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Chapter 211: The Providence 3

She absolutely could not go back to her hometown now. Previously, her boyfriend kept saying that he wanted to visit her family, but she refused because she didn't want to bring her boyfriend back to the dilapidated house in her hometown. A few days ago, an idea suddenly came to her. She could ask her boyfriend to come to the villa during the New Year.

Anyway, the house owner would not be around at that time. It did not matter even if she brought her boyfriend over. She also knew that her mother might not agree, but she would definitely be able to get her mother's approval with impassioned pleas.

So, she could not let her mother bring her back to her hometown anyway. This was her last chance.

Of course, she also knew that she was lying. However, there was nothing she could do. Her boyfriend's family had a business. Although he was not very rich, he grew up in a resourceful family. He had a sports car and could be considered a second-generation rich.

When they were dating, she had been lying to her boyfriend. She said that although she was from the countryside, her family had already bought a house in the capital and they were about to transfer their household registration here. It was also because of this that her boyfriend always wanted to visit her family.

Auntie Zhuang didn't know what her daughter was planning. After seeing that Li Qiaomeng had admitted her mistake, she nodded and left the room.

Just now, she wanted to go back to her room because her legs could barely hold her up for a moment. Since she had recovered now, she naturally had to go out and finish her work. The cup needed to be washed, and the kitchen needed to be cleaned.

At that moment, Ye Xiyuan, who had already returned to the Ye family, went back to her room after seeing that there was no one at home.

However, after entering her room, the more Ye Xiyuan thought about it, the more she felt that something was wrong. Because today Ye Leng'an didn't seem haggard at all.

Previously, she already stuck a high-level Bad Luck Talisman to Ye Lengan.

Logically speaking, Ye Leng'an should have met with many accidents during this period of time. Even if she didn't go to the hospital, she should have been injured. However, Ye Leng'an did not look injured at all. Instead, she looked very energetic and did not seem to be troubled by bad luck at all.

However, she clearly saw that Bad Luck Talisman was stuck on Ye Leng'an's body. Logically speaking, it should have already taken effect!

Ye Xiyuan couldn't help but call out to the system when she thought about this, "System, I previously owed you 2,500 points to exchange for that high-level Bad Luck Talisman. Are you sure it's still useful?"

There was a trace of seriousness and certainty in the mechanical voice. “The system’s products all remain in effect. They are definitely not expired.”

“Really?” Ye Xiyuan had a hint of suspicion. “I already used that high-level Bad Luck Talisman on Ye Leng’an, but she was not pitiful-looking at all.”

Instantly, time seemed to have frozen. Ye Xiyuan didn’t get a reply from the system. At this moment, the system seemed to disappear, and there was no response at all.

After a long time, long enough that Ye Xiyuan thought that the system might malfunction again, the system’s mechanical voice rang out.

“Bad Luck Talismans can indeed bring bad luck to people, and the high-level ones give better results. However, this also depends on the person’s providence. For people with great providence, providence and bad luck may cancel each other out. Ye Leng’an is the Lady of Destiny, and she has great providence. Therefore, it is very likely that the high-level Bad Luck Talisman loses its effect on her.”

Ye Xiyuan’s temper flared instantly when she heard that. But even so, she did not forget the lesson she had learned in the past, so she tried her best to suppress the anger in her heart. After calming herself down, she asked again, “Why didn’t you explain when I wanted to use the high-level Bad Luck Talisman last time?”

Looking back on it, she was so angry that she was about to spit blood. She paid such a huge price and owed 2,500 points in exchange for the Bad Luck Talisman. After that, she owed another 500 points before she stuck it on Ye Leng’an..

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In order to make Ye Lengan suffer, she owed the system 3,000 points. But now, she was told that the 3,000 points had gone down the drain. So many points had been wasted for nothing.

“The system will not automatically answer you if you don’t ask.” The mechanical voice was cold and emotionless.

Ye Xiyuan took a deep breath, and she sounded as if she could not hold back her anger. “In other words, I spent so many points, but Ye Leng’an remained unaffected at all, right?”

For a moment) she even suspected that the system was doing this to deliberately cheat her of her points. After using that high-level Bad Luck

Talisman, she recently accepted almost all the missions in order to repay the 3,000 points.

However, those were all small missions with very few points. Until now, she still owed the system a lot of points.

“No, although Ye Leng’an hasn’t experienced any mischances now, the high-level Bad Luck Talisman is still effective.” The mechanical voice sounded again as it explained, “To offset the effects of the high-level Bad Luck Talisman, you have to consume Ye

Leng'an's providence. The providence that is offset by the high-level Bad Luck Talisman will directly gather on you."

After she heard the system's explanation, her anger was instantly doused. "You mean that Ye Leng'an's providence is decreasing because of that high-level Bad Luck Talisman? And the decreased providence of her will come to me, right?"

If that was really the case, then she felt that this high-level Bad Luck Talisman was really worth it. But...

"Is my providence really increasing? Why didn't I feel anything?"

"You can't feel such a thing." The System continued, "Theoretically, it's supposed to be like this."

Ye Xiyuan didn't feel that it was not worth it anymore. She hurriedly continued to ask, "Ye Leng'an's providence is decreasing. Does that mean that she isn't so lucky? If I scheme against her now, will it be easier to succeed?"

"Yes. Moreover, as long as your plan succeeds, Ye Lengan's providence will continue to decrease. When you take away all her providence, you will become the chosen one and have all the best things in this world."

It was clearly a mechanical voice, but it seemed to carry a sense of temptation.

At this moment, Ye Xiyuan had long fallen into temptation. She would definitely take away all of Ye Leng'an's providence. That should have belonged to her in the first place. If Ye Lengan hadn't occupied her position for so many years, how could she have become the Lady of Destiny?

She was just taking back everything that belonged to her.

In the blink of an eye, it was already Friday, which was Ye Xiyuan's birthday party. It was also at this moment that she finally confessed to her parents that she had sent Ye Lengan an invitation.

Previously, she had been hiding this from Ye Li and Lin Wanqin because she knew very well that they would never agree to let Ye Leng'an come over. So, she only told them at this time so that they could do nothing to object.

"What?" Ye Li couldn't help but frown. "Why did you invite that b*tch? Who does she think she is to attend your birthday party?"

Now, whenever Ye Leng'an was mentioned, Ye Li would feel extremely disgusted. He no longer had any feelings for the adopted daughter he had raised for so many years. He even wished that this person did not exist.

Lin Wanqin's face registered disapproval. "Xiyuan, I don't know what you're thinking. Why did you invite Ye Leng'an? Don't you know what kind of person she is? She'll definitely cause trouble and ruin your birthday party. This is your first birthday after the comeback. We hope that it will be perfect and flawless."

“Dad, Mom, I know what you’re thinking.” Ye Xiyuan shook her head, looking innocent. “I don’t think my sister will cause trouble on such a day. Moreover, today is also her birthday. We are fated, so it’s only right to invite her over!”

“What kind of fate is this!” Lin Wanqin appeared resentful. “It’s precisely because you were born on the same day that you were switched. If you hadn’t been born on the same day, the other Ye family would not have taken pains to swap you two!”

Now, she had long been certain that the two children had been swapped by Ye Shen and Li Zhaohui.

As soon as she thought of this, she could not forgive that couple. It was even more unacceptable for her that she had been helping such a shameless couple raise their daughter for so many years.

No wonder Ye Leng’an had become like this. It wasn’t a sudden change. She was evil from the root.

“Has the matter been investigated?” Ye Xiyuan was shocked. “Did my adoptive parents really do that? If so, they are too bad.”

“I know that they must have done it even without investigation!” Ye Li said disdainfully, “Otherwise, why didn’t they take another child but our daughter? They definitely couldn’t bear to see Ye Lengan suffer, so they swapped you two.”

Hearing this, Ye Xiyuan seemed to be unable to hold it in any longer and started sobbing. “I really didn’t expect them to be such kind of people. Ever since I was young, I always thought that the reason why they didn’t treat me as well as my younger brother was because they valued sons over daughters. I didn’t expect it to be because I wasn’t their biological daughter.”

“What?” When he heard Ye Xiyuan’s words, Ye Li’s anger flared up. “I’ve been raising their daughter for so many years, but they mistreated you like this. I won’t let them off easily.”

“Xiyuan, you’ve really suffered.” Lin Wanqin looked at Ye Xiyuan, her heart aching for her daughter. “If I had known that you two were switched back then, I definitely wouldn’t have let you suffer so much.”

When thinking of how Ye Shen and Li Zhaohui treated her real daughter and Ye Leng’an was cherished by them, she couldn’t hold back the resentment in her heart. She blamed the Ye couple for snatching their daughter away for so many years and not treating her well. At the same time, she also blamed herself for being so nice to Ye Leng’an all these years.

When Ye Leng’an was living a luxurious life, perhaps her biological daughter was abused by Ye Shen and Li Zhaohui!

“Mom, it’s okay. I’m back to you now.” Ye Xiyuan raised her head and looked at

Lin Wanqin, her eyes filled with longing. “In the future, I’ll never leave you two again..”

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“Haha, there’s no need.” Lin Wanqin looked at her graceful daughter and smiled. “You will get married in the future. I can’t delay you.”

“You are right!” Ye Li chimed in, “Maybe you can’t wait to leave us and marry the one you love when the time comes.”

As for who she wanted to marry, everyone knew the answer.

“Dad, what nonsense are you talking about!” Ye Xiyuan pouted. “I’m not that kind of person! Anyway, I don’t want to get married, I want to stay by your side for a lifetime.”

“Please don’t.” Ye Li joked, “When the time comes, I’m afraid your future husband will be very anxious. However, even if you get married, you’ll still be our baby girl. Don’t forget your family after you get married.”

“I won’t!” Ye Xiyuan stuck out her tongue and smiled mischievously.

“Regardless of whether I get married or not in the future, the people I love the most are you guys.”

Ye Li and Lin Wanqin burst into laughter, instantly lightening the atmosphere.

At this moment, Ye Xiyuan took the opportunity to say, “So, Dad, Mom, it’s my birthday today. Let my sister come and join us! Even if we were switched by Ye Shen and Li Zhaohui back then, it’s not my sister’s fault! She was also just a baby.”

“You!” Lin Wanqin reached out her hand and stroked Ye Xiyuan’s hair, smiling helplessly. “You’re too kind.”

“Mom, it’s good to be kind!” Ye Xiyuan gave a sweet smile. “Besides, I’m just telling the truth. What happened back then has nothing to do with her. We have too many misunderstandings, and we can take this opportunity to reconcile.”

“You call her sister, but she may not treat you as her sister.” Ye Li scoffed. “Besides, don’t say that she’s innocent. Didn’t Ye Shen and Li Zhaohui do that all for her? Since she had enjoyed a luxurious life for so many years, why shouldn’t she take responsibility?”

“Alright, let’s not talk about this anymore.” Lin Wanqin gave Ye Li a jab with her elbow. She shook her head gently and continued, “Since it’s Xiyuan’s birthday. let her make the decision on her own! As long as she likes it.”

After hearing Lin Wanqin’s words, Ye Li didn’t continue to say anything else, which meant that he agreed.

At this moment, the door of the hotel lounge was suddenly pushed open, and an extraordinarily handsome man walked in.

“Brother Nangong, why are you here?” When Ye Xiyuan saw who it was, a sweet smile immediately appeared on her face. She stood up and went forward to welcome him. “When did you arrive? Why didn’t you tell us ahead of time?”

Ye Li also quickly stood up. Different from Ye Xiyuan, he still felt extra cautious when facing Nangong Xuyao. “We should have come to greet you in person.”

Lin Wanqin stood beside Ye Li and didn’t feel relaxed either.

Compared to them, the Nangong family was a behemoth, an existence they could not surpass. If their daughter hadn’t saved Young Master Nangong by chance, they would never have had any interactions with the Nangong family. However, even so, Young Master Nangong was only amiable when facing their daughter. Though he would not give dirty looks to them, he still made them feel oppressive.

“I’m just an ordinary guest attending the dinner party today.”

While speaking, Nangong Xuyao looked at Ye Xiyuan and smiled. “Happy birthday!”

“Thank you, Brother Nangong.” Ye Xiyuan looked very happy, but she knew how to behave. “I’m very happy that you could come today.”

There was a soft light in Nangong Xuyao’s eyes as he looked at the cute and nice girl in front of him. He took out a box from his pocket, opened it, and handed it to Ye Xiyuan. “This is your birthday present. I hope you will like it. If you don’t, I’ll get someone to find you something better another day.”

After spending some time with her, he had a clear understanding of what kind of person this girl was. She was obedient, sensible, innocent, kind, and also magnanimous. Although she grew up in an ordinary small family, she moved and talked like a lady from a wealthy family..

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Although he hadn’t become obsessed, he indeed fell in love with the girl in front of him. Of course, the most important reason was that she saved his life.

At that time, he thought that he was really going to die, but this girl saved him. She showed up like an angel when he came down in the world and offered him redemption.

Ye Xiyuan looked at the box in which there was a necklace lying quietly inside. It was a diamond necklace with an angel-wings-shaped pendant, and there was a pink diamond embedded in the middle. The diamond was about two carats. However, judging from the light reflected from the diamond and its purity, it was definitely a top-notch pink diamond.

It was obvious that this necklace was worth a lot. At least, it was more than enough to buy a house in the capital.

Ye Li and Lin Wanqin were also shocked when they saw Nangong Xuyao take out such an expensive gift.

Lin Wanqin looked worriedly at her daughter. As an onlooker, she could see most of the game. Young Master Nangong definitely had an ulterior motive for Xiyuan. After all, no man would give such an expensive gift to a girl he didn't like. She didn't know how her daughter felt about Young Master

Nangong, but she knew very well that it would be very difficult for her daughter to marry above her into the Nangong family. However, she felt that her husband would be very happy about that. After all, if they could be associated with the Nangong family, the Ye family would rise to power, riding the momentum of their development.

Just as Lin Wanqin had expected, Ye Li's heart thudded madly against his ribs. He was a man, so he naturally understood Young Master Nangong. He was happy at the scene. During this period of time, because of Young Master Nangong's help, the Ye family received a lot of orders, and their stock price had been rising almost every day. At that time, if Xiyuan really got together with Young Master Nangong, the Ye family would be able to squeeze into the ranks of first-class wealthy families.

"Brother Nangong, this gift is too expensive. I can't accept it." Ye Xiyuan declined and said, "I'm already very happy that you could attend my birthday party today. So, please take it back! If you really want to give me a gift, then have the first dance with me later!"

"Once the gift was sent, I definitely won't take it back." Nangong Xuyao didn't take no for an answer. He took out the necklace and put it around Ye Xiyuan's neck. "I specially asked someone to make this for you to celebrate your birthday. You must accept it. Otherwise, it means you don't welcome me here."

Ye Xiyuan couldn't resist Nangong Xuyao's tough attitude and could only allow him to put on the necklace for her. After that, she still said, "I'll accept it, but next time, please don't give me such an expensive gift."

"Alright," Nangong Xuyao replied. However, whether or not he would give her another gift next time was up to him. "Although you've already accepted the gift, I was supposed to offer you your first dance!"

"Since you invited, how can I refuse?" Ye Xiyuan smiled brightly.

At this moment, there were a few knocks on the door. And then the door was pushed open again.

Ye Anyun walked in. He froze the moment he saw the situation inside.

"Anyun, what's wrong?" Ye Li stepped forward and asked, "Anything happened?"

"Dad, Mom, it's getting late. Should we go out first?" Then, he looked at Ye Xiyuan and immediately noticed the necklace around her neck.

However, he was very observant and did not ask anything.

Soon, the dinner party began. All the members of the Ye family appeared in the banquet hall.

Ye Xiyuan was like a princess who was the darling of all hearts and was put in the limelight of the banquet. This was the dream scenario of her previous life, and now it had finally come true.

Today, she was going to completely trample Ye Lengan under her feet.

She couldn't help but look around, searching for Ye Leng'an at this thought. However, to her surprise, she did not see her.

"Xiyuan, what's wrong?" Ye Anyun, who was holding Ye Xiyuan's hand, naturally noticed Ye Xiyuan's movement. He was a little puzzled.. "What are you looking for?"

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"Nothing." Ye Xiyuan shook her head, her tone carrying a hint of dejection. "I invited my sister over today, but I didn't see her."

After hearing Ye Xiyuan's words, Ye Anyun was a little surprised. At the same time, he didn't quite understand. "Why did you want to invite Ye Leng'an over?"

After all, you two..."

His feelings for Ye Lengan were complicated. Unlike his parents, after Ye Leng'an left the Ye family, he and Ye Lengan did not have any head-on confrontations. However, because his family hated Ye Leng'an, he was not happy with her. However, he didn't hate her as much as his parents did.

As for his sister, Ye Xiyuan, he truly doted on her. After spending some time with her, he felt that Xiyuan was a very kind girl. She got along well with him and never quarreled with him. He really liked this younger sister.

However, he still couldn't understand why Ye Xiyuan invited Ye Leng'an to this party. Putting aside their awkward experience of being switched, their birthdays were still on the same day. Why did she invite Ye Lengan over at this time? If he didn't know Xiyuan well enough, he might really think that she was doing this to show off.

"Brother, even though Leng'an is not related to us by blood, we are still family." Ye Xiyuan smiled and explained, "Previously, Dad and Mom had a deep misunderstanding about my sister, so I want to take this opportunity to see if I can help them find reconciliation."

"You..." Ye Anyun was about to say something, but the words died on his lips.

He just let out a sigh and said helplessly, "As long as you're happy."

He felt that Ye Xiyuan's idea was destined to come to nothing today. After all, he didn't think that his parents still had any feelings for Ye Leng'an.

Ye Xiyuan gave a decent smile, but she was communicating with the system in her mind.

"System, has Ye Leng'an arrived?" Ye Xiyuan was a little anxious. "Can you find out where she is now?"

The mechanical voice rose up coldly. "The system can only detect that Ye Lengan is not in the venue."

Ye Xiyuan wasn't surprised to hear such an answer. However, she was still a little dissatisfied, but she didn't dare to show it.

At the same time, she was also a little anxious, afraid that Ye Leng'an would not come today. She had prepared a huge gift for Ye Lengan. If Ye Leng'an didn't show up, it wouldn't be easy for her to find opportunities in the future.

On the other side, Ye Leng'an, who was being nagged by Ye Xiyuan, was still at home.

She wore a simple red dress with a slim-fitting design. There was not much decoration, and it showed off her beautiful figure vividly. Under the contrast of the bright red dress, Ye Leng'an looked even more charming at this moment.

She didn't put on any makeup, but her delicate face looked much better when without any makeup.

Seeing Ye Leng'an coming downstairs, Auntie Zhuang felt a little strange. "Miss Ye, it's almost dinner time. Are you going out now?"

"Yes, I'm going to attend a banquet." Ye Leng'an nodded. "I'll come back later for dinner. You can cook for me again then, and you can have the food you cooked now!"

Although she was going to Ye Xiyuan's birthday banquet, she felt that she would not get enough to eat on such an occasion. Perhaps, she might not even have the chance to eat there! Moreover, she didn't plan to stay until the end, so she still had to eat dinner when she came back later.

"Huh?" After hearing Ye Leng'an's words, Auntie Zhuang was a little stunned.

However, she quickly replied, "Alright, Miss Ye. I got it."

She didn't understand why Miss Ye would come back for dinner later after attending a banquet. However, she still remembered the lesson last time. It was better for her not to ask about things that she should not ask.

Ye Leng'an gave a nod before leaving. Originally, she had made an appointment with Huangfu Ruiling to go there together, but Huangfu Ruiling just called and said that he would be a little late. She didn't mind, so she went over alone.

After Ye Leng'an left, Auntie Zhuang returned to her room and called Li Qiaomeng out for dinner.

Li Qiaomeng was very surprised to see the sumptuous dinner on the table..

"Mom, what's wrong today? Why did you prepare such a good meal?"

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All along, Auntie Zhuang had been very discreet. Her food was separate from

Ye Leng'an's. Although she could prepare it together, she was a helper after all, and she couldn't squander the house owner's things so unscrupulously!

However, although their food was separated, she did not eat badly. The difference was that Miss Ye had a wide selection of dishes made of expensive ingredients.

“Wow! Mom, it’s a lobster!” Li Qiaomeng already sat down without any hesitation and began to eat heartily. “What’s wrong with you today?”

Previously, you didn’t want to use these expensive ingredients for yourself. Abalone? Kazufuru? What happened?”

She fell into the delusion that she was the owner of this house, having an expensive and exquisite dinner in a luxurious villa.

“What are you talking about? This is for Miss Ye.” Auntie Zhuang also sat down and said with a smile. “Miss Ye forgot to tell me earlier that she was going to attend a dinner party today. She’ll come back later for dinner.”

“A dinner party?” Li Qiaomeng suddenly felt that the sumptuous food in front of her didn’t taste good anymore. “What kind of dinner party is it? Is it like the banquet that we saw on television?”

She had only seen banquets on television. That was the scene she had dreamed of. In the banquet hall, men were dressed in suits and women in gorgeous evening gowns. They were toasting and laughing.

“I don’t know about that either.” Auntie Zhuang shook her head. “That’s her business. I can’t ask about the details.”

Li Qiaomeng pursed her lips and didn’t ask any more questions. However, at this moment, her thoughts had gone somewhere else.

In the banquet hall, after Ye Li finished his speech, Nangong Xuyao went up and invited Ye Xiyuan for the first dance.

Ye Xiyuan naturally didn’t refuse. She placed her hand on Nangong Xuyao’s hand and the two of them slowly slid onto the dance floor.

They looked like a perfect couple.

None of the people present were fools. Some of them were shocked to see

Nangong Xuyao show up. Although the Nangong family was unsurpassed, they had met Young Master Nangong by chance.

The news that the young master of the Nangong family had come to attend the birthday party of the daughter of the Ye family and got the first dance with her spread quickly in the banquet hall.

Instantly, everyone began to have a new perspective on the Ye family. One had to know that it was impossible for a wealthy family like the Ye family to have any connection with the Nangong family. However, with the appearance of Young Master Nangong, did it mean that the Ye family had already been associated with the Nangong family?

Also, the Ye family’s business seemed to have been developing rapidly recently, and they even managed to win some projects that they were not supposed to get at all. Did it have something to do

with the Nangong family? If that was the case, then they really had to re-evaluate the Ye family's business.

For a time, many people went up to Ye Li and called him brother as if they were very familiar with him, and there was even a hint of flattery in their tones.

Ye Li felt that this should be his most glorious moment so far. Those people came forward to butter him up, making him feel that he was above them.

At this moment, everyone had smiles on their faces, except one person in the corner who was unsmiling and looked gloomy. This was none other than Li Deze.

Ever since he met Ye Xiyuan, he had been deeply attracted to her. He knew very well that he had fallen in love with her, an understanding girl. All along, he had thought that the Li family and the Ye family would be united by marriage sooner or later and this was also a tacit understanding.

But during this period of time, Ye Xiyuan suddenly became much more indifferent to him and rejected all of his invitations and never went out alone with him again. He didn't know why, but now he completely understood.

However, he was not illegible to question her because everything was just his wishful thinking. The two families never talked about marriage alliance. Moreover, in reality, he did not have any advantage over the young master of the Nangong family. Whoever she was, she would probably choose Young Master Nangong, not him!

However, even so, he still wanted to find an opportunity to get it clear so that he could drop the idea forever.

After the first dance, Li Deze's patience finally snapped. He found an opportunity and went forward to invite her. "Xiyuan, may I have the pleasure to invite you to dance with me?"

Everyone was shocked by his sudden move.

Because they could see there was something between Ye Xiyuan and Young Master Nangong. It was impossible that the two of them had nothing to do with each other. So, everyone tacitly agreed that Ye Xiyuan was Young Master Nangong's girlfriend.

Was Li Deze competing with Young Master Nangong publicly? He was really bold!

Ye Li pulled a long face. He was very unhappy with Li Deze's sudden move at this moment though he knew that Li Deze liked his daughter. If Young Master Nangong hadn't appeared, then Li Deze would have been a very good match. Joining forces with another powerful family would definitely bring them more benefits.

However, after Young Master Nangong showed up, Li Deze would definitely not be the perfect choice. In his opinion, Li Deze's current actions were to destroy the relationship between Ye Xiyuan and Young Master Nangong.

Li Deze's parents, on the other hand, looked quite anxious. They did not expect their son to do such a thing. After all, things were different now. Young Master Nangong took a fancy to Ye Xiyuan. The Li family was obviously inferior to the Nangong family.

If Young Master Nangong vented his anger on the Li family because of Li Deze's reckless behavior, what should they do?

Ye Xiyuan was stunned for a moment when she saw the hand suddenly appear in front of her. However, she quickly recovered and looked at Nangong Xuyao beside her. "Brother Nangong, can I dance with Brother Deze?"

After that, she smiled mischievously at Li Deze. "Brother Deze, you're like my biological brother. I definitely won't turn my brother down.."

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In a few words, Ye Xiyuan made Li Deze, who was standing opposite her, go deathly pale. Although he had probably guessed the result, his heart still wrenched when he faced reality.

The people around them heaved a sigh of relief.

Nangong Xuyao slowly let go of Ye Xiyuan's hand, not even glancing at Li Deze. Because, in his eyes, Li Deze was not even an opponent.

Nangong Xuyao's contempt made Li Deze shattered. He could not help but reveal a bitter smile. He had always regarded Nangong Xuyao as a rival in love, but it turned out that in Nangong Xuyao's eyes, he was nobody. Yes, as a behemoth, the Nangong family thought nothing of him!

Ye Xiyuan acted as if she didn't notice anything and gave her hand to Li Deze.

Although Li Deze had already confirmed that Ye Xiyuan didn't like him, he still wanted to ask her to dance. To him, this was perhaps the best memory.

The two of them slowly slid onto the dance floor and blended in with the crowd. The banquet hall was again filled with a mood of joy.

Not far away, Qian Gumeng felt very sorry for Li Deze when seeing the dejected look on his face. When she saw him dancing with Ye Xiyuan, there was a glint of envy in her eyes, and she was overwhelmed by very complicated emotions.

"Xiyuan, do you like Young Master Nangong?" Li Deze looked at Ye Xiyuan in his arms and could not help but ask.

At this point, even if he already had the answer in his heart, he still wanted to ask. It seemed that only by doing so could he completely drop the idea forever.

"Brother Deze, why did you suddenly ask this question?" Ye Xiyuan blinked her eyes and a flicker of confusion across her face. "We're just good friends."

Ye Xiyuan's reply gave him renewed hope. He took a deep breath and coordinated with the dance steps while summoning up his emotions. After a while, he said, "Xiyuan, if I tell you that I like..."

"Brother Deze!"

Before Li Deze could finish speaking, he was interrupted by Ye Xiyuan. She continued, "Brother Deze, I'm very happy that you attended my birthday party today. You've always been like my brother, protecting me. Thank you very much. I hope that you can keep taking care of and protecting me like a brother in the future, and I will treat you well like your sister."

Her words directly shattered all of Li Deze's hopes. Looking sad, he had completely given up. However, he couldn't let go of Ye Xiyuan no matter what.

That was the first time he had liked someone so much, but his feelings now came to nothing.

Looking at Li Deze's expression, Ye Xiyuan wasn't in a hurry to get any response from him. No one noticed that there was a flicker of pride in her eyes.

Li Deze was not among her options under consideration at all given his wealth. However, even so, she still wanted to be the protagonist of his unrequited love. She wanted him to never forget her and be used by her.

When the song was about to end, Li Deze stared deep into Ye Xiyuan and suppressed the emotions in his heart. He said hoarsely, "Xiyuan, I'm your brother. If you have any problems in the future, tell me. I'll definitely do my best to help you."

Although she had already expected this result, Ye Xiyuan still pretended to be pleasantly surprised. At the same time, her eyes were filled with gratitude. "Brother Deze, you're really too kind. I believe that you will definitely meet someone who is most suitable for you."

Looking at the smile on Ye Xiyuan's face, Li Deze felt that everything he was doing now was worth it.

After the dance, Ye Xiyuan returned to her parents.

At the present moment, it seemed that she had a good time with Li Deze, and the awkwardness was totally gone.

Ye Li felt even more satisfied with his daughter. He had thought that their long friendship with the Li family would be ruined by what happened today.

However, after just a dance, everything changed.

"Wanqin." Pang Tingting walked toward the Ye family in her formal evening gown. "I'm sorry I was late. I had something to deal with at the last minute."

After that, she took out a box and handed it to Ye Xiyuan. She then said with a smile, "Happy birthday. Hope you will like it.."

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Ye Xiyuan glanced at Lin Wanqin before taking the box from Pang Tingting. She expressed her thanks with a smile. "Thank you, Auntie Pang."

After that, she opened the box. Inside was a diamond bracelet from Cartier. It looked quite expensive.

Ye Xiyuan was a little surprised to receive such a gift because she had not expected Pang Tingting to be so generous. To be honest, they had only met two or three times. Although Pang Tingting was her mother's good friend, she was not that close to her. But Pang Tingting gave her a bracelet which cost a million as a birthday present. This was too expensive.

“Tingting, why did you give her such an expensive gift?” Lin Wanqin was also very surprised. “It’s just a normal birthday. Your gift is too valuable.”

“It’s not that expensive!” Pang Tingting said with a smile, “Never mind, I like Xiyuan, that’s why I gave her this gift.”

She then turned to look at Ye Xiyuan and asked with a smile, “Xiyuan, do you like my gift?”

“Yes.” Ye Xiyuan nodded. She knew that she couldn’t make up any excuses, so she said politely, “Thank you, Auntie Pang.”

At this moment, the boisterous banquet hall suddenly fell silent. Everyone’s eyes were focused on the entrance.

At this moment, a young girl in a red dress slowly walked in. Unlike the others who were dressed up, the young girl was only wearing a simple and elegant red dress, but her peerless elegance remained unaffected.

The girl looked pure and refined with a trace of pride in that red dress. Her black hair hung down her back to her waist, her pupils clear and bright, her eyebrows curved, her long eyelashes fluttering. Her fair and flawless skin was touched with red, and her thin lips were as delicate as rose petals. Her piercing eyes were as cold as the spring on a snowy mountain. She had an ethereal and indifferent temperament.

Almost everyone was attracted by this red-dressed girl, wondering who this beautiful girl was.

However, after taking a closer look, they realized that the person who came was none other than the one-time young lady of the Ye family, Ye Leng’an. No, to be precise, she was the fake daughter who was taken to the Ye family by mistake

Who would have thought that Ye Lengan would appear on such an occasion?

Was she invited by the Ye family? No way! Would she cause trouble here?

However, it had to be said that Ye Leng’an had undergone dramatic changes after leaving the Ye family. Though her looks were still the same, she seemed to be completely different from before. Perhaps, to be more accurate, she looked like a hard-edged person.

Not only the others but even Nangong Xuyao was also stunned for a moment when he saw Ye Leng’an. He had also seen Ye Leng’an’s photo when investigating Ye Xiyuan. It was clearly the same person, but the girl who showed up now seemed to be completely different from the one in the photo. Moreover, the most important thing was that after seeing Ye Leng’an, he felt a sense of familiarity. However, he was certain that they had never met before. Even when they bumped into each other in the restaurant, they did not exchange greetings. He only took a glance at her from afar and did not see her very clearly.

Seeing everyone’s eyes focused on Ye Leng’an, Ye Xiyuan gritted her teeth in hatred. She was supposed to be the protagonist of the party, but now, everyone’s attention was on Ye Leng’an. She would never allow Ye Leng’an to steal her spotlight.

At this thought) Ye Xiyuan hurriedly went forward, wanting to hold Ye

Leng’an’s hand. “Sister, oh, no, Leng’an, why are you so late?”

Initially, she wanted to call Ye Leng'an sister. However, when she thought of Ye Leng'an's personality, she was afraid to be embarrassed, so she changed the way she addressed her.

"What's wrong? Aren't you the protagonist today?" Ye Leng'an dodged and avoided Ye Xiyuan's touch. Then, she shrugged her shoulders and said indifferently, "You should be punctual. But who cares if the guests are late."

In a few words, she placed Ye Xiyuan in an awkward situation..

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"Miss Ye, where are your manners?" Nangong Xuyao took a step forward and stood beside Ye Xiyuan. When he looked at Ye Leng'an, there was a sharp light in his eyes. "Today is Xiyuan's birthday. As a guest, you're late, but you think it's Xiyuan's fault. You're indeed eloquent!"

At this moment, the strange feeling in his heart had already gone. After hearing such impolite words, he came to stand beside Ye Xiyuan. This was the girl he liked, so he naturally had to protect her.

On the other side, Li Deze's eyes darkened when he saw Nangong Xuyao's actions. As expected, he was a step behind.

"You..." Ye Leng'an looked at Nangong Xuyao and felt that he looked familiar. However, she couldn't remember where she had seen him before. She wanted to bash him, but she bridled the words on her lips. Instead, she asked, "Have we met before?"

Ye Xiyuan was a little anxious about Ye Leng'an's question. She immediately held onto Nangong Xuyao's arm and smiled. "Leng'an, you must have forgotten that we met once in the restaurant. But it was inconvenient at that time, so we didn't go and say hello to you."

She didn't know what Ye Leng'an was trying to do. Was Ye Leng'an trying to seduce Nangong Xuyao? However, she would never allow such a thing to happen. She got her eye on Nangong Xuyao, and Ye Leng'an could never take him away.

"Oh, really?" Ye Leng'an didn't mind. She was just asking casually. Then, she looked at Ye Xiyuan and said perfunctorily, "Happy birthday!"

"Ye Leng'an, you knew that today was Xiyuan's birthday!" Qian Gumeng stepped forward and looked at Ye Leng'an with disdain. "You didn't even wear an evening gown on such a day. You're really a country bumpkin. Also, did you not even bring a gift for her?"

"So, you invited me to this party just to want me to give you a gift?" Ye Leng'an ignored Qian Gumeng and looked at Ye Xiyuan. "If that's the case, you should have told me earlier!"

Ye Xiyuan cursed Qian Gumeng in her heart for always ruining everything.

Then, she quickly said, "It was a pleasure that you came. I don't need any gifts."

Qian Gumeng was too stupid to say that. Although she wanted to take Qian Meng for a hatchet man, she didn't expect her to say such stupid words like this. Wasn't Qian Gumeng implying that she was holding this dinner party to receive gifts? Then what would the others think of her?

Qian Gumeng didn't realize her own problem at all. She continued to shout at Ye Leng'an, "Ye Leng'an, don't twist my words. I was just talking about you."

The smile on Ye Leng'an's face disappeared, and her expression turned cold. She looked at Qian Gumeng and said mercilessly, "The host hasn't even spoken yet, you'd better shut up."

Hearing this, Qian Gumeng exploded with anger. She stepped forward and wanted to fight Ye Leng'an to the death, but she was stopped by someone.

Ye Xiyuan tried to hold Qian Gumeng who was about to lose her mind back and said, "Leng'an, please don't talk nonsense. Gumeng is my good friend. She just wanted to help me. You don't have to make personal remarks."

Although she spoke righteously and sternly, she despised Qian Gumeng in her heart. The reason why she held Qian Gumeng back wasn't because of their sisterhood, but because she didn't want Qian Gumeng to ruin her birthday party.

After hearing this, Qian Gumeng glanced at Ye Xiyuan, looking touched.

"Since you're here, have some fun." Ye Li stepped forward. When he looked at Ye Leng'an, there was no smile on his face. "Don't cause trouble here."

If it weren't for the fact that there were so many guests around, he would really ask someone to chase Ye Leng'an out.

"If Mr. Ye doesn't welcome me, then I can leave now." Ye Leng'an said indifferently, "After all, someone personally came to invite me over. Since I did come, I've already shown her enough respect!"

With that, Ye Leng'an turned around and prepared to leave.

"Leng'an, since you're here, you should at least have the cake before you leave!" Fearing that Ye Leng'an would leave just like that, Ye Xiyuan hurriedly said, "If you leave at this time, it'll be our fault for not looking after you well.."

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After that, Ye Xiyuan cast a pleading look in Ye Li's direction.

Ye Li turned his head away and didn't say anything else.

Since Ye Xiyuan asked her to stay, Ye Leng'an didn't insist. After all, the drama that Ye Xiyuan arranged for her had yet to take place! Moreover, the most important thing was that she had yet to give Ye Xiyuan the big present she prepared!

Thinking of this, Ye Leng'an glanced at Pang Tingting and smiled meaningfully.

Although Pang Tingting was talking to Lin Wanqin, she kept having her eyes on Ye Leng'an. Whenever she saw Ye Leng'an, she always felt uneasy.

Especially when she saw Ye Leng'an's smile, she only felt a chill run down her spine, as if something terrible was about to happen.

"Tingting, what's wrong?" Seeing Pang Tingting's dazed expression, Lin Wanqin nudged her. "What are you thinking about?"

"Nothing." Pang Tingting quickly looked away and then said casually, "By the way, Wanqin, who is that girl in the red dress just now? Why do I feel that after she appeared, all of you seemed to be a little..."

Lin Wanqin sighed and said slowly, "Tingting, actually, that's the child that was swapped with Xiyuan back then. She is Ye Lengan."

"What?" Pang Tingting cried out in surprise. Then, she realized that she overreacted. She quickly calmed herself down and forced a smile. "So it's that girl! She is really good-looking. However, why did you invite her over on such a day? Don't you feel awkward?"

So that was the girl that she had randomly chosen to swap with Ye Xiyuan! However, did that girl know something? Otherwise, why did she look at her like that?

But when thinking about it again, she felt that it was impossible. Back then, that girl was still a baby! Moreover, it was impossible to find out about that incident. Strictly speaking, she could be considered the young girl's benefactor! If it hadn't been for her back then, that young girl couldn't have had the opportunity to grow up in a wealthy family and enjoy a luxurious life for so many years!

"Actually, I didn't want to invite her over." Lin Wanqin smiled helplessly and said, "It was Xiyuan's idea to invite her over. And she only told us today. Even if we wanted to object, it was too late."

"Xiyuan?" Pang Tingting could not help but frown and became even more puzzled. "Why did she have such thoughts?"

"Xiyuan is a very kind girl." Lin Wanqin explained, "She wanted to use this opportunity to reconcile with Ye Leng'an. Everything she did is to make our family harmonious and happy. But Ye Leng'an really doesn't know what is good for her. She even wanted to cause trouble just now."

She should have thought of a way to stop Ye Leng'an from causing trouble. She didn't think that Ye Leng'an attended this banquet in earnest. She had a feeling that Ye Leng'an wanted to use this opportunity to do something.

Pang Tingting's smile was a little forced. "Xiyuan is really kind!"

Although she said so, she was very disdainful in her heart. Moreover, she didn't think that Ye Xiyuan invited Ye Lengan over out of kindness. Ye Xiyuan obviously knew that it would be an embarrassing situation, but she still asked Ye Leng'an to come. She was definitely not kind!

Because Ye Xiyuan was their family, the Ye family members automatically put on a filter when they saw Ye Xiyuan's actions. However, as an onlooker, she could see it clearly. Ye Xiyuan definitely had bad intentions toward Ye Leng'an. As for why Ye Xiyuan asked Ye Leng'an to come, there must be another reason. On the other side, Ye Xiyuan was also softening Nangong Xuyao up.

"Brother Nangong, I'm sorry for what happened just now." Ye Xiyuan looked at Nangong Xuyao with a hint of melancholy in her eyes. "I invited my sister over because I wanted to reconcile with her. I didn't expect to make such a joke out of myself."

"This matter has nothing to do with you." Nangong Xuyao comforted her. "Your idea is good, but there's nothing you can do if she doesn't appreciate it. In the future, you'd better keep your distance from Ye Leng'an! This is good for all of you."

"Emm." Ye Xiyuan nodded obediently.

The banquet hall was bustling with activity, and the waiters were constantly shuttling around. Men gathered in groups and talked about business while ladies also got together to discuss all kinds of new clothes, bags, or jewelry. Even the students from Sheng'an High School whom Ye Xiyuan invited herded together chatting.

Only Ye Leng'an seemed to be unable to blend in at all. Everyone was intentionally or unintentionally isolating her. They even deliberately avoided her when she walked over.

For ordinary people, they might feel very uncomfortable when given cold shoulders. However, Ye Leng'an was completely different. She didn't care about this little trick at all. Besides, she didn't like it when someone was whispering near her. Therefore, she picked up some food on a plate, found a seat in a corner, and casually put her bag aside before starting to eat.

While eating, she occasionally looked at the watch on her wrist.

Halfway through the banquet, a waiter pushed a beautiful three-tiered cake inside. Obviously, it was time to cut the cake.

Ye Leng'an had zero interest in these things. However, she didn't expect Ye Xiyuan to come over and invite her to cut the cake together with her.

After thinking about it, she agreed.

She didn't know what Ye Xiyuan's intentions were, but since Ye Xiyuan asked her to cut the cake at this time, things definitely weren't that simple.

She knew without thinking that Ye Xiyuan definitely wanted to use this opportunity to do something to her! She was such an understanding person, so how could she not give Ye Xiyuan this chance!

However, it was hard to say whether Ye Xiyuan's wish would be fulfilled in the end.

Soon, all the lights in the banquet hall went out, leaving only the faint candlelight on the cake.

As everyone was singing the birthday song, Ye Xiyuan closed her eyes and started making a wish.

Soon, after that, Ye Xiyuan opened her eyes and blew out the candle. Then, the lights in the banquet hall lit up again.

At this moment, a panicked voice rang out.

"Necklace! Where's my necklace? My necklace is gone!"