

## The Hunter 651

### Chapter 651: Scared to Death

“Hahahaha, hahahaha! Changwen, look, I’ve finally avenged you!” After killing Su Zheng, Jiang Qiniang laughed out loud.

Li Xiaoran whispered something to Shu Ruyue, who knocked Jiang Qiniang out.

Lin Ning, who had been shocked by the previous scene, came back to his senses and asked angrily when he saw Shu Ruyue’s actions, “What are you doing?”

“I’m saving your mother! Can’t you see that your mother’s emotions are fluctuating too much now? If you want your mother to die, feel free to scold me!” Shu Ruyue glanced at Lin Ning and said, “Don’t you know that after experiencing extreme sorrow and joy, people might die in an instant?”

Lin Ning knew that he had misunderstood Shu Ruyue, so he said dejectedly,

“I’m sorry. I was too rash just now!”

Shu Ruyue said, “Alright, don’t misunderstand us anymore! Hurry up and carry your mother. Let’s leave this place!” Then, Shu Ruyue handed Jiang Qiniang to Lin Ning.

As Wu Qinghe looked at Su Zheng, who was bleeding profusely, he didn’t know what to do.

“What should we do with this person? Luo Cheng even said that he wanted to bring this person back! He came in alive but died in here!”

Li Xiaoran looked at Su Zheng’s corpse and said, “Let’s deal with the blood first! Then, find something useful to drag this person out with. However, we can’t bring these unconscious women out now. Let’s wait until the people from Shatai Village are completely dealt with before we save them!”

“I’ll bring the rope. I saw a wooden board outside just now. I’ll bring it in and tie Su Zheng to the wooden board!” Wu Qinghe immediately thought of something after being reminded by Li Xiaoran.

Li Xiaoran said, “Take care of the blood here first! Ruyue and I will go out to get the wooden board!”

Wu Qinghe nodded and began to deal with it.

The wooden board was outside the pit. Li Xiaoran and Shu Ruyue quickly found it.

After the two of them brought the wooden board in, Wu Qinghe and Lin Ning dealt with the blood together.

As the group prepared to leave, footsteps sounded.

Li Xiaoran sensed the auras of several people in the distance.

Li Xiaoran's expression changed and she said in a low voice, "Oh no, someone is here, and it's quite a few people. It doesn't seem to be our people. Let's quickly retreat to the pit and hide!"

When the others heard Li Xiaoran's words, their expressions changed.

The few of them quickly came in and closed the door of the pit. Then, they hid the Night Pearl in their hands, so there was no light at all.

As for Su Zheng, Wu Qinghe covered him with a wooden board. If one didn't look carefully, they wouldn't notice that there was someone under.

Soon, the footsteps were getting closer. They were holding their breaths now.

A man said with lingering fear, "Alright, alright, we're all here, so there shouldn't be a problem! Back then, I heard from Big Head Xu that the village chief hid some money nearby! If anything happens, we can come here to take the money and escape! Fortunately, I was smart and quickly brought you away when I saw that the situation wasn't right. Otherwise, you would have been captured like the others in the village!"

Another man with a cold voice said, "It's not just that.

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she immediately had an idea.

What a coincidence. It really took no effort to find it!

After these people found Shatai Village's backer, they could capture these people in one fell swoop.

A few others who had the same thoughts as Li Xiaoran.

At this moment, Lin Ning also hated the people of Shatai Village to the core.

If not for the evil people in Shatai Village, his family would have been ruined.

In order to avenge his parents and not let more innocent people become victims, he would definitely let these people stay today.

Thinking of this, Lin Ning took out his bow and arrow and secretly waited for the right timing.

Not long after, there was the sound of digging. Li Xiaoran sensed the location of those people. They were about 20 meters away from the pit.

Li Xiaoran remembered that place. There was also a pit there, but there was no door lock there.

Could it be that these people were digging something in the pit?

At this moment, Lin Bin lowered his voice and said, "I'll go out and deal with them!"

Wu Qinghe thought for a moment and said, "I'll go out first and attract their attention. Then, I'll shoot them with my bow!"

They reached an agreement, then quietly went to open the door of the pit.

Because the other party was focused on digging in the pit, he didn't notice the commotion.

Wu Qinghe tiptoed behind those people, but they didn't notice him. Seeing this, Wu Qinghe took out the powder on his body and blew it at those people.

After doing all this, Wu Qinghe quickly ran away and took out the Night Pearl.

“Hahaha, see who I am!”

The person digging the pit was startled.

Shivering, he turned around and saw a head.

The key was that the head actually revealed a ferocious and bloodthirsty expression.

“Ghost!” they screamed.

Before Lin Ning could attack, those people fainted from fear.

At the same time, Wu Qinghe smelled the stench of urine.

Wu Qinghe took down the Night Pearl under his chin and said with disdain,

“Damn, these people were so frightened that they peed their pants!”

Lin Ning also walked over. After confirming that these people had fainted from shock, he looked at Wu Qinghe.

“You’re amazing!”

On the other side, Li Xiaoran and Shu Ruyue also walked over.

Shu Ruyue came over and gave them each a pill.

“Even if these people wake up, they won’t be able to escape even if they want to!”

Wu Qinghe said excitedly, “Hurry up. Didn’t they say that there are treasures here and contact information with the mastermind? Let’s hurry up and look for them!”

Li Xiaoran turned around and saw something black.

“Look, what’s that?”

## Chapter 652: Can It Be Dispelled?

Wu Qinghe raised the Night Pearl and pointed in the direction Li Xiaoran was pointing. Then, he touched that place with a shovel. After a crisp sound sounded, Wu Qinghe was overjoyed.

“Hey, this is a clay jar!”

With that, Wu Qinghe reached out to take it.

“Wait!” Li Xiaoran suddenly stopped him.

She recalled what Su Zheng had been thinking and suddenly had a bad feeling.

“Don’t move. Don’t move at all! Think about it carefully. How can these people know such an important thing?”

When Lin Ning heard Li Xiaoran’s words, he thought of something.

“I’ve lived in Shatai Village for so long. As far as I know, the three heads of Shatai Village don’t trust anyone else at all and there are many things that they won’t reveal. Even when they’re drinking, the three of them won’t reveal anything. Moreover, these three people could hold their liquor very well! If they seemed drunk, it can only be said that they were pretending to be drunk!” This time, everyone was shocked and the way they looked at the pit changed.

Lin Ning thought of something and said, “All of you, retreat. I’ll shoot with an arrow!”

When Li Xiaoran and the other two heard this, they quickly left the pit and walked towards Lin Ning.

After confirming that they were far enough away, Lin Ning took out an arrow and shot it at the clay jar.

There was a noise, then the earthen jar cracked.

However, there was nothing in that clay jar.

Not to mention gold and silver, there wasn’t even a single stone.

After Wu Qinghe craned his neck to take a look, he asked in confusion, “That’s strange. Why is there nothing inside?” Lin Ning sniffed and frowned.

“Do you guys smell something?! A very faint smell!”

Li Xiaoran and Shu Ruyue looked at Lin Ning.

Li Xiaoran asked, “Is it the smell of the coriander we brought just now?”

Lin Ning said, “No, no! I can tell the smell of the pill we brought with us, but this is a new smell. It’s very faint. If not for my sharp sense of smell, I’m afraid I wouldn’t have been able to smell it!”

Li Xiaoran thought for a moment and said, “It must have something to do with this clay jar! There’s no time to lose. Let’s leave quickly with our people!”

The others nodded, so the four of them turned around and returned to the pit.

Lin Ning carried her mother on his back while Wu Qinghe dragged Su Zheng’s corpse out with a wooden board.

When the group came out of the underground tunnel, Luo Cheng was already waiting at the entrance of the cave.

Li Xiaoran pounced on Luo Cheng as she asked happily, “Husband, why are you here? Has the matter at Shatai Village been resolved?”

When Luo Cheng saw that Li Xiaoran had returned safely, he caught her and smiled happily.

“Are you that happy to see me?”

“Of course! What can be better than walking out of the darkness and seeing the person you love at first glance?” Li Xiaoran smiled and leaned her head on Luo Cheng’s chest.

To be honest, when she heard the rhythmic heartbeat in Luo Cheng's chest, no matter what she experienced, she instantly recovered.

When Luo Cheng felt Li Xiaoran's intimacy, he suddenly smelled something.

"Li Xiaoran, did you touch anything after you went in?" Li Xiaoran asked in confusion, "Why do you say that?"

"You smell!"

Li Xiaoran was shocked when she heard Luo Cheng's words.

"Lin Ning said the same thing just now!" With that, Li Xiaoran turned to look at Lin Ning.

When Lin Ning, who was carrying his mother, heard their conversation, he said seriously,

"We still smell like that?! I thought it would disappear after we came to a place with better ventilation, but it didn't! There's still that smell on the few of us!" Luo Cheng immediately became vigilant.

"How about this? Hurry up and go to the village. We'll boil some hot water and I'll pick some herbs. Then, take a medicinal bath and change your clothes!" The others nodded and followed Luo Cheng towards Shatai Village.

At this moment, the people of Shatai Village had already been locked up. Luo Cheng also asked Zi Zheng to go down the mountain to find the officials to take over.

The people from Shatai Village definitely couldn't stay here. They had to investigate everything to see if there were more crimes and victims. Then, they would be convicted according to the law.

Luo Cheng didn't know how to deal with Shatai Village's aftermath, so he still had to consider it.

At this moment, Li Xiaoran and the others arrived at a relatively clean house and found a few clean new wooden basins. Then, they brewed medicine and took a shower.

After Li Xiaoran came out of the bathtub, Luo Cheng still smelled the faint fragrance.

"It seems that you've been poisoned by some kind of tracking incense! We have to use a special method to remove it!"

When Li Xiaoran heard Luo Cheng's words, she thought for a moment and said, "Actually, this might not be a bad thing! Hasn't Third Master Xue been tracking Yu Baifeng? Since we have tracking incense on us, perhaps we can lure those people to look for us!"

"No, it's too dangerous!" Luo Cheng shook his head. "No, I have to resolve this problem!"

When Li Xiaoran heard Luo Cheng's words, she smelled herself. There was no smell!

On the other side, Lin Ning had also settled his mother down.

Jiang Qiniang also took a medicine shower. Shu Ruyue helped her shower.

However, when Shu Ruyue brought Jiang Qiniang out, Lin Ning still smelled it. “It’s useless! The potion is useless. It seems that I have to think of another way!”

At this point, Lin Ning also began to worry.

He was only good at archery and wasn’t good at anything else. He could only hope that someone else could get rid of this smell.

At this moment, Jiang Qiniang woke up.

When she saw that the person sitting in front of her was her son, Lin Ning, she remained silent and expressionless.

“Mother, you’re awake? How do you feel now?”

Jiang Qiniang felt too ashamed to face her son, so she closed her eyes and remained silent.

Seeing this, Lin Ning became a little anxious. However, he didn’t know what was going on and could only look at Shu Ruyue anxiously.

Shu Ruyue could understand Jiang Qiniang’s thoughts, so she said, “Go find Xiaoran! Tell them about the smell on us. They’ll definitely be able to think of a way! I keep feeling that the fragrance on us is a little similar to tracking incense. I wonder how to remove this fragrance! If this smell can’t be removed, I’m afraid we’ll be tracked down no matter where we go!”

Lin Ning asked, “You mean that Su Zheng and the others left a tracking incense on us so that the faction behind them can find us at any time?”

Shu Ruyue said, “That’s right. I think that’s what it means! It seems that we’ll have to run for our lives!”

Jiang Qiniang, who had her eyes closed, opened them and asked, “What tracking incense?”

## Chapter 653: New Idea

Jiang Qiniang had already given up!

After she saw her son safe and sound and killing her enemy, Jiang Qiniang already had the intention to die.

She no longer had any reservations. She only wanted to die and see her husband in the netherworld.

Jiang Qiniang had even thought about killing herself when Lin Ning wasn’t by her side.

Although she was weak now, it was easy for her to kill herself.

That was why she showed no emotions when facing her son.

If Shu Ruyue and Lin Ning’s conversation hadn’t let her know that her son was in danger, she really would have killed herself already.

When Lin Ning heard his mother’s question, he was about to say something when Shu Ruyue answered first.

“We don’t know what kind of tracking incense it is! Lin Ning has a sharp nose. After we saved you in the underground tunnel, we encountered a few people from Shatai Village digging for something. Out of curiosity, we went to take a look, but we were tainted by that soul-tracking incense. If not for Lin Ning’s good sense of smell, we wouldn’t have discovered it. When we came back, we tried, but we couldn’t remove the fragrance on our bodies at all. Therefore, I suspect that this thing is a kind of tracking incense!”

At this point, Shu Ruyue said worriedly, “There’s a large faction behind Shatai Village. If the soul-tracking incense allows them to find us, we’ll be hunted down no matter where we hide! Poor us. We’re still so young, but we’ll have to live a life of a fugitive!”

“What’s even more terrifying is that the person behind Shatai Village is skilled in martial arts. I wonder if we can hide from him twice!”

As Shu Ruyue spoke, she turned around and blinked at Lin Ning.

Lin Ning was a little confused, since he didn’t know why Shu Ruyue did this.

She didn’t seem to be wrong!

To be honest, things didn’t seem to be that bad!

When he turned his gaze to his mother and saw anger in her originally dull eyes, he understood something.

Lin Ning voiced his worries, “The most important thing now is to deal with the tracking incense. Only then can the few of us resolve the danger! However, we’ve tried all the methods we can think of, but none of them are effective. How can we get rid of the tracking incense?”

“What herbs did you use?” Jiang Qiniang was so focused on the tracking incense that she had completely forgotten that she was planning to kill herself. Shu Ruyue told her about the herbs Luo Cheng had used previously.

Jiang Qiniang immediately shook her head.

“These herbs are well matched. If it was an ordinary tracking incense, it could be washed away. Since that method is ineffective against this tracking incense, I’m afraid this tracking incense isn’t brewed from herbs at all, but from oil!”

Shu Ruyue was stunned when she heard Jiang Qiniang’s words. “Madam, do you know how to remove this tracking incense?”

After Jiang Qiniang nodded, she looked at Lin Ning and Shu Ruyue.

“Go and invite the doctor who made the medicine previously over. I’ll tell him how to get rid of this tracking incense!”

When Shu Ruyue heard this, she immediately ran out to look for Luo Cheng and Li Xiaoran.

Luo Cheng was worrying about this matter, so when he heard from Shu Ruyue that Jiang Qiniang knew how to remove this tracking incense, he immediately rushed over.

Seeing this, Li Xiaoran naturally followed.

It was naturally better to get rid of this tracking incense, since she didn't want to be tracked down.

After Jiang Qiniang saw Luo Cheng, she told him what she knew.

“Our family was originally a medical family. Although our medical skills weren't very outstanding, they were passed down from generation to generation for seven generations. When it came to my generation, I was the only woman left. I was interested in medical skills when I was young, so my father passed them down to me! What my father didn't know was that compared to treating illnesses, I was more interested in pharmaceuticals.” At this point, Jiang Qiniang stopped and looked at Luo Cheng.

“Later on, when I was making medicine, I accidentally discovered that when making incense pills, I could add some animal fat to make the fragrance last longer. I became interested and found a lot of animal fat and other materials to try. In the end, I made a kind of fragrant powder that once a person is tainted by it, the smell can remain for a long time!”

When Luo Cheng heard this, he pondered over it.

“Madam, you mean that this thing is in one's body and not on the surface, so the medicine I used to remove the tracking incense is useless?!”

Seeing that Luo Cheng understood what she meant, Jiang Qiniang immediately nodded with a smile. “You're very smart. From just this little amount of information, you thought of the key point! That's right, I used a kind of fragrance powder made from the fat in the stomach of a fish. As long as this fragrance powder touches your skin, it will seep into your skin and enter your body. This way, this fragrance can be emitted every time you sweat, so the fragrance will last for a long time!”

“In that case, we have to treat it from the inside!” Luo Cheng immediately found a solution.

“That's right. You have to recuperate from the inside, and it will take a long time! Fortunately, I also studied how to remove this fragrance back then and finally figured out a prescription. You can take it to study and see if it's useful!” As Jiang Qiniang spoke, she told him the herbs needed for that prescription.

After Luo Cheng received the prescription, he thanked Jiang Qiniang solemnly and quickly went to develop it.

Lin Ning stayed by his mother's side while Li Xiaoran and Shu Ruyue stayed in the house they lived in.

Li Xiaoran couldn't help but lament, "Sigh, why do I feel like there's always trouble the moment I go out?! There's no end to the trouble!"

When Shu Ruyue heard Li Xiaoran's words, she thought for a moment and agreed.

Li Xiaoran said gloomily, "We just came out to find some people who know how to make grilled fish or roast meat. Why do I feel like we've stirred up trouble?! Trouble came one after another! First, it was a coal mine, and now, it's Shatai Village! I wonder what will happen next time!"

Shu Ruyue said, "You should worry about the matter at hand first! We have to deal with this soul-tracking incense first! Otherwise, we'll be tracked down wherever we go in the future!"

Li Xiaoran rolled her eyes at Shu Ruyue and said, "Tsk, tsk, tsk. You make it sound so easy, as if you weren't poisoned by the soul-tracking incense as well!"

Shu Ruyue said with a cheeky smile, "Heh, follow closely behind heavy-laden wagons! As long as you're around, I don't have to worry about this tracking incense being unable to be removed! Mr.. Luo cares so much about you, so I'll just wait for the antidote!"

#### Chapter 654: Change in Way of Thinking

Shu Ruyue was simple-minded, so she wouldn't worry.

Li Xiaoran felt a little sorry that Luo Cheng had to go through so much trouble, so she was worried.

As for the tracking incense, Li Xiaoran felt that it wasn't a big deal.

While Luo Cheng was waiting for Zi Zheng to bring the officials over, he quickly developed an antidote to remove the tracking incense.

The prescription Jiang Qiniang gave them was useful, but it was very ineffective. It couldn't eliminate the tracking incense on their bodies.

In just three days, Luo Cheng looked visibly more haggard. Some stubble appeared on his face, but he didn't have time to shave.

Li Xiaoran felt that Luo Cheng couldn't do it, so she dragged him home and made some delicious food for him before forcing him to sleep.

Luo Cheng was very anxious, so he couldn't fall asleep even when he lay in bed.

Seeing that his eyes were bloodshot, Li Xiaoran immediately panicked.

"Husband, if you continue like this, I'm afraid you'll collapse before the antidote is even developed! It's not like something will happen to me now. Even if those people track me down, won't you protect me? So, there's no need to force yourself into this state! Look at you, you've lost so much weight! If you continue like this, I'd rather commit suicide than drag you down!" Luo Cheng was frightened by Li Xiaoran and quickly hugged her.

"Don't be anxious. I'll rest. I'll rest, alright? Why don't you lie down with me?!"

With you around, I'll be able to sleep more quickly!"

Seeing this, Li Xiaoran nodded and lay down beside Luo Cheng.

Li Xiaoran originally thought that she wouldn't be able to sleep, but not long after, she fell asleep.

With Li Xiaoran around, Luo Cheng also felt his eyelids become heavy and he quickly fell asleep.

Luo Cheng slept until noon the next day.

He had really been exhausted for the past few days.

As soon as he woke up, he saw Li Xiaoran sitting by the bed writing and drawing something.

"Xiaoran, what are you doing?"

When Li Xiaoran heard Luo Cheng's voice, she looked over in surprise.

"Husband, you're awake! I cooked a pot of porridge for you on the small stove.

It's still warm. I'll scoop a bowl for you to try!"

Luo Cheng nodded and got up to wash his face.

After Li Xiaoran scooped the porridge, Luo Cheng ate it in big mouthfuls. "You haven't answered me yet. What were you doing just now?" Since Luo Cheng was asking again, Li Xiaoran voiced her thoughts.

"Husband, when you were sleeping, I was thinking that since it's not easy to remove this tracking incense, why don't we change our plans?"

Luo Cheng was immediately interested.

"Tell me your thoughts!"

"Husband, the other party is tracking us through the incense, so the other party must have the ability to track this fragrance. There are some fragrances that humans can't smell, but animals can. But if we think of a way to change the fragrance on our bodies, can those people still track us? Or can those people still track us if we extract this fragrance from our bodies and add some other fragrance powder before selling it to the public?"

Li Xiaoran's idea gave Luo Cheng a new idea.

That's right! If they couldn't get rid of it, they had to change the smell! If they couldn't change the smell, they had to spread this smell! If everyone had this smell, how could those people track them?

Luo Cheng said happily, "Xiaoran, you're really smart! I'll go study it now!"

He had been too short-sighted previously and that was why didn't think of any other solution.

After resting for the past few days, Jiang Qiniang didn't have the intention to die anymore.

Her son was still in danger, so how could she leave in peace?

At least, she had to wait until her son was safe before she could face her husband.

Therefore, after Jiang Qiniang recovered, she asked Lin Ning to remove the Soft Tendon Powder from her body and she also started researching the antidote.

However, the tracking incense she encountered this time was too troublesome to deal with and she couldn't find a solution for the time being.

Just as she was feeling a little dejected, Luo Cheng returned.

Not only did he come back, but Luo Cheng also told them about the idea provided by Li Xiaoran.

Jiang Qiniang's eyes lit up.

"Why don't we split up? I'll refine this tracking incense and try to restore it. You can try to change the fragrance of this tracking incense!"

Luo Cheng nodded and the two of them split up.

By the time Zi Zheng brought Luo Han and Xu Wenjing over, Luo Cheng and the others had also made good progress.

The first piece of news was that Luo Cheng had successfully changed the smell in Li Xiaoran and the others' bodies. Moreover, according to their requests, he had changed it to different types of smells.

Li Xiaoran wanted the fragrance of orchids, Shu Ruyue wanted the fragrance of winter plums, Jiang Qiniang wanted the fragrance of spring, and Wu Qinghe and Lin Ning wanted the fresh fragrance of bamboo.

When Jiang Qiniang saw that the tracking incense had been restored, she used it on the pig to experiment.

As expected, there was also a faint scent on the pig.

The success of these two methods relieved the group.

For now, he could only wait for time to verify if such a change was effective.

After Jiang Qiniang developed the tracking incense, Jiang Qiniang combined it with the incense models developed by Luo Cheng and also made all the other tracking incense. Then, she recorded the detailed methods.

At this moment, Zi Zheng returned. Luo Cheng asked Zi Zheng to hand these prescriptions to Li Liming and ask him to make these powders in the shortest time possible and quickly sell them to the entire government!

Before Zi Zheng could rest properly after going up the mountain, he went down the mountain to run errands again.

After Luo Han and Xu Wenjing arrived, they sent people down to save the women locked in the underground passage.

What was strange was that after Xu Wenjing and the others brought their men down, they weren't tainted by any tracking incense.

This time, Li Xiaoran and the others understood.

It seemed that the tracking incense was in that crock!

Luo Han teased, "Wherever you go, something bad happens!

Perhaps it'll be an entire gold mine next time?"

Luo Cheng said, "That's hard to say. There might really be one!"

With Li Xiaoran around, anything was possible.

Luo Han said in disbelief, "If you can really find a gold or silver mine, I'll be totally impressed!"

Luo Cheng said seriously, "You should be impressed regardless!"

## Chapter 655: Splitting the Cake

Luo Han was speechless when he heard this.

That's right. No matter what, he admired Luo Cheng.

Xu Wenjing asked, "Mr. Luo, how should we deal with Shatai Village?"

Luo Cheng arranged, "Take everyone from Shatai Village into custody. What you have to do now is interrogate them one by one and get these people to report each other and convict them according to their crimes. Luo Han, you'll be in charge of bringing people with you. General Xu, bring the remaining people to the underground passage to take a look. Firstly, you'll save all the women imprisoned in the underground passage, and secondly, you'll have to pay attention to whether there's anything hidden in the underground passage!"

Luo Cheng thought of something and said, "By the way, don't underestimate this underground passage. Su Zheng must have set up some traps. Therefore, your priority is to save the tortured women and explore the underground passage. If the underground passage is dangerous, retreat quickly! Worst case scenario, we'll get some gunpowder to blow up these places, then the underground passage will naturally be filled up!"

"There's no need to be so arbitrary. We can arrange for some people to explore these underground tunnels bit by bit. It's a pity to blow them up just like that!" Xu Wenjing thought of something and said, "Mr. Luo, Sichuan needs a lot of herbs and the land here is suitable for planting herbs, so we should make use of it. We're short of herbs for medicine!"

When Luo Cheng heard Xu Wenjing's words, he thought for a moment before asking, "Then do you have anyone reliable on your side? Why don't you station some soldiers here?!"

"Mr. Luo, you mean you want us to take over this place?" Xu Wenjing was flattered!

One had to know that the herb industry was very profitable. Xu Wenjing originally wanted to remind Luo Cheng not to give up on this place, since the conditions here were very good.

Unexpectedly, there was a surprise for him.

“I never joke with you! This place has to be guarded by elite soldiers. I’m worried that the people behind Shatai Village will come and cause trouble! Therefore, stationing your army here is the best solution! As for the underground passage, you can explore it carefully and use it in the future!” Luo Cheng said, “However, there’s a condition. After the herbs in this place are sold, I’ll take 40% of the profit, and you’ll take 60% ”

Xu Wenjing was tempted by Luo Cheng’s words.

“Mr. Luo, this matter is too big, so can you let me discuss it with my grandfather first?”

Luo Cheng nodded and said, “Sure. Do your job first and wait for your grandfather to recover!”

After everything was arranged, Luo Han and Xu Wenjing went to get busy. At this moment, Li Xiaoran and Shu Ruyue were wandering around Shatai

Village.

Li Xiaoran looked at the mountains in front of her and marveled, “I have to say, the scenery of Shatai Village is very beautiful!”

Shu Ruyue asked Li Xiaoran, “Xiaoran, you seem to like these mountains very much. Why?”

“Because the mountains can help me relax and prevent me from feeling depressed!”

Li Xiaoran replied with a smile.

“Huh?” Shu Ruyue didn’t expect Li Xiaoran’s answer.

Li Xiaoran couldn’t help but laugh when she saw Shu Ruyue’s dumbfounded expression.

“Alright, I won’t tease you anymore! Actually, I like mountains because I’m very familiar with the mountains! I’m familiar with the rules of survival here and I know what I should do to survive in here! To me, living in the mountains is a simple, relaxed, and satisfying thing.”

When Shu Ruyue heard Li Xiaoran’s words, she immediately understood.

“I know this feeling. It’s just like how I feel when I follow you guys! I feel very comfortable and happy every day when I follow you guys. Even if I encounter troubles and danger, I just feel that I can live a very comfortable life with you guys.”

When Li Xiaoran heard Shu Ruyue’s words, she immediately laughed.

“You sound like you’re planning to cling to me for the rest of your life!”

“That’s right. I’ll rely on you for the rest of my life. I’ll always be by your side and protect you!” Shu Ruyue nodded and said seriously, “Xiaoran, I have a feeling that if I don’t follow you for the rest of my life, I’ll definitely regret it!” Li Xiaoran didn’t expect Shu Ruyue to say that and she was touched.

“Alright, then let’s be good friends for the rest of our lives! You know my personality. As long as you don’t betray me, I’ll definitely treat you as my friend!”

Shu Ruyue laughed when she heard this.

“Alright, let’s be good friends for the rest of our lives!”

Just like that, the two women each reached out and clasped their hands together.

This simple action helped them establish a lifelong friendship.

Shu Ruyue thought of something and asked, “Xiaoran, do you think we can help those poor women?!”

Li Xiaoran said, “I’m also thinking about this! After such a thing happened to these women, I’m afraid it’ll be very difficult for them to survive in society! Even if they return to their previous families, they’ll suffer from slander. If they’re willing, I can provide them with a new life. However, all of this is based on the condition that they’re willing to follow me!”

Shu Ruyue asked again, “Aren’t we going to help those who still have hope in their families and go back, but experienced all kinds of trouble?”

“Since they made the choice, they have to bear the corresponding consequences!” Li Xiaoran shook her head and said, “Let’s see the situation first! Let’s wait until those women are rescued!”

Although Shu Ruyue also pitied those women, there were some things that they couldn’t do as they pleased.

Those women had their own needs and ideas. No one could choose for them.

At the same time, several people were sitting in a very quiet house.

Yu Baifeng, whom Third Master Xue had been looking for, was kneeling in front of a man in a white tiger mask.

“Master, Third Master Xue is being tracked closely now. I had no choice but to lure him to Shatai Village! Master, please punish me for making the decision on my own!”

The man in the white tiger mask kept staring at Yu Baifeng.

“Bai Feng! Are you really unable to get rid of Third Master Xue? Or have you already fallen in love with him?”

When Yu Baifeng heard Third Master Xue’s words, her face turned pale.

“Master, don’t worry.. I definitely won’t ruin your plan!”

## Chapter 656: The Women’s Choice

“I hope you keep your word and don’t ruin my plan!” the man in the white tiger mask said.

Yu Baifeng nodded and made another promise before getting up to leave.

After leaving the house, Yu Baifeng was at a loss.

The bits and pieces of her interactions with Third Master Xue surfaced in her mind, making her smile.

As she smiled, Yu Baifeng realized something and her expression darkened.

No, she couldn't go on like this!

From now on, she would have nothing to do with Third Master Xue!

If Third Master Xue dared to chase after her again, she would definitely kill him.

On Shatai Village's side, everything went smoothly.

The women in the underground passage were all brought out.

In addition to the women Li Xiaoran and the others had encountered previously, there were also a few women locked up in a few other pits.

After these women were brought back to the village, Li Xiaoran counted carefully. There were actually more than 30 people.

However, half of the thirty-odd people were actually on the verge of death.

After Zi Zheng took their pulses one by one, his expression turned solemn.

"Mr. Luo, Consort, these people have been tortured too much. It's already a miracle that they survived until now. At this moment, even the medicine stone is useless!"

When Luo Cheng and Li Xiaoran heard this, they felt upset.

Originally, they could have had normal lives and lived until they were in their sixties or seventies.

However, because of those ruthless men in Shatai Village, they were about to lose their lives at such a young age.

"Benefactors, you don't have to feel sad. It's already a blessing from the heavens that we can see those evil people who tortured us being brought to justice before we die! We've suffered so much in this life. In the next life, the heavens let us live a good life! Therefore, our wish has been fulfilled and we have nothing to worry about anymore!" The woman who was the most seriously injured suddenly perked up and looked at Luo Cheng and the others as she thanked them.

Li Xiaoran felt very upset. She wanted to comfort her, but she didn't know what to say.

In the end, Li Xiaoran said, "Hold on a little longer and watch as the evil people of Shata Village are interrogated, sentenced, and beheaded. You have to see it with your own eyes!"

This was because Li Xiaoran knew that this was probably the thing these people cared about the most.

"No, I might not be able to wait until that day! But I believe that you guys will definitely bring the bad guys to justice!"

With that, the woman slowly closed her eyes with a relieved smile...

Li Xiaoran could no longer sense the other party's emotions and anger. At this moment, a tear fell from the corner of her eye.

The woman who had suffered so much was finally free.

Over the next night, many women who had been saved passed away one after another.

Li Xiaoran was already so saddened that she couldn't speak. She could only try her best to settle their funerals.

However, during the burial, Li Xiaoran suddenly changed her mind and carried the corpses of these women to the cliff far away from Shatai Village.

Li Xiaoran burned the corpses of the women to ashes.

"In this life, you were trapped in that tunnel by the animals of Shatai Village and died from torture. Now that I've burned your bodies and turned them into ashes, I'll send you off with the mountain breeze. I hope you'll be free from now on and in your next life, you'll grow up freely and live a peaceful life!" Li Xiaoran watched as the wind blew away the ashes.

Shu Ruyue also said, "Burn it and leave cleanly, so you guys can reincarnate cleanly! Sisters, have a safe journey! If there's a next life, I hope you'll be safe and happy!"

After sending off these pitiful people, Li Xiaoran's eyes were red when she returned to Shatai Village.

Thinking of the remaining ten women, Li Xiaoran forced herself to stay awake.

Li Xiaoran went to the house where the group of women were recuperating and asked, "After you recover, what do you plan to do in the future?"

At this moment, the ten women looked at each other, but no one spoke.

After Li Xiaoran thought for a moment, she said, "Since none of you are willing to say it, I'll give you two choices. If you're sure that your family can accept you and take good care of you, we'll send you back safely. If you're unwilling to go home and want to change your identity and live a new life, I can send you away and let you start a new life!"

One of the bold women asked when she heard Li Xiaoran's words,

"Consort, let me ask you a question. If we want to start over incognito, where will we be sent? As weak women, we don't have any skills. Now that we've experienced such a thing, can we protect ourselves and live a peaceful life?"

When Li Xiaoran heard this woman's words, she thought for a moment and said, "If you want to get married, I'll send you far away from your hometown and let you find a good family to start over. However, you should also know that the good family I'm talking about won't be very rich. I can only guarantee that you won't lack food and clothing. If you're unwilling to get married, you can work in the farmstead under Mr. Luo and me to earn money. The people in the farmstead are all

soldiers who retreated from the battlefield. They won't bully you. You guys can live your lives in peace!"

Li Xiaoran's words tempted several women.

"Why don't you think about it carefully and tell me your decision after you figure it out?! I won't send you away before your injuries heal!"

Hearing Li Xiaoran's words, the group of women heaved a sigh of relief.

After coming out of the house, Li Xiaoran didn't speak.

"Xiaoran, what do you think they'll choose?"

Li Xiaoran said, "Most of them will choose to let us send them home! After they go home, families with means will definitely make new arrangements for them. If they want to live a new life incognito, it's better than relying on us. People with nowhere to go might choose the last two paths! As for which one they will choose, I can't guess! Anyway, their lives are their own. After making a choice, they have to be responsible for their own lives!"

As expected, after another three days, seven people with light injuries had already recovered after a few days of treatment.

All seven women chose to be sent home.

After Li Xiaoran found out about their choice, she left this matter to Zi Zheng to deal with.

The remaining four women also made their own decisions..

## Chapter 657: Hidden Danger

A slightly older woman asked them to send her to a village. Someone there would be willing to marry her, so she was going there.

The other woman wanted to get married. Even if her life would be difficult, as long as she could eat her fill, she would be free from all the trauma of the past.

The last two women chose to work in the farmstead under Li Xiaoran and Luo Cheng.

One of them was called Wang Jiameng, and the other was called Feng Yuxin.

Wang Jiameng had been sold by her parents to a rich family as a concubine. Halfway through, she was kidnapped by the people of Shatai Village.

She was lucky to meet Luo Cheng, Li Xiaoran, and the others, who dealt with the people of Shatai Village two days after she was kidnapped.

That rich man had a violent personality and liked to torture women. The wives he had married in the past had died for mysterious reasons.

Therefore, Wang Jiameng was unwilling to go back. She wanted to go somewhere else and start a new life.

Feng Yuxin arrived half a month earlier than Wang Jiameng, and she was raped by the scarfaced man from Shatai Village.

Because the scarfaced man liked her very much and didn't allow anyone to touch her, she suffered a little less than the others.

Even so, she didn't want to go home.

Feng Yuxin asked, 'My father married a stepmother and I have younger siblings at home. If I go back now, I'll be despised. I don't want to go back and suffer again, nor do I want to be married off by them a second time. I want to change my lifestyle! Consort, can you protect us if I go to the farmstead to work? Those men won't hurt me again, right?'

Feng Yuxin was the girl who had boldly asked Li Xiaoran about her arrangements previously. Although she had made up her mind, she still felt a little uneasy, so she wanted to confirm it again.

"Don't worry, no one dares to force you to do anything in the farmstead! You just have to work and earn money to support yourselves every day!" Li Xiaoran looked at Feng Yuxin and gave her a guarantee.

With Li Xiaoran's guarantee, the two of them began to look forward to their future lives.

Under Luo Cheng's arrangements, Xu Wenjing's men sent the women who were going home away one after another.

Then, the two women who were going to get married were sent away.

The last to leave were Wang Jiameng and Feng Yuxin.

Before leaving, Li Xiaoran called the person who would send the two of them off and gave them reminders. Then, she sent a messenger pigeon to Zi Yang of Hele Village and asked him to keep an eye on them so that the men in the farmstead would treat them well.

After the last two women were sent away, Li Xiaoran heaved a sigh of relief and rested for the day.

During this period of time, she and Luo Cheng had been very busy. The couple could only have a few words at night before bed.

Li Xiaoran was busy with the settling of the women, while Luo Cheng was busy with the underground passage and the medicinal field.

Although Xu Wenjing was in charge of investigating the underground passage, Luo Cheng still had to keep an eye on the progress every day.

Luo Cheng also wanted to take a look at the management of herbs in the medicinal field.

After Luo Cheng saw it, he was furious.

The people of Shatai Village planted herbs very sloppily. Other than pulling weeds and watering them, they didn't do anything else at all.

However, such a sloppy planting method actually produced many good-quality herbs.

If they planted it carefully, wouldn't they be able to plant even better quality herbs?

Therefore, Luo Cheng had been focused on the planning and planting of the medicinal field.

Some herbs had to be transplanted and couldn't be mixed together. Some herbs needed darkness and humidity, so the herbs needed to be planted in different environments.

By the time they figured out what to do, Li Xiaoran had already rested for two days.

Just as Luo Cheng was about to accompany Li Xiaoran, Luo Han brought the information he had obtained from the interrogation.

“Luo Cheng, these people really deserve to die! Not only did these people plant herbs, but they also refined some addictive drugs and sold them.” As Luo Han spoke, he took something out of his pocket.

Luo Han said angrily, “This thing was ground into powder by the people of Shatai Village and sold to many people!”

After Li Xiaoran looked at the thing Luo Han had thrown out, her expression immediately changed.

“Aren't there poppies? Where did you get them? I've wandered around Shatai Village many times, but I didn't find anyone planting poppies!”

“These poppies weren't planted here, but in a valley. This valley is very secluded and can only be entered through an underground passageway. No wonder the officials couldn't find anyone when they wanted to come to Shatai Village to capture them previously. In that valley, not to mention hiding a few people, it wouldn't be a problem to hide everyone from Shatai Village! When Xu Wenjing and I brought people to take a look, we found that valley, which was filled with beautiful flowers. When we got closer, we saw that the flowers were a kind of poppy flower!” Luo Han told them what they had discovered today.

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she had a bad feeling.

“Husband, this is an important matter. We have to take it seriously! Do you remember the man I met in Nanping Town who used poppy to cook? At that time, I only thought that he had bad character and wanted to take shortcuts. I didn't expect that someone deliberately made poppy powder and spread it into public hands! Husband, think about it. If the people of the Sichuan army eat food with this poppy powder every meal, in the future, when their addiction kicks in, the entire Sichuan army will probably be ruined!”

When Luo Cheng heard this, his expression darkened.

The damage caused by these poppies, whether they spread to the people or the army, would be immense.

Who was so vicious as to think of such a method to harm the people?

Luo Cheng said coldly, “Luo Han, get someone to call Xu Wenjing over! This matter must be investigated carefully. We can't let it go!”

Luo Han also realized the seriousness of this matter and frowned.

If this matter wasn't handled carefully, it would cause big trouble!

Xu Wenjing arrived quickly. After hearing Luo Cheng talk about the poppy, his expression changed.

"If it's really as Mr. Luo and the consort have guessed, then Sichuan is probably going to undergo a change! Mr. Luo, there's no time to lose. I'll bring people back to the military camp quickly and explain the importance to my grandfather. If someone really tampered with the military camp, we have to quickly take countermeasures. We can't let the other party succeed!"

Luo Cheng nodded and asked Xu Wenjing to quickly return after settling the matters here.

Xu Wenjing didn't refuse. He left his cousin, Xu Wenzheng, behind in Shatai Village and let be in charge of exploring and cleaning the underground passage..

## Chapter 658: Strange Guest

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They had abducted and abused women, causing more than twenty women to die at their hands.

They sold counterfeit and low-quality herbs, and had harmed many herb merchants.

They sold poppy for self-profit and harmed the people and the government.

They beat up and bullied good people, and harmed rich businessmen. A total of ten families were killed...

There were countless other such things.

When Luo Cheng saw this, he asked Luo Han and Xu Wenzheng to arrange for a total of 50 people to be escorted down the mountain from Shatai Village to receive punishment.

After the people from Shatai Village were sent down, the soldiers sent by the Sichuan army began to move into Shatai Village.

Xu Wenzheng asked someone to smash the big rock at the entrance of Shatai Village and plant several big trees.

The original Shatai Village had also been redesigned. All the dilapidated houses had been knocked down and restored to farmland.

Luo Cheng and Xu Wenzheng looked around for a long time. In the end, they chose a new piece of land and built it into the place the Shu army would be stationed.

As for the underground passage, Luo Cheng and Li Xiaoran discussed it for a long time and finally decided to fill it manually.

It just so happened that the place where the Shu army was stationed had to be shoveled. The soil that had been eradicated could be led directly into the underground tunnels and filled up bit by bit until all the tunnels disappeared.

After Li Xiaoran and Luo Cheng handed this matter to Xu Wenzheng, they left with their men.

After going down the mountain, Luo Cheng, Li Xiaoran, and the others returned to Nanping Town to rest.

After returning to the lively town again, Li Xiaoran suddenly felt that she had become more like a human.

Shu Ruyue ran over and asked while Li Xiaoran was drinking tea, "Luo Han will set up a court here in Nanping Town to interrogate those people from Shatai Village about their crimes today. Do you want to go take a look?"

"I don't want to go anywhere anymore! I've been tired for so long, so I don't want to go anywhere anymore! If you want to see it, call Wu Qinghe along! I just want to lie down quietly," Li Xiaoran said lazily.

She had really been exhausted recently.

She was mentally exhausted.

She wasn't made of iron. She also needed to rest and replenish her energy.

"Alright, I'll go look for Wu Qinghe!" Seeing that Li Xiaoran was really exhausted, Shu Ruyue said, "Then stay at home. Don't run out alone!"

Li Xiaoran said with a smile, "Don't worry! I'm not a child anymore. Why would I run around?!"

Because it was a public trial, Luo Cheng definitely had to oversee it.

Therefore, only Li Xiaoran and some people in charge of the safety of the house were left in the house.

Li Xiaoqing, who had stayed in Hele Village, encountered something that troubled her.

Recently, someone had come to the sliced noodles shop. From his attire, it was obvious that he was a rich guy.

Every time this person came, he would order a bowl of sliced noodles and sit in the corner to eat.

The meal would last for a while. Every time he ate, he would look at Li Xiaoqing, who was cooking noodles.

Fortunately, this person always sat in the corner and didn't disturb the other customers.

At first, Li Xiaoqing didn't care, but as time passed, she naturally sensed that something was wrong.

Even Zhao Sisi, who was also in the shop, sensed that the other party's motive wasn't simple.

Zhao Sisi said worriedly, “Xiao Qing, you should tell your parents about this! I keep feeling that something is wrong with this person!”

Li Xiaoqing looked at the man sitting in the corner and shook her head.

“He’s a customer. The other party hasn’t done anything out of line, so we can’t take the initiative to chase our customer away. Besides, we’re doing business in public. If he’s just here to eat noodles, we’ll welcome him warmly. If he really has other intentions, I’m not stupid and my family won’t put up with it either!”

Compared to before, Li Xiaoqing, who had taken over the sliced noodles shop, was much more independent now.

She had seen many strange customers and many troublemakers, so now, she knew how to deal with them.

Although she was only 15 years old and about to turn 16, her martial arts skills were more than enough for her to deal with a few people.

Moreover, as Li Xiaoran’s sister, she had also received special care from Luo Ziyang.

She had drugs for self-defense, so even if anything happened, there was no need to panic.

Zhao Sisi wasn’t as optimistic as Li Xiaoran. She felt that this man had ill intentions, so she told the others in the shop that they should pay attention to this man.

To everyone’s surprise, after almost a month, that man actually invited a matchmaker to propose marriage.

When Li Xiaoqing was called home in a hurry, she saw a matchmaker appear at home.

This time, Li Xiaoqing had a bad feeling.

Li Xiaoqing suppressed the uneasiness in her heart and walked in to ask,

“Father, Mother, why did you call me back in a hurry?”

Zhao Xiu looked at her daughter and said, “Xiao Qing, during this period of time, a man in green clothes came to the shop often and always ate noodles in the southwest corner.”

Li Xiaoqing replied, “That’s right! That customer came every day for more than a month!”

The matchmaker immediately said warmly when she heard Li Xiaoqing’s words, “Look, this a match made in heaven! She paid attention to him as well! Otherwise, how could she remember him so clearly?!”

When Li Xiaoqing heard this, she wasn’t angry.

“Madam, you’re mistaken! Our family runs a shop and does business. If a regular comes every day, of course I’ll remember him very clearly. If I don’t even have this bit of discernment, how can I do anything? According to what you mean, there are many people I pay attention to, like Granny Jin, who comes back to the shop every day to cook food, and Aunt Liu, who comes to the shop every day to buy fast food, Zhao Daniu, who likes to come to our shop to buy buns. There are at least dozens of them!”

Li Xiaoqing's retort was very straightforward. At least, Zhao Xiu felt extremely pleased after hearing it.

The matchmaker who came to propose marriage was a little annoyed.

However, because of Mr. Luo and the consort, she didn't dare to say anything unpleasant..

## Chapter 659: Sober

The matchmaker said, "I didn't express my intentions clearly just now, causing you to misunderstand. Since you know Young Master Fang, I won't say anything else! I've also explained the situation at Young Master Fang's house to you just now. Please consider it seriously! This young man is really good!" Then, the matchmaker left.

After Li Xiaoqing watched her mother send the matchmaker away, she turned to look at her father.

"Father, what's Young Master Fang's background? Why didn't you and Mother refuse? Back then, we agreed that I would stay at home and find a son-in-law.

Why didn't you refuse when someone else came to propose marriage?"

Li Shun's expression turned serious when he heard his youngest daughter's words.

"Xiao Qing, have you really thought it through? Are you really going to let your future husband marry into the family?"

"I can't be more serious! Father, with my personality, I'll be wasted if I marry into someone else's family, so I might as well stay in my own family and let my future husband marry into the family. I'll be in charge! I can earn money myself, support my family, and support you guys in your old age. How good would that be?!" Li Xiaoqing said what was on her mind.

Li Shun said, "But any outstanding man wouldn't marry into someone else's family! "

Li Xiaoqing said, "If I can't find one, so be it! Father, Mother, I can earn money to support myself and support you guys in your old age. What else do I need? If I can't find the right person, then I don't need him! You don't have to worry about these things. Let nature take its course. Perhaps a suitable man will come!"

Li Shun persuaded earnestly, "But Young Master Fang is a good marriage candidate! Actually, your mother and I aren't forcing you to let a man marry into the family. If the other party isn't bad, you can consider getting married! Look, aren't your sister and brother-in-law getting along quite well?" When Li Qing heard this, she immediately became vigilant.

"In that case, do you think Young Master Fang has a good background? Why don't you tell me about this person's family situation?!"

At this moment, Zhao Xiu returned. When she heard her youngest daughter's words, she said, "Young Master Fang's family is in the textile business. Other than him, there's also a married sister

at home. His brother-in-law is a fifth-rank general in the army. Young Master Fang said that he doesn't have any business acumen and only likes to study, so he wants to find a wife who's good at business. His parents have never been in good health and don't have the energy to manage the home. After you marry him, you'll be in charge of everything at home!"

When Li Xiaoqing heard this, she immediately smiled.

The conditions weren't bad and the in-laws wouldn't interfere.

On the surface, it was indeed a good marriage.

"To put it bluntly, he just wants to marry me due to the fact that I know how to earn money! As a man, he doesn't want to improve himself but expects me to earn money to support his family, so why should I marry him? I have the ability to earn money to support my family. Why should I marry into someone else's family? I'll earn money and spend it myself. Wouldn't I be happier that way?" Li Xiaoqing's words hit the nail on the head.

Li Shun and Zhao Xiu suddenly came back to their senses. Why hadn't they thought of this just now?

Under the bewitchment of the matchmaker, they actually felt that this marriage proposal wasn't that bad.

Li Xiaoqing said, "There's another thing you guys overlooked! Young Master Fang's parents aren't in good health. If they're sick, won't the daily expenses of nurturing their bodies be a lot? Also, who said that it's a good thing that one's in-laws take a hands-off approach? It's common for their daughter-in-law to take care of sick in-laws all day long. Do you think it'll be easy to take care of two sickly people?"

This time, Li Shun and Zhao Xiu's expressions changed. They already decided to reject this marriage.

Zhao Xiu said, "In that case, this marriage is really unacceptable! Let's reject this marriage the next time the matchmaker comes! Let's say that our youngest daughter wants her husband to marry into the family!"

"Mother, that's right! I'd rather let my husband marry into the family than get married into another family! Marrying into another family means I have to follow other people's rules. How can it be better than staying at home?! Although my sister and brother-in-law have a good relationship, I don't think other men will be as good as my brother-in-law! Let me stay at home and suffer less!" With that, Li Xiaoqing returned to the shop to work.

After Zhao Sisi found out about this, she thought for a moment and said, "Xiao Qing, I keep feeling that Young Master Fang won't give up so easily! If you don't believe me, just you wait! Think about it, a man comes to the shop every day and silently observes you for a month. Now that he's here to propose marriage, do you think he'll give up so easily?"

Li Xiaoqing said, "As long as I don't agree to this marriage, can he force me to marry him?"

“I think we should find someone to investigate Young Master Fang’s situation! This person gives me a bad vibe. On the surface, he looks like a humble gentleman, but he gives off a gloomy vibe,” Zhao Sisi said.

Zhao Sisi’s words attracted Li Xiaoqing’s attention. Therefore, after closing the shop that day, Li Xiaoqing went to look for Luo Ziyang.

“Brother Zi Yang, I encountered some trouble. I want you to help me investigate someone!”

Luo Ziyang had been settling the two women Li Xiaoran had sent over in the farmstead these few days. As soon as he returned, he saw Li Xiaoqing looking for him, so he led Li Xiaoqing to sit down in the hall.

Luo Ziyang asked softly, “What happened? Tell me in detail!”

Li Xiaoqing didn’t hide anything and told Luo Ziyang about Young Master Fang.

When Luo Ziyang heard this, anger flashed across his eyes.

He really didn’t expect someone to have designs on Li Xiaoqing while he had been busy with other things for the past month.

Thinking of this, Luo Ziyang looked at Li Xiaoqing again.

It had to be said that Li Xiaoqing had changed a lot from a year ago. The originally malnourished little girl was already slender and beautiful. No wonder men started to have designs on her.

Luo Ziyang said, “You’ve become a big girl now. You’ve already been proposed

Li Xiaoqing shook her head and said, “I don’t want to get married so early. My sister said that it’s best for women to get married at the age of 18 and have children after the age of 20.. It’s very harmful for a girl to get married and have children when she’s too young! Therefore, I don’t want to marry into another

family! “

#### Chapter 660: Asking Luo Ziyang for Help

When Luo Ziyang heard this, he thought of something and the smile on his face widened.

“I think your sister is right. It’s better to let your future husband marry into the family. Besides, it’s better to get married and have children later.” With Luo Ziyang’s support, Li Xiaoqing was even more determined.

“Then I’ll leave this matter to you, Brother Ziyang!” After Li Xiaoqing resolved this big matter, she immediately relaxed.

“Don’t worry! Don’t worry, I’ll investigate it for you quickly. Just do your own thing!” Luo Ziyang said as he touched Li Xiaoqing’s head with a smile, “You’re a little girl, so you have to be happy. Ignore those annoying people!”

Li Xiaoqing said, “Yes! Brother Ziyang, don’t worry! The next time Young Master Fang stays, I’ll get Mao Dao and the others to receive him!”

Luo Ziyang nodded and stood up to send Li Xiaoqing home.

Although the two families didn’t live far away, the sky was already dark. Luo Ziyang was a little worried about Li Xiaoqing’s safety, so he felt that it was better to send her off personally.

After sending Li Xiaoqing home safely, Luo Ziyang turned around and went back to arrange for someone to investigate Young Master Fang.

The next morning, all the information about the Fang family was placed in front of Luo Ziyang.

There was nothing wrong with what the matchmaker had said, but there were some things she was hiding.

Luo Ziyang smiled when he saw the true situation of the Fang family.

How dare they have designs on them.

Previously, the Hu family had designs on the Zhao family and wanted to take the opportunity to cozy up to Mr. Luo in order to hide the fact that they had embezzled the coal mine.

Now, a member of the Fang family proposed to Li Xiaoqing so she could help them earn money, and so that they could use Mr. Luo’s power to suppress his brother-in-law.

What a good plan!

After watching all this, Luo Ziyang carried some fresh meat buns that had just been cooked to the Li family’s house.

Li Shun and Zhao Xiu’s family originally hired a chef, but Li Shun and Zhao Xiu liked to cook by themselves, so they didn’t use this chef.

Therefore, every morning, the family got up to make breakfast.

Zhao Xiu woke up early in the morning and cooked a pot of porridge. She planned to eat it with pickled vegetables.

When Luo Ziyang brought over a few baskets of buns, breakfast became much more sumptuous.

Li Shun asked with concern, “Ziyang, why are you here? Aren’t you busy today?”

“Father, I’ve just finished my work. I haven’t come to see you and Mother in a long time, so I brought the buns over to eat breakfast with you guys,” Luo Ziyang said with a smile.

Li Shun said, “Sigh, it’s good that you guys came over. Xiao Qing and I are the only ones at home now, so it’s quite lonesome. I don’t know when Aunt Qiu will come back. Sometimes, I feel that our home can’t be without her!”

At the mention of Granny Qiu, Luo Ziyang replied, "It should be soon. There's news from Granny Qiu that she's tied down again, but she'll be back in a month!"

Li Shun said, "That's good. In the past, they often said that having an old person in the family was like having a treasure.

Luo Ziyang echoed, "Father, you're right. With a wise old person presiding over it, it will indeed save us a lot of trouble!"

Soon, Li Xiaoqing washed up. Then, the family sat together and ate breakfast happily.

After breakfast, Luo Ziyang explained why he was there today.

Luo Ziyang said, "I was busy finding a shop for Father and Mother previously. Now that the shop has been tidied up and even the staff have been hired, it depends on how much furniture Father makes!"

Li Shun asked in confusion, "Huh? Shop? What shop?"

"Father, Madam entrusted this shop to me! She said that you've made a lot of furniture, so you can't keep it piled up at home. You should show it to others! As long as you become famous, more people will come to you to order furniture in the future!" Luo Ziyang explained, "Besides, this shop isn't just for selling furniture. You also have to sell the jewelry you made as well. I've already asked someone to make the counter for the jewelry!"

Li Shun and Zhao Xiu looked at each other. Neither of them was confident.

"Can what we make really be sold?" Zhao Xiu couldn't help but ask. When Li Xiaoqing heard her parents' unconfident tone, she immediately cheered them on.

"Father, Mother, you can do it. Everyone saw the furniture Father made. Look, haven't some people come looking for you recently to make furniture for them?"

Although the jewelry I made is all made of silver, they're still very beautiful. The silver jewelry in the jewelry shops outside aren't as beautiful as Mother's!"

"We gave birth to you, so of course you'll speak up for us!" Zhao Xiu rolled her eyes at Li Xiaoqing. She didn't believe Li Xiaoqing at all.

Li Xiaoqing said, "Yes, yes, yes. You don't trust my judgment, but you should trust my sister's judgment! My sister has seen what Father and Mother made previously and said that they did very well. She even asked Brother Ziyang to prepare a shop for you. That's the greatest affirmation for you! Father, Mother, go and try it!"

This time, Li Shun and Zhao Xiu finally found some confidence and nodded.

"Then let's count the things we made previously!" Zhao Xiu said, "Speaking of which, I had a lot of inspiration for making jewelry after I came back from White Foothill City. I've made a lot of jewelry recently!"

Li Shun said, "That's right. When I went to White Foothill City and took a look at other people's craftsmanship, I felt inspired. The furniture I made after I returned was even better than before!"

Luo Ziyang said, "This is a good thing! So Father and Mother, you have to have confidence in yourselves! After you're done packing, I'll send someone over to count the records. When the time comes, I'll transport them away and sell them in the shop. As for the price, I'll decide? Anyway, the price will definitely satisfy you two!"

Li Shun and Zhao Xiu nodded and agreed on this matter.

"By the way, there's something else I have to make clear! If the Fang family comes to propose marriage next time, reject them! I've already investigated everything about the Fang family. This family isn't a good match. It's better to reject them as soon as possible!" Luo Ziyang told them everything about the Fang family..