

Reborn to Be A Noble Wife

Chapter 16

Chapter 16 Too Much Drama

Qu Moying ran into Granny Miao near Furong House.

Granny Miao had been showing Medical Officer Zhang around for a while. As she saw Qu Moying, she brought him to the latter excitedly at once. Then they walked into Furong House together.

As they just stepped into the yard, they heard someone shouting abuse. A keen-eyed maid went into the room to report their arrival at once.

“That bitch is here? Let her in!” Qu Qiuyan’s voice came from inside the room.

Medical Officer Zhang frowned.

The maid who had delivered the message walked out in a hurry. After she arrived at the door, she glanced at Qu Moying and lifted the curtain, saying in a sarcastic tone, “Fourth Lady, you are so busy. It took you so long to get here. Third Lady told you to get in!”

The maids who served Qu Qiuyan never respected Qu Moying, thus this maid also looked down upon Medical Officer Zhang who followed Qu Moying. After all, those doctors who had come today were all driven out after being cursed by Second Madam Qu and Qu Qiuyan.

The maid didn’t believe this doctor would be of any help!

As Qu Moying stepped into the room, she turned sideways by the door to dodge a cup of hot tea that was thrown at her.

The flying hot tea and tea leaves didn’t touch Qu Moying at all.

But Medical Officer Zhang who walked behind her was not as lucky as her. The teacup hit right on his chest and his clothes were soaked with hot water. Fortunately, it was in early spring, so people were all wearing extra layers. Even so, Medical Officer Zhang still changed the look on his face.

Behind the table in the room sat Qu Qiuyan. Today she was wearing a light brown dress with peony patterns and a large veil covering her face, only her two malicious eyes were exposed. As she saw Qu Moying walking in, she lifted her eyebrows without looking at Medical Officer Zhang who was in a mess.

“Qu Moying, you bitch, how dare you dodge it?!”

Qu Qiuyan roared while thumping on the table with goggling eyes.

“You guys, push this bitch in the pond to shake some sense into her!”

Yu and Qu Qiuyan had discussed this. As long as Qu Moying showed up, Qu Qiuyan would send someone to push her into the pond behind the yard.

The winter had just gone, and the mud in the pond hadn't been cleaned up. The water in the pond was rather dirty now, not to mention Yu had ordered someone to spread lime into the pond. As long as Qu Moying was pressed under the water, her eyes would be destroyed.

Of course, what Qu Qiuyan wanted to destroy was not only her eyes but also her face. Even if Qu Moying's face was covered with a veil, Qu Qiuyan still felt threatened. So she had to ruin Qu Moying's face.

Two senior housemaids who had been waiting there came over at once and tried to grab Qu Moying.

Granny Miao and Yu Chun hurried forward to stop them, but other maids and senior housemaids seemed to be ready to come over. Because their Second Madam told them that the Third Lady could do whatever she wanted to do and that getting angry would make it harder for her to get rid of the pimples.

If they made their Third Lady happy, they would be rewarded. If they made her angry, they would be sold or beaten to death.

Qu Moying had known Yu and Qu Qiuyan would plot something against her. She raised her head with a fierce look in her eyes and glanced slowly over these people, snorting, “Third sister, I invited a doctor for you. What did you mean by saying that?”

The lofty and calm look on her face surprised everyone. The maids and senior housemaids didn't dare to touch her. After they looked at each other, they could only wait for Qu Qiuyan to give the order. After all, they still felt a bit panicky to deal with a lady who got Old Lady Qu's support!

“I don't believe you'll be so kind, you bitch! You have put me through this! And now you are just being a hypocrite and want to watch the show. I'll break your legs, rip your face

and throw you into the pond. I'll see if you dare to do that to me again." Qu Qiuyan swore horribly.

If Qu Moying was thrown into the pond after her face was ripped, her face would be disfigured.

Yu told Qu Qiuyan that the harsher her words were, the better.

Because if so, Qu Moying's grandma wouldn't do anything to her. After all, she thought that Qu Moying was the one who ruined her face. It was reasonable for her to lose control!

"Third sister, Medical Officer Zhang is a great doctor. You should let him check on you!" Qu Moying said calmly with an indifferent look as if she was not the one Qu Qiuyan had cursed.

The light green dress that Qu Moying wore was not as high-end as Qu Qiuyan's, but the look on her face showed that she was the real lady from a noble family, when compared to Qu Qiuyan's ferocious look.

And now Officer Zhang only felt that Third Lady Qu who was sitting in the room seemed uglier and more malicious.

"Qu Moying, what kind of doctor did you invite? A lame quack? I don't care whom you invited here today." Qu Qiuyan didn't even look at Medical Officer Zhang whose face was taut with anger and continued to shout abuse.

"My face will never recover, and yours will be ruined too. I'll destroy your face soon. You'll be a blind and ugly bitch forever."

Qu Qiuyan wished she could press Qu Moying's head into the pond by herself. Her mother told her that even a normal person's eyes couldn't withstand the water in the pond, not to mention that Qu Moying was nearly blind.

Hearing those spiteful words, Medical Officer Zhang who had got in for a while finally couldn't hold it anymore. With a cold look on his face, he shot a cruel glance to Qu Qiuyan while saying to Qu Moying,

"Since Third Lady Qu doesn't want to be treated, I won't check on her then. I still have something to do in the royal palace. Farewell, Fourth Lady!"

"Medical Officer Zhang, wait a moment. Since you already came, please take a look at my third sister!" Qu Moying stopped him.

"Third Lady Qu is in great condition. Such a vigorous girl doesn't need any treatment." Medical Officer Zhang said with an irritable voice. He had thought that what Qu Moying

had asked was not a big deal. Therefore, he had come because he liked the painting a lot. Never did he realize that he would run into such a shrew, or to be more precise, a vicious shrew.

What she had just said was unreasonable!

Medical Officer Zhang had treated a lot of the nobles from the royal family, but never had he seen such a malicious girl.

His and Qu Moying's voices weren't loud, but Qu Qiuyan heard the entire conversation. After that, her expression had changed. She stopped goggling and looked to Medical Officer Zhang for the first time, saying with a nervous voice,

"You... you are a medical officer from the royal palace?"

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Chapter 17 Qu Qiuyan Was Forced to Change Her Story

"Yes, I am!" Medical Officer Zhang looked at Qu Qiuyan with a sullen face.

Although his official rank was not as high as the vice minister, he had a lot of chances to meet the nobles from the royal family as an imperial doctor. Many officers always turned to him for help and even the prime minister respected him a lot.

The look on Qu Qiuyan's face turned awkward. She had thought that this man was just a quack and never did she realize that he was from the imperial hospital.

But her mother told her that Qu Moying had just returned to the capital and didn't know a lot of people. How did she manage to find the medical officer?

"Are... you lying?" Qu Qiuyan said suspiciously.

"Third Lady, are you questioning me now? Fine, I'm on duty in the imperial hospital today. Why don't you come with me?" Medical Official Zhang snorted.

As Qu Qiuyan heard his intimidating words, her face turned red and green. She forced an awkward smile on her face with her lips trembling and stood up to give obeisance to him, "I really don't know you are a medical officer, please forgive my rudeness!"

The gentle look on her face suggested that she was not that crazy shrew at all. It did have stunned everyone that how fast her attitude had changed!

"You do me too much honor. I'm just a quack!" Medical Officer Zhang said with a cold voice.

“Master, my third sister got a lot of pimples on the face. Maybe that’s why she was disrespectful just now. Please forgive her!”

Qu Moying took a few steps forward and gave obeisance to Medical Officer Zhang. After she smoothed things over, she raised her head to talk to Qu Qiuyan, “Third sister, Medical Officer Zhang is the best doctor. I think he could cure your face. Why don’t you let him treat you?”

Hearing that her pimples could be treated, Qu Qiuyan got excited at once with the look on her face turning tenderer. She said, “Sorry that I didn’t recognize how great a doctor you are. Please forgive my rudeness. What I said... to my fourth sister, are all jokes. We always entertain each other like that.”

She would never admit that she had been disrespectful just now, because she was afraid that Medical Officer Zhang would tell that to the nobles from the royal family.

After saying that, she shot a fierce glance at the maids around her.

Seeing that, those aggressive maids and senior housemaids all lowered their heads, looking quite obedient as if they had never tried to capture Qu Moying.

Now Medical Officer Zhang only found Qu Qiuyan not only evil-minded but also hypocritical. He had heard the good reputation about Third Lady Qu before, and now he found it just a rumor.

This time he didn’t reject them and only snorted, since he had already accepted Qu Moying’s gift.

Also, before they had arrived, Qu Moying had told him many times that Qu Qiuyan had a bad temper which he might have to endure.

As Medical Officer Zhang had seen Fourth Lady Qu who was reasonable and elegant and remembered the stories about Third Lady Qu, he had thought that Third Lady Qu’s temper was just a bit worse than Fourth Lady Qu’s.

However, What Third Lady Qu did had just blown his mind.

Anyway, since he was already here, he had to do his job.

Seeing that Medical Officer Zhang stopped talking, Qu Moying asked someone to bring a chair to let him sit down so that he could give the diagnosis.

After Qu Qiuyan took off the veil, the red pimples on her face were exposed, some of which were extremely obvious. Her pretty face was totally ruined, looking swollen and twisted.

After Medical Officer Zhang had taken Qu Qiuyan's pulse and checked on the pimples, he then said in a flat tone, "Third Lady Qu has allergies!"

"It has nothing to do with the scars on my face?" Qu Qiuyan asked in disbelief while pointing to her face. Qu Moying had left scratches there with her fingernails when slapping Qu Qiuyan.

Qu Moying shot a sarcastic look at Qu Qiuyan through the veil. She had known that she wouldn't be exposed when slapping Qu Qiuyan. The reason why Qu Moying had invited Medical Officer Zhang was that she wanted him to clear her name.

Among all the doctors in the capital, no one was more authoritative than Medical Officer Zhang!

Qu Qiuyan's inflamed face was covered with pimples. Now that it had been a day since she had been slapped, the scratches were already indistinct.

Medical Officer Zhang looked closely at her face and then said firmly, "Third Lady, I'm sure you have allergies now."

"But I never had allergies before!" Qu Qiuyan got anxious instantly. She and Yu wanted to blame Qu Moying for everything, so she couldn't let Medical Officer Zhang give the diagnosis so quickly.

"Since Third Lady Qu doesn't believe me, why did you bother inviting me over?! I won't treat you then!" Medical Officer Zhang said coldly and stood up, seeming to be ready to leave at any time.

"Third sister, Medical Officer Zhang specializes in treating allergies. If he doesn't treat you, your face will be ruined!" Qu Moying reminded Qu Qiuyan with a flat tone.

"Wait, Medical Officer Zhang. I... I was too anxious just now, so I spoke without thinking. Please forgive me!" Qu Qiuyan had to admit that she had allergies this time.

The doctors who had come over before had also said that she had allergies, but they couldn't give any effective treatment, which disturbed Qu Qiuyan a lot. Now that she heard Medical Officer Zhang had a solution, she just completely forgot Yu's words.

Old Lady Qu's birthday was about to come. Qu Qiuyan heard from her father that Lord Jing was going to come. She couldn't let her face remain like this.

"Third sister, did you really... get allergies?" Hearing Qu Qiuyan making a concession, Qu Moying then emphasized her words on purpose.

"Yes, I did!" Qu Qiuyan answered snappishly. She had to admit that she had allergies in order to let Medical Officer Zhang treat her.

“Medical Officer Zhang, how to cure my third sister? What caused the allergy?” Qu Moying had known that Qu Qiuyan would say what she wanted to hear.

“It’s early spring now. The flowers are all blooming. People are susceptible to allergies. I can’t find the cause for the allergy because I don’t know what kind of things did Third Lady touch. But I can give a prescription which could cure her!” Medical Officer Zhang said impatiently.

Normally it was difficult to get his prescription, but this time he still prescribed because he liked the painting a lot.

“Thank you very much, Medical Officer!” Qu Moying said respectfully.

Medical Officer Zhang was pretty satisfied with Qu Moying’s manner. Then he nodded and followed the maid to give the prescription.

“Qu Moying, just because you invited the doctor here doesn’t mean this is over!” After Medical Officer Zhang had left, Qu Qiuyan raised her eyebrows and thumped on the table, snorting. Then she looked to her maids and senior housemaids, still planning to push Qu Moying into the pond after Medical Officer Zhang had left.

After such a big scene she and her mother had made, she couldn’t afford to achieve nothing!

Her mother was waiting for the news of Qu Moying’s eyes and face being destroyed!

“Of course this is not over.” Qu Moying sat on the chair smilingly and said with a composed look, “Third sister, if you still make a fuss about it, do you know who will hear about this? Do you know the relationship between Medical Officer Zhang and Lord Jing?”

Qu Moying had come here by herself only because she had a leverage...

Chapter 18

Chapter 18 A Human Trader Whose Last Name Is Mo

Pei Yusheng, known as Lord Jing, was the crown prince’s biggest competitor. He was given birth by Noble Consort He.

Noble Consort He had enjoyed the Emperor’s favor for years. She was also the sister of Empress Yuan who had passed away. It was said that the sisters had been very close. She had gone to the royal palace to look after Empress Yuan who had been sick at that time. Then she had stayed in the palace ever since.

In Qu Moying's previous life, she had met Noble Consort He more than once as the future Crown Princess. So Qu Moying knew some stories about her.

And Medical Officer Zhang was in the story.

"What's the relationship between them?" Qu Qiuyan wanted to marry Lord Jing the most. Hearing that, the look on her face turned nervous right away.

Qu Moying picked up the teapot on the table and poured a cup of tea for herself slowly. Then she looked to Qu Qiuyan, "Third sister, Medical Officer Zhang is Noble Consort He's cousin. I heard he's related to Empress Yuan too. If he said something to Noble Consort He..."

"What will.. he say?" Qu Qiuyan stammered with the look on her face turning more nervous.

She had been having a crush on Lord Jing for a long time. To be more precise, her father and mother also took a fancy to Lord Jing. Qu Qiuyan always found chances to get close to Lord Jing and the latter seemed to have a soft spot for her too.

Qu Zhizhen had even invited Lord Jing to Old Lady Qu's birthday feast. Lord Jing had said that he would come, which showed his attitude toward Qu Qiuyan.

If Medical Officer Zhang said something bad about Qu Qiuyan now, the engagement would never happen.

"I don't know much about that, third sister. If you want to fix it, you should find a way yourself!" Qu Moying took a sip of the tea and then stood up, saying, "Grandma is waiting for me now. I'll go back!"

"Go, go away!" Qu Qiuyan's head was filled with everything about Medical Officer Zhang and she was not in the mood of dealing with Qu Moying at all. Then she waved her hands restlessly.

Qu Moying turned around and took Granny Miao and Yu Chun away.

The maids and senior housemaids by the door didn't receive any orders from Qu Qiuyan. So they could only look at each other and at last watched Qu Moying and the other two servants leaving Furong House.

After they were out, Granny Miao let out a sigh of relief. She was more sensitive than Yu Chun and saw things through. "My lady, Third Lady asked someone to push you into the pond and she must have spread something in the pond already. Second Madam and Third Lady wanted to ruin your eyes!"

Granny Miao said with a low voice.

Qu Moying sneered. Yu and Qu Qiuyan were both very malicious and couldn't even tolerate a weak and half-blind girl who had been given birth by Qu Zhizhen's first wife. This time Qu Moying slapped Qu Qiuyan hard, so the latter had wanted to pretend to lose control in order to set Qu Moying up.

If so, even if Old Lady Qu looked into this, they could claim that Qu Qiuyan only did that because her face was ruined. After all, it was reasonable for a girl in rage to be out of control.

Qu Moying's mouth corner was lifted a bit. Then she said, "Granny Miao, now that Medical Officer Zhang could prove it for me. I won't have anything to do with this anymore!"

Qu Qiuyan and Yu must have accepted the allergy theory, but they still wanted to frame Qu Moying.

This time they were right. But even Medical Officer Zhang wouldn't know this kind of drug.

Allergy? After this drug got into her blood, she would get allergies more than once!

"I see!" Granny Miao understood her words immediately. After this time, the pimples on Third Lady's face would never be related to Fourth Lady.

"Granny Miao, I need you to go out once. Just say you need a few more herbs to make up a prescription. Go find a human trader."

Qu Moying rolled her eyes gently and said that tenderly.

"My lady, do you need maids or senior housemaids?" Granny Miao asked wonderingly, "You haven't had your own yard now. You won't need any servants. Yu Chun and I could serve you well."

"I don't want any servants. I want you to go find a human trader whose last name is Mo. She works for a few noble families. Tell her to buy Qing He and her families and sell Qing He to the crown prince's mansion. As for her families, sell them at a low price!" Qu Moying said that with a cold look in her eyes.

Later, she would ask Old Lady Qu to sell Qing He. If that girl stayed here, Yu would definitely hurt her. Now Yu took no action only because it was inconvenient for her to do so.

As Qu Moying counted the time, she assumed that Yu must be staying with Old Lady Qu now in order to get the news and make sure she wouldn't be suspected. It also meant now was the best time to take action because Yu would be caught off guard.

As long as Qu Moying didn't go back, Yu would stay with Old Lady Qu. Meanwhile, Qu Moying could go to find Qing He.

She implemented her plan step by step for this life and her previous life...

"My lady, that human trader wouldn't listen to me." Granny Miao frowned, feeling a bit troubled by this task. She groped in her pocket and only pulled out a few ounces of silver. Then she said in frustration, "My lady, this is all the money we have now. It's not enough to buy a human trader off."

The servants sold to the crown prince's mansion should go through careful selection. The human trader wouldn't agree to send a maid there if she was not paid a large sum of money.

"Don't worry. She will agree!" Qu Moying said.

The confident look on her face was very convincing for no reason. She seemed a completely different person overnight. Granny Miao nodded secretly with her eyes turning red. She believed that it was those life-and-death sufferings that cleared Qu Moying's mind.

Granny Miao turned her head to wipe the tears on the corner of her eyes. It seemed that the fire which had been set by Qing He sobered Qu Moying up.

"Granny Miao, Trader Mo has a son whom she loves a lot..." Qu Moying called Granny Miao over and whispered that.

As Granny Miao heard that, she kept nodding with her eyes turning brighter and brighter, looking very delighted...

Chapter 19

Chapter 19 Grab the Slim Hope of Survival

Qing He had been locked in the shed for a whole day. As she heard a sound coming through from the door, she got excited at once.

"Third Lady, I..." As the door was opened, Qing He looked over tearfully. Then the look on her face turned panicky at once. Because it was Fourth Lady who was standing by the door with a veil covering her face.

A few days ago, Qing He had still despised Qu Moying a lot. After all, Qing He was the personal maid of Third Lady, the most favored lady in this family and had never taken the Fourth Lady who had been left in the estate seriously. When Third Lady Qu had told her to set the fire, she hadn't hesitated at all because no one would care what happened to Fourth Lady!

However, now Qing He didn't dare to look down upon Qu Moying anymore. Moreover, when she looked at the latter, she even trembled.

Then she lowered her head in a hurry and said, "Fourth... Fourth Lady."

Qu Moying walked over slowly to Qing He.

"I wonder how much money Qu Qiuyan has given you so that you are willing to sell your whole family?" Qu Moying looked down at Qing He and asked slowly.

"Wh... what?" Dumbfounded, Qing He raised her head.

"Don't you understand my words? Do you think you'll be able to survive after you are sold? Or do you think Second Madam will let go of you and your family?" The gentler Qu Moying's voice was, the more terrified Qing He got. With Qing He's feet getting limp, she collapsed on the ground.

"Fourth Lady... I... I never wanted to hurt you. It really wasn't me."

Qing He looked at Qu Moying with an imploring look, feeling extremely scared. Still, she didn't admit what she had done.

Qu Moying looked to Qing He's face through the thin veil with a cold look.

Qing He cried out in panic and tried to grab the hem of Qu Moying's skirt. But the latter left indifferently, leaving those cold words, "Since you are so eager to seek death with your whole family, I don't have any words for you then. You can just wait for your death."

Seeing Qu Moying leaving with no hesitation, Qing He got panicky at once and didn't dare to hold anything back and said with a trembling voice, "Fourth Lady, can you... can you save me?"

She was afraid that what Fourth Lady had said would come true.

During the time when Qing He had been locked here, she had done a lot of thinking and had already gone desperate. She was well aware of what kind of person Second Madam Qu and Third Lady were, so she had known she would be killed. But she still hoped that they could let go of her parents after she died.

However, she didn't want to die or implicate her family if she could have a choice. Also, Fourth Lady seemed to have suggested that she might still have a chance to live. Now she just wanted to grab it.

"If you can be of help, maybe I can spare your life or your families'!" Qu Moying stopped and said that coldly without turning around.

"Fourth... Fourth Lady, what should I do?" Qing He knew what she meant and then said that with her teeth gritted. She realized clearly that this was her last chance.

"I'll take care of your families for you." Qu Moying still didn't turn around and walked out straightly. She came here only to give Qing He a warning instead of telling the latter what to do.

Qu Moying would let Qing He get into the Crown Prince's mansion without raising any suspicion.

Even the people from the Crown Prince's family wouldn't dig out anything.

Therefore, she didn't need to tell Qing He where she would go. When the time was ready, Qu Moying would send someone to contact Qing He.

Now that she had Qing He's families in her hands and the proof that Qing He had tried to kill a lady, Qing He wouldn't dare to turn against her.

Qu Moying had to get to the inside of the Crown Prince's family and Qing He happened to be the right person to do that for her.

Now that she was reborn, she had to revenge...

After that, Qu Moying left with Yu Chun without saying anything. If Qing He was clever enough, she would know what to do next. But if she was not that clever, then death served her just right.

Trying to murder a lady was a serious crime. Not a single noble family would tolerate a maid like her.

Qing He knelt to the ground and kowtowed to Qu Moying's back three times reverently. Then, she raised her head with red eyes and wiped away her tears. She was glad that it was Fourth Lady who had said that to her. If the same words came out from Third Lady's mouth, Qing He would never believe it. She was very clear how vicious Third Lady, the girl who had been brought up by Second Madam, was.

For her families and herself, she would do whatever Fourth Lady had told her...

When Qu Moying went back to Old Lady Qu's Kangming House, Yu already lost the patience to wait. If Old Lady Qu hadn't been watching her closely, she would have sent someone to inquire about what happened.

She assumed that Qu Moying should have already been hurt.

However, Qu Moying showed up right in front of her in the same clothes that she wore when she had left and looked clean and tidy. Yu was taken by surprise, but she reacted

rather fast and stepped forward right away, asking with concern, "Fourth Lady, you are back. Did anything happen?"

"I just went to check on my third sister. What could happen?" Qu Moying lifted the corner of her mouth slightly and answered calmly. Then she stepped forward to give obeisance to Old Lady Qu.

"What did the doctor say?" Old Lady Qu was also worried about Qu Qiuyan's face. Having waved at Qu Moying, she asked that.

Qu Moying took a step forward. Then Old Lady Qu held her hand and let her sit down.

"She has allergies, that's all. The doctor already prescribed some medicine for her." Qu Moying said. "I came back first. Third sister is asking the doctor the matters needing attention now."

"Why did Yan ask that?" Yu asked in surprise.

"Why didn't she? What else should she be concerned about besides that?"

Qu Moying asked with a smile.

Yu never thought Qu Moying would react so fast. Having given a hollow laugh, she said, "I was just worried about Yan's condition. She shouldn't be distracted now. So how's the result?"

Her attitude changed so fast, which made her look very unnatural. Old Lady Qu couldn't help glancing at her with doubt.

"I only know it's skin allergy, but I'm not clear with the details. Second Madam, if you are still worried, you can go ask third sister!" Qu Moying said in a flat tone.

"Okay, I'll go to see her now." Yu had been wanting to go long ago. Hearing that, she stood up and bid farewell to Old Lady Qu at once.

After that, she left with her maids and senior housemaids.

'Why did Qu Moying get back safely? She should have been hurt already at this moment! Yan is so soft. She totally messed up!' Yu thought.

Seeing Yu leaving in panic, Qu Moying flashed a cold look in her eyes. Yu and her daughter were both malicious people. They would definitely plot something else.

However, next time, Qu Moying wouldn't let them get away so easily.

“Old Lady Qu, the Young Master Yongning is waiting to see you.” A senior housemaid came in smilingly. After she gave obeisance to Old Lady Qu, she said that.

Qu Moying’s heart missed a beat. Then she lowered her head to cover the coldness in her eyes. Xu Lipeng, son of Marquis Yongning was her fiancé. This time, she actually came back to the Qu’s mansion just to discuss their wedding.

What a coincidence! She had wanted to go to him, and now he was here...

Chapter 20

Chapter 20 The So-Called Deep Love is Just a Joke!

Xu Lipeng, Young Master Yongning, was the fiancé her mother had chosen for her long ago.

He was considered one of the few talented young men in the capital. A lot of noble madams wanted him to be their son-in-law. Compared to those playboys, he was really a great man.

Qu Moying’s had weak eyesight, but he had never asked to cancel the engagement and had even claimed publicly that he would marry her. The engagement had been settled when Qu Moying’s mother and Madam Yongning had been very close. At that time, Qu Moying hadn’t been born yet. Anyway, the engagement still couldn’t be broken!

Because of that, Young Master Yongning had received more compliments. People praised that he was a faithful guy who was even willing to marry a blind and ugly girl whose mother had died.

Of course, it was merely hearsay. People said Young Master Yongning was a kind and gentle man and the Yongning family had never looked down upon Qu Moying. However, Qu Moying never felt their kindness for once.

For all these years she had stayed in the estate, the Yongning family had never sent anyone to inquire about her condition or given her any gifts. After she had gone back to the Qu’s mansion, she had only met Young Master Yongning once and it was totally by accident. At that time, he was chatting and laughing with Qu Qiuyan and her cousin Yu Qingmeng.

Yu Chun had met him a few days ago, so she told Qu Moying who that was.

The sudden encounter was a surprise for everyone. Xu Lipeng only took a glance at her indifferently and then left with Qu Qiuyan and Yu Qingmeng, seeming not interested in her at all.

And that was the only glance he had given to her.

Also, what he had seen was the top of Qu Moying's head because the latter had lowered her head nervously.

The disdainful and distant look on his face suggested that he didn't want to marry Qu Moying at all. The former Qu Moying had assumed that Xu Lipeng was just too shy to talk to her in front of Qu Qiuyan and Yu Qinmeng. However, the Qu Moying now could tell herself clearly that this man just despised her.

The so-called deep love was merely a joke.

What she didn't understand was that since he didn't want to marry her, why hadn't he canceled the engagement. Was it because of his reputation? If so, she might have to guard against a gentle guy like him!

The former Qu Moying would explain for him, but now she would only assume the worst of him.

Since he wanted to cancel the engagement which he despised and kept his good reputation at the same time, he must have planned something evil.

"It's an honor to meet you, Old Lady Qu!" A tender voice came through. The one who talked was Young Master Yongning who also seemed very tender.

"It's my pleasure. Young Master Yongning, please sit down!" Old Lady Qu said smilingly.

Xu Lipeng also gave obeisance to Qu Moying. Then Qu Moying stood up to return a greeting. Only after Xu Lipeng sat down did she sit back. After that, she fiddled with the ribbon of her veil with her head lowered while listening to Xu Lipeng's reason for his visit.

Seeing them greeting each other so naturally, Old Lady Qu nodded secretly. Now she was more satisfied with this Young Master Yongning than before.

"My mom heard that Fourth Lady had come back, so she asked me to say hello." After Xu Lipeng sat tight, he said that with a smile.

Qu Moying only found it quite ironic. They had already run into each other before, but now he still pretended that this was the first time they met. She had known he was good at acting!

"Please express my thanks to Madam Yongning!" Old Lady Qu smiled.

"My mom heard that Fourth Lady had come back in a hurry this time. She was afraid that Fourth Lady didn't bring enough clothes, so she wanted me to bring Fourth Lady to

Huayi Store to pick some. After all, Old Lady Qu's birthday will be in a couple of days." Xu Lipeng said gently while casting his eyes over, smiling.

His veiled words not only showed the good intention of Madam Yongning but also his regards for Qu Moying's feelings. Qu Moying had been living in the countryside and never had any fine clothes. Even after she had gone to the capital, the clothes Old Lady Qu had given to her were not of the best quality. Because the best ones had already been taken away by Yu and Qu Qiuyan.

Since Xu Lipeng had said those words, it meant his family did think much of Qu Moying.

Old Lady Qu secretly nodded.

With Qu Moying's eyes blinking, she snorted inwardly. No matter how caring Xu Lipeng seemed, she still remembered he had ignored her indifferently. She just didn't know what this young master was planning now.

Anyway, Qu Moying would deal with him with caution no matter what was on his mind. This man was not a simple person, since he was able to act like a totally different person when facing Old Lady Qu. Also, he pretended to be affectionate and hadn't broken the engagement until now. It meant he must have been planning something big.

Hearing Xu Lipeng's words, Old Lady Qu kept nodding. For all these years, she had always been satisfied with Young Master Yongning.

"Ying, the clothes in Huayi Store are nice. Since Young Master Yongning's free, you should go with him and buy some clothes." Old Lady Qu told Granny Wu to take some banknotes to Yu Chun. After Old Lady Qu gave a few instructions to Qu Moying, the latter and Xu Lipeng both left.

Since they had already been engaged and there were a lot of servants following them, it was not a big deal for them to hang out together once, no matter how strict the code of ethics was.

Though Old Lady Qu felt that Xu Lipeng was a good man, she still didn't know if he and her granddaughter would get along. Now she just wanted them to make more contacts with each other so that they wouldn't be so distant after they got married and Qu Moying would fit in more quickly.

That was why Old Lady Qu had agreed to let Qu Moying and Xu Lipeng go to Huayi Store together.

Now Xu Lipeng was walking ahead, followed by Qu Moying.

He had wanted to wait for Qu Moying to catch up with him so they could chat. However, as he slowed down, Qu Moying also walked slowly. She seemed to have no intention to join him.

"Fourth Lady... are you not feeling well?" Xu Lipeng coughed slightly and asked.

Qu Moying raised her head to look at him and said with an indifferent look in her eyes, "I'm fine. Why did you say that, Young Master?"

"Since you feel all right, why did you walk so slowly? Are you afraid that you would kill those ants?" Xu Lipeng asked gently with a smile, seeming very friendly.

His joke and attitude were easy to win a young girl over.

Qu Moying lifted the corner of her mouth but the look in her eyes was still cold. As she raised her head and was about to say something, she suddenly paused because she saw someone coming.

"Nice to meet you, Young Master!" A sweet voice came through. Xu Lipeng raised his head and saw a beautiful girl standing among the flowers, then there was a complicated look flashing in his eyes.

That look disappeared very fast, but Qu Moying still saw it. She slightly twisted the handkerchief in her hand. This was quite unexpected for her!

The girl's light yellow dress fluttered in the wind. She was very slim and charming with a pretty face. Now she was watching at Xu Lipeng with her affectionate eyes and totally ignored Qu Moying who was behind him. Or say, she didn't care if Qu Moying was there!

Qu Moying knew who that was. It was Yu Qingmeng, Yu's niece and also Qu Qiuyan's cousin.

Qu Moying stopped quietly and looked to Lady Yu who had spent a lot of time in Qu's mansion.

Actually, compared to Qu Moying, Yu Qingmeng was more like a lady in Qu's family...