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After leaving the cafe, Ye Lengan went straight home instead of anywhere

What surprised her was that not long after she returned home, Huangfu Ruiling arrived as well.

"Why have you come at this time?" Ye Lengan made no attempt to conceal her surprise, "Shouldn't you be at the office right now?"

"Things are mostly taken care of, so I came to check in," said Huangfu Ruiling, raising his eyebrows. "Is it really necessary to be so shocked to see me?"

As only Ye Lengan was present, Huangfu Ruiling did not continue sitting in the wheelchair. He waved his hand for Li San to leave. Then he stood up, walked over to Ye Lengan, and sat down beside her.

"I was a bit surprised to see you," admitted Ye Lengan with a nod, looking towards Huangfu Ruiling at her side. She smiled and said, "After all, I had just returned from the cafe. For you to suddenly show up now, you must know something, right?"

"My mother came to see you?" A dark light flashed in Huangfu Ruilings eyes.

"It seems she really has too much free time."

"She came with Zhongyu Yiran," said Ye Lengan with a smile. "But strangely, before she could even finish speaking, she got up and left after receiving a

At this, she raised her eyebrows and said in a teasing tone, "What, you're not going to explain properly?"

"My father came to see me today," said Huangfu Ruiling, the corners of his lips curling into a cold smile. "He said status is not important. So I intend to fulfill his wish."

As for whether the other party had misunderstood his meaning, that was none of his concern.

"What did you do?" asked Ye Lengan with interest upon hearing Huangfu Ruiling's words. "Judging by your expression, it can't have been a small matter!"

She felt Huangfu Ruiling seemed to be planning something big.

"Nothing much," said Huangfu Ruiling casually as he leaned back and pulled Ye Lengan into his embrace. "I've already sent invitations to the major families that the Huangfu family will soon have a change of leadership. I invited them to enjoy the feast together when the time comes."

"What?" Even the usually calm Ye Lengan almost jumped up when she heard Huangfu Ruilings words. But then she couldn't help but laugh out loud. 'E If your father finds out about this, I'm afraid he'll go crazy!'

She had not expected Huangfu Ruiling to play things so boldly. A major family changing leaders was no small matter. At the very least, no family would make such a big decision to change leaders suddenly. One could imagine how the other families would react upon hearing such news.

"Didn't he say so himself? Status is unimportant," said Huangfu Ruiling mockingly.
"Since titles are so unimportant, isn't that also true of his position as the family head?
If he doesn't care, then let's dismiss him."

Most of the Huangfu family's power had already been concentrated in his hands many years ago. So he was the true ruler of the Huangfu family. It was only because he found it troublesome, and was indifferent to the false reputation of being family head, that he had allowed his father to remain in that position for so many years.

Unfortunately, the other party did not seem to recognize his own position. So it was time to vacate that seat.

Ye Lengan sat smiling radiantly in Huangfu Ruilings embrace. She couldn't help but give him a thumbs up. "This move of yours is quite vicious indeed. I feel that when he finds out about this, he'll probably explode. I wonder if he'll regret what he said today."

Clearly, Huangfu Jingzhang had said those words to Huangfu Ruiling. But now, Huangfu Ruiling was directly using them to retaliate.

"Whether he regrets it or not has nothing to do with me," said Huangfu Ruiling indifferently. "Everyone should take responsibility for their own words, and he's no exception. Besides, even without the title of family head, nothing will be different from now."

After all, the power had already been transferred many years ago.

"You're still the best," said Ye Lengan with a beaming smile. "But clearly, they've all misunderstood your intentions. Otherwise, your mother wouldn't have left so easily today either.."

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"After the position of family head is handed over, she likely won't plan on going out for quite some time," said Huangfu Ruiling, a cold glint flashing through his eyes.

"Zhongyu Yiran also came today," said Ye Lengan with a slight pout, complaining in a displeased tone, "Speaking of which, I really saved an ungrateful wretch this time! If I had known this would happen, I shouldn't have saved her back then. I should have just let that Gu worm wreak havoc in her body."

Saving others would at least earn some thanks, but saving Zhongyu Yiran had earned her an enemy. No matter how one looked at it, this was a huge loss.

Thinking of this, Ye Lengan sat up straight, turning to glare fiercely at

Huangfu Ruiling.

She had not forgotten that it was Huangfu Ruiling who had asked her to take on this losing proposition.

Faced with Ye Leng'an's fierce gaze, Huangfu Ruiling felt a little guilty. He couldn't help but rub his nose as he said directly, "This...back then, it wasn't for her sake but because of her elder brother, and also because my mother liked her at the time. Actually, whether you could cure her or not, I didn't really care that much originally."

But Ye Leng'an's medical skills were truly too superb. So many doctors couldn't diagnose it, yet she could. She had even come up with a way to lure out the Gu worm.

Ye Leng'an reached out and pinched a piece of soft flesh at Huangfu Ruilings waist. She said with a fake smile, "So you think this is my fault?"

As she spoke, her eyes were full of warning, as if Huangfu Ruiling would be dead if he dared say another word.

"No, it's entirely my fault," said Huangfu Ruiling, who knew Ye Lengan very well despite their short relationship. He spoke with a strong desire to make amends, saying, "So, you can punish me however you want."

"Forget it," said Ye Lengan with a shake of her head after thinking for a moment. She was still quite reasonable. "Zhongyu Yiran has always opposed me because she likes you. That's not your fault. However, from today's situation, it seems your mother doesn't consider her as a candidate for your future wife!"

"Zhongyu Yiran has changed targets," said Huangfu Ruiling lightly. "She's set her sights on Huangfu Ruixiang now."

"What?" exclaimed Ye Lengan, widening her eyes in disbelief. "Didn't she always like you before? Now how..."

She naturally knew who Huangfu Ruixiang was, Huangfu Ruiling's younger brother. Not only had Zhongyu Yiran changed targets, but she had also directly approached Huangfu Ruilings own brother.

"Who knows what she's thinking!" said Huangfu Ruiling indifferently.

"Recently she's been secretly finding out information about Huangfu Ruixiang, and even created a few 'chance encounters'. It's obvious she's trying to seduce Huangfu Ruixiang."

"Your mother will be furious if she finds out," said Ye Lengan, looking very interested, even a hint of schadenfreude in her tone. "It's clear she values Zhongyu Yiran but

looks down on her background. 1 bet she never imagined the dog she raised might one day bite its owner!"

Especially since Zhongyu Liuying had learned of Zhongyu Yiran's current physical condition today. She would be even less likely to agree now. She just wondered what method Zhongyu Yiran would resort to in the end.

"Even if she really bites the hand that fed her, it was her master who raised

Zhongyu Yiran's appetite in the first place. She can't blame others," said

Huangfu Ruiling coolly. "But in the end, it still depends on Huangfu Ruixiang."

"It seems Zhongyu Yiran is determined to marry into the Huangfu family, whether it's you or Huangfu Ruixiang!" said Ye Lengan, feeling somewhat speechless. "As for Li Yi, he has no hope. As expected, once a bootlicker, always a bootlicker. In the end, he is left with nothing!"

She did not believe Zhongyu Yiran was unaware of Li Yi's intentions. She knew everything but pretended ignorance, simply using Li Yi all along.

"That was Li Yi's own willing choice, he can't blame others," said Huangfu

Ruiling, his tone completely flat. 'Everyone must pay for their own choices,

Ye Lengan nodded, then directly stood up and reached out to pull Huangfu Ruiling. She smiled and said, "Let's not talk about this anymore. Let's go eat hotpot now! Hotpot is perfect for this cold weather.."

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It just so happened that recently she had seen a hotpot restaurant online that looked quite good. It made her appetite surge, so she was keen to try it out.

Huangfu Ruiling let Ye Lengan pull him up, and the two headed out.

He had never cared much about what to eat, so he naturally let Ye Lengan decide. Moreover, he liked sharing everything she was interested in with her.

Although it was called a hotpot restaurant, it was different from ordinary ones. It seemed this hotpot restaurant wanted to go for a high-end vibe! Thus, the décor of the restaurant was quite luxurious.

However, as soon as they entered, Ye Lengan saw a group of familiar faces. Though she said they were familiar, there was only one person she actually knew here. As for the others, she had only seen them on the surveillance cameras.

This group was the same people Li Qiaomeng had invited to her house before.

Ye Anyun did not expect to run into Ye Lengan here. When he saw her, he couldn't help but think of Li Qiaomeng who was about to be sued. For a moment, his mood was rather complicated.

At the same time, he recalled pleading with Ye Lengan for leniency before, only to have her tattle on him to his father. When he looked at Ye Leng'an now, there was a hint of resentment.

Ye Anyun's gaze left Ye Leng'an confused. However, she didn't care too much, as she and Ye Anyun had no relationship now, so naturally she was indifferent.

"Anyun, did you meet an acquaintance?" Zhou Gu had also noticed Ye Anyun's odd behavior. When he saw Ye Lengan, his eyes couldn't help flashing with amazement. He nudged Ye Anyun with his elbow and teased, "Where did you meet such a beauty? How come I don't know about her!"

Besides Zhou Gu, the others present were Zhao Meiyu, Dong Qiuyi, and Yue Ruyi, all the same people who had gone to the villa last time.

The reason they were gathered today was to celebrate a bit. They had just come from the public security bureau. They had gone to settle some formalities since the villa owner had decided not to pursue charges against them. After leaving the police station, someone suggested they go for a meal to celebrate. Thus they had shown up at this hotpot restaurant.

However, Ye Anyun stopped in his tracks as soon as they entered. Right across from them was an outstanding-looking couple, the man talented, the woman beautiful. Both were exceptionally good-looking and well-matched. The only pity was the man sitting in a wheelchair.

"That's right! Anyun, since she's an acquaintance, why don't you go over and say hello?" said Dong Qiuyi, stepping forward to stand right beside Ye Anyun. She even reached out and tugged at Ye Anyun's sleeve, seeming to want to stake her claim.

In the past, she had been jealous that Li Qiaomeng had a boyfriend who was good-looking and a bit wealthy. But it was just some jealousy. After all, there were many rich people in the capital, so it shouldn't be hard to find one. However, after this incident, they realized Ye Anyun was not just a little wealthy. He was from a prominent family in the capital! That time at the police station, Ye Anyun had actually called over a lawyer from his family's company legal team directly. This showed how massive their company was.

From then on, she had her eyes on Ye Anyun. Most importantly, with this incident, there was no way Li Qiaomeng could be released so easily. And Ye Anyun definitely would not continue seeing Li Qiaomeng after she had deceived them like this. To her, this was a prime opportunity.

Therefore, when she saw the girl who had suddenly appeared before them now, she subconsciously wanted to create the impression that she and Ye Anyun were close, just to show the girl. This girl who had shown up so unexpectedly was truly too beautiful, making Dong Qiuyi feel threatened.

Ye Anyun was silent for a bit before finally speaking. "That's the owner of the villa."

Hearing Ye Anyun's words, everyone's eyes widened as they looked at Ye

Lengan in disbelief. At the same time, they also felt a little guilty. Although the other party had forgiven them, in the end, they had still barged uninvited into someone else's home. No matter how one looked at it, they were in the wrong. Now, coming face to face with the owner, they naturally felt somewhat

uneasy..

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Ye Lengan glanced indifferently at Ye Anyun, having no intention of going over to greet them. She looked to Huangfu Ruiling and directly said, "Let's go in!"

She had nothing to say to the people opposite. Although she didn't pursue responsibility from them, it didn't mean they weren't in the wrong. As the victim, she naturally didn't want any further interactions with these people.

"Wait a minute."

Ye Anyun stepped forward, wanting to grab Ye Leng'an's hand, but a large palm grasped his wrist instead. Then he felt a sharp burst of pain as if his wrist might snap. He struggled to pull his hand back, but the other's palm was like an iron clamp, firmly locking his hand so he couldn't move. Cold sweat was already beading on his forehead.

Only when he could barely stand it anymore was his wrist finally released.

Huangfu Ruilings face was expressionless, his eyes calm as his words came icy cold. "If you don't want this hand anymore, I'll help remove it for you."

Looking at Huangfu Ruiling and feeling the pain radiating from his wrist, fear rose unbidden in Ye Anyun's heart. He saw clearly that although Huangfu

Ruiling was speaking to him, there was not a shred of his existence in Huangfu Ruilings eyes. Moreover, he had meant what he said. He truly wanted to break Ye Anyun's hand.

He knew that if Huangfu Ruiling really snapped his hand today, even his father would not be able to get justice for him from the Huangfu family. The disparity between the Huangfu family and the Ye family was far too great. In front of a colossus like the Huangfu family, the Ye family were like ants.

Crushing them would be all too easy.

"I don't have any other intention," said Ye Anyun, suppressing the fear in his heart as he falteringly spoke. "I just wanted to ask Ye Lengan a question."

"I think there's nothing left for us to say," Ye Lengan said straightforwardly. "What do you want to say? 1 think we made it clear last time. I no longer have anything to do with the Ye family, so pretend we're strangers from now on!"

"Why did you tattle to my father last time?" Ye Anyun raised his head to look at Ye Lengan, his eyes full of accusation. "You can use all your sanctimonious reasons to reject me, but you shouldn't have told my father. How are your actions any different from a villain's?"

"I didn't tattle to anyone," Ye Lengan replied indifferently. "Besides, 1 don't want any contact with anyone from the Ye family. So don't think too highly of yourself."

"But if you didn't tell him, how would my father know I came to plead with you for leniency, to ask you to let Qiaomeng off?" Ye Anyun didn't believe Ye Leng'an's words at all. "Other than you, no one else knew I came looking for you."

"Believe it or not," said Ye Lengan, utterly unconcerned. "Anyway, I didn't tattle to Ye Li.'

Having said that, she turned and walked with Huangfu Ruiling toward the private rooms.

Ye Anyun, left behind, watched their retreating backs with an inscrutable expression. He seemed to want to go after them but held back due to some misgivings.

After arriving at the private room, Ye Lengan immediately had the waiter come to order a large amount of dishes. Of course, she ordered a duo-flavor hotpot. She liked spicy food, but Huangfu Ruilings diet was light, and he

rarely ate such strong-flavored fare.

When the dishes arrived, Huangfu Ruiling only focused on serving Ye Lengan, constantly preparing food and adding it to her plate, while barely eating anything himself.

Only when Ye Lengan was full did she realize her own plate was clean while

Huangfu Ruilings was still piled with remnants. Yet in truth, she was the one who had eaten her fill while Huangfu Ruiling didn't seem to have eaten much at all.

"Hurry and eat!" said Ye Lengan, rather embarrassed. "You were so busy taking care of me that you've barely eaten anything. What do you want to eat?

I'll prepare it for you!'

"I'm fine. I usually don't eat much anyway," said Huangfu Ruiling with a gentle smile. "And seeing you eat so happily makes me very glad too."

Hearing such words, even the normally shameless Ye Lengan couldn't help but feel her face flush hotly. She hurriedly changed the subject. "Oh, didn't you say you'd help send the medical bill to Nangong Xuyao today? Did you send

Huangfu Ruiling naturally knew Ye Lengan had changed the subject out of discomfort, so he smoothly went along with the new topic. "I had Li San send it out this morning. Nangong Xuyao should have received it by now."

"This time, Ye Xiyuan will probably be quite busy," said Ye Lengan with a cold laugh. "That's good too. Let her know let her know that some achievements are not so easily replaced."

Since she had chosen to impersonate Ye Lengan initially, she would have to bear the consequences of being exposed now.

"However, even if Nangong Xuyao knows, he probably won't do anything to Ye

Xiyuan," said Huangfu Ruiling, raising his brows. "Although the identity as Nangong Xuyao's savior is fake, the identity as Mrs. Nangongs savior is an indisputable fact that everyone witnessed.

Moreover, there was no news from the Nangong family today. In other words, what happened last night really was just an accident."

Otherwise, the Nangong family would not possibly be so quiet today.

"I keep feeling it wasn't an accident," said Ye Lengan with a frown. "1 often sense some strange fluctuations from Ye Xiyuan. I don't know what it is either.

1 suspect last night's events are related to whatever is going on with Ye

Xiyuan."

She felt the things on Ye Xiyuan were very bizarre, so she naturally wanted to figure out what was going on as soon as possible. Originally, if her cultivation was still at its peak, she could have just directly searched Ye Xiyuan's soul to understand everything clearly. But her current cultivation had not fully recovered, so searching one's soul was still a bit difficult for the time being.

"Then find a way to investigate," said Huangfu Ruiling lightly. "If you want to know, there will always be a way."

Hearing Huangfu Ruilings words, Ye Lengan rolled her eyes, then smiled and said, "There is a way. But we'll have to wait until Ye Xiyuan is at her weakest mentally."

As long as Ye Xiyuan was mentally weak, it would be much easier for her mental power to invade Ye Xiyuan's mind. At that time, she could uncover Ye Xiyuan's secrets.

"Then the opportunity should come soon," said Huangfu Ruiling with a nod.

"Nangong Xuyao can't tolerate being lied to. Even if he can't do anything to Ye

Xiyuan, he probably won't make things easy for her either.."

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Nangong Xuyao gripped the paper tightly in his hands. His eyes were red and he gritted his teeth, trying to restrain the turmoil churning inside him. He kept panting heavily as if trying to vent the anger in his chest, but nothing seemed to alleviate it.

After a long while, he finally got his inner rage under control. Then, the corners of his mouth curled into a cold smile. He took out his phone and made a call. "Hello Mother, are you busy?"

Upon hearing Nangong Xuyao's voice, Murong Yanshu's tone turned cold. "I'm not busy, but if this is about discussing Ye Xiyuan, there's no need to continue. Accepting her as my goddaughter is already the biggest concession I can make.'

Usually, she wouldn't care at all about the Ye family's affairs. If Ye Xiyuan hadn't saved her, she wouldn't have made such a decision. One had to know that becoming a young lady of the Nangong family was like gilding oneself with gold. This was something many young ladies from other families dreamed about!

"Mother, don't worry. 1 do want to discuss Ye Xiyuan with you today," said Nangong Xuyao. At this point, a cold light flashed in his eyes, "However, 1 1 m not here to oppose your decision. I think it's very good. I agree with it completely."

Upon hearing this, Murong Yanshu was stunned. She pulled the phone away and looked at the name on the screen. Then she asked suspiciously, "Xuyao, are you alright?"

At this moment, she wondered if the person on the phone with her was really her son. Just last night he had been so strongly against her decision, determined not to become siblings Ye Xiyuan. And now after only one night, he had changed his mind.

This change was too sudden. She didn't feel a trace of surprise but rather shock.

"Mother, what are you talking about!" Hearing Murong Yanshu's doubtful tone, Nangong Xuyao couldn't help but facepalm. "Weren't you very firm about not letting me be with Ye Xiyuan? Since that's the case, shouldn't you be happy that I've agreed to your request today?"

"If you've really made this decision, then of course I'm happy," Murong Yanshu said seriously over the phone. "But if you're just brushing me off, then I'll be very unhappy."

She didn't think one night was enough to change a person so drastically. This change was too abrupt. No matter how she looked at it, it seemed suspicious.

"Mother, I've just come to understand it," said Nangong Xuyao, his lips curling into a cold smile. "You're right. I'm the young master of the Nangong family. I have my own duties and responsibilities. Ye Xiyuan is indeed not qualified to be the Nangong family's matriarch. So I think your suggestion is very good."

Although suspicious of Nangong Xuyao's sudden change, Murong Yanshu still responded, "Since you've decided, I'll ask Ye Xiyuan again to see what she thinks. If she still doesn't want to, then give the Ye family some benefits to thank Ye Xiyuan for saving her life last night."

Hearing Murong Yanshu mention the life-saving grace, Nangong Xuyao's expression darkened even more. "Don't worry, Mother. 1 know what to do."

After hanging up the phone, Nangong Xuyao waved his hand and swept everything on the table onto the floor. He muttered sinisterly, "Ye Xiyuan, you're very clever, fooling me like this, aren't you?"

Originally, because of Ye Xiyuan's actions last night, he didn't plan to investigate that past incident anymore. However, early this morning he unexpectedly received a package. Inside it was a medical bill, claiming he had to pay for the treatment that saved him back then.

When he saw the bill, at first he thought it was a prank. But when he saw the bullet shell that came with the bill, he was stunned.

That was the bullet shell left behind when he was shot. Therefore, this bill was not a joke, but real. Although he didn't know why it came so late, he could be sure this bill was sent by his real lifesaver.

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In other words, Ye Xiyuan's life-saving grace was fake, and his so-called life- saving benefactor was also fake. He was like a fool, kept in the dark and played around by Ye Xiyuan. Originally, he thought Ye Xiyuan was the kindest, most wonderful girl in the world, but he didn't expect it was all just an act on her part.

When he thought about how well he had treated Ye Xiyuan during this time, he felt like a huge s*cker.

Wasn't Ye Xiyuan impersonating his savior just to get close to the Nangong family? Since that was the case, he would give Ye Xiyuan this chance.

However, the final form would be out of Ye Xiyuan's hands to decide.

Moreover, even if she really became the Nangong family's goddaughter, Ye Xiyuan would definitely not be able to enjoy the Nangong family's treatment.

Nangong Xuyao's gaze involuntarily fell upon the bullet shell and bill, and a hint of confusion flashed across his eyes.

Although he now knew Ye Xiyuan was not his savior, he did not know who it was. There was no signature on the bill, only an account number left for him to transfer the money directly.

He had a feeling this bill seemed to be related to Huangfu Ruiling.

At last night's banquet, Huangfu Ruiling had already hinted that Ye Xiyuan, his so-called savior, was fake. He received the bill early in the morning, so this must have been written by Huangfu Ruiling.

Of course, he did not think the person who saved him was Huangfu Ruiling. However, he could be certain Huangfu Ruiling knew his real lifesaver.

However, all this was just his guess for now. He still had to send someone to investigate the truth.

At this moment, in the Ye family villa.

Ye Xiyuan was resting in her room.

At this time, she should have been in Jin City making up lessons, preparing for the upcoming National Mathematical Olympiad. However, because she was injured now, she could only continue taking leave and rest at home. Even so, while resting at home, she was still studying.

This Mathematical Olympiad competition was too important to her, she could not afford any mistakes. Because the rewards for this mission were too generous, and if she lost, the price would be equally too high. If it wasn't for her parents insisting she rest for a few days after seeing her injuries last night, she would have already returned to Jin City to continue tutoring.

Just as Ye Xiyuan was still studying diligently, her phone suddenly rang. She quickly picked up, but upon hearing the words on the other end, she was stunned. Before she could react, the other party had already hung up.

Even after the call ended, Ye Xiyuan still maintained the posture of answering the phone.

She didn't know how much time passed before she numbly put down the phone. Then she picked up her phone again and glanced at the call log, confirming it wasn't her imagination.

After regaining her senses, Ye Xiyuan threw her phone forcefully to the ground. The expression on her face also turned somewhat sinister, and the surrounding atmosphere was shrouded in a layer of gloom.

Staring at the phone on the ground, Ye Xiyuan didn't know if she was staring at the phone or glaring through it at the person who had just called.

She couldn't believe what she had just heard. Last night, Nangong Xuyao was still firmly against letting her become his god- sister. But today someone from the Nangong family called and asked if she agreed with Mrs. Nangongs proposal from last night, and said the Young Master was very supportive of this decision.

From his tone, it seemed as if he had given her a great favor. She had no interest in becoming the Nangong family's goddaughter. She only wanted to become the Nangong family's matriarch.

But now, even Nangong Xuyao had compromised. Did she have no standing in Nangong Xuyao's heart at all?

Thinking of this, Ye Xiyuan directly called out to the system, "System, what is Nangong Xuyao's favorability towards me now?"

"System query in progress. Please wait a moment." A mechanical voice sounded in her mind. "According to the latest data, Nangong Xuyao's favorability towards the host is at 40%"

"What?" Upon hearing the result, Ye Xiyuan almost jumped up. Her tone was full of disbelief.. "How is this possible? Just last night, Nangong Xuyao's favorability towards me was already at 88%!"

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She could not understand why there would be such a big change in just one night. What had happened without her knowing? Or could it be that something had gone wrong with the system?

As if sensing Ye Xiyuan's suspicion, the system's mechanical voice sounded again, "The system does not make mistakes. Nangong Xuyao's favorability towards the host has now dropped to 30%. In other words, all the luck the host previously obtained because of Nangong Xuyao will disappear."

Upon hearing the system's response, Ye Xiyuan felt especially anxious.

Nangong Xuyao was the young master of the Nangong family and had very strong providence. Because she had obtained such high favorability from Nangong Xuyao, her own luck had increased considerably. But now it had all vanished. This meant everything she had done before was in vain.

Most importantly, she didn't know why Nangong Xuyao's impression of her was now so low.

"System, why did Nangong Xuyao's favorability towards me drop so much?"

"This question is outside the scope of the system's inquiry. The system is unable to answer."

After the system's reply, Ye Xiyuan felt like cursing. However, knowing the system could monitor her thoughts, she didn't dare think too much.

But as time passed, especially considering the system's performance lately, she was starting to suspect it was defective, which was why it didn't know anything and would sometimes malfunction.

However, even so, she could only grit her teeth and swallow her anger. The system was now bound to her, and this was an unchangeable fact. So she could only continue like this.

Moreover, if she really lost the system's help, she wasn't sure if she could defeat Ye Leng'an.

Therefore, she had mixed feelings about the system. On one hand, she felt it was not very useful at all, and there were often bugs. On the other hand, she was very dependent on it.

However, the most important thing for her now was not the system, but the issue with Nangong Xuyao.

Clearly, the person who had just called was not lying. Nangong Xuyao had really agreed. What should she do next?

If she agreed, then she and Nangong Xuyao would be siblings in the future, even if not by blood. But even so, it would likely be very difficult for them to be together in the future. However, if she didn't agree, Nangong Xuyao's favorability towards her was so low now that just meeting in the future would be difficult.

She was really in a dilemma now.

Time passed day by day. One day, the entire upper-class society in the capital was shocked. The reason was that one of the four great families, the Huangfu family, was actually going to change its family head.

Once this news spread, it exploded within the major families. No one could have imagined the Huangfu family would suddenly change family head.

One had to know that changing a family's head was not something done casually. Although most of the Huangfu family's power had long fallen into the hands of Young Master Huangfu Ruiling, the head had always been Huangfu Jingzhang for many years. But now there was suddenly news he was changing the head.

Previously there had not been a hint of this. Moreover, Huangfu Jingzhangs manner these past few days was completely unlike someone who knew about this matter. Receiving such an invitation now was very strange no matter how one looked at it.

At this time, in the Huangfu family's old residence.

Huangfu Jingzhang held the phone in his hand, shock written all over his face, He didn't even notice the phone slip from his hand and fall.

"What's going on?" Seeing Huangfu Jingzhangs appearance, Zhongyu Liuying beside him couldn't help frowning. "Did something happen?"

Huangfu Jingzhang looked as if he had suffered a huge blow. This call had clearly been from the family elders. They shouldn't have dared to anger Huangfu Jingzhang. After all, to the outside world, Huangfu Jingzhang was still the leader of the Huangfu family. Although most of the power was concentrated in Huangfu Ruilings hands, Huangfu Ruiling was their biological son.

Those people definitely would not have dared to anger Huangfu Jingzhang either..

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At this moment, Huangfu Ruixiang hurriedly went downstairs, no longer as graceful as he used to be. Perhaps because he had walked too quickly, his hair was messed up by the wind, and his clothes did not seem to be as neat as before. There were even some wrinkles in some places.

"Ruixiang, what's wrong with you?" When Zhongyu Liuying saw Huangfu

Ruixiangs appearance, she couldn't help but frown. "You're the young master of the Huangfu family, and you represent the family's reputation."

"Mom, let's not talk about this for now. If you want to lecture me, there will be plenty of opportunities in the future," said Huangfu Ruixiang, somewhat out of breath. "The most important thing now is that our Huangfu family is going to have a new family head. Do you guys know about this?"

At this time, he was still resting in his room. Last night, he went out with hisfriends and didn't come back until midnight.

He had originally planned to sleep a little later today, but early in the morning, he received a call from his friends who told him the news. He did not bother to wash up and ran downstairs directly to tell his parents.

With a crisp sound, the coffee cup in Zhongyu Yiran's hand fell to the ground.

At this moment, Zhongyu Liuying couldn't care less about the fragments of the coffee cup on the ground. She stood up and came to Huangfu Ruixiang. "What do you mean we are going to have a new family head? Who did you hear this from? You have to know that some things can't be casually joked about."

"Mom, I'm not joking!" Huangfu Ruixiang grabbed his hair hard. "This matter has already spread. All the big families have already received invitations. Tell me, at this point, could it still be fake?"

He didn't want this to be true, okay?

His father being the head of the family and his elder brother being the head of the family were completely different to him.

Although the power of the family was no longer in his father's hands, as long as his father was still the patriarch of the Huangfu family, others would value him more, It would be a different matter if the head of the family was changed to his elder brother. Especially since his relationship with his brother was not very close. It could even be said that he was unfamiliar with him.

After hearing Huangfu Ruixiangs words, Zhongyu Liuying immediately realized that this wasn't a joke. She quickly turned her head and looked at

Huangfu Jingzhang. At this moment, she also understood why Huangfu

Jingzhang had suddenly reacted that way. It seemed the reason was here.

"Bastard." Huangfu Jingzhang's face was ashen. He clenched his fists tightly and gritted his teeth tightly. It could be seen how bad his mood was at this moment.

Just now, he had received a call from the elders of the family to ask about this matter.

When he heard this, his first reaction was disbelief. However, the person on the other end of the phone told him that the story was true and had already spread throughout the upper class of the capital. They called to ask what was going on.

"Is this true?" Seeing Huangfu Jingzhangs reaction, Zhongyu Liuyings eyes widened in disbelief. "How could Ruiling do such a thing?"

"It's that unfilial son. He wants to rebel!" Huangfu Jingzhang gritted his teeth in hatred. At this moment, his face was filled with gloom. "He informed all the families in the upper-class society of the capital, but he did not tell me, the person involved. Now that he has grown up, he actually wants to chase me down from the position of family head. He must be dreaming."

"Could there be some misunderstanding?" Zhongyu Liuying quickly tried to persuade him, "Things haven't been clarified yet. Maybe this wasn't done by Ruiling at all?"

"Other than him, who else could it be?" Huangfu Jingzhangs eyes were filled with anger. "He actually dared to do such a thing. In his eyes, am I still his father?"

"Calm down first." Zhongyu Liuying sat down beside Huangfu Jingzhang and patted his back to calm him down. "We still don't know what's going on, so we shouldn't rush to make a conclusion about Ruiling. Therefore, I think it's better to investigate this matter clearly first."

"Don't make excuses for that unfilial son anymore," said Huangfu Jingzhang, his expression remaining gloomy. "All along, I only thought that his personality was a little strange. I didn't expect that he would actually do such a thing now. In fact, he didn't even mention such a big matter, let alone discuss it with me. I think that in his heart, there is simply no place for me as his father."

"Jingzhang, don't be so angry," Zhongyu Liuying hurriedly continued. "You'd better give Ruiling a call first and see what's going on! Maybe there's a mistake!

"Mistake?" Huangfu Jingzhangs face was full of sa_rcasm. "Now, all the big families have already received the invitations. This banquet will be held on the 15th day of the first lunar month. The purpose of the banquet is to announce the new patriarch of the Huangfu family. Do you think there's a mistake?"

"No matter what, you should ask Ruiling," Zhongyu Liuying continued. "If there was a mistake, you should have explained it earlier! If he really did it, you should ask him what the reason is."

Even though he couldn't bring himself to make this call, after much consideration, he still chose to make the call. Because if this matter was true, it might be too late for him to withdraw those invitations when he thought of a solution.

The phone rang for a long time before it was picked up.

"Huangfu Ruiling, do you know what you are doing?" As soon as the call was answered on the other end, Huangfu Jingzhang couldn't hold back his angry outburst. "I am your father, how could you do something like this? Have you ever thought about how your actions make me feel as your father? What do you take me for? I'm clearly one of the parties involved, but I can only find out about this from others. Huangfu Ruiling, what do you mean?"

"Nothing," answered Huangfu Ruiling, his tone unchanged, still cold and calm. "Didn't you say it before? Status isn't important. Since that's the case, then I'm returning the same sentiment to you now.."

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"You bastard," Huangfu Jingzhang erupted in rage, cursing, "You know full well what I mean. You're doing this on purpose, aren't you? You're trying to get back at me and oust me from my position as family head."

"You're thinking too much." Huangfu Ruilings tone remained cold and detached. "I'm merely making decisions according to your wishes. What do you have to be angry about?" He continued, "Besides, status is unimportant. Even without the designation of the family head, nothing about what you

currently possess will change, right?"

"Don't give me that crap!" Huangfu Jingzhang had by now lost all of his usual composure and self-restraint. He was incensed and agitated. "You've already gathered most of the power in the Huangfu family under your control. Why are you

still not satisfied? Why must you snatch away my position as family head as well? Do you value that role so highly?"

"Don't you value it just as much?" Huangfu Ruiling calmly retorted. "If you don't care for it, why question me about it now?"

Huangfu Jingzhang was rendered almost speechless with rage. He took a deep breath and directly ordered, "Go and withdraw all the invitations at once. Then issue a statement saying this was all a joke and that the Huangfu family has no plans to replace the head of the family."

Matters had not yet progressed to an irreparable stage, so there was still a way to salvage the situation.

"Impossible," Huangfu Ruiling flatly refused. "Everything has already been arranged. You need only show up on the appointed day."

"l am your father!" Huangfu Jingzhang bellowed. "Do you still see me as your father? If you acknowledge me as such, then go and take back everything at once!"

Hearing this threat, Huangfu Ruiling's tone was unchanged. "As I've already stated, that's impossible. If you no longer wish to acknowledge me as your son, you may leave the Huangfu family. I promise I will not hinder you."

"You..."

Hearing this, Huangfu Jingzhang felt he would soon faint from rage. Through gritted teeth, he pleaded in a low voice, "Ruiling, I know you are this angry because I interfered between you and Ye Lengan. If you withdraw the invitations now, I will pretend this never happened. In the future, I promise not to meddle in matters between you and Ye Lengan ever again."

At this point, Huangfu Jingzhang gritted his teeth and continued, "Even if you want Ye Lengan to become the Huangfu family's matriarch, I will have no further objections."

If only he had known this Ye Lengan was so important to that unfilial son, he never would have said a word! Previously, he had felt his son agreed too readily. It turned out he had been waiting for this! Now, to preserve his position as family head, he could only choose to concede.

After all, whether it was Ye Lengan or someone else becoming Huangfu Ruilings wife mattered little. However, without the title of Huangfu family's patriarch, how could he continue to face people?

"You had no right to interfere in my affairs to begin with," Huangfu Ruiling said lightly. "As for replacing the family head, that is only reasonable, so it will not be rescinded. Father, you should prepare yourself!" With that, Huangfu Ruiling promptly hung up the phone.

"That bastard," Huangfu Jingzhang snarled.

In a fit of rage, he violently hurled the phone in his hand to the floor.

"Crack!" The phone smashed into pieces with a sharp snap.

"Jingzhang, what is going on?" Seeing Huangfu Jingzhangs violent outburst, a sense of foreboding rose in Zhongyu Liuyings heart.

One had to understand that she and Huangfu Jingzhang were husband and wife. They rose and fell together. If Huangfu Jingzhang lost his position as family head, it meant the title of family head's wife would no longer be hers.

How then could she continue to socialize among the upper crust of the capital? She could already imagine how those noble ladies would gossip and mock her behind her back once she was no longer the Huangfu family's matriarch.

The husband being family head and the son being family head were two very different things, especially since she and Huangfu Ruiling were mother and son, yet their relationship had always been distant. Therefore, Huangfu Ruiling becoming family head did nothing to help her. If anything, it lowered her status..

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"That bastard, he's setting a trap for me to fall into!" At this time, Huangfu Jingzhang was filled with rage. "He is getting back at me for opposing his relationship with Ye Lengan."

"Father, what should we do now?" Huangfu Ruixiang was very anxious. "Are we really going to let Big Brother kick you out of the position of family head?" "That wretched son," Huangfu Jingzhang was so angry he spoke without thinking. "If only I had known things would turn out like this, it would have been so much better if he had just died in that accident back then!"

If Huangfu Ruiling had actually died in that incident, none of this would be happening now. Not only that, but the incident from a few years ago where Huangfu Ruiling seized power also would not have occurred. In that case, he would still be the Huangfu family's patriarch even now, and a patriarch with great power at that.

"Let's not mention the past." Zhong Yu's expression grew uneasy. "Otherwise if it gets back to Ruilings ears, that wouldn't be good."

"Do you think I still need to worry about such things now?" Although Huangfu Jingzhang spoke as such, his voice grew slightly softer. "That unfilial son really intends to take everything from me!"

What he valued most right now was his position as the Huangfu family head, yet Huangfu Ruiling had snatched it away just like that. This was surely an act of revenge.

"Then what should we do now?" Zhongyu Liuying looked helpless.

"What else can we do?" Huangfu Jingzhangs anger had not yet abated; his face was filled with resentment. "It's not as if you didn't hear my call earlier. He's determined to do this now. Nothing I say will make any difference."

If there really was a way out, he wouldn't be so passive. Just now, he had already said everything conciliatory he could, yet Huangfu Ruiling was unmoved. What more could he do?

"No, maybe there really is a way." Huangfu Ruixiang had a flash of inspiration. "Didn't Brother do all this for Ye Lengan? If there is someone who can make him change his mind, it will only be Ye Lengan."

Hearing this, both Huangfu Jingzhang and Zhongyu Liuying were stunned for a moment. Earlier, they had not considered this point. Now, with Huangfu Ruixiangs reminder, they naturally thought of it as well.

However, when they contemplated having to seek out Ye Lengan and show weakness to her, their briefly lifted spirits immediately fell again.

After a long while, Huangfu Jingzhang looked to Zhongyu Liuying and spoke again, "Find time to visit Ye Lengan again. Then tell her 1 no longer oppose her relationship with that unfilial son. Ask her to think of a way to resolve this matter."

Upon hearing Huangfu Jingzhangs words, Zhongyu Liuyings face took on a troubled expression. "The last time I spoke with her, I said many unkind things. If I go to her now, won't it seem..."

She really could not bring herself to face Ye Lengan again. Especially approaching Ye Lengan at this time felt like bowing down to her.

Huangfu Jingzhangs face instantly darkened. "So you're content to just watch as my position as family head is stripped away, is that it?"

Zhongyu Liuying was rendered speechless. After some internal struggle, she finally nodded. "Alright, I'll go see her in a couple of days."

Although extremely reluctant, they had no other choice now. The only person who could persuade Huangfu Ruiling was Ye Lengan. Therefore, even if it meant bowing before Ye Lengan, they had no alternative.

"Then hurry it up!" Huangfu Jingzhang nodded, not forgetting to instruct, yourself this time, don't bring Yiran along again. We don't want things to become awkward and counterproductive."

"I understand." Zhongyu Liuying nodded.

She said nothing more after that, already turning over in her mind how to broach the subject with Ye Lengan.

In the Ye family's residence.

After resting for several days, the wounds on Ye Xiyuan's arms had completely healed. However, she still did not go to math tutoring. Her injuries had healed so quickly because she used the system

to get medicine. She could not let outsiders know about this. Also, if she recovered this fast, the Nangong family's gratitude would be greatly diminished	