

The Queen 341

Chapter 341: The Rest Is All in Her Mouth

“Her parents were in Yonggu City. They are already flying over. Her brother has something urgent to attend to, so he can’t rush over. He should be here soon.”

The staff was also a little helpless.

Su Cha nodded. “I’ll stay here for a while.”

Jin Mou nodded. Seeing that Jin Mou had Su Cha with her, the staff left temporarily. After they left, Su Cha said directly, “An Qiao was the one who poisoned you. Did you know?”

Jin Mou’s eyes widened in disbelief.

She could not speak, but Su Cha knew that she had something to ask, so she explained the situation.

In the end, she said casually, “I dealt with her in the same way. Whatever she did, she should pay the price. The production crew should be dealing with her now, and then they’ll give you an explanation.”

Jin Mou shook her head and sent a message to Su Cha. [Is this illegal? Won’t she call the police?]

Su Cha chuckled. “How would she dare to call the police when she was the one who started it? If this matter gets exposed, your fans will be angry.”

Jin Mou was still a little worried. [I’ve heard many contestants talking about her in the past few days. It’s said that her family has power in the Imperial Capital. I’m afraid that you will be in trouble.]

Su Cha was stunned.

Her smile was a little strange, then she sighed softly. “At this time, you’re still worrying about me? If you hadn’t drunk that cup of juice, it would have been me who drank it. An Qiao probably

wanted to take action when she saw that I was back. You don't have to worry about her. I won't get into any trouble. What's more important is that, if you can't participate in the competition, what will you do?"

Jin Mou picked up her phone and showed it to her. [Brother told me not to participate in the competition. I will stay at the place he'd arranged for me after this.]

Su Cha knew that Jin Mou's brother had mentioned several times that he wanted Jin Mou to quit participating in the competition. This was an unexpected surprise.

While the two of them were discussing, someone suddenly rushed into the ward. "Jin Mou!"

Jin Duan was here.

His tall figure filled the ward. When he saw Jin Mou lying on the bed, his eyes turned red.

It was not because his eyes were sore but because he was too angry.

Jin Mou cracked when she saw him. She could still pretend to be calm in front of Su Cha, but now, she jumped into his arms and started crying.

She was really upset that she could not participate in the competition anymore.

Jin Duan hugged Jin Mou and glanced at Su Cha. Then he hugged Jin Mou tightly and comforted her silently.

His gaze was icy. He was more furious than anyone when he heard that Jin Mou had been poisoned.

He wanted to kill the perpetrator right now, but a policeman should not be so impulsive.

When some time had passed, Jin Duan raised his eyes to look at Su Cha. His eyes were filled with vigilance and scrutiny.

Wariness?

Why was he wary of her?

Although she was a little puzzled, she could understand some of Jin Duan's thoughts now that Jin Mou was in trouble. She directly told him about this matter.

Jin Duan gritted his teeth.

It was rare for such a cold person like him to show such an expression. The rest of his words came out through gritted teeth. "We should report this to the police."

"I don't mind calling the police, but I also poured the remaining poison into her mouth."

After Su Cha said this casually, Jin Duan looked at her fiercely.

Chapter 342: You Don't Know?

He stared at Su Cha for a long while before saying, "It's wrong to use violence to stop violence."

Then he lowered his head.

Su Cha sneered and did not speak.

Given his status, it was natural for him to say it was wrong to suppress violence using more violence.

But if it were for the sake of his younger sister, Su Cha did not believe that Jin Duan did not think about making the culprit pay the same price.

After calming Jin Mou's unstable emotions again, Jin Duan gently stroked her hair. "I just asked the doctor. It's not a big problem. You will recover in about a month. But since you can't participate in the competition, follow me to the master's place. It will be better if you stayed there."

Jin Mou nodded.

Su Cha found the word “master” strange.

Jin Duan continued, “Brother will take revenge for you.”

Although he was smiling, there was a fierce look in his eyes.

Su Cha was a little surprised. Due to Jin Duan’s behavior, he did not seem like an orthodox police officer.

After a while, Jin Mou fell asleep.

Jin Duan called Su Cha out of the ward. He took out a cigarette and bit it between his lips. Su Cha glanced at it and did not say anything, but she moved further away from Jin Duan.

Jin Duan noticed Su Cha’s movement and paused for a moment before lighting the cigarette. He said with a hoarse voice, “Thank you for this.”

Su Cha raised her eyebrows and smiled. “Why are you thanking me? Are you planning to call the police?”

“The police will implicate you.”

Jin Duan was not hesitant. “I will deal with that contestant myself. She will not let you off.”

“But I’m not afraid of her.”

The girl smiled gently. “I don’t mean to pry on your family, but Jin Mou has been confiding to me that you don’t want her to compete. She said that a criminal would cause trouble for her. Are the cases you’ve been investigating recently very vicious?”

Jin Duan did not expect Su Cha to ask this question and looked at her in surprise.

After a pause, Jin Duan said, “It has something to do with the murder case last time.”

Su Cha was a little surprised. She said in a low voice, “The culprit... was not caught?”

“It’s not that.”

Jin Duan did not want to say more. “There are some complicated things involved. This matter is beyond your imagination. Just pretend that you don’t know anything. You guys have a bright future ahead of you, so don’t involve yourself in these things. Jin Mou is my sister; it’s a mark of failure for me to have implicated her.”

He’d said “you guys.”

It was strange to use this word on Su Cha. It was as if it was not just referring to Su Cha, but also to separate Su Cha from him.

Su Cha instantly understood that the previous incident might have involved martial artists.

And now, it seemed there were even bigger entities involved. For “ordinary people” like them, it was indeed unimaginable.

She had thought that he was just your run-of-the-mill police officer, but it seemed that Jin Duan was not ordinary at all.

If Jin Mou was implicated, Jin Mou would indeed be in danger.

She turned back to the room and glanced at the sleeping girl. She paused and said, “You can call me if you need anything. You can ask Jin Mou to look for me.”

At least she was very safe now.

But she could not say much, and it would seem strange.

Jin Duan was surprised by Su Cha’s words, but he thought that she was just being polite. He did not expect Su Cha to be of much help.

He stayed behind to take care of Jin Mou. Su Cha prepared to return to the Lookout Pavilion. As she was about to leave, Jin Duan suddenly asked thoughtfully, "Do you really not know anything about the person who died last time?"

Chapter 343: Mrs. Zuo's Birthday Party

Su Cha replied with a faint smile, "Didn't you say that I'd better not get involved in this matter?"

Jin Duan's eyes darkened.

Su Cha turned around and left.

She went back to the Lookout Pavilion.

The old lady was about to leave when she bumped into her. She was surprised. "Didn't you say that you won't be coming back for the time being?"

Su Cha replied, "Mm. But I have something to do today, so I went back."

The old lady was still dressed elegantly today, but she seemed to be more serious than before. She glanced up and down at Su Cha. "That's good. Do you want to attend a birthday banquet with me?"

Su Cha was stunned.

She did not expect the old lady to invite her, but after thinking about it, she smiled and declined. "Thank you, Grandma, but I have something to do."

The old lady nodded and left.

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The Zuo family of the Imperial Capital was throwing a grand banquet.

It was Mrs. Zuo's birthday party today.

Mrs. Zuo was only 37 years old this year. She had both her children with her. The elder daughter was only 17 years old this year, and the son was seven.

They were only ten years apart.

The Zuo family was a well-known wealthy family in the Imperial Capital. A few decades ago, they had made a name for themselves by manufacturing building materials. Now, they were the world's top in the industry.

The entire Zuo family's fortune was under the control of Zuo Shaoxin, the eldest son of this generation. And Mrs. Zuo was Zuo Shaoxin's wife.

It was said that Mrs. Zuo was born with a beautiful face. Back then, she had done many romantic things for Zuo Shaoxin, and the stories were circulating in the Imperial Capital even now. It was said he was extremely promiscuous when he was young, but when he fell in love with Mrs. Zuo, the two of them became a well-known loving couple within the Imperial Capital.

In the low-key and luxurious manor, it was already night time. The brightly lit open field was decorated with several fountain statues. There were countless long tables covered with elegant white cloths. There were champagne and delicacies on them, as well as fruits and snacks. They were all fresh foods delivered from all over the world.

The luxuriously dressed people made their way through the palace. It was so dazzling that it was as if they had stepped into an ancient back garden. It was a luxurious world that ordinary people would never be able to enter.

Madam Min dragged Min Chen through the crowd.

The girl pursed her thin lips, and her small face seemed to be a little tense. She looked very serious. Madam Min glared at Min Chen while the others were not paying attention. "We can't afford to lose this occasion. You have to be careful. I will go to the front and meet Madam Zuo. You stay here. Don't move or talk nonsense with others. You are a relative of the Zuo family, so watch your status."

Min Chen lowered her head in silence.

Madam Min adjusted her clothes and smiled as she walked to the center of the crowd.

After she left, Min Chen lifted her head and looked at the busy and prosperous place with her hollow eyes.

Beautiful.

This was what she thought.

The venue was lavishly decorated. Even Min Chen had never experienced such a scene before.

No wonder her mother tried so hard to bring her back to the Zuo family. After all, she was from a wealthy family in the Imperial Capital. Who wouldn't want her?

In her mother's eyes, she was just a living object.

The corner of her lips curled into a mocking smile. She saw her mother walking to the lady surrounded by people.

It was said that she was the current head lady of the Zuo family. Her beauty was stunning, and she was famous all throughout the Imperial Capital for her beauty when she was young.

She was surrounded by people. Ordinary people would not be able to see her face. When Madam Min entered, the crowd made way for her, revealing half of her beautiful face.

Min Chen was stunned.

Chapter 344: I Know You Are a Blessed Person

“Madam.”

Showing a flattering expression, Madam Min looked at the lady. She was the treasure of the Zuo family's leader.

Mrs. Zuo was not even 40 years old. She was well-maintained and did not look like a middle-aged woman. She was so beautiful that it made everyone pale in comparison. Her delicate wrist was slightly crossed, and she looked perfect and generous.

When she saw Madam Min, she smiled. "Min Zhu?"

Madam Min was a little surprised. "I didn't expect you to recognize me, Madam."

"Of course I do."

Mrs. Zuo smiled gently and pushed the others away, walking to the side with Mrs. Min.

They knew each other from before, but Madam Min did not expect that this Mrs. Zuo would be able to reach such a status. She had really taken down Zuo Shaoxin's fiancée and become his wife.

Until now, no one knew about the dispute between Zuo Shaoxin and this lady. Everyone thought that they were a loving couple who was the model of a wealthy family.

However, Madam Min knew that the past was so filthy that it was scary.

All she could say now, however, was that she was not seeking death. She was glad that she had chosen the right person.

"Min Chen? Of course. Let her play with Zhi Ci. Min Chen is still quite young, right?"

Madam Min smiled brightly. "She's 18. If that's the case, I'll have to trouble you, Madam Zuo."

Mrs. Zuo smiled. "It's no trouble."

Seeing the flirtatious expression on her face, Madam Min was stunned for a moment. Then, she fell into deep thought. Seeing that time was running out, she suddenly asked, "Do you believe that there are two people who look exactly alike in this world?"

Mrs. Zuo was surprised. "What do you mean?"

Madam Min's smile became even brighter. "I'm just curious given how beautiful you are. In this world, other than Miss Zhi Ci and Little Master, I'm afraid no one else can match up to you. But wouldn't it be strange if there was someone else who resembled you?"

Mrs. Zuo's face turned pale.

She suddenly turned to Madam Min. "Min Zhu, you can stop beating around the bush and be upfront. What do you mean?"

Madam Min glared at her. "Madam, I didn't mean anything. I just said it casually."

Mrs. Zuo's eyes darkened. As she spoke, she heard someone exclaim, "The old lady of the Bo family is here."

A big shot had arrived.

Even Mrs. Zuo had to treat her respectfully. She glanced at Madam Min and bit her lower lip before walking to the center of the crowd.

The Bo family's old lady was well-known in the Imperial Capital. She was the only elder who could live with the Bo family in the Lookout Pavilion. Her status was high enough that she could look down on the entire Imperial Capital. When Madam Zuo saw her, she smiled warmly. "Old Madam, you're here."

The old lady walked over and smiled lovingly when she saw Mrs. Zuo. "Good girl, happy birthday."

After that, the bodyguard who came with the old lady handed a jade box to her. The jade box was not simple. Madam Zuo thanked her gently with a soft look on her face. The old lady nodded and suddenly grabbed her palm. She clapped it gently twice. "I told you before that you are a blessed person."

Mrs. Zuo asked, "Yes?"

She tilted her head in confusion. The old lady's words were meaningful. Although she seemed to be puzzled, she also thought that the old lady might just be praising her.

The old lady patted her palm again and let go before entering the banquet hall with Mrs. Zuo.

Chapter 345: Withdrew for Family Reasons

Su Cha returned to the villa the next day.

Now that Jin Mou could no longer participate in the competition and An Qiao was also sent to the hospital, there were two fewer contestants in the Top 30.

And after seeing Su Cha return without any issues, all the contestants felt a chill in their hearts.

After all, she was able to force the poison into An Qiao's mouth in front of all of them. To them, this pro-revenge mentality and ruthless methods were even more terrifying.

Wouldn't everyone be as quiet as a chicken in front of Su Cha in the future?

Even Mona subconsciously avoided Su Cha's gaze.

She recalled the first time she met her. This woman was so vengeful that she could see through Mona's deceptions and remain wary of her until now.

If it were someone else, could they have noticed her petty tricks?

Su Cha's powers of observation and stance about revenge were equally scary.

The production crew could only try their best to comfort the contestants, but they did not mention anything about An Qiao and Jin Mou.

The competition would continue.

Even if they'd lost two contestants, it would not affect the competition's progress.

At that time, they could only make excuses that the two contestants had withdrawn from the competition.

Hence, when they were about to continue the competition that night, the official website of Dreams explained in advance about Jin Mou and An Qiao not participating in the competition.

Dreams in Progress Official: “Sorry to all the audience and contestants. [Picture]”

In the picture, Jin Mou and An Qiao’s withdrawal from the competition was explained. However, the real reason, which was that they were poisoned, could not be revealed. It could only be attributed to their families’ matters that they could do nothing about, resulting in the withdrawal of competitors An Qiao and Jin Mou.

As soon as this news was released, Dreams started trending.

This was within the production crew’s expectations, but the direction that it followed made them feel a headache.

Most of the program’s fans were waiting excitedly for the competition to begin. Unexpectedly, they received a notice from Jin Mou and An Qiao.

If it was in the past, it would have been fine. But at this time, why did they suddenly quit?

What was the so-called familial factor? Why was it so coincidental that both contestants could not participate?

An Qiao and Jin Mou’s fans exploded.

The program had just broadcasted the first round of the national competition, and now something like this happened?

“At the very least, you have to give a more complete explanation than just ‘insurmountable family matters.’ Why does it feel like your production crew is making excuses?”

“An Qiao and Jin Mou? Both of them at once? It can’t be that both of them were dragged back by their families to get married, right...?”

“Why didn’t they withdraw earlier if they wanted to withdraw from the competition? At this time of the year, they had already occupied two of the top 30 spots in the country. It was too irresponsible for them to announce their withdrawal!”

“Irresponsibility +1. If they wanted to leave, they should have left long ago. How could they let down the contestants who had been eliminated? They took away two spots, and now they’re wasted because those two are not participating? Are they just playing?”

“Her fans were unlucky to have met such an irresponsible idol.”

“Why does it seem like the production crew is not doing well this year...”

The explosion was inevitable, but the direction of the explosion was unexpected.

Even if they gave the reason that their families had irreconcilable issues, causing them to withdraw from the competition, the most vocal protestors were not their fans, but those of the eliminated contestants.

One by one, they bashed the two contestants for leaving the competition and wasting their spots. To them, such behavior was irresponsible.