

Overbearing 821

Chapter 821: Evening Feast X

It was said that she had gotten the recipe from Paramount. Maybe... this one too?

Although everyone was scornful toward Feng Ruqing's gift, Gu Yiyi still held the blank paper in her hand and smiled brightly. "Xiao Qing, the gift you have given me is too precious. I must give you something, too. You can take whatever you like from my house, you can even take my father away."

1In fact, what Gu Yiyi had said was not wrong.

She had used many spirit herbs in exchange to lose weight.

Besides, Feng Ruqing had given her the recipe and asked for nothing in return.

Although Gu Yiyi did not know what the recipe was useful for, she still understood the value of a herbal dish recipe.

It was too valuable.

She felt guilty that the gift was so valuable!

Feng Ruqing tilted her head and stared blankly at Gu Shi. She grinned. "Your father is too old."

"Although my father is old, there are often young girls who throw themselves at him. In the meantime, you can allow him to go out to seduce young and beautiful girls. After that, you can take them all for yourselves behind him. Wouldn't it be like you are in a harem of three thousand beauties? However, Xiao Yin and I must be the main ones!"

2"..."

If so, would the state preceptor not go crazy?

It was scary to think about it...

"Yiyi!" Gu Shi's face was very dark.

Was he such a bastard that would seduce young girls in his daughter's eyes?

When had he done that? Why did he himself not know about it?

Moreover, his daughter not only did not hesitate to give him away to please the girl but she also wanted him to manage the harem for the girl.

Actually, Gu Yiyi had her own reasons for doing so.

Even though she and Xiao Yin added up together, they were still not as good as Nan Xian. So, it would be better to find more girls to compete with Nan Xian.

She thought that the harem of three thousand beauties should be able to compete with Nan Xian. Then they could have their places next to Xiao Qing.

"Let's go."

Gu Yiyi held Feng Ruqing's hand with a bright smile on her face.

Those men who had once looked down on her were heartbroken and could not stop looking at Gu Yiyi.

"Wait." Qin Xiaoyue gritted her teeth. She talked to Feng Ruqing sarcastically this time. "Lady Feng, Young Lady Gu likes you so much, but you have only selfishly written her a few lines. No matter how beautiful your handwriting is, you are showing no respect to the manor master."

"Who said that?" Gu Yiyi rolled her eyes toward Qin Xiaoyue. "Xiao Qing's handwriting is obviously ugly, but it is priceless. People like you who don't know how to appreciate the true value of things will never understand how valuable the paper is."

Xiao Qing had given her the herbal dish recipe because she trusted Gu Yiyi.

She could not betray Xiao Qing.

Even so, Gu Yiyi was so angry when she heard someone slandering Feng Ruqing.

Qin Xiaoyue's face stiffened. She let out a short but sharp laugh. "Young Lady Gu..."

"Shut up!" Gu Yiyi sneered, "You keep criticizing my manor's Xiao Qing small gift. When have you ever shown your respect to the chief manor? No matter how expensive the things that you have sent from the Qin family are, those things are worthless in my eyes!"

Qin Xiaoyue did not expect that just by casually questioning Xiao Qing about the gift would cause so much trouble.

Neither did she expect that someone would dare to not let her have her way in such a way in the chief manor.

Qin Xiaoyue pushed Luo Fei quite hard. "Luo Fei!"

This guy... Was he still a man?

She was being treated like this yet that man had not even said a word.

Luo Fei frowned a little. "Xiaoyue, this is the chief manor. You really shouldn't talk too much. Moreover, you still haven't explained to me whether Qin Fei'er had really treated Li'er like this."

Chapter 822: Evening Feast XI

Qin Xiaoyue pursed her lip tightly.

'Luo Fei, since you are treating me like that, don't blame me for doing this to you.'

'If your Luo family is in trouble, only then will you know that I'm the only one who will not abandon you.'

She suddenly saw Qin Li and Wen Yu walking into the crowd from the back.

Wen Yu signaled her with a wink. She then calmed down and smiled.

“Young Lady Gu, I’m sorry that I have offended you just now. My manor’s Luo Fei has gone to many places to look for your birthday gift. He has brought you the Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit. Although Young Lady Gu has become more beautiful now, women still don’t mind to be more beautiful.”

Qin Xiaoyue’s fake smile made Luo Li felt restless and uncomfortable.

“Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit? Isn’t it a Grade-6 spirit fruit? This time, the Luo family has spent a lot of money on it.”

“After all, the relationship between the Luo family and the chief manor is not that bad. This is the first birthday feast for Young Lady Gu, so naturally, the gift is not that great.”

“Compared to the girl who had just casually written down a few lines, the Luo family’s gift is more valuable.”

Everyone was whispering about it.

Some ladies were so envious of Gu Yiyi.

Some of the spirit herbs could only advance to higher grades when they had reached a certain age or had absorbed enough spiritual qi.

The grade of the spirit herbs was also divided according to this, not by the degree of rarity.

Therefore, there are spirit herbs in each grade that were extremely rare.

Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit was also one of them.

It was certainly difficult for the Luo family to get their hands on the Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit. So, it was very valuable.

Luo Fei initially did not want to take out the spirit herb before the birthday feast. However, since Qin Xiaoyue had mentioned about it. He did not want to embarrass Xiaoyue in the public even if he was very dissatisfied. He could only pass the box to the guard next to him.

After handing over the box, he glared at Qin Xiaoyue and frowned a little. He felt distressed. “Xiaoyue, what is up with you today?”

It was as if she had changed into another person. She was no longer the person whom Luo Fei was familiar with.

Qin Xiaoyue frowned, coldly. “Luo Fei, you just need to know that I’m the only one who will not abandon you in this world.”

Luo Li was a very ungrateful person. If anything happened to the Luo family, she would definitely run away. Only she—Qin Xiaoyue would stay.

She wanted to use this incident to make Luo Fei recognize this.

The guard held the box carefully and walked toward Gu Shi.

Gu Shi saw that Gu Yiyi refused to accept the gift. He could not help but sigh and keep the gift for Gu Yiyi.

“Alright, the feast is about to begin, you all may come in now.”

He was holding the box and wanted to leave. Suddenly, Qin Xiaoyue spoke again.

“Manor Master, don’t you want to take a look at the spirit herb?”

Gu Shi’s face darkened. He looked at Luo Fei, coldly.

Luo Fei was not an insightful person. How did he have a crush on this woman from the Qin family? This woman was only causing him troubles all day long.

“Xiaoyue!” Luo Fei was angry. He lowered his voice and reprimanded. “That’s enough.”

Qin Xiaoyue smiled and ignored Luo Fei. “Luo Fei, you have prepared this gift for so long. I have never seen it with my own eyes. I just want to grab this opportunity to look at the spirit herb. Other people would also want to see this Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit, too.”

Tian Shen Manor was rich with spirit herbs. If it was only a Grade-6 spirit herb, he had seen it before.

But this was the Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit which was extremely rare.

Chapter 823: Evening Feast XII

Even though many people knew how the Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit looked like, they had never seen it with their own eyes. Hence, everyone present was burning with curiosity.

Gu Shi was growing impatient.

This time, it was not merely about Luo Fei’s reputation, it was his daughter’s birthday. He did not want to mess it up. More importantly, he wanted to know what Qin Xiaoyue was after.

“Yiyi, since this is a gift for you, you could unbox it on your own.” Gu Shi turned to look at Gu Yiyi, his stern face melted into tenderness.

“Alright. Gu Yiyi pouted as she walked up to Gu Shi and unbox the gift clumsily.

“Well, there is nothing special about this Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit.”

A baby-shaped glistening fruit lied quietly inside the box. It was so adorable that one could not bear to eat it.

The corner of Qin Xiaoyue’s lips curved into a faint smile and quickly vanished without a trace. However, Feng Ruqing had seen Qin Xiaoyue’s reaction.

“Luo Li, what does your stepmother wants to do?” Feng Ruqing shrugged.

“She is not my stepmother,” Luo Li said, resolutely. Even if Luo Fei had fallen for this lady, Luo Li would never accept her.

“Qingqing, keep an eye on the fruit given by Luo Fei. A good show is coming up.” Qin Chen smiled, faintly.

“What?” Initially, Feng Ruqing did not pay much attention to the fruit. After hearing Qin Chen’s words, she furrowed her brows together as she looked at the finger-sized baby-shaped ginseng fruit.

Wen Yu was standing among the crowd with a smile on her face. She knew that Qin Xiaoyue was staring at her but she pretended to not notice that. She turned to look at a middle-aged lady not far away and gave her a signal.

The middle-aged lady read the signal and walked out of the crowd slowly with a smiling face.

“Young Lady Gu, I heard that this spirit herb has amazing beauty benefits and one can immediately feel the effect right after she eats it. As it was extremely hard to sow, we can rarely see it. Why don’t you prove to us that the saying is real?” Smiling, the middle-aged lady said as she slowly stepped out of the crowd.

Growing increasingly impatient, Gu Yiyi stared coldly at the middle-aged lady.

The middle-aged lady’s words had titillated the curiosity of the crowd.

“I want to know if the Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit is truly so powerful. If the saying is real, I want to get one for my daughter.”

“Young Lady Gu, why don’t you show us the power of this spirit herb? We want to know if this spirit herb is worth all the hard work to grow.”

“Young Lady Gu, since you said that the Luo family is no match for the lady that you like, if the spirit herb doesn’t turn out the way we expect, it proves that the gift from the Luo family is not as precious as what Qin Xiaoyue has claimed it to be...”

Originally, Gu Yiyi was dismissive of the Luo family’s gift. After hearing the words of the people around her, her eyes lit up.

‘They are right. Those who look down on Xiao Qing, I can prove them wrong. Moreover, I could take this chance to promote the herbal dish of Paramount for Xiao Qing.’

Jiu Ming told Gu Yiyi before that Paramount belonged to Feng Ruqing. Hence, Feng Ruqing was the actual master of Paramount. Hence, Gu Yiyi was actually helping the Feng Ruqing if she could help Paramount to get more customers.

“Well, since you all are so interested to know the effect, I will show it to you.” Beaming with pride, the corner of Gu Yiyi’s lips lifted.

Chapter 824: Evening Feast XIII

‘Um... I am truly smart. Since Xiao Qing loves money so much, she will definitely think that I am a good wife.’

Originally, Qin Xiaoyue should be thrilled as Gu Yiyi wanted to eat the spirit herb. However, when she heard Gu Yiyi’s words, color drained from her face. Her panic-stricken eyes were fixed at Wen Yu.

'This is totally different from what Sister-in-Law has told me. She is supposed to tell everyone that the thing in the box is poison. Why is she urging Gu Yiyi to eat it? If Gu Yiyi dies, the same would go to the Luo family.'

"Are you alright?" Luo Fei frowned. He had finally noticed that there was something wrong with Qin Xiaoyue.

"No... nothing..." Qin Xiaoyue shook her head, her lips were quivering.

It was not too late for Qin Xiaoyue to tell everyone the truth now so that Luo Fei would not lose his life. However, if she did so, everyone would know that she was the one who had changed the spirit herb and wanted to kill Gu Yiyi. She would lose her life!

'Luo Fei, I am sorry... I have no choice. It's all Wen Yu's fault! She has left me in the dark. I have never thought that she would lie to me.'

Feng Ruqing could feel there was something wrong with the Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit since the very beginning.

There was a hint of violet traces on the right of the Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit. The violet traces were too pale and one could hardly notice it at a glance.

Suddenly, something flashed through Feng Ruqing's mind. Just as Gu Yiyi wanted to bite into the Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit, Feng Ruqing's face changed. She quickly rushed over and slapped Gu Yiyi's hands. The spirit herb fell to the ground, its glistening flesh scattered all over the place.

Dumbfounded, everyone looked at Feng Ruqing in bewilderment.

"Xiao Qing?" Staring at Feng Ruqing's cold face, Gu Yiyi too was startled.

'What happened...? Why is Xiao Qing so mad?'

Qin Xiaoyue subconsciously heaved a sigh of relief. However, she could not reconcile herself to the fact that Feng Ruqing was the one who had stopped Gu Yiyi.

"It seems that someone felt that her gift is too lousy and does not want others to give Young Lady Gu a precious gift." The corner of Qin Xiaoyue's lips curved into a sneer.

Luo Fei too was dissatisfied with Feng Ruqing's reaction. Hence, he did not stop Qin Xiaoyue. He merely furrowed his brows together as he looked at Feng Ruqing.

"Young Lady Xiao Qing, you are..." Stunned, Gu Shi did not know what Feng Ruqing was doing.

"Is there any physician in the chief manor?" Feng Ruqing was still calm and composed.

"He is in the middle of something and not in the chief manor now. Why are you looking for him?"

"Get him back to the chief manor now. He will know what has happened once he is here."

Calmly, Feng Ruqing's gaze swept past Luo Fei and was fixed on Qin Xiaoyue for a while before landing on Gu Shi.

'Will this lady find it out?' Qin Xiaoyue's face darkened.

'Well, what could she do even if she really finds it out? The spirit herb has been broken into pieces. Even if the physician is here, he will not be able to find anything.' Thinking of this, Qin Xiaoyu loosened up a little and let out a long breath.

Seeing Feng Ruqing's solemn face, Gu Shi did not, not even in the slightest bit, relax. He signaled his subordinate to leave. A few people read his signal and left.

In the crowd, Wen Yu and Qin Li exchanged glances, their eyes filled with panic. Wen Yu clenched her teeth and carefully took a few steps back.

Qin Chen was watching both Wen Yu and Qin Li since the beginning. Once he noticed their movements, he whispered in Feng Ruqing's ear.

Chapter 825: Evening Feast XIV

Feng Ruqing raised her brow and subconsciously followed Qin Chen's gaze. Seeing that Wen Yu was about to leave, the corner of her lips lifted.

"No one is allowed to leave the chief manor before the physician is here. The feast will start later on."

The people present was in an uproar.

No one was allowed to leave? Who did this lady think she was? Does this lady think that she could do anything she wanted just because Gu Yiyi liked her?

Hearing this, Wen Yu paused. A flicker of fear crossed her pale face

"The Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit is gone." With a cold face, Qin Li subconsciously held onto Wen Yu's hand.

In other words, no one would find out that the Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit was, in fact, poisonous. Moreover, even if someone found it out, it was a gift from Luo Fei. Hence, Luo Fei would appear as the person who wanted to kill Gu Yiyi.

If worse came to worst, he would make Qin Xiaoyue a scapegoat. Qin Li and Wen Yu were not involved.

"Young Lady Xiao Qing, what is going on?" Seeing that everyone was in a state of tumult, Gu Shi could not help but ask.

"Well, someone wants to poison Yiyi." Feng Ruqing sneered.

"Who dares to poison my dearest daughter?" Gu Shi burst out in anger that was like a furious lion. His eyes were blazing with murderous intent.

Did someone want to poison Gu Yiyi? Who had the guts to lay his hand on Gu Yiyi in the chief manor? Everyone exchanged glances of disbelief.

'That is impossible! Gu Yiyi is Gu Shi's everything. Who dares to poison her?'

Previously, Gu Shi had risen to the manor master and even killed the former manor master because of Gu Yiyi. He knew that when he was powerful enough, so no one would dare to humiliate Gu Yiyi. Naturally, everyone knew that how much Gu Shi loved his daughter.

“What do you mean?” Qin Xiaoyue sneered.

“You don’t need to beat around the bush. You could just tell everyone that Luo Fei wants to poison Gu Yiyi. Luo Fei has gone through all kinds of suffering and has spent so much time and effort before he could get this spirit herb for Gu Yiyi. Not only have you destroyed it, you have even made him a scapegoat.

“Xiao Li, look at your good friend.”

‘Father would not poison Gu Yiyi, but Xiao Qing would not tell a lie, let alone make someone else a scapegoat. There must be something that I don’t know.’ Luo Li was lost in her own thoughts.

Since Feng Ruqing did not say anything after that, it was clear that she did not want to speak any further. Hence, Luo Li did not ask Feng Ruqing anything and was only waiting anxiously for the physician.

Even though Luo Fei had upset Luo Li, he was Luo Li’s father after all. Naturally, she did not want to see him making a big mistake, she did not want to see her grandfather’s life-time painstaking effort vanish without a trace.

It was a silent night, the cloud overshadowed the last ray of moonlight.

The chief manor was still brightly lit and everyone was waiting, quietly.

Simply no one knew how much time had passed. Suddenly, a guard escorted a grey-haired elder into the chief manor, anxiously.

“Manor Master, something happened in my manor and my daughter is sick. Hence, I had rushed back to my manor and did not manage to inform you. What has happened? Who is sick? Why are you summoning me so urgently?” The grey-haired elder rushed up to Gu Shi, anxiously.

“Young Lady Xiao Qing, this is the physician of chief manor—Grandmaster Qian Kun. He is on par with the Grandmaster Hai Rong.” Gu Shi turned to look at Feng Ruqing.

Chapter 826: Evening Feast XV

Startled, Qian Kun looked at Feng Ruqing in disbelief.

‘This young lady is the one who has summoned me so urgently?’

Feng Ruqing did not say a word. She squatted down and picked up a broken piece of spirit herb before everyone’s eyes.

The ginseng fruit seemed like glass and was extremely fragile as if one could easily break it if he did not handle it with care.

Feng Ruqing picked up a small piece of the translucent pulp. As the pulp was on the inside of the ginseng fruit, the violet traces were more obvious than they were on the outside. Even if they were just faint traces, people with good eyesight could easily spot it.

“Can you tell us what spirit herb is this?” Feng Ruqing asked with a faint smile on her face.

“This... isn’t this Violet Leaf Ginseng Fruit? Who brought this here? This is a highly toxic spirit herb. If one eats it, there is no cure for this poison!” Qian Kun’s eyes widened.

The Violet Leaf Ginseng Fruit grew from the Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit. The duration for this plant producing Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit was extremely random—regardless of seasons, day or night. In other words, the plant bloomed as it wished and the fruit only lasts for a day.

The fruit harvested on the day it was produced was named Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit. It had amazing beautifying benefits. One could get rid of the pockmarked face if he continuously took it for a week.

However, after the day it was produced, violet leaves would grow and the fruit would turn into a highly toxic fruit—Violet Leaf Ginseng Fruit, just like potatoes—sprouted potatoes are poisonous. Hence, Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit was extremely rare in this realm.

Gu Shi’s face darkened a few shades. His heart pounded rapidly as anger overtook his senses.

If not for Feng Ruqing, Gu Yiyi would have eaten the Violet Leaf Ginseng Fruit. Also, if Gu Shi had thrown Feng Ruqing out of the chief manor just now, no one could have stopped Gu Yiyi from eating the poisonous fruit. Fortunately, Gu Yiyi was still alive!

“Manor Master,” Qian Kun was still murmuring.

“Who has brought this Violet Leaf Ginseng Fruit here? This person is so vicious. He has even pluck the leaves off so it looked exactly like the Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit. One could hardly see that there is something wrong with this ginseng fruit from the outside. However, once the fruit is peeled, we can see it from the pulp.”

“Luo Fei!” Gu Shi gritted his teeth, a gust of mighty wind emanated out of him.

‘Damn! Luo Fei!’

It was Luo Fei and Qin Xiaoyu who had nearly killed Gu Shi’s dearest daughter. Gu Shi would never let them off easily, regardless of whether Luo Fei had accidentally bought the fake spirit herb or if he had truly wanted to kill Gu Yiyi.

“Pfft! I though the Luo family has really found the Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit. It turns out that Luo Fei is such a fool and has bought a Violet Leaf Ginseng Fruit instead.”

“Even if the Violet Leaf Ginseng Fruit is a Grade-6 spirit herb, it is not hard to get as it would only wither after a few months.”

“Luo Fei is so smart but has ended up being cheated. He has truly offended the manor master this time.”

Standing rooted to the spot, tears broke free from Luo Li's eyes after hearing the crowd's chatter.

"Is Qin Xiaoyue the one who had bought the fake ginseng fruit? You won't make this kind of mistake." Luo Li had a dry feeling in her throat.

If Luo Fei was the one who had bought it, he must be able to tell there was something wrong with the ginseng fruit.

Chapter 827: Evening Feast XVI

It must be Qin Xiaoyue who had bought the wrong spirit herb! Luo Fei would never make such a mistake.

'Father is not a fool. He must have asked Qin Xiaoyue to buy the spirit herb. It must be Qin Xiaoyue who has gotten cheated.'

"Stop it." Luo Fei closed his eyes, as if in pain.

"This is my fault. I have bought this spirit herb. I was cheated. It has nothing to do with Xiaoyue. She has never touched it."

'I have verified it many times before buying, how could this happen?'

Since it was Luo Fei's fault, He would own up to his own mistake.

For the first time, Luo Fei truly felt grateful for Feng Ruqing as she had stopped Gu Yiyi. Only when Gu Yiyi was safe, his mother and daughter would be free from danger. On the contrary, if Gu Yiyi had died, none of the people of the Luo family would have survived.

"Father! It is impossible! Do you know what you are doing? You would never make this kind of mistake." Luo Li's voice was hoarse and exhausted.

Luo Li could not believe what he had just heard. Staring at Luo Li's pale face, Luo Fei's heart was overflowing with bitterness. Until now, Luo Li still trusted Luo Fei to be a good person. On the contrary, Luo Fei had never trusted Luo Li. He truly felt sorry for her.

"Li'er, you have finally called me your father..." A relieved smile spread over Luo Fei's face.

"I only have a simple wish. I really love Xiaoyue. I hope both Xiaoyue and you could get along well. I have never thought that you are so unyielding. Young Lady Xiao Qing is right. I don't deserve to be your father.

"I know that I shall meet my fate this time. Xiaoyue may lose her mind sometimes, but she is kind. Li'er, promise me, don't hate her. Is that alright?"

Luo Fei was still defending Qin Xiaoyue at moments like this? Luo Li's body stiffened.

"Xiaoyue, I'm not afraid of death. The only thing I am worried about is my young daughter and seriously ill mother. They are the only two people left in the Luo family in the future. Please look after them for me." Luo Fei turned to look at Qin Xiaoyue.

Luo Fei had actually asked Qin Xiaoyue to take care of his daughter and mother? Did he think that they had had enough of life and wanted them to keep him company in the underworld?

Feng Ruqing truly felt Luo Fei was miserable and pitiful.

"You have hurt my daughter. Do you think I would let go of that? I would never do anything to the old and the young, but Qin Xiaoyue will soon become your wife. Both of you must die!" Gu Shi let out a burst of boisterous laughter, his eyes were blazing with rage.

Hearing this, Qin Xiaoyue's eyes widened in shock.

Luo Fei was the one who had gifted the spirit herb to Gu Yiyi and it had nothing to do with Qin Xiaoyue. Why must she die?

"Manor Master, I have not married Luo Fei yet. I am still part of the Qin family. Why do you want me to die together with Luo Fei?" Qin Xiaoyue had completely lost her senses. Her heart was filled with resentment.

Wen Yu told her that as long as Gu Yiyi was safe, Gu Shi would not do anything to the Luo family besides alienating Luo Fei. Currently, not only did Gu Shi want to kill Luo Fei, he actually wanted to kill Qin Xiaoyue, too. This was completely different from what Wen Yu had said.

Startled, Luo Fei stared at Qin Xiaoyue's pale face. He had never thought of getting Qin Xiaoyue involved.

Chapter 828: Evening Feast XVII

However, Qin Xiaoyue had resolutely distanced herself from Luo Fei when he was in danger.

Luo Fei could not help feeling bitterly disappointed. He had even entrusted her mother and daughter to Qin Xiaoyue just now. It was utterly absurd beyond words.

However, Luo Fei understood that he could not blame Qin Xiaoyue. As the saying goes, husband and wife are like two birds living in the same forest but fly away in separate directions when disaster strikes. Moreover, Qin Xiaoyue was not his wife yet.

"Xiaoyue... you promised that you would get the Grandmaster Hai Rong to treat my mother. Since I have always been treating you so well, I beg to keep your promise." Luo Fei closed his eyes gently, and opened them again slowly.

Startled, Qin Fei'er stared at Qin Xiaoyue. Since when had the Grandmaster Hai Rong agreed to treat the old lady of the Luo family? Qin Fei'er had never heard about this.

Qin Xiaoyue did not expect Luo Fei to say this in public. Her face turned ghastly pale.

"Get Hai Rong to treat people?" Startled, Qian Kun asked.

"He had once vowed that he would never treat anyone for the rest of his life. I have discussed with him about the Mu family's old master in the past two days. I asked him about this. He told me that he had

treated the Mu family's old master as he owed the Mu family a favor. He would never treat anyone else for the rest of his life."

Qian Kun paused for a while and continued saying, "As Qin Xiaoyue does not know Hai Rong, why would Hai Rong help her?"

Even Qian Kun would not simply treat just anyone. He was here in the chief manor as he owed the manor master a favor. He treated the Mu family's old master as the old master was Qian Kun's casual acquaintance. He could not bear to see the old master suffer.

He would not simply treat anyone no matter how much they were willing to pay.

Luo Fei panicked.

"Previously, Xiaoyue had accidentally hurt Li'er hand. I asked her to apologize to Li'er but she told me that she could ask Qin Fei'er to get the Grandmaster Hai Rong to treat my mother as Qin Fei'er is very close to Mu Huan. The Grandmaster Hai Rong had treated Mu Huan so well. If the Grandmaster Hai Rong knew that I have asked Qin Xiaoyue to apologize to Li'er, he would not treat my mother...

"She promised me! It must be a lie! I won't believe it!"

Although Luo Fei loved Qin Xiaoyue, Luo Li was his daughter. He had hurt his own daughter's feelings because of his mother. Everything he did, he did it for his mother. Since Li'er was so close to his mother, Li'er would definitely understand Luo Fei in the future.

However, it turned out that everything was a lie!

"Aunt! How could you deceive others using my name? I am close to Huan'er but I don't know the Grandmaster Hai Rong. How could I have been able to get him to help?" Qin Fei'er's eyes were blazing with fury as she glared at Qin Xiaoyue in disbelief.

It was fine if the Grandmaster Hai Rong was still treating people. However, everyone knew that the Grandmaster Hai Rong would never treat anyone anymore. Why did Qin Xiaoyue do this?

Luo Fei grabbed his hair tightly with his fists.

Only when Qin Fei'er had finished her words, Luo Fei raised his head and looked dazedly at Qin Xiaoyue. His voice was full of overflowing anger.

"You lied to me?"

"Stop the nonsense! I did not say that. Luo Fei, as you have treated me so well, I did not tell others what you have done. I have never thought that you would make up this story and make me a scapegoat." Qin Xiaoyue regained her composure and snorted.

Chapter 829: Evening Feast XVIII

"I lied to you? That is total nonsense! Who does not know that the Grandmaster Hai Rong has stopped treating people?"

Hai Rong was different from Qian Kun. Qian Kun was willing to stay in the chief manor and occasionally treat some of his acquaintances. However, Hai Rong would never treat anyone without a special reason even if that person was close to him.

Luo Fei was such a fool to believe Qin Xiaoyue.

“Qin Xiaoyue!”

Luo Fei had wholeheartedly trusted Qin Xiaoyu, but it turned out that Qin Xiaoyu was lying. He had even broken Luo Li’s heart because of her. Luo Li was so heartbroken and would never forgive Luo Fei again.

‘Luo Fei, I don’t want to harm you. I had felt sorry for you before. However, since you have done this to me, don’t blame me for being ruthless.’ The corner of Qin Xiaoyue’s lips curved into a sneer.

“Manor Master, Luo Fei told me that this ginseng fruit was extremely cheap when he bought it. It turns out that he is such a cheapskate that he had bought a highly toxic Violet Leaf Ginseng Fruit. He had nearly killed the manor lady. Please don’t let him off so easily.”

Gu Shi had slowly regained his senses.

Gu Shi would buy the idea that Luo Fei was deceived into buying a fake ginseng fruit. As Luo Fei was not a good observer, it was natural that he had gotten cheated. However, he would never believe that Luo Fei was a cheapskate.

Even an ordinary people knew that the Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit did not come cheap. Luo Fei was not a fool. He would not do that.

“Idiot!” Wen Yu cursed, inwardly.

Qin Xiaoyue was too presumptuous and had made such a foolish mistake. She did not only fail to make Luo Fei a scapegoat, but she was also digging her own grave.

No matter what, Wen Yu must not let Qin Xiaoyue get the entire Qin family involved in this.

“Check this lady’s identity when we get back. She must die!” Qin Li’s eyes were fixed on Feng Ruqing, his gaze darkened.

If not for Feng Ruqing, Gu Yiyi would have eaten the ginseng fruit. Gu Shi would lose his mind and Luo Fei would have been made a scapegoat.

Qin Li had never thought that Feng Ruqing knew spirit herb quite well. She could tell the difference between Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit and Violet Leaf Ginseng Fruit. Moreover, she was so close to Qin Chen. Hence, Feng Ruqing must die.

“You said that Luo Fei had bought this Violet Leaf Ginseng Fruit because it was cheap?” Over and over again, Gu Shi sneered. His eyes were blazing with fury.

“That is true. He has nearly hurt Young Lady Gu because of this.” Seeing Gu Shi getting more and more furious, Qin Xiaoyue raised her chin.

Gu Shi's lips curved into a sinister sneer.

Even if Qin Xiayue was telling the truth—Luo Fei was a cheapskate, the Violet Leaf Ginseng Fruit did not come cheap. If someone wanted to deceive Luo Fei, he could have used a cheaper spirit herb. Why would he use the Violet Leaf Ginseng Fruit?

"Luo Fei!" Just as the tense atmosphere was reaching its climax, an aged voice spoke.

Luo Fei looked up, a guard could be seen escorting the Luo family's old lady, who was walking with a crutch, into the courtyard.

"Mother, why are you here?" Luo Fei panicked and rushed over to help the old lady. His eyes were filled with regret.

Luo Li too rushed up to the old lady. Her face darkened. Perhaps, she was still mad at Luo Fei who was still defending Qin Xiaoyue until now. However, in the end, Qin Xiaoyue had pushed him away without any hesitation. Luo Fei felt really miserable.

"Bastard!" Burning with anger, the old lady brutally brought her crutch down on Luo Fei's head.

"Why did you leave in such a hurry this morning? You have forgotten the gift for Young Lady Gu. I am here to send this to you."

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"I have taken the gift..." Stunned, Luo Fei was lost in wonder.

As soon as Luo Fei finished his words, he looked at the box in the old lady's hand. It was very similar to the box he had gifted to Gu Yiyi. However, Luo Fei had brought the Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit together with him when he had left the Luo family. Why would there be another one in the old lady's hand?

Feng Ruqing narrowed her eyes, Qin Chen's words flashed through her mind. She suddenly realized something. She walked to Qin Chen and whispered to him, "Did you do this?"

"If you like it, I could do it more often in the future." Qin Chen smiled, brightly.

"There is no need... I don't want anyone around me to get hurt."

Fortunately, Feng Ruqing was here this time. Otherwise, Gu Yiyi would have died.

"Mother... the thing in your hand is..." Luo Fei stared at the box, dazed.

"I thought you want to give this to Young Lady Gu? Originally, I wanted to put a few needles on your bed to stab you, but I found this thing underneath your bed. Why would you put a spirit herb under your bed? No wonder you forgot to bring this with you." The old lady snorted.

'The spirit herb was under my bed?' Stunned, Luo Fei did not even notice that his mother had said that she wanted to stab him with needles.

'When did I put a spirit herb under my bed?' Luo Fei was lost in wonder.

Luo Fei took the box and opened it before everyone's eyes.

A baby shaped glistening fruit laid inside the box and a sweet-smelling aroma lingered in the air.

"What?" Qian Kun snatched the box from Luo Fei's hands, a look of disbelief and shock crept into his eyes.

"This is the real Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit."

It turned out that the old lady of the Luo family had sent over the real Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit that Luo Fei wanted to gift Gu Yiyi!

Why would there be two Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruits? Moreover, one of it was highly toxic.

Luo Fei's hand trembled. He did not know what was happening.

Could it be that Luo Fei's mother had known what happened to Luo Fei and had bought another Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit in order to save him?

That was impossible! She could never get a real Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit in such a short time.

'Why would there be two Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruits?'

Now, everything was clear. Someone wanted to harm Gu Yiyi and make the Luo family a scapegoat. It was such a good trick that killed two birds with one stone.

However, why would that person put the spirit herb in Luo Fei's chamber? Rumor had it that Qin Xiaoyue had moved into the Luo family recently and was staying together with Luo Fei.

At this time, everyone stared at Qin Xiaoyue's face, as if wanting to find something in her face.

Stunned, Qin Xiaoyue's mind went blank. Her eyes were fixed on the spirit herb in the box, her heart skipped a beat.

"That is impossible! The Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit should not be in the chamber. I have..."

Qin Xiaoyue had buried the Thousand-Odds Ginseng Fruit.

Before Qin Xiaoyue could finish her words, she quickly came to her senses and realized what she had just said out loud.

As the night wore on, the courtyard was eerily silent.

Every word that Qin Xiaoyue had said echoed in everyone's ears for a long time.

Luo Fei could not believe what he had just heard and stared at Qin Xiaoyue.

Even when Luo Fei had found out that Qin Xiaoyue had lied to him about the Grandmaster Hairong, he had only felt disappointed. He did not lose his mind as he was doing now as he knew that Qin Xiaoyue had cheated him into marrying her. Now, Qin Xiaoyue wanted to harm the entire Luo family.