences would be unimaginable.

Since the Imperial Physician Dr. Liu had been sent here, he naturally had to take responsibility.

Seeing that everyone was busy, Li Xiaoran started thinking about Miss Lu.

"Girl, what are you thinking about?" The Eldest Princess noticed Li Xiaoran's thoughtful expression and asked.

"I'm thinking about the connection between the two things. Why did they put anesthetic in the tea? Why did they hurt Miss Lu? It seems to be unrelated, but I keep feeling that there's a connection between the two things!" Li Xiaoran told her what she thought truthfully.

"You're still too inexperienced! There are some things that can't be rushed! The other party's goal will be revealed bit by bit. As people involved in the dangerous situation, we shouldn't be anxious for others! We just have to wait! As for how to resolve it, we'll take it one step at a time!" The Eldest Princess said calmly.

Seeing that the Eldest Princess wasn't worried at all, Li Xiaoran asked curiously, "Do you think that we will get help?"

The Eldest Princess shook her head.

Li Xiaoran thought for a moment and asked, "Then do you already have a foolproof backup plan? Is there a way to deal with it no matter what happens?" The Eldest Princess shook her head.

"Eldest Princess, did you receive the news long ago, so you know that the other party won't be able to cause much harm to us?" Li Xiaoran suggested another possibility.

However, the Eldest Princess shook her head again.

"Little girl, stop guessing! There are many things in this world that are out of our control. Even if we make foolproof preparations, there will be many unexpected incidents. The best way is to deal with changes by maintaining the status quo. Child,

when there are many things in this world that you can't control, don't control them. Just let nature take its course! "

When Li Xiaoran heard the Eldest Princess's words, for some reason, she remembered something.

"Other people often say that one has to consider things in the long-term! But you and I are both mortals with limited intelligence and vision. How can we foresee the future? Can we plan ahead for decades or even a hundred years? The exciting thing about life is not that everything is under our control, but the unknown. Everything is unknown, so we don't have to control it. We just have to keep moving forward!" The Eldest Princess said meaningfully.

"Aren't you worried that we'll all die here today?" Li Xiaoran asked.

"Of course I am! Everything in this world is dangerous. Even if you're just walking on the ground, you might suddenly drop dead. So there is no such thing as complete safety! Relax and let nature take its course!" The Eldest Princess said with a smile.

When Li Xiaoran heard the Eldest Princess's words, she began to reflect on them.

She had experienced many things since she transmigrated.

When did she start to change?

Didn't she follow her husband, Luo Cheng, to the capital to counterattack those who bullied them?

But what had she done during this period of time?

She was getting jumpier and jumpier and wanted to control everything.

Deep down, she was prideful and also wanted other's people approval.

Didn't she come here to attend this banquet to teach those who schemed against her a lesson so that they wouldn't dare to provoke her again?

However, when she realized that someone had poisoned the farmstead and the tea, she wanted to get everything under control and had the urge to investigate everything as quickly as possible, so that even if something happened, she could face it calmly.

However, from the beginning to the end, she didn't realize that she had already lost her composure and was already flustered.

Thinking of this, Li Xiaoran shivered and immediately sobered up.

What was wrong with her?

It was as if she had been possessed.

Was she still herself?

Thinking of this, Li Xiaoran looked up at the Eldest Princess gratefully.

This time, Li Xiaoran thanked the Eldest Princess sincerely.

"Thank you for your guidance!"

When the Eldest Princess saw that Li Xiaoran immediately understood, mirth appeared in her eyes.

"You're very smart, thoughtful, and bold, but you're too inexperienced.

Sometimes, it's normal for you to go down the wrong path."

At this point, the Eldest Princess looked at the girls in the distance.

"Those people are not worth it! Just be yourself! If anyone comes to provoke you, grab the other party's sore spot and beat them until it hurts.. As long as they feel the pain, they won't dare to provoke you anymore!"

Chapter 496: Inside

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she was stunned.

"That's what I just did!"

When the Eldest Princess heard Li Xiaoran's words, she couldn't help but shake her head with a smile.

"You looked so provocative when you stood there just now and looked like you wanted to teach them a lesson!"

As Li Xiaoran recalled carefully, she remembered that she really had that kind of mentality and couldn't help but reveal her intimidating aura at that time.

When Shu Ruyue heard what the Eldest Princess said, she laughed too.

"That's right. Xiaoran, you don't know, but when you walked into the courtyard just now, you looked very much like me whenever I challenged experts. You looked like you were asking for a beating!"

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she immediately rolled her eyes at Shu Ruyue. "Whose side are you on? Are we still gonna be friends or not?"

"I'm telling the truth, but you won't let me say it!" Shu Ruyue wasn't afraid of Li

Xiaoran anymore and continued to tease with a smile.

When Li Xiaoran thought of her previous state, she laughed.

After the Eldest Princess's reminder, Li Xiaoran calmed down and was no longer as anxious as before.

"Hey, Ruyue, you didn't notice where Meng Yan went? Who's the man she's been thinking about? I've been looking around this farmstead for a long time, but I only saw a group of women. Do you think Meng Yan can find her man?" Li Xiaoran thought of something and asked.

Shu Ruyue looked in a certain direction and said, "I saw Meng Yan walking in that direction previously. I wonder what that place is!"

"That is where the men are playing chess. There is a forest over and a stream there. It is a good place to drink tea and fish in the hot summer!" The Eldest Princess looked in that direction as she replied.

"There are still many people over there? That place is also a part of the farmstead?" Li Xiaoran asked curiously.

"Of course. Otherwise, why would it be called a farmstead?! This farmstead is divided into two halves by a lake. One half is for women, and the other half is for men!" The Eldest Princess explained.

"Then will they have a chance to interact with each other?" Li Xiaoran thought of what Meng Yan had said previously and asked.

"Of course. At noon, the lake water in this farmstead will be diverted. Then, the stone bridge and a large empty space in the lake will be revealed. After two hours, the lake water will rise again and submerge those stone bridges and empty space again!" The Eldest Princess revealed the uniqueness of this farmstead.

"No wonder the Flower Banquet was arranged here. So it's because there's such a special place!" Li Xiaoran nodded in realization.

At this moment, exclamations sounded.

"Look, look, there's movement in the lake A voice came from the crowd.

Hearing this, the Eldest Princess smiled.

"Why don't you go take a look too?! There's already movement in the lake. You can also take a look!"

Li Xiaoran thought about it for a moment. Since she was already here, she naturally had to go and take a look.

Therefore, Li Xiaoran nodded. After bowing, she went to the lake with Shu Ruyue to take a look.

Li Xiaoran didn't go to a crowded place. Instead, she walked towards a less crowded place.

Strangely, there was a place that was clearly very empty. Other than a woman standing there, there was no one else around.

Although Li Xiaoran was a little puzzled, she still walked over.

As expected, the lake water began to stir, and many fish in the lake began to jump.

The fish jumping in the lake and the water splashing were a beautiful scenery.

Seeing this, Li Xiaoran couldn't help but marvel.

"I really didn't expect this lake to be so marvelous! It contains the wisdom of countless craftsmen!"

"It's just that every time these craftsmen make such works of art, their lives will be sacrificed! The craftsmen probably dedicated their entire lives to these works of art," A meek woman said.

Li Xiaoran saw the woman standing at the side while staring at the lake.

The woman in front of them was leaning against the fence weakly. It was clearly warm, but she was still wearing a cloak.

Upon closer inspection, his forehead and nose were covered in a layer of sweat.

"Since you're so hot, why don't you take off your cloak?" Li Xiaoran asked curiously.

When the woman heard Li Xiaoran's words, she turned around and smiled self-deprecatingly.

"It seems that you don't know who I am?"

"Of course I don't know. I'm just a girl from the countryside. I haven't been in the capital for long, so I don't know many people!" Li Xiaoran said.

The woman seemed to know who Li Xiaoran was, so when she heard Li

Xiaoran's words, she didn't look disdainful. Instead, she was very envious.

"To be honest, I don't believe you. If possible, I'm willing to be a girl from the countryside, so at least I can go around and take a look!"

"What's so difficult about that? The world outside is vast, and the culture and customs are different everywhere. If you want to take a look, go ahead!" Li Xiaoran said.

"I can't go. I can't even go outside to get a breather. I'm so weak that if I'm not careful, I'll fall ill! Can't you see that the others are all staying far away from me now? They're afraid that I'll suddenly fall ill and my family will blame them. You'd better stay away from me! Otherwise, you'll be implicated! My family is always worried sick about me and like to vent their anger on others!" The woman reminded her kindly.

Li Xiaoran sensed the woman's kindness and looked at her curiously.

"From your clothes, I don't think you're from an ordinary family, so why didn't you hire a famous doctor to take a look at your body? No matter how poor your health is, as long as you recuperate well, you will gradually recover!"

The woman shook her head when she heard this.

"I was born with this illness. There's no way to treat it!"

"Born with this illness?" Li Xiaoran thought of something and asked.

"Yes!" The woman just said yes softly.

Li Xiaoran recalled some of the illnesses she had read about in the modern world previously. For many congenital illnesses, people only needed to undergo surgery to repair some of the missing parts and cut off all the unnecessary parts. However, to have a congenital illness in this time and space was undoubtedly like having a terminal illness!

With that, the woman turned pale and could barely breathe.

Seeing that something was wrong, Li Xiaoran quickly ran over and supported her before she fell to the ground..

Chapter 497: Indecent?

At this moment, the woman's face was pale and she looked like she was on her last breath.

Seeing this, Li Xiaoran quickly shouted, "Quick, call the imperial doctor over!"

Although the people around them were retreating, many of them had gone to look for the imperial doctor.

The reason the Imperial Physician Dr. Liu was here was actually for this woman.

However, before the Imperial Physician Dr. Liu came, this woman's situation already worsened.

Seeing this, Li Xiaoran felt that things couldn't continue like this. She had to get first aid quickly.

Since the woman's life was in danger, Li Xiaoran couldn't care less about other things. She placed the woman on the ground and knelt on the ground. Then, she leaned down and began to press on the woman's chest.

After applying pressure, Li Xiaoran quickly pinched the woman's nose and mouth with her hand before quickly breathing in.

Seeing this, the surrounding people exclaimed and looked at Li Xiaoran in confusion.

Shu Ruyue didn't know what Li Xiaoran was doing, but she was sure that Li Xiaoran was definitely saving the woman.

When the Imperial Physician Dr. Liu rushed over, the unconscious woman had already opened her eyes and started breathing again.

Seeing this, the Imperial Physician Dr. Liu quickly went forward to take her pulse.

After a while, the Imperial Physician Dr. Liu looked relieved.

"Fortunately, you intervened in time and saved Miss Duan's life! What were you doing just now?"

"First aid! I learned it from a doctor in the mountains. He said that it can save lives at critical moments. I saw that this girl was about to die just now, so I tried that method! I didn't expect it to really work! "Li Xiaoran said with a

smile.

When the surrounding people heard Li Xiaoran's words, they immediately started discussing.

She touched her chest and kissed her on the mouth. How was that saving her?

If all the men in this world learned the trick, wouldn't they use it to take advantage of women?

Although the Seventh Prince's consort was also a woman, it was indecent to do such a thing in public!

At this moment, the Imperial Physician Dr. Liu was very conflicted. He could tell that Li Xiaoran's actions were not that simple. He wanted to learn it, but he couldn't bring himself to say it.

He had no choice, since Li Xiaoran was the Seventh Prince's consort!

Besides, this method of saving people was too unconventional and unacceptable.

Li Xiaoran didn't care what the others were thinking. At this moment, she looked at Miss Duan, who had already woken up.

"Have you been having difficulty breathing since you were young?"

Duan Sha knew that Li Xiaoran had saved her life today, so she didn't hide it.

"That's indeed what the doctors said! Because it's a congenital deficiency, there's no way to treat it. I can only take medicine to recuperate. I'll live as long as I can! How can a fragile person like like me go out for a walk?!" When Li Xiaoran heard this, she felt some pity for Miss Duan.

"You've lived for so long already, so don't give up! Perhaps the longer you live, the greater your chances of getting treatment! You have to remember that anything can happen in this world! Look, you almost died today, but you were lucky enough to meet me. Didn't I save you? God didn't take your life even after letting you suffer so much from the illness. As long as you persevere, god will definitely give you the best reward!"

Duan Sha didn't expect Li Xiaoran to encourage her.

She had seen many people look at her with sympathy, but sympathy wasn't what she needed.

Li Xiaoran was the first stranger who encouraged her to persevere.

"Are you serious?" Duan Sha asked again as her eyes lit up.

"It's true! You have to believe in miracles! As long as you don't give up, a miracle might happen to you one day! So you have to work hard. The heavens will definitely give a brave girl like you the best reward!" Li Xiaoran encouraged.

Duan Sha nodded and remembered Li Xiaoran's words.

Over the years, every time her illness flared up, she would wonder if she had done many wrong things in her previous life, which was why she had become like this in this life to pay off her debts.

Most of the time, if not for the fact that she was afraid that her parents would be sad, she really wanted to commit suicide.

But today, she met Li Xiaoran.

Li Xiaoran told her that as long as she persisted, her suffering would pay off.

Therefore, from now on, she had to be a brave girl to obtain God's reward.

Sensing Duan Sha's desire to live, Li Xiaoran was relieved.

As for Duan Sha's illness, Li Xiaoran actually had an idea.

Her man, Luo Cheng, was a brilliant doctor.

She wondered if her man would be able to learn how to perform surgery if she told him about the modern era's surgery techniques.

This matter sounded simple, but it wasn't easy to do.

She hoped that Duan Sha would last until her man learned how to perform surgery!

After Duan Sha recovered, she still insisted on staying here to watch.

After Li Xiaoran thought about it for a moment, she asked someone to send her a recliner.

"You can't tire yourself out. I see a very tall rock over there. Get someone to send you there so you can see your surroundings clearly! If you're worried, I'll accompany you there!" Li Xiaoran looked at Duan Sha as she said.

Duan Sha nodded at Li Xiaoran.

Soon, a few old servants came over and carried Duan Sha to a raised stone not far away.

Li Xiaoran and Shu Ruyue asked someone to move some chairs over. Then, the three of them sat on them as they watched the situation in the middle of the lake.

At this moment, the stone bridge and disc-like dam in the lake were revealed.

Some bold men were already standing at the entrance in anticipation.

Fortunately, there were people guarding the entrance, so no one walked forward.

At this moment, Li Xiaoran could already see many men across from her, so she looked for Meng Yan.

However, after looking around, Li Xiaoran didn't see Meng Yan.

"Where did Meng Yan go?" Li Xiaoran muttered.

When Shu Ruyue heard Li Xiaoran's words, she also looked up and searched.

Perhaps it was because there were too many people, but the two of them didn't see Meng Yan anywhere.

The lake water gradually flowed away, and the stone bridge could finally be walked on.

At this moment, the man and woman were already walking towards the stone bridge.

Of course, those who walked forward were young unmarried men and women.

They would hand over the wooden sign at their waist to anyone they liked.

If the other party accepted the wooden sign and handed over his wooden sign as well, they would discuss marriage next.

Of course, this kind of engagement wouldn't necessarily be successful. Some families objected, so they didn't go through the marriage in the end..

Chapter 498: Coming For You

After watching the men and women walk forward, Li Xiaoran watched everything in front of her with interest.

This so-called Flower Banquet was so similar to the large-scale blind dates she had seen in the modern world!

However, these people were from ancient times, so they expressed their feelings very reservedly, unlike modern people, who would directly ask if they had a house, money, and a car.

However, there were still some bold people. There was a woman in the crowd who ran towards a man and pounced on him.

Wait, why did that woman's clothes look so familiar? Suddenly, Li Xiaoran thought of something.

"Meng Yan! That person is Meng Yan!"

Shu Ruyue saw her too, so when she heard Li Xiaoran's words, she widened her eyes and watched carefully.

"Hahaha, it's really her! Why is she so bold? But I like her personality! In the future, if I meet a man I like, I'll take the initiative to pounce on him too!" Li Xiaoran rolled her eyes at Shu Ruyue.

"Then you have to take it easy! After all, with your strength, weak men really won't be able to take it."

The two of them forgot that there was an unmarried woman beside them.

When Duan Sha heard their words, she immediately blushed.

When Li Xiaoran looked over and noticed that Duan Sha's earlobe had turned red, she laughed.

"Miss Duan, what about you? Do you have someone you like?"

When Duan Sha heard Li Xiaoran's words, she smiled bitterly.

"With my ill health, how can I dare to marry anyone?! It's already good enough if I can survive. I won't ask for anything else!"

Li Xiaoran thought that if Duan Sha had heart problems, it was indeed better not to start any romantic relationships.

After all, if she became too emotional, she would experience flare ups even more often.

A romantic relationship might worsen her condition, so it was a good thing that she had no desires.

However, it was impossible for Li Xiaoran to say this, so she could only say, "It's fine. After you receive the reward from the heavens in the future, you might be able to think about it!"

Duan Sha nodded and continued to watch.

Speaking of this, Li Xiaoran didn't understand.

This girl clearly knew that she wasn't in good health, so why did she come to this banquet?

"Do you have someone in your heart? Otherwise, why would you come here alone?" Li Xiaoran asked again.

Duan Sha laughed when she heard Li Xiaoran's words.

"I came with my brother! He's already old enough to get married. As for why I came, it's actually because of you!"

"Me?" Li Xiaoran was very surprised, since she didn't expect Duan Sha to say this.

"Don't tell me you like my husband too?" Li Xiaoran asked directly.

As soon as she said this, Shu Ruyue, who was eating fruits, almost choked on the fruits.

Fortunately, the fruit wasn't very big. After Shu Ruyue coughed hard, she spat out the fruit.

"Oh my god, Li Xiaoran, can you be more careful when you speak? You'll scare people!" Shu Ruyue muttered.

"I'm telling the truth!" Li Xiaoran looked at Duan Sha as she said warily, "Miss Duan, although I saved you, don't try to snatch my man! Or else I'll fall out with you!"

When Duan Sha heard Li Xiaoran's words, she recovered from her shock and smiled.

"The reason I'm interested in you isn't because of the Seventh Prince, but because I'm very interested in you yourself!"

When Li Xiaoran heard this, her expression immediately became strange. "You don't like women, do you? I like men!"

As soon as she said this, Shu Ruyue was glad that she hadn't eaten again. Otherwise, she would have chocked on the food again.

Duan Sha also laughed.

As she laughed, Duan Sha realized something.

She had never laughed so heartily in her life.

"I was just teasing you guys!" Seeing this, Li Xiaoran explained, "Actually, there are many people in the capital who are interested in me! Most people are curious about how I got close to the Seventh prince! Therefore, it's not a big

When Duan Sha heard Li Xiaoran's words, she shook her head.

"Perhaps others think that you're the one who's clinging to the Seventh Prince, but I don't think so! If the Seventh Prince is really someone that any woman can cling to, so many young ladies in the capital who wanted to marry him back then wouldn't have failed. To be able to win the Seventh Prince's heart, marry him, and make him bring you back means that you're an outstanding person. Besides, even the emperor and the Eldest Princess treat you so well, so your excellence goes without saying. I'm naturally curious!" When Li Xiaoran heard Duan Sha's praise, she immediately smiled.

"Little girl, you have good taste! Don't worry, the heavens will definitely reward you!"

When Shu Ruyue heard Li Xiaoran's words, she was overjoyed.

"I can tell! You two are a perfect match! The two of you keep flattering each other!"

Li Xiaoran smiled happily and sat on a stool to look at the crowd not far away.

Li Xiaoran saw something and suddenly said, "Look, look, the girl in emerald green must have taken a fancy to the man in dark blue clothes not far from her. It's just that the little girl is timid and doesn't dare to go forward to say it!"

Shu Ruyue and Duan Sha looked up.

Duan Sha frowned when she saw the man clearly.

Because the man in the dark blue shirt was none other than her second brother, who had come to visit today.

Others might not know, but Duan Sha knew very well that the girl her second brother came to see today wasn't the girl in the emerald green dress.

"Tsk, tsk, tsk. To be honest, if I were that man in dark blue clothes, I would definitely stay away from the girl in emerald green clothes. This little girl is so scheming at such a young age and she looks like she has ill intentions!

Whoever marries such a girl will have trouble at home!" Li Xiaoran suddenly said.

When Duan Sha heard this, her expression changed.

"I know this girl. She's Nie Xue, the cousin of the daughter of the Minister of

Rites, Chen Run. I heard that this girl is proficient in the four arts. She has even surpassed the girls from the Chen family! "

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she immediately understood.

No wonder. No wonder she sensed arrogance from that girl. It seemed that her guess was right...

"Look, isn't that girl staring at another girl hatefully? Watch her hand. I feel that she's holding some weapon in her hand, like she wants to harm someone!" Li Xiaoran suddenly shouted.

Actually, Li Xiaoran didn't see these things, but suddenly sensed them.

The men and women in the crowd each had their own thoughts.

Li Xiaoran suddenly noticed that a woman's expression was a little abnormal. Coincidentally, her emotions also infected Li Xiaoran.

As soon as Li Xiaoran finished speaking, she saw the woman she was talking about actually take out a dagger and stab it into a man not far away.

The man was fawning over a girl and didn't notice this. At this moment, he felt a pain in his back, followed by a second jab of pain.

After the woman stabbed him once, she quietly pulled out the dagger and quickly stabbed him a few more times.

The surrounding people were shocked by the scene in front of them. After a while, screams sounded, and everyone dodged.

Some men went forward to catch the murderer, but at this moment, the injured man had already been stabbed several times and fallen into a pool of blood.

The woman didn't speak when she was ca ught. She just looked at the dying man in front of her with a bright smile.

After Li Xiaoran saw this smile from afar, for some reason, she sensed the woman's relief and joy.

Was it worth it to exchange one life for another?

At this moment, Li Xiaoran was shocked.

In Li Xiaoran's heart, human lives were very valuable.

Only by living could one have everything.

Li Xiaoran felt shocked that someone would rather exchange their life for someone else's when they were still alive.

When Shu Ruyue saw Li Xiaoran's frightened expression, she nudged her arm with her elbow.

"Li Xiaoran, what's wrong? Are you so frightened? We've experienced so much previously, but I didn't see you this frightened!"

Li Xiaoran came back to her senses. When she heard Shu Ruyue's words and saw her shielding her, her heart immediately warmed.

"Ruyue, I'm fine. I just didn't expect a woman to be willing to ruin her life just to kill another man. How much love and hatred does she have for him?!" "There's no love, but there's hatred!" Duan Sha came back to her senses and said.

Li Xiaoran looked at Duan Sha and asked curiously, "How do you know so much?"

At the mention of this, Duan Sha smiled.

"You also know that I'm physically weak and can't go out. My family is worried that I'll get sick from staying at home all day, so they sent people to gather all the capital's gossip and told me about it. I found the gossip quite interesting, so I liked to hear about it. In the end, my family organized some people to gather all the gossip in the capital! Therefore, there's nothing in the capital that I don't know about!"

Li Xiaoran's eyes lit up!

She didn't expect this fragile girl in front of her to be so well-informed!

This information wasn't to be underestimated. There were many things that could be gathered through this gossip

At this moment, Li Xiaoran finally realized how valuable this girl called Duan Sha was.

"It's a pity that you were just listening to the news to pass the time," Li Xiaoran thought of something and said.

"How is it a pity?" Duan Sha asked in confusion.

"Have you ever thought of earning money through this gossip?" Li Xiaoran bewitched.

"Are you asking me to sell information? But many people know about this!"

Duan Sha said in confusion.

Li Xiaoran smiled mysteriously.

"Little girl, you're thinking of things too simply. The information you have is very lucrative. However, this is not the time to talk about this. We have to deal with the matter at hand first!"

At this moment, the Imperial Physician Dr. Liu was invited over again. After the Imperial Physician Dr. Liu took the man's pulse, he shook his head.

"He's dead!"

The Imperial Physician Dr. Liu felt quite dejected today!

It was just a banquet, but accidents kept happening one after another.

First, there was a suspended animation incident. He thought that the woman was beyond saving, but the woman was saved.

Then, a patient under special care had a flareup, but she was saved without his help.

This time, the person in front of him was really beyond saving.

It wasn't that he was incompetent, but he couldn't compete with Hades.

The person in front of him had already died.

No matter how good his medical skills were, he couldn't revive a dead person!

Therefore, the Imperial Physician Dr. Liu was very dejected.

The woman who stabbed him laughed maniacally when she heard the Imperial Physician Dr. Liu's words.

"Wen Lang, when you coaxed me into giving you my first time back then, you said that if you betrayed me one day, you would be willing to die by my hands. You're a good man who kept your promise!" With that, the woman continued to laugh maniacally.

When Li Xiaoran heard the woman's laughter, she sighed.

"She doesn't want to live anymore!"

"Women are too devoted, while men are to heartless! We really have to keep our eyes wide open when we get married!" Shu Ruyue said emotionally.

"Keeping your eyes wide open isn't enough. You have to make the decision for yourself!" At this moment, Meng Yan's voice sounded from the side.

When Li Xiaoran and Shu Ruyue looked over, they saw Meng Yan bringing a man up this big rock.

Not only did the two of them come, but they also chairs and some

food.

"Why are you guys here?" Li Xiaoran asked directly, "Is this the man you wanted to snatch back?"

When Meng Yan heard this, she looked at the man beside her and nodded without any embarrassment.

"That's right! This is the man I snatched back! Come over and help me take a look. See if I should marry him or not."

When the man at the side heard Meng Yan's words, he immediately became nervous.

With his understanding of Meng Yan, since she asked such a question at this moment, she definitely valued the opinions of the women in front of him very much.

When Li Xiaoran heard Meng Yan's words, she walked forward and sized up the man carefully..

Chapter 500: Manly

Ma Chongshan knew Li Xiaoran.

After all, the Seventh Prince's consort suddenly became very close to the person he loved, so Ma Chongshan had to investigate.

It was precisely because he had investigated Li Xiaoran that Ma Chongshan felt very nervous.

Li Xiaoran seemed to be assessing and evaluating him, as if she could see through Ma Chongshan's thoughts at a glance.

At this moment, Ma Chongshan was a little anxious. If the Seventh Prince's consort said something bad about him, would Meng Yan despise him and dump him?

At the thought of this possibility, Ma Chongshan became even more anxious and he looked at Meng Yan for help.

Meng Yan only smiled and ignored the distress signal sent by her man.

Li Xiaoran naturally sensed Ma Chongshan's emotions clearly.

Ma Chongshan cared about Meng Yan from the bottom of his heart. He wasn't an irresponsible playboy.

"You have good taste in men!"

As soon as she said this, Ma Chongshan, who was already sweating, finally heaved a sigh of relief.

Meng Yan laughed when she saw how nervous Ma Chongshan was.

"You're not bad. You obtained my friend's approval!"

With that, Meng Yan introduced him to Li Xiaoran. "This is Ma Chongshan, my future husband! We'll get married soon! Li Xiaoran, as my good friend, you have to come to the wedding!"

Li Xiaoran shook her head and said, "My husband already has a fief, so we're leaving after the Empress Dowager's birthday! I probably won't be able to see you two get married! But it doesn't matter. Even if I can't see you two get married, I'll send a gift to you!"

Meng Yan was a little disappointed when she heard Li Xiaoran's words.

She had forgotten that Li Xiaoran and the Seventh Prince still had to leave the capital.

At the thought of this, Meng Yan was a little unhappy.

"It wasn't easy for me to have a new friend. Why are you leaving so soon?!

Sichuan is so far from the capital, so it'll be difficult for me to see you in the future!"

When Ma Chongshan heard his beloved's words, he quickly said, "It's not difficult! I've always wanted to visit Sichuan. After we get married, we can go take a look together! The country is so big, so we should take a look around and instead of staying in the capital all the time. We should travel more!" Meng Yan's eyes lit up when she heard Ma Chongshan's words.

"Alright! You promised me! If you can't do it, I'll go travel alone! Also, let me make it clear to you first. Even if I marry you, I won't accept anyone's interference with my life. How I lived in the past is how I'll live in the future!"

When Ma Chongshan heard this, he quickly nodded and said, "Don't worry, it's not like you don't know my family's situation! Leave the matter of bringing glory to our family to my brother. I'm not the oldest, so there's no need to expect me to carry the burden of the family. After we get married, we'll live our own lives. Although I'm not as good at running a business as you, the businesses in my hands were all started by me, so there are no business disputes. However, I don't care if my parents give me their assets or not. I'll take them if they give them to me, but if they don't give them to me, so be it. I have to make this clear to you first!"

Meng Yan admired men like him, so she nodded.

"Don't worry, if you coveted your parents' assets, I would have looked down on you! A good man should be indomitable. You have to fight for what you want with your own hands!"

When Ma Chongshan heard Meng Yan's words, he smiled happily.

He didn't misjudge. Meng Yan was the person who understood him the most in the world.

Seeing that the two of them had decided on the rest of their lives in a few words, Li Xiaoran sincerely wished them well.

Duan Sha was very envious!

She was envious that Meng Yan could make her own decisions and do whatever she wanted.

In the residence, Luo Cheng felt a little flustered for some reason.

Thinking of how Li Xiaoran was still attending the banquet, Luo Cheng could no longer sit still, so he simply led his men towards the farmstead.

Before arriving at the farmstead, Luo Cheng saw many people running out in a panic from afar.

At the entrance of the farmstead, countless people rushed towards the door in a frenzy.

They could even hear a lot of screams from farther away.

Luo Cheng wanted to rush into the farmstead, but there were too many people around, so it was impossible to rush in.

Li Xiaoran and the others, who Luo Cheng was worried about, were hiding in a rockery.

The Eldest Princess, Princess Ning Xin, Shu Ruyue, Duan Sha, Meng Yan, and Ma Chongshan were all hiding with Li Xiaoran.

Not long ago, while everyone was still in shock from the murder, many crazy people rushed out from somewhere.

They attacked and killed anyone they saw. For a moment, the entire venue became like a living hell.

Li Xiaoran was the first to notice that something was wrong. Sensing those violent emotions, Li Xiaoran brought the people on the big rock and planned to escape from the farmstead.

Because they were walking in a different direction from the majority, the journey was smooth.

On the way, they happened to meet the Eldest Princess and Princess Ning Xin.

After the Eldest Princess saw Li Xiaoran, she changed her mind. Instead of following the route she had planned, she followed Li Xiaoran towards a different direction.

As it turned out, following Li Xiaoran was the best decision.

Although they were currently trapped in the rockery, fortunately, they were all safe.

"Do you see that? Climb up from the far left side of the rockery. There's a big tree not far away. We have to think of a way to get some sturdy ropes. Then, tie one end of the rope to the rockery and let Ruyue jump onto the big tree to tie it up. After that, we'll use the rope and our weight to slide towards the big tree. Now, we need two things. One is a sturdy rope, and the other is a thick wooden stick," Li Xiaoran lowered her voice as she said.

The Eldest Princess quickly understood what Li Xiaoran meant. Although she didn't know what the wooden stick was for, she felt that it was a good idea.

The other places were filled with people who had lost their minds, so if they wanted to leave the farmstead, they could only find another way.

At this moment, Wei Li said, "I have several ropes here. They are all sturdy and durable!"

"There aren't any wooden sticks. Are wooden boards okay? Look, there are several wooden boards not far away!" Shu Ruyue had good eyesight and she saw several wooden boards on a rockery not far ahead at a glance!

"We have to see if the wooden board is sturdy. I need a strong wooden board!" Li Xiaoran said.