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The warden stepped forward and opened the door.

Zhou Xuewen was calm. Although he was in jail, he didn't panic at all. He was

Grand Secretary Cui's man. As long as he didn't confess, the Supreme Court wouldn't be able to do anything to him. He could only be imprisoned for the time being. Feeling proud, he jumped down from the bed and patted the prison uniform on his body. Then, he stretched out his hands. His hands were handcuffed. He raised his head and said arrogantly, "Open the lock!"

Duan Jinchou looked at them with pity, like a clown jumping up and down. Even now, he still didn't recognize the reality. If he wanted to let him go, why would he let them come? Mobilize a large force? At the very least, it was someone from Grand Secretary Cui's faction.

He retracted his gaze and looked at the prison head. He was only here to deliver a message. He could just leave the murder to the prison head. After the matter was investigated by the higher-ups, he could just push him out. He said coldly, Send him on his way!

The warden was stunned. He pointed at himself and asked in panic,"Lord, Lord, aren't you making things difficult for me?"

"How did I make things difficult for you? Everything was done according to the rules. The order was given by Lord Tianji, and the procedure had been completed. Was it wrong?"

He changed the topic. If he delayed any longer and waited for Grand Secretary Cui's men to arrive, he wouldn't have the chance to kill him. "Hurry up and do

Zhou Xuewen panicked. His body trembled and he almost fell to the ground. When he came back to his senses, he shouted, "The abuse of justice! Aren't you afraid that the higher-ups will hold you accountable for killing an official of the imperial court?"

"It's not that I want to kill you! It was Grand Secretary Cui who wanted to kill you!"

He kicked the prison guard to the ground and pressed on again. "Hurry up!"

Zhou Xuewen lost his voice and shouted crazily, ""This is impossible! Grand Elder Cui won't kill me, it must be you! I want to see Grand Secretary Cui."

He used all his strength to rush outside, wanting to escape from this place.

As soon as he arrived, he was kicked to the ground.

The jailer was under a lot of pressure when he met the cold gaze of the lord. Even though he knew that he should not act, he remembered that the procedure was legal and the memorial was handed over by the Pavilion of Heavenly Secrets. If he did not act soon, he would be the one in trouble. He stood up from the ground and drew the punishment knife at his waist. He walked towards the lord with a murderous aura. Zhou Xuewen glared at him and scolded, "How dare you!"

Whoosh!

The punishment blade slashed down with a huge cold light towards his head. At this moment, an angry roar came from outside, "Stop!"

But it was too late!

The punishment blade fell, and under Zhou Xuewen's unwilling gaze, he beheaded him and sent him on his way.

Plop!

The knife fell to the ground, and the jailer fell to the ground in fear. He panicked and felt as if the sky was falling.
At this moment, Grand Secretary Cui's men arrived with a group of people.
They glared at Zhou Xuewen, who had been dismembered, and shouted at Duan Jinchou's men,""Who told you to do it?"
"The memorial sent by the Pavilion of Heavenly Secrets ordered my lord to immediately send Zhou Xuewen on his way."
"You…!"
Duan Jinchou ignored him and ordered with his hands behind his back,""Let's
He left with his men.
Seeing that they had left, the man felt helpless. He was angry and rushed over, but he was still too late. Zhou Xuewen had already been killed. He looked at the trembling prison head and was burning with anger. He rushed forward and kicked him a few times to vent his anger. He hurriedly brought his men back to report.
The Pavilion of Heavenly Secrets.
In the main hall.
Grand Elder Cui looked at Pei Caicai, who was sitting across from him, expressionlessly. They were separated by a table. He had sent He Wenxuan out just now, and Pei Caicai had come with a pile of useless memorials for him to read!
Usually.

They had used all kinds of methods to get him to send the memorial over, but they did not even pay attention to him and treated his words like wind!

Even though the Tianji Pavilion held a higher position than the other six departments and had more authority, it was still harder than ascending to the heavens to take them down! Unless there was an order from the Xia Emperor, or Pei Cai was caught committing a crime, then he could be taken down.

Otherwise, the minister would ignore you and go against you. At most, he would control them a little, block them in various procedures, and then embarrass them in the imperial court.

Other than that, there was no hard damage.

Under normal circumstances, no minister would do such a thing. Once he offended the pavilion elder, it would be several times more difficult for the other party to stop him from entering the pavilion.

Before Grand Elder Cui had pushed He Wenxuan out, their relationship hadn't been this tense. However, when he tried to get He Wenxuan into the Secret Pavilion and cut off Pei Caihua's path to the top, their relationship deteriorated. He used all kinds of tricks and fought with Pei Caihua. Both sides had their own victories, but Grand Elder Cui had the advantage of his status and was able to suppress him.

He didn't expect him to be so ruthless this time. He actually wanted to use the Crown Prince's people to cut off one of his arms. If Pei Caicai succeeded, it would be a fatal blow to his prestige!

Pei Caihua held the teacup and gently swung the lid. He leisurely took a sip and did not raise his head." Is Grand Elder Cui too old to hold a pen? I've sent the memorial over for half a day, but you didn't move at all."

Grand Elder Cui wasn't angry. He smiled and stroked his beard." 'Time and tide wait for no man. Unlike young people like you, who are capable and charge ahead for decades. It's been hard on you."

Footsteps came from outside. A subordinate walked in quickly and stopped in front of Grand Secretary Cui. He glanced at Pei Caicai and saw that the latter was standing there like a sticky candy. He leaned

over to Grand Secretary Cui's ear and covered his face with his palm. He lowered his voice and told him about the situation at the Scholar Hall..

Chapter 202: Confrontation in the Imperial Study

Without waiting for him to leave, another person came in. It seemed that they had discussed it beforehand. This person was the one who had reported Zhou Xuewen's death in the Ministry of Justice's prison!

Pei Caihua smiled and finished the tea in one gulp. He placed it heavily on the table and said,""Ten years to sharpen a sword, the sharper it gets! Unlike some people who had become old and muddle-headed. Their virtue was not worthy of their position, and they could not even protect their own people."

The smile on Grand Elder Cui's face disappeared. He gave him a cold look, stood up from his chair, and walked out without saying a word.

Things had gotten to this point, and Pei Cai had also stepped forward. If they wanted to take down Zhang Ronghua and Ding Yi, they needed the Imperial Censorate's documents.

However, the Imperial Censorate held a very important position, on par with the Supreme Court and the other departments, as well as the six ministries. He had no one he could use there.

Even if he did, he didn't dare to use it now!

As long as he dared to use it, Pei Caicai would dare to go to His Majesty to consult him.

Pei Caihua followed him and walked with him towards the royal study.

He mocked in his heart. The show had just begun. Old fellow, you've lost all your face this time!

They arrived at the royal study.
"Your Majesty is inside?" Grand Elder Cui asked expressionlessly."
Eunuch Xiao responded!
"This old man has an urgent matter to see Your Majesty!"
Eunuch Xiao nodded and pushed open the door. After entering, he closed the door and reported the situation outside.
After a while.
Having received the Xia Emperor's decree, he came out and made an inviting gesture. "Your Majesty, please enter!"
In the main hall.
"Greetings, Your Majesty!"
The two of them bowed.
The Xia Emperor was reviewing the memorial without even raising his head, as if he had not seen them The Crown Prince was also present, studying and grinding ink on the side. It had been some time since he had seen them come, and he could already guess what was going on.

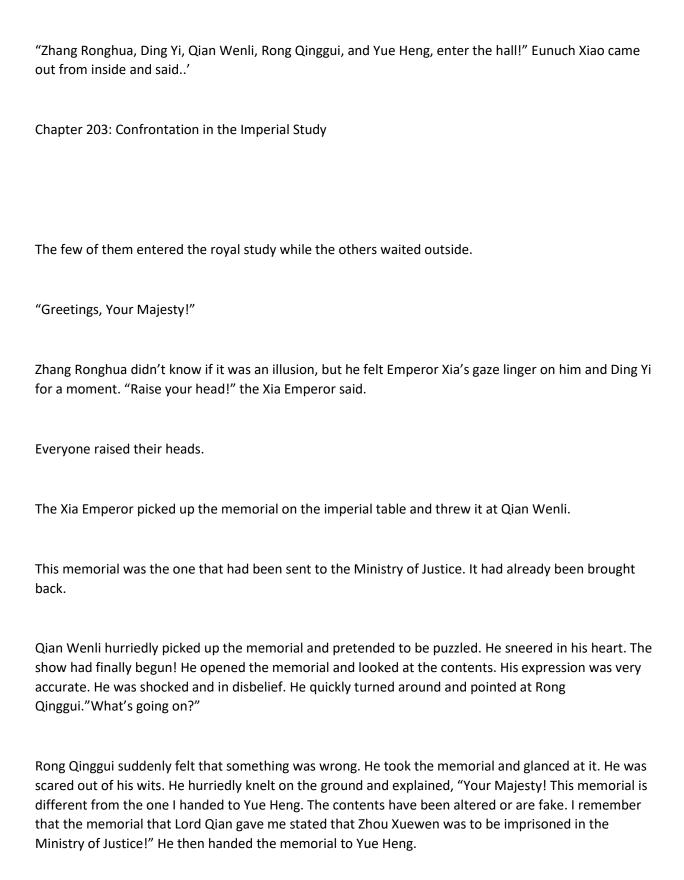
Just now, Wu Jinxiu had already reported the matter. He wanted to step forward, but his father did not say anything, so he could not leave! Zhang Ronghua could only continue to study. He broke out in a cold

sweat and wanted to figure out the whole story.

Now that Pei Caicai was here, it seemed that he was also involved in this matter. It should be related to Zhang Ronghua. His worried heart calmed down a little.
Seeing the Xia Emperor's attitude
Grand Elder Cui's heart sank. In the past, he would always offer a seat, serve tea, and ask what was the matter. But now, he didn't even raise his head. He had a bad feeling!
He was puzzled. Was Zhang Ronghua worth His Majesty's high regard? Even if he was the Crown Prince's subordinate, shouldn't he be punished for making a mistake?
He couldn't figure it out!
The Xia Emperor didn't speak, so they continued to wait.
After a while.
Emperor Xia put down his brush, and the Crown Prince hurriedly took it and hung it on the brush stand. His deep and majestic eyes contained the pressure of a supreme emperor. With just a glance, they were so pressured that they could not breathe. He asked expressionlessly,"Why are you looking for me?"
Grand Elder Cui had a bad feeling. Emperor Xia's attitude was abnormal, and his voice was cold, much colder than before!
No matter how he thought about it, he could not understand!
He could only tell her what had happened without exaggeration.
The Xia Emperor was not a fatuous ruler, nor was he an old fool. With his power, how could he not know what was happening in the palace?

Moreover
After so many years, he had already understood the Xia Emperor's temper. One was one, two was two. He hated it when others lied or added private goods.
Those who dared to do so ended up very miserable. The grass on their graves could even be used to cook a few pots of rice.
"Bring them here!"
'Yes!"
Wei Shang responded and turned to walk out. He ordered Eunuch Xiao to bring the Human Emperor Guards and call them all over.
Scholar Hall.
By now, Ding Yi was tired. He really couldn't run anymore. It wasn't easy for him to persist until now. He stopped and placed his hands on his knees. Panting, he pointed at He Wenxuan angrily and scolded,"Old thing, you only
Imow how to run?"
He Wenxuan wasn't feeling well either. He was a few dozen steps away, leaning on a pillar and panting heavily. He was puzzled. Didn't they say that this trash's health was very poor? Why did you chase me for so long?
Suppressing the suspicion in his heart, he retorted, "If you have the ability, continue chasing! ""
"F * ck! I don't believe I can't catch up with you." Ding Yi rolled up his sleeves and chased after her again.

At this moment.
Eunuch Xiao rushed over with the Human Emperor Guards and shouted,""Stop!"
Ding Yi subconsciously turned his head. Seeing that he had arrived and the Human Emperor Guards he had brought, he stopped and did not move. He knew his limits very well.
He walked up and stopped in front of everyone.
Eunuch Xiao looked at Zhang Ronghua and saw that he was not injured. He secretly heaved a sigh of relief. With Zheng Fugui's relationship, he saw him as his junior. After all, Xiao Mi was his only granddaughter. After she and Zheng Fugui got married in the future, they would be a family. He had to support them more."Pass on His Majesty's orders. Zhang Ronghua, Ding Yi, He Wenxuan, Li Daoran, Ren Liang, Qian Wenli, Rong Qinggui, and Yue Heng, come over!"
He turned around and left.
Zhang Ronghua walked over and stopped beside Ding Yi. His palm landed on his shoulder and injected a stream of Black Yellow True Essence into his body to nurse his body. He asked, "Can you hold on?"
"Brother, I'm fine! She was just a little tired and panting, but she didn't feel any other discomfort."
Zhang Ronghua nodded and said,""Let's go!"
The group of people walked towards the Imperial Palace and stopped outside the Imperial Study.
Without the Xia Emperor's orders, no one dared to enter.
Very quickly.



After reading it.

Yue Heng was not any better than him. He was even more unbearable. He knelt on the ground at the first moment and defended himself."Lord Rong is right! The contents of the memorial he handed to me were not like this." He looked at Zhang Ronghua and shouted at him.

"It's him! He must have swapped the memorial and sent a fake order to kill Zhou Xuewen!"

Everyone looked over.

The Xia Emperor did not speak. His face was as expressionless as before, and no one could tell what he was thinking from his face. Zhang Ronghua took a step forward and took out the voice recording stone. "The truth will be revealed at a glance!"

Wei Shang came down from the high platform and took the voice recording stone from his hand. He walked to the high platform and injected a bit of true essence into it. The image inside was revealed.

The conversation between Zhang Ronghua and Yue Heng, as well as the changes in the contents of the memorial, were all recorded in detail.

Yue Heng panicked. This time, he was truly afraid. Cold sweat drenched his entire body. He pointed angrily at Rong O?nggui and shouted, "Why did you harm me?"

Rong Qinggui wasn't any better. Facing his responsibility, he pointed at Qian Wenli and said,""lt's him! Qian Wenli gave it to me. I was only following orders!"

"Nonsense!" Qian Wenli retorted angrily. You just said that when I handed you the memorial, I only locked Zhou Xuewen in the Ministry of Justice's prison!

Moreover, you had a grudge with him from the very beginning. When they were in the library hall, you ordered people to send the tattered books from the miscellaneous hall to make things difficult for them. You even set a time for him to finish them within the deadline. If your first plan didn't work, then you'll

use another plan. You deliberately swapped the memorial that I gave you for the memorial, wanting to kill him! Do you want to quibble?" "You, you...

"What do you mean you! The truth is here, hurry up and confess!"

"I didn't have any enmity with him! You're telling me that the First Prince wants to cut off the Crown Prince's arm and hide Zhang Ronghua! "He asked me to send over the tattered books in the miscellaneous hall. When he saw them selling XX paintings to earn money, he took out his treasured Mountain and River State Painting and asked me to take it over to Zhang Ronghua to copy it. With his painting skills, the Mountain and River State Painting he drew would be even better! By a freak combination of factors, it was ruined by Ding Yi. He vented his anger on me and punched and kicked me. Today, he came over, and you asked me to send the memorial over. You even said that his good days were over!"

Qian Wenli wanted to kill him. This bastard! He actually said everything and forced him to his death. He was really afraid. He didn't expect Zhang Ronghua to see through his scheme and record it with a voice recording stone. Thinking of this, he hated Rong Qinghua and Yue Heng to death. These two pig teammates had screwed him over.

But now, he absolutely could not admit it. No matter what, he had to think of a way to get away with it. The First Prince could no longer be mentioned. The matter was out in the open, and so many people were involved. How could he get them out?

"Bullshit! This official is upright and upright, how could I do such a despicable thing? Also, the Great Prince was open and aboveboard. He was gentle to others and treated his brothers like brothers. How could he not have a tolerant heart? Even if you want to shirk responsibility, you have to find a good reason!"

Rong Qinggui was furious. His nostrils were spewing fire, and his rationality was completely replaced by anger. He roared, "You're the one who's f \* cking farting! All these years, I've done so many shameful things for you and helped you take so much money. Have you f \* cking forgotten? Did he really think that he didn't have any trump cards?"

If looks could kill, Qian Wenli would definitely cut him into pieces without hesitation!

He had thought that this fellow was not scheming and was at most a little smarter than a pig. He did not expect that he would actually hold back when playing dirty with him!

If this matter was confirmed, he would die even if it was removed from Zhou Xuewen's case!

He rolled up his sleeves and stood up from the ground. He roared, "How dare you slander me! Go to hell!"

She kicked his face ruthlessly and pounced on him. She rode on his body and punched and kicked him. Every move was fatal and aimed at his vital points. She wanted to kill Rong Qinggui.

Rong Qinggui was already on the verge of exploding. Seeing that he still dared to beat him up, the gunpowder barrel exploded. He did not care that this was the royal study and punched his face, sending two of his front teeth flying. He flipped over and rode on him, beating him up ruthlessly.

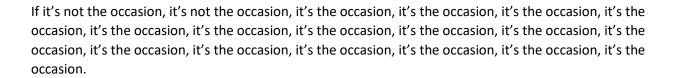
He was younger than Qian Wenli and had better stamina.. He instantly gained the upper hand and suppressed Qian Wenli to beat him up!

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Hearing the commotion inside, the Human Emperor Guards outside pushed open the door and rushed in as quickly as possible. With swords in their hands, they surrounded the hall.

However, the Xia Emperor didn't say anything. He hesitated for a moment, then continued to surround them.

Zhang Ronghua was watching with great interest. It was not common to see a big fight in the royal study. It was very enjoyable to watch it seriously!



It was almost over.

Emperor Xia waved his hand, and the Human Emperor Guards stepped forward and separated them. They grabbed their arms and pinned them to the ground. Their faces were pressed against the ground, and they looked miserable.

"Take them away and interrogate them!"

The Human Emperor Guards escorted the three of them away.

After settling Zhou Xuewen's case, Emperor Xia waved his hand. Wei Youshu came down from the high platform and asked Eunuch Xiao to call He Wenxuan and the others in.

"Greetings, Your Majesty!"

The scene that had just happened in the royal study had been witnessed by the Human Emperor Guards as they pushed open the door and rushed in. Seeing the matter end up like this, with Qian Wenli and the other two being dragged away, they panicked, afraid that they would end up in the same situation!

The Xia Emperor didn't even spare them a glance. He looked at Ding Yi and said, ""Tell me what happened!"

Ding Yi recounted everything that had happened, including the scene where he chased after He Wenxuan and beat him up.

Hearing this sentence.

The Xia Emperor's eyes flashed with a bright light. It seemed that this technique was indeed useful!
His gaze fell on Grand Secretary Cui.
Grand Secretary Cui hadn't expected such a dramatic ending. The First Prince had used him to get rid of Zhang Ronghua and make him fight to the death with the Crown Prince. He was furious, but he had to get over it first.
"Sending Ren Liang to the Scholar's Hall to capture him, this old minister was not considerate! Please punish me, Your Majesty."
The Xia Emperor said, "Ren Liang will be demoted to a commoner, and the Ren family will never be an official!""
The Human Emperor Guards rushed up and roughly pressed down on his palm. They took off his official hat and dragged him outside.
Ren Liang was anxious." I was wrong. Please show mercy, Your Majesty!""
Grand Elder Cui lowered his head, his old hands clenched tightly under his sleeves. He had lost a lot of face. He couldn't even protect his own people. This was a huge blow to his reputation!
Looking at He Wenxuan and meeting the imposing gaze of Emperor Xia, the former panicked and his body subconsciously bent a little. On second thought, he was not wrong. He had only gone to the Scholar's Hall. Could it be that because of this, he was demoted to a commoner?
Impossible! He was a second-grade official. If he really did this, wouldn't he be breaking the rules?
"Ding Yi has the Holy Dragon Token, and you dare to run?"
Plop!

He Wenxuan was really panicking this time. He actually missed the True Dragon Token and his head was pressed against the ground as he admitted defeat." I know my mistake!"

"Beat him up!"

Ding Yi was stunned, wondering if he had heard wrongly. He actually wanted him to beat up He Wenxuan? He looked suspiciously at the Xia Emperor and probed,"Your Majesty...'

Seeing the look in his eyes, Ding Yi understood and swallowed the rest of his words. He had never seen such an order before, but he liked it!

He rolled up his sleeves and walked over. He Wenxuan was so scared that he covered his head with both hands. He couldn't hide, so he just had to be beaten up!

He felt humiliated and puzzled. Why did His Majesty ask him to beat him up?

Could it be that he, a dignified second-grade official, was not as strong as a good-for-nothing?

A kick flew over and landed on He Wenxuan's head, causing him to fall to the ground and interrupt his thoughts. Ding Yi rushed forward and beat him up while cursing, "F \* ck! Weren't you f \* cking arrogant just now? Screaming, making me chase, not thinking that I am weak, chasing, not chasing you, deliberately infuriating me? If you have the ability, try running again!" Punches, kicks, and storm-like attacks were unleashed crazily.

After a while, he finally let out his anger and stopped.

When he came to the royal study, he had the Black Yellow True Essence left by Zhang Ronghua to recuperate. In addition, his body had recovered a little. He was not tired from the violent beating, but his breathing was a little heavy.

The Xia Emperor had seen his performance. Hearing was false, but seeing was believing. Now, he could confirm that the Supreme Nirvana Life-Giving Art was truly effective!



"Go forward and let Eunuch Wei take your pulse."
Ding Yi stepped forward and stretched out his right hand. Wei Shang walked down and took Ding Yi's pulse seriously. He was shocked, but his expression did not change. After a while, he retracted his hand and said with relief,"Much better. I should be able to recover in another eight to ten days."
"The Supreme Nirvana Life Technique that I created will be even more effective if there are spirit herbs to assist in its cultivation! However, before taking it, there must be someone guarding it. If the medicinal strength was too much to
digest, it must be dissolved in time."
"You may leave!"
The two of them left.
After the door closed, Wei Shang said excitedly,""Congratulations, Your Majesty! There was a chance of increasing his lifespan and making his physique stronger."
There were no outsiders present.
The Xia Emperor no longer hid anything. He smiled. "I didn't expect the cultivation technique he created to be so powerful! With Ding Yi as an example, he felt more at ease.'
The topic changed.
"Have you put away Sixth Brother's memorial tablet?"
Wei Shang replied.

"No matter what, he's still my son. Even a vicious tiger won't eat its cubs! Unfortunately, he chose the path that I didn't want to see." Wei Shang knew Emperor Xia's good intentions. He had grounded the Sixth Prince. Although he had lost a lot, he could still live in peace. If not... Princess Changxi's case had been solved, and the truth had been revealed, so he would be released from his confinement. However, His Majesty had not mentioned a single word about it, which meant that this was the case.. Chapter 205: Taking Power After leaving the royal study, it was already time for them to leave. The two of them didn't return to the Scholar's Hall. Instead, they changed directions and headed straight for the Vermillion Bird Gate. On the way. Ding Yi endured the pain and had a stomach full of questions to ask, but there were people around him. They were either Human Emperor Guards or the Golden Scaled Mysterious Heavenly Army. It was not a place to talk. They arrived at the Vermilion Bird Sect. Uncle Ding had been waiting by the side of the carriage for a long time. When he saw them arrive, he quickly welcomed them.

"Young Master, Qing Lin!"
The two of them nodded, and their attention fell on a Dragon Guard at the side.
The other party walked over quickly and stopped in front of Zhang Ronghua. He said respectfully,"Sir, His Highness wants you to go over."
"Go back and report to His Highness first. Tell him that I will send Ding Yi back."
'Yes!"
The Flood Dragon Guard turned around and left.
The two of them got into the carriage. Uncle Ding drove the carriage and drove it on Vermilion Bird Avenue.
Tonight's night was not bad. The curved moon scattered gentle moonlight. The stars in the sky were not competing, but just embellishments. They surrounded the surroundings and illuminated the earth.
On the main road, only the sizzling sound of the carriages could be heard.
In the car.
Ding Yi handed over a banana.""Brother, have some fruit."
He waved his right hand.
A stream of Black Yellow True Essence rushed out from his palm and covered the interior of the carriage, protecting it from the inside and forming a barrier. No matter how loud the commotion inside was, the outside could not hear it.

Zhang Ronghua peeled the banana open, revealing the cream-colored banana flesh. He took a bite and saw that he was looking at him. Zhang Ronghua said, "Ask whatever you want to ask!"

Ding Yi endured the entire journey. He could ignore all other questions, but he had to clarify the Xia Emperor's attitude. He asked, ""' His Majesty seems to be siding with us."

"It should have something to do with the Supreme Nirvana Life-Giving Art!"

When he pointed to it, it will stop. Rong Hua didn't say that it was too white. This problem had already been considered when he was in the royal study.

Logically speaking, if he discovered that Qian Wenli had tampered with the memorial and recorded it with a voice recording stone, he should have reported it immediately. In that case, Yue Heng, Rong Qinggui, and Qian Wenli would not be able to escape. They would be imprisoned in the Ministry of Justice's prison and interrogated under torture.

However, he chose to cooperate with Pei Caicai and used a fake memorial to deal with Zhou Xuewen, making things even more complicated.

Although doing so would benefit him the most, and he would gain a firm foothold in the Scholar Hall in the future, and his relationship with Pei Caicai would deepen, it would also offend Grand Secretary Cui.

If the Xia Emperor punished him, he would be in trouble as well.

But in the end, the Xia Emperor had only given them a warning and not any punishment. Or rather, he had been protecting them from the very beginning, standing on their side.

There was no such thing as love without reason in this world. He had never believed that there would be a good thing like a pie falling from the sky. When he thought of the Nirvana Supreme Life Creation Technique, he already had a guess.

Just like that night, when he left the royal study and returned to the Scholar Hall, he told Ding Yi that not being rewarded was the greatest benefit. The Emperor's heart was the greatest favor!

Ding Yi responded with a heavy voice. This secret would forever be buried in his heart.

After clearing his doubts, he smiled." I've long been unhappy with Qian Wenli and the others. This time, I'm really pleased. I've completely eliminated them.

In the future, there will be no more people in the Scholar Hall that I don't like."

"Walk sideways! Like a crab, unrestrained."

They looked at each other and smiled. Their hearty laughter echoed in the car.

He grabbed a handful of grapes and plucked them from the branches. He placed them on a plate one by one and threw one into his mouth. Zhang

Ronghua spat out the grape skin."His Majesty is really good to you. He ordered He Wenxuan to stay where he is and let you beat him up!"

"Hehe!" Ding Yi scratched his head in embarrassment.

"To be honest, this is the first time I've seen such an order. However, thinking about it, he was still very angry. That old thing actually dared to chase after him in the Scholar's Hall. If it wasn't for the fact that he was in the royal study, he would have been a little more ruthless.'

He took a bite of an apple and stopped smiling. "Brother, you have to be careful of Grand Secretary Cui! This old fellow was ruthless and ruthless. He killed without shedding blood. This time, he had offended him severely and swept away his face. He would not let this matter rest."

Zhang Ronghua shook his head and continued to eat the grapes. "He's already old! He couldn't even protect his own people and had lost so much face. It was a fatal blow to his prestige. On the surface, it

seemed that the Emperor was only punishing his salary, but in reality, the damage was even greater. Those who worked for him would leave a way out for themselves. "Pei Caicai's reputation has also risen greatly after this incident. He won't let Grand Secretary Cui off easy in order to enter the Secret Pavilion. They're busy and don't have time to 'take care' of me. Even if they do, isn't it normal? The higher the status of a person who wanted to become a public official, the more plots and plots he would have."

"I'm relieved that you know what to do!"
"His Highness is looking for you now because of today's matter?"
"Yes."
As they spoke, the carriage stopped at the four-way intersection.
Seeing this.
Zhang Ronghua kept his Black Yellow True Essence, and Uncle Ding's voice came from outside,""Green Kirin is here."
"Brother, be careful!"
"Go back and rest early!"
He got out of the carriage and saw that the carriage had left. He rushed towards the Eastern Palace.
At the Tranquil Heart Palace.
The Empress was the first to receive news of what had happened in the palace.
On the bed.

A purple-red blanket was laid out on the bed. There was a phoenix embroidered in the middle of the blanket, and it was surrounded by golden flames flames. Two sheets that were as thin as cicada's wings were stacked on top of each other, close to the wall..

Chapter 206: In Power

A jade person was lying on a bright yellow pillow.

She supported her head with her left hand, her hair casually drifting to the left and right, like an ornament, but also like a icing on the cake, reflecting her beautiful and flawless face. Her straight and slender jade-like legs were white with a hint of red, sparkling and sparkling, emitting an alluring luster. It slid all the way to the bottom, making people want to rub them ruthlessly. It was best to rub them hard!

A pair of jade-like feet were exposed in the air. The joints were distinct and well-proportioned, without any protruding parts. There were ten toes, and the nails were painted with bright nail polish. The friction brought about a greater visual impact. To some people, it might have other uses, making them unable to stop.

It was a moon-white coat that was hollow and transparent. There was a golden lotus embroidered on it, making it look noble and holy. It covered her chest and covered her beautiful scenery.

She was graceful, noble, and had a powerful aura. Her every move and gaze carried a great pressure that made people submit from the bottom of their souls.

She stretched out her jade-like hands and placed a black grape grape in her mouth. After eating the grape, she spat the skin onto the plate and asked,""Shimin was chased out too?"

Su Qiutang sat at the side, holding a ginseng fruit in her left hand and a small knife in her right. Her slender fingers were pressed against the knife as she peeled the ginseng fruit.

The Empress's beautiful eyes turned, and her phoenix eyes became brighter and brighter. She did not know what was hidden behind this passive feeling. It made her feel very uncomfortable and showed signs of losing control. Her voice was slightly cold."It's already the second time. If the first time was understandable, Ding Yi dragged Zhang Ronghua over, but what about this time? Such a big thing, even Cui was punished and lost his salary, but they were safe and sound. There must be some secret hidden inside!"

Su Qiutang put down the knife and opened her red lips, revealing her snow-white teeth. She took a bite of the fruit of life and said as she ate,""Our people can't infiltrate it!"

The Empress knew this and was very unwilling! Clenching her jade-like hand into a fist, cracking sounds rang out as she said,""If the palace doesn't work, then we'll start with them!"

"Ding Yi wants to move too?"

"Did BenGong say that she wanted to touch him?"

"Could they be the same person?"

He glared at her fiercely with his phoenix eyes, took the Life Fruit from her hand, took a bite, and returned it to her.

"Giggle Su Qiutang's chest thumped as she laughed like a silver bell.

The Empress continued, "Start with Zhang Ronghua. We must pry open his mouth and find out what happened before and after. Otherwise, BenGong will feel uneasy!""

He stopped smiling.

Su Qiutang looked serious and shook her head.""Difficult! This person's mouth was very tough and he was smart. He was clearly young, but his methods were not inferior to those old foxes. When it was time to endure, he would endure. Once the opportunity came, he would use thunderous methods to kill the enemy! This incident was the best proof."

After a pause, he pointed in the direction of the depths of the Imperial Palace. That was where the Xia Emperor was.
They all disappeared! He should be dead too. The people who were sent to monitor his family had disappeared along with the people from other forces! It was different from his side. From the traces of the other party's attack, it should be His Majesty's people!"
The Empress 'pupils constricted. The information contained in this matter was very large, indicating that Zhang Ronghua had someone protecting him."Are you sure?"
"Yes."
Her jade-like fingers knocked on the bed board, making a "dong dong" sound.
At this moment, she thought of many things.
After a while.
"He's not Shi Min's man?" When did you become his woman?"
"I don't know!" Su Qiutang shook her head."
"No matter what method we use, we must investigate this matter clearly and try to pry open his mouth. It's best to rope him in and make him work for us!" "The Shu Road is difficult, but it's harder than ascending to the blue sky!"
"Stop talking nonsense!"
In the Eastern Palace.

Zheng Fugui was waiting at the door. Seeing that it was already dark and his cousin had yet to arrive, he paced back and forth with his hands behind his back. Just as he reached the east side, his eyes lit up and he saw a figure walking over from the main road. He raised his eyebrows and his tense face was replaced by joy. He rushed over and shouted from afar, "Cousin!"

He quickly rushed over and stopped in front of Zhang Ronghua. He smiled honestly and his eyes were pure, just like before.

Zhang Ronghua stretched out his hand and tidied up the messy collar on his neck. Then, he patted off the dust on his chest and patiently warned, "Things are different now. You are also a sixth-rank official. In name, you are a subordinate general, but in fact, you are in charge of the Flood Dragon Guards and the Crown Prince's personal guards. No matter what, you must pay attention to your words and deeds!"

"Is that still me?

Without waiting for Zhang Ronghua to speak, Zheng Fugui continued,""In front of you, I'll always be the butt worm that followed behind you when I was young!"

Zhang Ronghua glared at him and changed the topic. "Your Highness is waiting for me?"

"Yes." Zheng Fugui pointed inside and said.

"Lu Zhantang is also here. After capturing Perfected Worriless, he finished his work and reported to His Highness. When he heard that you were coming over, he waited in the back hall and said that he would treat today and that he would not return until he was drunk!" "Let's go! Let's go over."

He entered the Eastern Palace.

In the rear hall, he met Lu Zhantang, who was standing guard there. The two of them nodded as a greeting but didn't say anything. The Crown Prince was still waiting inside. If he had anything to say, he could wait until he came out..

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They entered the Xuanhe Hall. "Greetings, Your Highness!" Zhang Ronghua bowed." The Crown Prince put down the book in his hand and pointed to the chair on the left. He smiled and said,""Sit!" Zhang Ronghua walked over and sat on a chair. Shuang 'er served him tea and placed a cup of spiritual tea in front of him. Then, she walked to the door and closed it from the outside. She stood guard here and did not allow anyone to approach. Seeing this. Zhang Ronghua came to a realization. It was because of what happened during the day. He held the teacup and the tea lid. The more fragrant the tea was, the more ripples it rippled. When the tea cooled down, he took a sip and put down the teacup. He then selectively told what happened during the day, retaining the Nirvana Supreme Life Technique. The Crown Prince nodded his head in satisfaction. He was very happy that he knew his place. After listening. It was similar to the information he had, but there were some differences in the details. He said, "You did the right thing on this matter. The officialdom does not blindly make enemies, but if anyone provokes us, we either endure it or uproot them with thunderous methods! As for Grand Elder Cui, you don't have to worry too much about him. This old man has done many bad things for me. If he dares to attack, I will stop him."

The hidden meaning was that as long as he did not betray me, I would not stand by and do nothing, no

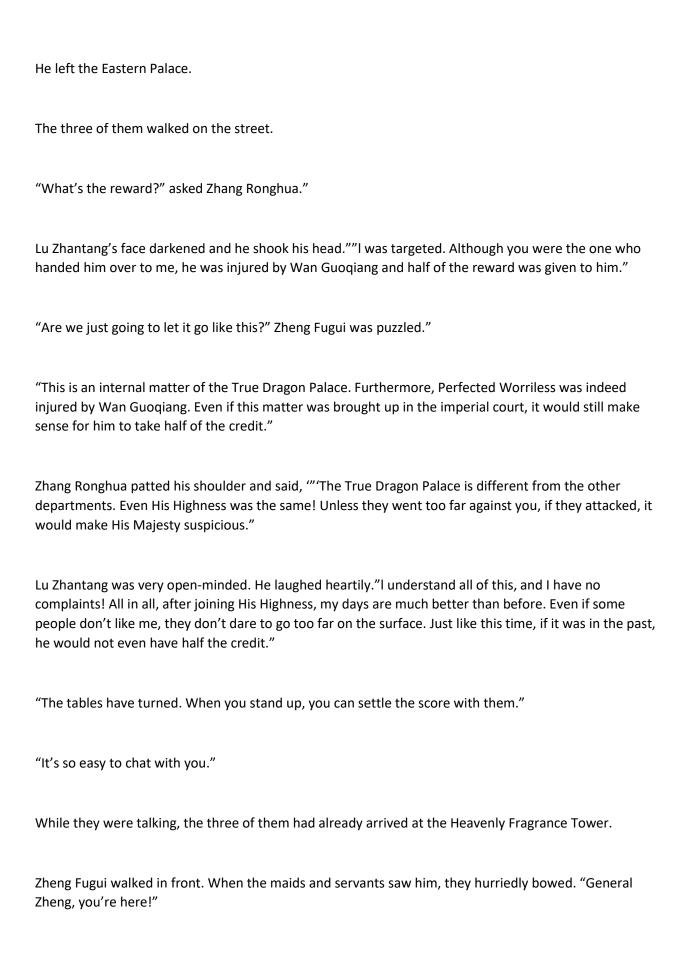
matter what happened, just like I did in the

Eastern Palace.
"Thank you, Your Highness!'"' He asked.
"Has Qian Wenli spoken?"
He was referring to the First Prince.
The Crown Prince shook his head, a look of pity on his face. "The Ministry of Justice has used all sorts of punishments. This old thing has admitted to everything, including corruption, bribery, and even the matter of meddling with the memorial. The only thing he has not admitted is that Xia Shili secretly instigated this matter!"
Xia Shili was the First Prince's name.
"He knows very well that if the First Prince is involved, his words alone won't cause the First Prince any harm. He'll even invite his revenge. Even if he dies, with the First Prince around, he can protect his family. At the very least, his political enemies won't take revenge!"
The Crown Prince smiled, and so did Zhang Ronghua. If the weeds were not uprooted, they would grow again in the spring breeze.
The First Prince could stop other political enemies, but could he stop them?
Neither of them mentioned anything about taking revenge on Qian Wenli's family, but their ending was already decided!
"Yin Guoping was killed and he suffered a great loss. I gained the most benefits." At this point, the Crown Prince's voice turned cold, and even the surrounding temperature dropped a few degrees.

"I didn't expect that he would dare to attack first! Then I'll play with him." Zhang Ronghua once again said, "If you need me to help, just tell me.""
The Crown Prince smiled and pretended to be relaxed as he asked,""After I left, what did Imperial Father say to you in the royal study?"
She Imew that he would ask, so she said the words she had prepared.
"Ding Yi's body is very weak. His Majesty warned me to take care of him."
"The Ding family is worthy of admiration! He would help out as much as he could."
"I understand!"
"I heard that you're looking for me?"
If he hadn't seen the Sixth Prince's memorial tablet, Zhang Ronghua would have said it without hesitation. However, he had seen the witch's name on his memorial tablet, which had implicated Emperor Xia, complicating the matter. Moreover, Emperor Xia's attitude today had clearly sided with him. He had left a way out and hadn't said anything.
With the Crown Prince's influence, he would definitely know that he and Ding Yi were going to the Imperial Tombs. Ordinary reasons would not be able to convince him.
"Ding Yi wants to pay his respects to Father, so he asked me to follow him. As his big brother, I can't take out ordinary things, so I want to ask Your Highness for some spiritual items to pay my respects to Ding Xiu!"
"You're so thoughtful!"
He clapped his hands.

Shuang 'er pushed open the door and walked in.
"Take Qing Lin to the storeroom to get more spiritual items!"
Zhang Ronghua stood up from his chair and bowed in gratitude."Thank you for your reward, Your Highness!"
After leaving the Xuanhe Hall, the door closed.
The Green Girl frowned and voiced her doubts,"Your Highness, this servant feels that he seems to have changed from before."
The Crown Prince glanced at her and asked meaningfully,""How is it different?" "I don't know! Instinct."
"It has indeed changed! He would be even more ruthless to his enemies. He would team up with Pei Caicai to send Qian Wenli and the other two on their way, and then eliminate Zhou Xuewen to destroy Grand Secretary Cui's reputation! Even if I don't step in, Pei Caihua will stop Grand Secretary Cui." "How long has he been transferred to the Scholar's Hall?" Did you get in touch with Pei Caihua?"
"A capable person will always shine no matter where he is! This is also why I value him."
Looking at the night sky outside, the Crown Prince had a trace of anticipation in his heart. How far could Zhang Ronghua go?
In the storeroom.
Shuang 'er closed the door and teased,""Every time we meet, your aura grows stronger. After a while, I'm afraid you'll have to call me Grand Secretary Zhang."
"Watch your words!" Zhang Ronghua shrugged and reminded."

"I really envy you. His Highness thinks highly of you and rewards you with more and more spiritual items."
"You're not bad yourself. You served His Highness and gained His Highness
'trust."
Shuang 'er stroked her hair and placed it on her shoulders. She rolled her eyes at him."Your words are so nice."
He took out a pile of spiritual items and handed over ten flasks of Heavenly
Jade Brew
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"Thank you!"
He stored them into the Five Dragons Spirit Controlling Belt.
After leaving the storeroom, the two of them separated.
At the back hall.
Lu Zhantang and Zheng Fugui quickly came up to him. The former was wearing plain clothes when he came, while the latter had just gone to the dormitory and changed out of his dragon robe. "Let's go!" Zhang Ronghua shouted.



"Sister Mi is inside?"
"The boss is in the backyard, this servant will inform him."
Under the guidance of another maid, the three of them went up to the third floor and entered the innermost private room near the window. This was the best location.
The door closed.
"How far has it progressed?" Zhang Ronghua asked with narrowed eyes." "Ah!" Zheng Fugui was shocked and only then did he remember that he had been exposed.
He was as proud as he was just now, but now he was as cowardly as he was. His face was wrinkled like a bitter gourd. If it wasn't crowded, a lot of water would drip out. He stammered, "It, it's not to that extent. It's just that what should have happened has happened."
Puff!
Lu Zhantang had just taken a sip of tea when he spat it on the floor. He looked at Zheng Fugui with a strange look in his eyes. Zheng Fugui felt uncomfortable under Lu Zhantang's scrutinizing gaze, and his butt twisted uneasily.
"Did it really happen?"
"Yes!"
Lu Zhantang gave her a thumbs up and praised sincerely,""Awesome! Even the wall is not convinced, but Brother Lu is convinced by you."
He was curious.

"How did you get her?"

Zheng Fugui secretly glanced at his cousin and saw that Zhang Ronghua did not express his stance, so he mustered up his courage and told him what had happened.

Xiao Mi liked to drink the Heavenly Jade Brew. With her status, she couldn't get her hands on it, even with Eunuch Xiao's status. The Heavenly Jade Brew was exclusive to the royal family. Even the number of princes and princesses was limited. There were only a few bottles per month. Eunuch Xiao was only a eunuch. Even Wei Shang's trusted aide couldn't get his hands on it.

The more he couldn't get the thing, the more curious he was.

After all, she owned a restaurant and had managed to expand the Heavenly Fragrance Restaurant to become one of the top restaurants in the capital. She wanted to try its taste.

At this time, Zhang Ronghua received the Tianqiong Jade Brew from the Crown Prince. He coaxed and coaxed her, grinding a little, and then secretly handed it to Xiao Mi. In addition, he was thick-skinned and would come here whenever he had time. He learned it without a teacher and even bought flowers and other gifts. He did not hide his love for her and held it in his hands as a treasure.

Although Xiao Mi had been running the Heavenly Fragrance Restaurant for many years and had seen many things, coupled with her age and experience, she could see through people very clearly. In the beginning, she only treated him as a friend.

As they came into contact with each other, a frozen and self-protecting heart was gradually moved. It accepted him from the bottom of its heart and acknowledged him!

Later, there was a two-way love. The man had feelings, the concubine had intentions, and they hit it off.

After listening.

Lu exhibition hall is really take, said: "rich and noble you are really cattle!" He had quietly taken down Xiao Mi. She was a rich woman with a lot of money. As long as you didn't do anything, this family business wouldn't be used up no matter how you spent it."

Zheng Fugui smiled happily from the bottom of his heart." 'Sister Mi is really good. I like her, not for money. Besides, my family is quite rich."

"So you're saying that I played a part in you two being together?" Zhang Ronghua continued."

Zheng Fugui lowered his head and responded weakly.

Zhang Ronghua slapped his forehead. If his uncle knew that he was also a helper, he would be in big trouble.

"Uncle and the others are still staying with you?""

"Staring at me every day! After the countdown, they had to return within the stipulated time. It's all thanks to Brother Lu that I was able to come out tonight. After he came, I got someone to send a message back. Tonight, my friends are having a meal together. I have to go back a little late or even not at all. Otherwise, my father will come looking for me."

"Your matter is quite complicated!" Zhang Ronghua sighed.

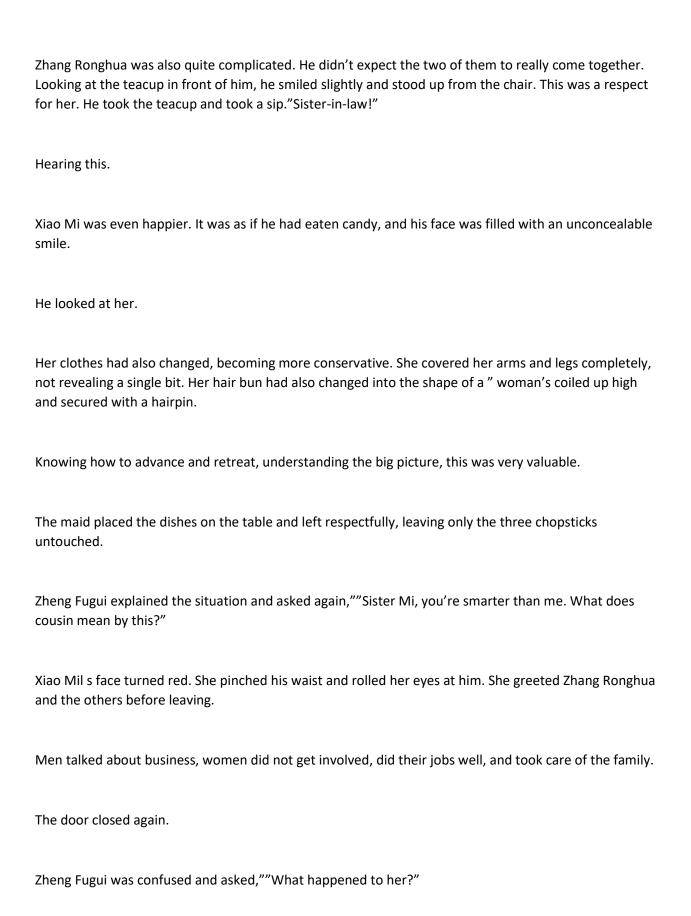
"Since you have taken her Guarding Sand, you must be responsible for her! No matter what was in front of him, he could not change his mind. Men could be dissolute, but they couldn't be vulgar! You can't have no bottom line."

"I understand!"

Zheng Fugui filled their cups with tea and asked hopefully,""Cousin, you have always been smart.. Can you teach me a way?"

Zhang Ronghua also hoped that his cousin would be happy. Now that things had come to this, he could only help. As for his uncle, he would talk about it later!
After pondering for a moment, he had an idea.
But he couldn't say it out loud and let him realize it himself.
She took two chopsticks and placed them in front of him side by side. Then, she took another chopstick and placed it under the two chopsticks.
Stunned, Zheng Fugui stared at it for a long time before saying, ""Get another concubine?"
"!!!"Zhang Ronghua was speechless.
Lu Zhantang couldn't help but laugh exaggeratedly.""I'm dying of laughter!" Thump! Thump!
There was a knock on the door, and Xiao Mi's voice came from outside,""Can I come in?"
Zheng Fugui stood up and walked over to open the door. He didn't hide anything and held her hand. He stopped at the table. Xiao Mi struggled for a moment and let him hold it. His heart was filled with sweetness and his face was shy, but he said generously,""Call me cousin!"
"Cousin!"
Zheng Fugui handed her the tea and took the teacup. Xiao Mi held it with both hands and handed it over.

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Lu Zhantang couldn't take it anymore and pointed it out, "Qinglin asked you to do what you want to do When you have a child, your parents won't agree." "Thank you, cousin!"
"I'll go back home and say hello to Mother. Let her put in a good word in front of Eldest Aunt and see if it works."
He took out three flasks of Heavenly Jade Brew and placed one on the side.
"Since she called me cousin and even served me tea, I can't just leave her alone.
This flask of Heaven Jade Brew is my gift to you. "" "Cousin, what about mine?"
She couldn't be bothered with him. She drank and ate.

"What is it?"

"There are many girls in the city who have mysteriously disappeared. Although the government has suppressed this matter, as more and more girls go missing, some families have some connections and are already making a fuss. I'm afraid that it won't be long before the news reaches the Shangjing government. Chen Youcai is a pushing officer, in charge of punishment, soldiers, prisons, and so on. If he can't solve this case, he won't be able to hold this position for long!" "Have you sent someone to inform him?"

Lu Zhantang took a sip of wine and asked,""Have you heard about what happened in Beijing recently?"

"Yes!" Lu Zhantang responded.

Zhang Ronghua saw it very clearly and understood the methods of the government. When encountering such a thing, he would break it if he could, suppress it if he could not, and shirk responsibility if he could not.



First, Nether Prison was attacked. Then, recently, many girls in the city went missing. She had also heard about this. She hated the murderer to the core and wanted to cut them into pieces. She deliberately extended her time by two hours every night to wander around the capital, trying to find the murderer. However, until now, she had no clues.

She took out a bunch of black grapes and picked one up. She threw it into her red and seductive mouth. She ate the meat and spat out the skin as she passed by the Bridge of Love..

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The surrounding atmosphere changed. A cold wind blew, and it was cold and murderous.

She stopped in her tracks and her gem-like eyes looked around. A knowing smile appeared on her beautiful face. She was going to live!

They continued to move forward.

As soon as she lifted her right foot, two evil winds rushed up from the surroundings. They worked well together. One attacked her head, and the other attacked her legs.

He looked at the approaching sword light.

The corner of Yang Hongling's mouth curled up in disdain. She raised her jade-like hand and struck out two palms in succession. The tyrannical palm force directly injured them and caused them to fall to the ground. Before they could get up from the ground, she quickly rushed up and was about to interrogate them. The two of them were very decisive. They directly crushed the poisonous teeth hidden in their mouths. Black poisonous blood flowed out of their mouths.

She frowned and her face turned cold.

He squatted down and searched the corpses, but he found nothing.
He stood up.
"Is the missing woman in the city related to them?" Yang Hongling muttered to herself. "
The possibility was very high.
If he wanted to drag them out, he would have to rely on external forces. He looked in the direction of Fate Academy and thought of Little Four. He quickened his pace and rushed back
Back at the residence.
He didn't see Purple Cat. This fellow wasn't around. It seemed like he had gone to the Grand Tutor's Mansion again. After washing up, he sat on the bed and practiced the Black Yellow Heaven Opening Technique.
Grand Tutor Manor.
Ji Xueyan dragged her exhausted body back from outside. As soon as she entered the bedroom, she saw Yueya hugging Purple Cat, feeding it black grapes and playing with it.
"Miss, you're back!" Moonfang immediately stood up from her chair and placed
Purple Cat on the table.
"Prepare hot water."
"This servant will go now!"

After she left, Zi Mao jumped over from the table and landed in Ji Xueyan's arms. She arched her body comfortably and found a better position. She raised her little paws and meowed,"Meow!"

Being teased by it, the depressed mood of Xueyan was swept away. Her long eyelashes were raised, and her jade-like hands stroked her fur."This place has almost become your second home."

"Meow!"

Purple Cat meowed again, as if asking," What's the difference between this place and my second home?"

She sat on a chair and brought a plate over. She took a black grape and fed it to the cat. Then, she took another and ate it herself. Her beautiful eyes flickered. When she thought of what happened during the day, she was furious!

Zhang Ronghua helped to perfect the Righteous Bone Set. She found the inner court's dean and handed the item to him. The inner court's dean called the inner court's vice dean, the outer court's dean and vice dean, as well as the resnected scholar. to stildv it together- Thev came to a conclusion that this

method was feasible.

Even though Haoran Bone Setting was created by Zhu Zhishan and was his life's work, in order to take care of him, he had made an exception and opened a backdoor. From the descendants of the Zhu family, he had chosen the most talented person to enter Jixia Learning Palace and had the Great Scholar nurture him with great care.

However, the last step was to store the Righteousness Qi in their bodies. Even these old fellows could not solve it. They did not expect Ji Xueyan to accomplish what they could not. It was a great contribution to Jixia Learning Palace to solve this problem.

They immediately discussed giving her the Righteousness Sword as a reward!

This treasure was a spirit treasure with great power. It contained supreme

Righteousness Qi and was even more powerful than her Golden Light Sword.

After this incident, her prestige in Jixia Learning Palace had reached an unprecedented height.

She was also happy. With Haoran's bone-setting, Jixia Academy would be able to nurture an endless stream of talents, strengthen the academy, and make Jixia Academy even stronger.

Then...

Jixia Academy selected disciples and called over those who were talented but had yet to comprehend Righteousness Qi. Just as they were about to use this method to inject Righteousness Qi into their bodies and help these disciples comprehend Righteousness Qi, Evergreen Academy received news that she had perfected Righteousness Qi and could officially promote it. These shameless fellows actually came knocking on their door and demanded it righteously. They even said that they wanted them to share Righteousness Qi and make a good name for themselves. Everyone was a holy land for scholars. With the expansion of the Evergreen Academy, it would be able to nurture more talents to serve the Great Xia Empire.

Jixia Learning Palace naturally would not agree. Both sides were scholars, and scolding was a common occurrence. They did not use any profanities and started arguing. In the end, they even started fighting and fought fiercely.

On Jixia Learning Palace's territory, although some people from Changqing Learning Palace had come, led by the Great Scholar, adding up to dozens of people, it was still not enough!

Even the higher- ups of Jixia Learning Palace did not show up. They had the same number of people and the same status. They did not take advantage of them and fought with them to chase them away.

However, this was only the beginning. Changqing Academy was like a sticky candy. They did not care about their dignity at all. The status of the people who came gradually increased, and they brought more and more people. This time, they did not fight again and directly scolded!

All sorts of accusations were thrown at Jixia Academy, accusing them of being selfish and only having eyes for themselves. They did not care about the scholars of the world or the Great Xia Dynasty. Jixia Academy was on fire.

He used his thunderous methods to beat out everyone from Changqing Academy. One by one, they were thrown out of the academy like a human pyramid.

He had suffered a loss.

Evergreen Academy would not let this matter rest. They would return to complain and submit a memorial to Emperor Xia, asking him to step forward and let Jixia Academy share the benefits of the Righteous Righteousness. This was to glorify themselves as helping the Great Xia Empire nurture talents and strengthen the country.

After Jixia Learning Palace found out, they became even angrier!