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Although she had been mulling it over at home for several days, she had yet to give any reply to the Nangong family. She didn't even fully understand what was going on. Nangong Xuyao's favorability towards her had suddenly dropped and she felt it must be related to Ye Lengan, though she couldn't guess the exact reason.

However, remembering what Huangfu Ruiling had said to Nangong Xuyao at the banquet, she felt very uneasy. She didn't know if Nangong Xuyao's sudden change was because he had found out she wasn't really his savior.

But thinking it over carefully, if Nangong Xuyao really knew, why hadn't he come to her to get to the bottom of it? If he came to confront her, she'd at least have a chance to defend herself. This sudden coldness left her truly at a loss.

The only thing giving her some peace of mind was that Murong Yanshu's favorable impression of her had not changed at all. This was still very beneficial for her.

Just as Ye Xiyuan was pondering this, there was a knock at the door.

The only ones who would knock at this time were family. Ye Xiyuan directly told them to come in.

When the door opened and she saw it was Ye Anyun, she looked surprised, then directly asked, "Brother, why are you here at this time? What's the matter?"

Clearly, Ye Anyun's sudden visit took her aback. Perhaps it was due to the gender difference, even though they were siblings by blood, they hadn't grown up together, so Ye Anyun rarely came to her room on ordinary days. Even if there were any matters to discuss, they would usually do so in the living room or study.

"Xiyuan, how is your arm now?" Ye Anyun glanced at the bandages wrapped around Ye Xiyuan's arm and asked, "Does it still hurt?"

"I'm fine, much better now," Ye Xiyuan said leaning against the headboard with a smile. "Although the wounds look bad, most are superficial and should fully heal after some time."

"That's good." Ye Anyun nodded.

Then he opened his mouth as if to say something, but no words came out.

"Brother, if you have something to say, just come out with it!" Seeing Ye Anyun's hesitant manner, Ye Xiyuan frowned. "I'm your sister. There's nothing we can't discuss!"

"Xiyuan, um..." After thinking for a moment, Ye Anyun suddenly asked, "What's going on between you and Young Master Nangong recently? During the time you were

injured, it seems like he never came to visit you. Did you have some unpleasant disagreement?"

Ye Anyun's words were like a sharp knife, piercing directly into the center of Ye Xiyuan's heart. However, she managed to suppress her discomfort, putting on a smiling face and saying, "Brother Nangong has been really busy with work lately, and it was me who told him not to come over to avoid disrupting his work. Besides, it's not a big deal, I just need a few days of rest, and I'll be fine."

After hearing Ye Xiyuan's words, Ye Anyun nodded. Then there was another awkward silence.

Ye Xiyuan couldn't take it anymore. Just as she was about to speak, she heard

Ye Anyun's words.

"Xiyuan, actually I came today because I really do need your help with something." Ye Anyun took a deep breath and said, "You should know about Qiaomeng and me. Qiaomeng is still being held by the police. I want to ask if you have any way to help get her out?"

If he could, he really didn't want to come and ask Ye Xiyuan for help today.

Even though Ye Xiyuan was his own biological sister, he cared for her deeply.

However, asking her for help suddenly made him feel somewhat tongue-tied. But now, apart from Ye Xiyuan, there was no one else who could help him.

"Brother, do you still have feelings for Li Qiaomeng?" Ye Xiyuan frowned. "If Dad finds out, he definitely won't let it go easily."

"No," Ye Anyun quickly shook his head and continued, "Xiyuan, you've misunderstood. It's true, in the past I really liked Li Qiaomeng. But after she did that for vanity, I'd already decided to break up with her."

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"It's just that no matter what, we were once in love. So, even if we break up, I want it to be on good terms. I'll formally propose the breakup after Qiaomeng is released from the public security bureau and this matter is behind us. Besides, she and I are classmates after all. I really don't want to see her entire future ruined over such a minor matter."

His words were sincere; he no longer felt the same affection for Li Qiaomeng as he once did. Through the experience of this incident, he had realized that Li Qiaomeng was entirely different from what he had imagined, and she was definitely not the type of person he liked.

However, he still wanted to get Li Qiaomeng out of this. He couldn't quite explain the persistence within him, but he just felt that he should do it.

After hearing Ye Anyun's words, Ye Xiyuan couldn't help but furrow her brows, looking troubled. "Brother, you know how much Dad hates Li Qiaomeng. I can't go against him! Besides, I'm just a student now. How could I possibly help you?"

"Xiyuan, only you can help me now." Ye Anyun looked at Ye Xiyuan pleadingly. "Young Master Nangong treats you so well. With just one request from you, he will surely lend a hand. Something so minor will be effortless for Young Master Nangong."

If Young Master Nangong were willing to help, the situation could be resolved quickly and easily. And the only person who could persuade Young Master Nangong to intervene right now was Ye Xiyuan. Actually, when he was saying these words, he felt a bit embarrassed. But he had no other choice, so he had to turn to Ye Xiyuan for help.

After hearing Ye Anyun's words, Ye Xiyuan was rendered speechless. Still, she forced a smile and responded, "Brother, is it really appropriate for me to go and ask Brother Nangong for this favor? You know that he has helped our family immensely during this time. If I go to him now with such a request, won't it make him feel like we're taking advantage of his kindness?"

She couldn't help but wonder how on earth Ye Anyun's mind had been so muddled to come to her for help. Even if Nangong Xuyao's favorability toward her hadn't dropped so significantly, she would never consider approaching him with such a request, let alone now.

Furthermore, she had no connection whatsoever with this Li Qiaomeng person. Why should she go out of her way to help Li Qiaomeng?

"This..." Ye Anyun's expression darkened at Ye Xiyuan's words, but he still didn't give up. "Xiyuan, it's just a simple request. Can't you help me?"

He knew his request was a difficult one, yet there was nothing else he could do.

"Brother, it's not that I don't want to help, it's just not appropriate for me to make the request." Ye Xiyuan pressed her lips together and continued. "I can't take advantage of my relationship with Young Master Nangong to make such unreasonable demands! Besides, you know Dad's temper. If I really did this, he would definitely be angry. So brother, I really can't promise you."

Upon hearing Ye Xiyuan's response, Ye Anyun's expression immediately darkened. However, he had come here today with the intention of trying, and now that Xiyuan was unwilling to agree, he couldn't force her.

He looked up at Ye Xiyuan. The smile on Ye Anyun's face was a little strained. "If that's the case, then forget it. Xiyuan, pretend I never mentioned this today. As for Dad..."

"I won't say anything to Dad about it," Ye Xiyuan interjected before Ye Anyun could even finish. "So brother, don't worry."

After thinking about it, Ye Xiyuan still spoke up, "Brother, actually, as long as the person involved doesn't pursue the matter, then nothing happened. As for

Ye Lengan..."

“Don’t mention her!” Ye Anyun’s expression soured at the name Ye Lengan.

“She’s cold-hearted. I have nothing to say to her.”

Ye Xiyuan said nothing after that, but inwardly she felt quite smug.

It seemed after this incident, the relationship between Ye Anyun and Ye Xiyuan had truly hit rock bottom!

This was definitely good news for her. In the Ye family now, almost everyone harbored irreconcilable grievances against Ye Lengan.

In the current Ye family, there was absolutely no place for Ye Lengan to establish herself. She couldn’t behave as recklessly as she did in her previous life, relying on her family’s affection.

Just thinking about this greatly lifted her mood.

Although his request went unfulfilled, Ye Anyun did not blame Ye Xiyuan. Instead, he left her room with heavy footsteps.

After Ye Anyun left, a dark light flashed in Ye Xiyuan’s eyes. She felt Li Qiaomeng must now harbor bone-deep hatred for Ye Lengan.

Someone like her could indeed be a powerful tool for delivering a heavy blow to Ye Lengan if used effectively. However, she needed to carefully consider how to proceed with the operation and what the ultimate plan should be.

In the living room, Ye Lengan looked at Zhongyu Liuying sitting opposite her on the sofa, her eyes filled with helplessness.

She had never expected Zhongyu Liuying to come looking for her again. One had to know their last meeting was anything but pleasant.

Early in the morning, her doorbell had rung incessantly. Initially, she did not plan on answering it, as she didn’t think any acquaintances would come calling at this hour.

Yet the person kept doggedly ringing the bell, seeming determined to find her.

In the end, she had no choice but to open the door. Upon seeing who it was, she was still perplexed.

After their previous unpleasant conversation in the coffee shop, she didn’t think there was any possibility of them talking again.

She never expected that after just a few days, Zhongyu Liuying would again turn up at her door. What was more, this time the other party gave her no chance to speak at all and just strode right in.

Although Ye Lengan was exasperated by Zhongyu Liuying’s behavior, she wouldn’t go so far as to chase her out.

Therefore, after Zhongyu Liuying sat down, she took a seat opposite her with no intention of serving tea or anything else. After all, at most, Zhongyu

Liuying was an uninvited guest. She had no obligation to accommodate her..

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“When guests come to visit, and you don’t even pour a cup of tea, is this your idea of hospitality?” Zhongyu Liuying criticized, “Don’t you understand even the most basic manners?”

No matter how she looked at it, she was very displeased with Ye Lengan. If not for Huangfu Jingzhangs order, there was no way she would have come here today.

“Guests are those who have been invited,” Ye Lengan retorted without mincing words. “You barged in here uninvited, and allowing you inside is already me being lenient.”

Both of them were newcomers to this situation, so why should she accommodate the other party? Many things were mutual, and just because Zhongyu Liuying didn’t like her didn’t mean she had to like her either. Since they were in a state of hostility, there was no need for pretense.

“You...” Zhongyu Liuying was infuriated by this attitude and turned to Ye Lengan with a confrontational tone. “I am Huangfu Ruilings biological mother. Aren’t you afraid that Ruiling will be angry when he finds out how you’re treating me?”

She couldn’t believe Ye Lengan would treat her like this. If Ye Lengan truly liked Huangfu Ruiling, shouldn’t she try to curry favor as her future mother-in-law?

“He won’t get angry.” Ye Lengan’s tone was certain. She looked at Zhongyu Liuying faintly smiling. “Why do you think you hold such an important place in his heart?”

She could only say Zhongyu Liuying thought too highly of herself. Not just her, Huangfu Jingzhang was the same. Although they were Huangfu Ruiling’s biological parents, they should understand what kind of relationship they had, right?

“What do you mean?” Zhongyu Liuyings face turned pale and her tone grew urgent. “Did he tell you that he doesn’t value us family? Is that it?”

As she spoke, Zhongyu Liuying’s expression was very poor, as if she had suffered a huge blow. She seemed to know a certain fact, yet desperately denied it.

Ye Lengan did not directly answer Zhongyu Liuyings question, instead saying, “Does it matter if he said anything to me? You should know very well yourselves what the truth is. You’re fully aware of the position you hold in his heart. There’s no need for me to elaborate.”

After hearing Ye Lengan’s words, Zhongyu Liuyings eyes were filled with regret. She muttered softly, “As expected, he still remembers what happened back then. No matter what, he’ll never forgive us. He still blames us.”

Ye Lengan standing beside said nothing. A trace of suspicion flashed in her eyes. She didn’t know exactly what had happened back then, but it was clearly a major event capable of changing many things.

Despite her inner doubts, Ye Lengan’s face remained unchanged, revealing no hint of her current thoughts. She would investigate what Zhongyu Liuying

was referring to regarding that past incident eventually. However, it was clear that now was not the time.

“So, what did you come here for?” Ye Lengan cut off Zhongyu Liuying, speaking directly. “If you have something to say, just say it. There’s no need to keep nitpicking here. I don’t have the time to play these fault-finding games with you.”

Ye Leng’an’s words brought Zhongyu Liuying back to her senses. She straightened her expression and collected herself before sitting upright, looking at Ye Lengan. “I came today to tell you we can agree to let you enter our Huangfu family. If Ruiling truly insists on being with you, we can reluctantly accept you.”

As she spoke, reluctance was evident in her tone, and her gaze looking at Ye Lengan still brimmed with disdain. It was clear how much distaste lay behind this acceptance.

Ye Lengan found it laughable. “Oh really? Actually, you don’t need to be so reluctant. I don’t like you all either. So let’s continue hating each other!”

“You...” Zhongyu Liuying did not expect such a response.

She felt that since she had already compromised, shouldn’t Ye Lengan happily agree at this point? Why was she so indifferent now?

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“If you came here today only to notify me of your decision, then I understand.”

Ye Lengan waved dismissively before asking, “Do you have anything else to

“Ye Lengan, what are you implying?” questioned Zhongyu Liuying, seemingly perplexed at Ye Leng’an’s indifference. “Do you, or do you not harbor feelings for Ruiling? If you do, why do you remain indifferent to my words?”

Ye Lengan responded with a smile, “Why should I care? I am indeed fond of him, and naturally, I will also cherish his concerns. But that fondness has a precondition. I will care only about what he cares for. There’s no need for me to bother about what he disregards.”

Zhongyu Liuying seemed taken aback by these words, looking as if she had suffered a significant blow. She appeared tremulous, teetering on the brink of collapsing at any minute.

There was no hint of sympathy on Ye Lengan’s face as she looked at the seemingly pitiful Zhongyu Liuying. Everything had a cause and consequence, and Zhongyu Liuying’s current state was undoubtedly the result of her past actions. The pitiful always had a shade of the loathsome.

After a prolonged silence, Zhongyu Liuying managed to regain her composure. Taking a deep breath, she asked Ye Lengan, whose expression was no longer bewildered, “Even if you are indifferent, you can’t deny that we are Ruiling’s parents. Don’t you wish for our blessings if you two intend to be together?”

Ye Leng’an paused for a moment before responding with a smile, “What does it entail for me to get your blessings?”

“You should know,” Zhongyu Liuying finally broke her silence, “To accommodate you, Ruiling is considering vacating his father’s position as the head of the Huangfu family. This may come across as a rebellion against the world. Moreover, Ruiling is still young. There is no need for him to assume such a position prematurely. He is destined to be the family head eventually. Why rush into it?”

“If you think it’s inappropriate, then speak to him yourself!” Ye Lengan tilted her head and smiled. “As his mother, shouldn’t it be you who does the persuading?”

This left Zhongyu Liuying momentarily embarrassed. If she could convince Ruiling, she wouldn’t be in this position right now. However, she couldn’t bring herself to say that as it would mean admitting the strained relationship she shares with Huangfu Ruiling.

“I am providing you with an opportunity.” Zhongyu Liuying stated after a pause. “Aren’t you set on marrying Ruiling someday? If you succeed in convincing him to make the right choice now, we will know whether you are fit to be the matriarch of the Huangfu family. Also, Ruiling’s father said that should you resolve this issue, he would accept you.”

“You are then giving me too much credit,” responded Ye Lengan leaning back casually. “I don’t want such an opportunity. Being his parents, it’s up to you to dissuade him. If he doesn’t heed your advice, then he certainly won’t heed mine.”

Hearing Ye Lengan’s refusal, Zhongyu Liuying’s expression darkened significantly. “Are you rejecting my proposal?”

“Indeed,” responded Ye Lengan calmly to Zhongyu Liuying’s increasingly somber face. “Since it was his decision, I believe he has his reasons, so I don’t plan to interfere.”

Looking aggravated, Zhongyu Liuying retorted, “Ye Lengan, I am not offering a suggestion, I am commanding you. As Ruiling’s mother, shouldn’t I be your future mother-in-law if you plan to marry him? If you refuse me on such a minor issue, I begin to question your suitability for Ruiling.”

As she witnessed Zhongyu Liuying’s high-handed posture, Ye Lengan laughed as if she’d heard a funny joke. This stoked all the displeasure in Zhongyu Liuying. “Ye Lengan, what’s so amusing? I am talking to you; what are you laughing at?”

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“Are you mocking me?”

“I’m not mocking you. I just think your words are quite funny.” Ye Lengan did not back down at all. Facing Zhongyu Liuying’s anger, her expression did not change. In fact, there was even a smile at the corner of her lips. “Don’t you think what you just said is really funny? You know very well why you came

here. Since you have a request, you should act accordingly instead of putting on an arrogant attitude to try to conceal your guilty conscience.”

“What do I have to feel guilty about?” Zhongyu Liuyings voice immediately rose in jealousy. “Ye Lengan, don’t go too far. No matter what, I am Ruilings mother. If he finds out about your attitude towards me now, aren’t you afraid of how he’ll react?”

“Why should I be afraid of him finding out?” Ye Lengan found this amusing. “If he really defends you indiscriminately, then it can only mean he’s not suitable for me. As for my attitude towards you, I don’t think there’s anything wrong with it. I’m a very fair person. I treat others the way they treat me. If you feel my attitude towards you is not good, then you don’t need to continue enduring it here.”

Hearing Ye Lengan essentially dismiss her, Zhongyu Liuying was filled with resentment. She really wanted to just get up and leave, rather than keep listening to Ye Leng’an’s aggravating words.

But no, she couldn’t leave now.

Huangfu Ruilings attitude was very firm. He would absolutely not change his mind. Although she was very unwilling to admit it, as his parents, they really didn’t hold much sway over Huangfu Ruilings heart.

Just as Huangfu Ruixiang had said, the only person who could change Huangfu Ruiling now was Ye Lengan. Therefore, no matter what, she had to persuade Ye Lengan today.

Otherwise, she would no longer be the matriarch of the Huangfu family, and would no longer be able to represent the Huangfu family. If that really happened, she didn’t even know how she would face the ridicule of the other wealthy ladies.

Taking a deep breath, Zhongyu Liuying finally dropped her superior posture and spoke with a hint of vulnerability in her tone. “Ye Lengan, I know my attitude has been really bad, and it’s only natural that you’re upset. But as an elder, can’t you give in a little to me? No matter what, I am Ruilings mother. You’re someone he cares for deeply. I think he would also hope we could get along well! I’m not asking you to do anything too extreme, just to say a few words to Ruiling. Of course, as long as you’re willing to persuade him a little.

As for the result, we won’t force it.’

Seeing Zhongyu Liuying momentarily display a rare moment of vulnerability, Ye Lengan couldn’t help but marvel at it inwardly.

As expected of someone who had experienced many ups and downs over the years. Zhongyu Liuying’s ability to adapt to different situations was awesome. However, this also showed how much Huangfu Jingzhang valued the position of the family head. Even someone like Zhongyu Liuying, who used to look down on her, can now bow her head in her presence.

It seemed that the allure of self-interest was indeed a powerful motivator, and that statement held true!

Huangfu Ruilings move indeed seemed to be a severe blow, as it took away the position of the family head. For Huangfu Jingzhang and his wife, this must be an incredibly painful situation, perhaps even more so than death.

Unfortunately...

Under Zhongyu Liuyings gaze, Ye Lengan just shook her head. "Mrs. Huangfu, no matter what you say today, I won't agree. My attitude and position are aligned with Huangfu Ruiling. So instead of trying to persuade me here, you might as well go and find Ruiling directly."

In Zhongyu Liuyings eyes, Ye Leng'an's words were a naked humiliation. She hadn't expected that even after lowering herself so much, Ye Lengan would still reject her. Wasn't this completely looking down on her and making fun of her?

"Ye Lengan!" There was considerable resentment in Zhongyu Liuyings tone. "So you've been toying with me all along, is that it? You're just trying to get back at me for trying to break you and Ruiling up before?"

"You're really overthinking things." Ye Lengan couldn't help but roll her eyes. Then she snapped irritably, "From the beginning, my stance has been clear, and I won't agree to your request.. After that, you insisted on persuading me, what does it have to do with me? You can't get angry just because I won't agree with you!"

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"Also, don't think too highly of yourself. I'm not in the mood to play with you."

Ye Leng'an's blunt words only deepened Zhongyu Liuyings already unpleasant expression. At this moment, when she looked at Ye Lengan, the resentment in her eyes was so thick it seemed almost tangible.

Obviously, she was now blaming everything on Ye Lengan, believing all of this was caused by her.

"Since we've said all we needed to, then please leave," Ye Lengan said indifferently in the face of Zhongyu Liuyings murderous gaze. "I have other matters to attend to, so I won't accompany you any longer."

At this point, Zhongyu Liuying knew that even if she really stayed, nothing would change. Ye Lengan had never intended to help them. Since that was the case, there was no need for her to continue staying here and be humiliated by Ye Leng'an.

Standing up, Zhongyu Liuying looked at Ye Lengan and said sinisterly, "Ye Lengan, I'll remember how you treated me today. You'd better pray you can hold onto Huangfu Ruilings heart for the rest of your life. Otherwise, the day Huangfu Ruiling abandons you might be your death sentence."

Huangfu Ruilings current interest in Ye Lengan did provide some security, but Zhongyu Liuying wouldn't act now. However, if there came a day when Huangfu Ruiling lost interest and decided to cast Ye Lengan aside, it could indeed spell death for her. She would not allow someone who had humiliated her to continue living in this world.

Zhongyu Liuying's threats were nothing in Ye Leng'an's eyes. With a bright smile on her face, she replied, "You don't need to worry about that. I will definitely invite you to my wedding with Huangfu Ruiling in the future."

Zhongyu Liuying had completely underestimated her abilities, which was why she said such things. Even if she really left Huangfu Ruiling someday, she was confident no one would have a chance to lay a finger on herself.

Hearing Ye Leng'an's provocative words, Zhongyu Liuying stormed off in anger. Before leaving, she couldn't resist giving Ye Lengan a venomous glare.

After Zhongyu Liuying left, Ye Lengan sighed helplessly and muttered to herself, "As expected, I still got too excited. I wonder if such emotional ups and downs will affect her looks?"

Previously, in the coffee shop, she had already slipped poison to both Zhongyu Liuying and Zhongyu Yiran. As long as their emotions fluctuated too much, it wouldn't be long before their faces would be covered in pimples. No matter what methods they tried, they wouldn't be able to get rid of them. Even seeing a doctor and taking medicine wouldn't help.

However, this acne wouldn't last too long. Even without treatment, it would disappear in five days. And after taking effect five times, the poison would completely lose its potency.

At the time, she had only developed the poison out of fun. She didn't expect it would end up being used on Zhongyu Liuying and Ye Xiyuan.

Of course, this was just to teach them a lesson.

Today, the Ye family also welcomed an uninvited guest. However, this guest's background was really too prominent.

When Ye Li saw such an uninvited guest, he didn't feel any dissatisfaction at all. Instead, he felt a faint excitement.

Because the person who had come today was none other than the matriarch of the Nangong family, Murong Yanshu.

When Murong Yanshu appeared at the doorstep of the Ye family, Ye Li felt like he was in a dream. Previously, when Young Master Nangong occasionally visited, he felt quite honored. Now, even the matriarch of the Nangong family had come. Did this not imply that in the future, the Ye family and the Nangong family would be closely connected?

If that was the case, he didn't even dare imagine how much profit this could bring to the company.

As expected, Xiyuan really was a lucky star for their family. First saving Young Master Nangong, and now saving the matriarch of the Nangong family too. Not just anyone could have such good fortune!

Letting Ye Xiyuan and Ye Lengan switch back to their original places was truly the best decision he had made in his entire life.

"Mrs. Nangong, Xiyuan still needs to freshen up a bit. I'll have to trouble you to wait a while." Sitting across from Murong Yanshu, Ye Li felt somewhat nervous.

“Xiyuan isn’t usually like this.” Although fearful inside, Lin Wanqin still suppressed her panic and defended her daughter. “It’s just that recently she’s been resting and reading in her room all this time, she doesn’t have much chance to tidy herself up, so it’s taking a bit longer today.”

She didn’t want her daughter to be misunderstood by Murong Yanshu, so even though afraid, she still had to speak up for her daughter a little.

“It’s fine, I came uninvited today after all.” Murong Yanshu shook her head and said with a smile, “It’s my fault for not informing you in advance.”

“No, no, no, how could it be your fault?” Ye Li quickly said, “The fact that you’ve come to our home is already a great honor for us.”

Looking at Ye Li’s fawning manner, although displeased inside, Murong Yanshu’s expression didn’t change at all. She maintained a polite smile.

“This is something I should be here to thank you for. The other day at the banquet, if not for Xiyuan, I might have had to be hospitalized by now. I had planned to come early, but there was a small matter in the family I had to deal with first, so I’ve dragged it out until now. I hope you don’t mind.”

“No, no.” Ye Li shook his head repeatedly. “Xiyuan definitely didn’t expect anything in return for saving you. So you don’t need to be so polite. Besides,

Xiyuan will certainly be very happy knowing you came personally.”

Murong Yanshu just smiled without replying.

However, at this moment, upstairs, Ye Xiyuan was not as happy as Ye Li had described. In fact, when she heard about Murong Yanshu’s arrival, her previously good mood immediately turned gloomy. If possible, she didn’t even want to come downstairs and, even more so, didn’t want to see Murong Yanshu.

Although not certain of Murong Yanshu’s purpose in coming, she could roughly guess.

Previously, Murong Yanshu had proposed taking her as a goddaughter. Now that she had come to visit, this matter would probably be brought up again.

She felt a little uneasy now, not knowing how to respond if it really came up later. Because no matter if she agreed or not, it was a dilemma for her..

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No matter how much Ye Xiyuan procrastinated, she could not change the facts.

Now that Murong Yanshu had personally come, she was the matriarch of the Nangong family. If Ye Xiyuan chose to hide and not meet her at this time, wouldn’t it imply that she looked down on the Nangong family? Moreover,

Murong Yanshu's favor towards her would definitely decrease because of this. It would be a loss outweighing the gain.

Therefore, even though Ye Xiyuan was reluctant, she still came to the living room very quickly.

Upon entering the living room, she saw Murong Yanshu and her parents sitting there, though in very different states. Although Murong Yanshu was a guest, she appeared exceptionally calm and composed, as if she were in her own home, without any discomfort. On the contrary, her parents were very reserved and tense, not at all like the hosts of the house.

Ye Xiyuan also understood very well that there was such an obvious contrast because of their difference in status. But even so, she still felt a little embarrassed.

"Xiyuan, you're here!" Murong Yanshu immediately spotted Ye Xiyuan and waved with a smile. "Xiyuan, come over and sit. You're still injured, so you mustn't be careless!"

After hearing this, Ye Li and Lin Wanqin also looked over and saw Ye Xiyuan walking in.

"Xiyuan, you're here!" Ye Li quickly greeted her, "Mrs. Nangong has been waiting for you here for a long time."

"It's okay." Murong Yanshu smiled and shook her head. "I came here uninvited today. Besides, Xiyuan is still injured! If it weren't for wanting to see her, I really shouldn't have called her down!"

"Mrs. Nangong, what are you saying?" Hearing this, Ye Li quickly responded, "To have your favor is Xiyuan's good fortune. Moreover, Xiyuan really likes you. If you came and we didn't call her down, she would definitely blame us later."

Murong Yanshu pulled Ye Xiyuan over to sit beside her. She didn't even let go of Ye Xiyuan's hand after she sat down. Anyone with eyes could see that she really liked Ye Xiyuan.

Ye Li and Lin Wanqin exchanged surprised glances.

Ye Li was especially surprised. At the same time, he also felt a surge of secret delight. Previously, although he saw that Young Master Nangong treated Xiyuan very well, he still had doubts in his heart because he didn't know what the rest of the Nangong family was thinking. However, seeing how much Mrs. Nangong liked Xiyuan now, he felt much more at ease.

With Mrs. Nangong's support, Xiyuan's marriage into the Nangong family seemed imminent. Moreover, the Young Master Nangong treated Xiyuan very well. When they became in-laws with the Nangong family, the status of the Ye family would also rise significantly.

Ye Xiyuan, on the other hand, had a smile on her face but no warmth in her heart. Because she knew very well that even if Murong Yanshu liked her, in her eyes, she was not qualified to be a member of the Nangong family.

Today, Murong Yanshu had shown up at her home suddenly. The first thing Ye Xiyuan thought of was the previous incident. Up until now, she still hadn't decided whether or not to become Murong

Yanshu's goddaughter and Nangong Xuyao's godsister. However, it seemed Murong Yanshu was not giving her much time to consider.

Still holding Ye Xiyuan's hand, Murong Yanshu looked at Ye Li and Lin Wanqin and said with a smile, "Speaking of which, the main reason I came today was to thank Xiyuan for saving my life. If it hadn't been for her, who knows where I would have been now!"

"Mrs. Nangong, you are too polite," Ye Li, who was standing on the side, quickly replied with a smile. "In that kind of situation, anyone would have helped. Xiyuan is a kind child, so of course she wouldn't just stand by and watch."

"Xiyuan really is a good child!" Murong Yanshu held Ye Xiyuan's hand and changed the topic. "I like her very much, so I came today to ask your opinion on something."

Ye Xiyuan had not mentioned anything about Murong Yanshu wanting to acknowledge her as goddaughter to them. So Ye Li and Lin Wanqin were still kept in the dark. Now that Murong Yanshu suddenly said something like this, they couldn't help but feel surprised.

"Xiyuan is a very independent child," Ye Li quickly smiled and said. "She makes almost all her own decisions. As long as she thinks it's good, we as her parents don't have any objections.."

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Although he didn't know what was going on, seeing how much Mrs. Nangong liked Xiyuan, it shouldn't be a bad thing. Since that was the case, he naturally had no reason to disagree.

Ye Xiyuan was very anxious, but since Murong Yanshu was here, she couldn't say anything. She could only try her best to maintain the smile on her face.

"Xiyuan can indeed make her own decisions about other things. However, regarding this matter..." Murong Yanshu paused for a moment, then looked at Ye Xiyuan and continued, "I have to ask for your opinions as her parents.

Otherwise, you will think that I'm snatching your daughter away from you."

Murong Yanshu's words made Ye Li's heart tremble and he couldn't help but feel excited. He didn't know what he was so excited about, but he felt that there was more implied in Mrs. Nangong's words. The only possibility he could think of now was that she wanted to let the two children settle down together.

After all, if she needed to ask for their consent as parents, it could only be about this one thing.

However, Lin Wanqin still had a smile on her face, but she wasn't as open-minded as Ye Li. She had a feeling that Mrs. Nangong's visit today was definitely for something important. However, it seemed to be a different matter than between Young Master Nangong and Xiyuan.

If it was really about the two of them, Xiyuan would have informed them earlier. If that was the case, they wouldn't be so lost because of Murong Yanshu's sudden visit.

“Mrs. Nangong, please just speak plainly.” Ye Li suppressed the excitement in his heart and tried his best to speak calmly, “As open-minded parents, we will support whatever decision Xiyuan makes.”

“That’s wonderful.” Murong Yanshu clapped her hands enthusiastically. “Actually, I’ve already discussed this matter with Xiyuan. It’s just that she hasn’t agreed yet. Perhaps she wants your approval first! After all, this is no small matter.”

Under Ye Li and Lin Wanqin’s gaze, Murong Yanshu slowly said, “I really like Xiyuan. She even saved my life. I think we were fated to meet. So, I want to take Xiyuan as my goddaughter. I just don’t know if you will mind.”

These simple words instantly changed Ye Li’s expression.

Obviously, he had not considered this possibility at all. He had always thought that Xiyuan could marry Young Master Nangong. However, Mrs. Nangong’s words had given them a shocking slap in the face.

It was not that becoming Mrs. Nangong’s goddaughter was a bad thing. It was just that if Xiyuan really became Mrs. Nangong’s goddaughter, it would likely eliminate any possibility between her and Young Master Nangong.

Lin Wanqin was as shocked as Ye Li. After hearing Murong Yanshu’s words, she reflexively looked at Ye Xiyuan. Sure enough, she saw Ye Xiyuan’s face darken slightly because of what Murong Yanshu had said.

“What do you think of my suggestion?”

Murong Yanshu didn’t seem to notice the change in their expressions as she continued to speak enthusiastically, “I’m not doing this to snatch your daughter away from you. I just want someone else to love her too.” “As her parents, I’m sure you won’t refuse such a request!”

For a moment, Ye Li and Lin Wanqin didn’t know how to respond.

When she saw them fall silent, Murong Yanshu’s expression changed slightly. She continued, “What? Do you think I’m not qualified to be Xiyuan’s godmother?”

“There’s no such thing.” Sensing Murong Yanshu’s displeasure, Ye Li hurried to explain, “It’s her good fortune that you care for Xiyuan.” It’s just... Ultimately, Xiyuan’s opinion is the most important. As her parents, we can’t interfere with her decision.”

“Yes, that’s right!” Lin Wanqin quickly agreed, “Xiyuan’s opinion is still the most important.”

“You’re right.” Murong Yanshu nodded, then looked at Ye Xiyuan with a smile and said, “Xiyuan, what do you think? You’ve already considered it for several days now. What have you decided?”

Instantly, everyone’s eyes were focused on Ye Xiyuan.

For a moment, Ye Xiyuan felt pressured. The smile on her face seemed forced. "Auntie, it's an honor that you want to accept me as your goddaughter.

However, I feel you should consider this matter carefully first. What about Mr. Nangong? Does he agree with your decision? If you end up fighting because of me, that wouldn't be good.."

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Even though she knew that Nangong Xuyao's favorable impression of her had greatly decreased, Ye Xiyuan still wasn't willing to give up on the slightest possibility.

Moreover, she felt that as long as she had the opportunity to see Nangong Xuyao again, there would be a way to rekindle their relationship. So, for now, she didn't want to agree to become Mrs. Nangong's goddaughter.

However, Murong Yanshu had already come knocking on the door, and her tone had become much tougher. It seemed like she had to get an answer today. Ye Xiyuan was really in a difficult position.

"Yeah! That's right!" Ye Li, who was standing beside her, quickly added, "Also, Young Master Nangong may not want another sister! If it ends up damaging the relationship between you and your son over this, it won't be good."

Yes, Young Master Nangong would probably not agree either. It was obvious that he really liked Xiyuan. Therefore, he likely didn't want this matter to succeed!

Hearing Ye Li suddenly mention Nangong Xuyao, Ye Xiyuan's expression didn't look good. Because she knew very well that Nangong Xuyao had already agreed. She wanted to stop him, but Murong Yanshu was right there, so she couldn't.

"You don't have to worry about that," Murong Yanshu smiled and said, "My husband fully supports my decision. As for Xuyao, he is also very happy to have such an understanding sister."

"Young Master Nangong has already agreed?"

Ye Li and Lin Wanqin were shocked. They didn't expect Young Master

Nangong to agree to such a suggestion. In their opinion, Young Master Nangong genuinely cared for Xiyuan. Otherwise, he wouldn't be so nice to her.

But now, Young Master Nangong had actually agreed to such a proposal. Could it be that they had misunderstood all along?

"Yes, he has!" Murong Yanshu naturally knew why they were so shocked, but she didn't show it on her face, "Xuyao is a filial child, so he naturally won't disobey me. Besides, if we're being honest, Xiyuan has also done him a life-saving favor. He naturally wouldn't oppose having a good sister."

Ye Li and Lin Wanqin looked at each other. Under Murong Yanshu's powerful pressure, they couldn't say anything to refute her.

“Xiyuan, what do you think?” Murong Yanshu turned her head and looked at Ye Xiyuan before continuing, “Are you willing to be my goddaughter? Of course, if you’re unwilling, I won’t force you.”

In any case, she had to get a clear answer from Ye Xiyuan today. With the situation at this stage and Xuyao having made up his mind, she naturally had to resolve it decisively. Otherwise, if Xuyao wanted to change his mind later, all their efforts would be in vain.

That was why she came to visit in person today. Otherwise, even if she had a good impression of Ye Xiyuan and was grateful to her for saving her life, she wouldn’t have personally come to a small family like the Ye family.

The smile on Ye Xiyuan’s face seemed a little forced. Under Murong Yanshu’s gaze, she could only nod her head. Auntie liking me this much is my good fortune. What reason do I have to refuse?”

At this point, facing Murong Yanshu’s relentless pressure, she had no other choice but to agree. If she kept refusing, Murong Yanshu’s favorable impression of her would likely disappear completely. At that time, she would really suffer a double loss.

Moreover, becoming Murong Yanshu’s goddaughter was also very beneficial to her. Murong Yanshu was the matriarch of the Nangong family and represented the Nangong family. As long as she was willing to acknowledge it, Ye Xiyuan would become the Nangong family’s goddaughter.

At that time, she would be able to use the Nangong family’s power to get close to the young masters of the other four families. Even without Nangong Xuyao, there were still many unmarried young masters from the other four families.

As long as she had the Nangong family as her stepping stone, she could find another one.

So, since Nangong Xuyao’s feelings for her were already so low, she should make a decisive decision and move on.

“Really?” Hearing Ye Xiyuan’s reply, Murong Yanshu’s face was filled with surprise. She held Ye Xiyuan’s hand and said with a smile, “That’s wonderful!

In the future, I have a daughter too.”

She then turned to look at Ye Li and Lin Wanqin. “Now, your daughter is going to be half mine.. Don’t be jealous!”

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It was clear from the tone that he was joking.

“How could that be!” Ye Li quickly smiled and replied, “It’s Xiyuan’s good fortune that you like her. As parents, seeing her having one more person to love her is something we’re naturally happy about.”

Lin Wanqin smiled but didn’t say anything. However, when she looked at Ye Xiyuan, there was a hint of worry in her eyes. Because she didn’t know if Ye Xiyuan had really agreed willingly or if she had no other choice.

“That’s wonderful.” Murong Yanshu made a prompt decision and said, “Since you’ve agreed, I’ll arrange a time as soon as possible to hold a ball so that everyone will know Xiyuan has become my goddaughter.”

She used “I” instead of “we,” indicating that this decision was her personal action rather than that of the Nangong family.

Besides wanting to thank Ye Xiyuan for saving her life, there was another important reason she wanted to host a banquet, to completely cut off any possibility between Ye Xiyuan and Xuyao.

The hidden meaning in Murong Yanshu’s words was clearly not discerned by anyone present.

Ye Li was still very happy at this moment. Although his daughter couldn’t become the young madam of the Nangong family, becoming the Nangong family’s young lady was still something worth celebrating.

With this development, the Ye family had indeed established a connection with the Nangong family. While it might not bring as many benefits as marrying into the Nangong family directly, it was a compromise they had to make. After all, the Young Master Nangong had agreed to it, indicating that he didn’t have romantic feelings for Xiyuan.

Since that was the case, the current situation was the best outcome.

Soon, a few of them began to enthusiastically discuss plans for the banquet. Only Lin Wanqin appeared to be out of the loop, and even her smile seemed somewhat forced.

Ye Li gave her several meaningful looks, but she didn’t notice.

After Murong Yanshu left, Ye Li looked at Lin Wanqin and said unhappily, “What was going on with you just now? You were acting so out of sorts in front of Mrs. Nangong. If we didn’t know better, someone might think you were quite dissatisfied! Do you want to offend the Nangong family?”

“I was just a little surprised, that’s all.” Lin Wanqin no longer had any smile on her face. When she looked at Ye Xiyuan, her face was filled with worry.

“Xiyuan, do you really want to become Mrs. Nangong’s goddaughter and

Young Master Nangong’s younger sister? You have to know that if you do this, there really won’t be any possibility left between you two.”

“It’s already this time, and you’re still saying these things?”

Before Ye Xiyuan could reply, Ye Li berated her, “Do you want us to go back on our word now? Isn’t that just toying with them?”

After he finished speaking, he looked at Ye Xiyuan worriedly, afraid she would show any trace of hesitation.

Although he also felt regretful, since it had come to this point, there was no way they could backtrack. Otherwise, it would lead to a severe confrontation with the Nangong family, and the Ye family couldn’t afford to be at odds with them.

Facing Lin Wanqin's concern, Ye Xiyuan felt warmth in her heart. She smiled and shook her head. "Mom, don't worry about me. Since I've made my decision, I absolutely won't go back on my word. Moreover, isn't it good to be the Nangong family's young lady? With my identity as the Nangong family's young lady, I can definitely find someone even better."

As she spoke, her eyes revealed a hint of ambition.

"Xiyuan, it's good that you can think it through." Ye Li was finally relieved. "Even without Young Master Nangong, there are still many unmarried men in the other four great families. In the future, with your identity as the Nangong family's young lady, you can freely attend banquets and get to know these people. At that time, there will definitely be better choices."

Thinking of this, his originally disappointed mood improved.

He had great confidence in his daughter. As long as she was willing, she could definitely find someone even better. Of course, it would be even better if she could secure a connection with the Huangfu family. Especially their young master, despite his physical disability, was still an excellent choice. It was worth noting that among the four major families, the Huangfu family held the most significant power.

As for Ye Lengan, he didn't care about her at all. He felt that if Ye Lengan could accomplish something, his daughter would definitely be able to do the same.

Of course, he wouldn't mention these things to Ye Xiyuan for the time being. After all, it would be better for him to wait until everything was settled before bringing it up.

"By the way, Dad, there's something I want to ask of you." Taking advantage of this opportunity, Ye Xiyuan looked at Ye Li and said, "Although it's a bit difficult, I still hope you can agree."

"Just say it. As long as it's something I can do, I definitely won't reject it." Ye Li smiled happily.

"Dad, it's about my brother's girlfriend..."

Before Ye Xiyuan could finish, Ye Li interrupted her. "What girlfriend? I will never acknowledge her."

When he spoke, his tone was a little aggressive. However, his anger wasn't directed at Ye Xiyuan, but at Li Qiaomeng.

"Dad, please let me finish first, okay?" Ye Xiyuan sat down next to Ye Li and held his arm. She said, "I'm not trying to help Li Qiaomeng. I'm trying to help my brother."

After hearing Ye Xiyuan's words, Ye Li couldn't help but frown.

Lin Wanqin, who was beside her, didn't look very happy either. "Xiyuan, your brother has nothing to do with Li Qiaomeng. Such a woman, full of vanity and lies, is not worthy of your brother."

Although she had never met her before, Lin Wanqin did not have a good impression of this woman named Li Qiaomeng at all. In fact, she didn't even want to hear her name.

“Dad, Mom, I know you don’t like this Li Qiaomeng,” Ye Xiyuan continued.

“Actually, I don’t think Brother has such a deep obsession with Li Qiaomeng. However, if Li Qiaomeng stays detained at the public security bureau, or even gets sentenced in the future, then Brother will never be able to forget her! So, I think instead of letting my brother keep thinking about her, it’s better to rescue Li Qiaomeng now, and then my brother might not be so persistent..”