

Overbearing 851

Chapter 851: The Distressed Old Master of the Mu Family V

Qin Fei'er was burning with jealousy; it felt like an army of ants was nibbling on her heart. However, she held back the jealousy because the person standing before her was Qin Chen.

If marrying Feng Ruqing could ease Qin Chen's anger, it was not a big deal for the Qin family. Perhaps, if Qin Fei'er could touch Qin Chen's heart by doing this, he would no longer be cold and distant toward her.

After all, Qin Fei'er owed Qin Chen too much.

Qin Chen did not say anything. He merely walked past Qin Fei'er and did not even spare a glance at her.

Qin Fei'er stood, dazed, on the spot, watching Qin Chen leaving. She could feel a sense of sorrow lingering in her heart.

Qin Fei'er lowered her head and smiled wryly. Perhaps, Qin Chen was upset the moment Qin Fei'er had chosen to set her dignity aside and accept the arranged marriage.

It was alright. Qin Fei'er knew that Qin Chen would understand her someday. When he truly loved someone, he would not hesitate to sacrifice everything for her.

Moreover, the chief manor had called off the arranged marriage. Hence, the Mu family had no other choices. Qin Fei'er's father would not let her be Nan Xian's concubine. She would be Nan Xian's first wife.

Qin Fei'er did not notice that there was a turquoise bird resting on the tree branch above her head.

After Qin Chen had left, the turquoise bird soared into the air and disappeared in the distance. Even if Qin Fei'er had seen the bird, she would never have noticed anything different about it.

In the courtyard, Qing Han was resting her head on Feng Ruqing's lap.

"Mother! Mother! Emerald is back!"

Seeing the turquoise bird, Qing Han broke into laughter. She got up and raised her finger so that the turquoise bird could rest on it.

'Emerald' was the name of the turquoise bird. It was named after its color. The turquoise bird was the most common spirit beast that could hardly cultivate.

"Emerald, have the people of the Qin family been bullying Uncle Qin Chen in the past few days? Is Uncle Qin Chen my biological uncle?" Qing Han blinked as she asked.

Chirp! Chirp!

Emerald kept chirping for a long while, but Feng Ruqing did not know what it was talking about.

Qing Han seemed to understand what the bird was saying. She turned her head to look at Feng Ruqing.

“Mother, Emerald said that originally the villains of the Qin family were mad, but Qin Fei’er had convinced them otherwise. Hence, no one has punished him.”

Feng Ruqing frowned slightly. Was she wrong? Qin Fei’er was really treating Qin Chen so well?

“Mother, Emerald is here to tell us that it would return to the Qin family to collect more information. Emerald II and Emerald III are still in the Qin family.

“Mother, is Uncle Qin Chen your biological brother?”

Feng Ruqing pursed her lips together and did not say anything.

Unlike Hua Xia, there was no paternity test to determine whether Qin Chen was Feng Ruqing’s biological brother. Although there was an ancient blood test that could verify the blood’s familial affinity, it was not reliable and was prone to error.

Moreover, the emperor and empress were not around, there was no way to do the ancient blood test.

“It would be great if there is a way that could affirm the blood’s familial affinity directly.” Feng Ruqing reached out to rub her aching temples.

As Feng Ruqing was not sure of the relationship between Qin Chen and herself, she had never told Qin Chen about this.

Fortunately, Qing Han was capable of communicating with the spirit beasts after she had woken. Hence, Feng Ruqing had used some Divine-Spirit Fruits to recruit some minor spirit beasts to collect information for her.

Chapter 852: Meeting Tan Shuangshuang Again I

Even if the ancient blood test was not reliable, there must be someone in the Qin family who knew Qin Chen’s actual identity. Hence, Feng Ruqing could start investigating from the people in the Qin family.

“Mother, when will Father come home?” Qing Han rushed into Feng Ruqing’s embrace.

“I have no idea.” Feng Ruqing’s hand that was stroking Qing Han’s fingers halted. She lowered her eyes to stare at the cutie pie in her embrace.

Nan Xian had always been protecting Feng Ruqing. This time, Feng Ruqing wanted to protect him instead. Hence, Feng Ruqing did not tell Nan Xian that she would go to Tian Shen Manor. Naturally, Nan Xian did not know that Feng Ruqing was here.

1“Mother, I miss Big Doggie. When will I see it again?” Qing Han seemed dejected and spiritless.

At this moment, a teenager—Big Doggie was standing over a boundless ocean, his eyes were fixed on the surging waves.

“White Birdie, where are we now? Where is the island that Tian Shen Manor is located at?”

"I am a phoenix! Not a bird! Birds and phoenix are not the same breeds!" The white phoenix was burning with fury.

The white phoenix was right. If one went all the way southward, he would reach the Southern Ocean. Tian Shen Manor was located on an island of the Southern Ocean.

However, simply no one knew where the island was.

It was a vast ocean, how would he know where exactly the island was? The teenager squinted at the white phoenix. He knew that the white phoenix was unreliable. Little did he know, the white phoenix was so ridiculously unreliable. How could he meet Feng Ruqing?

Roar!

Suddenly, the dragon let out a ferocious howl. The entire sky became heavily overcast. The boundless ocean roared, the waves rolled as high as mountains as if a storm had just swept through.

Countless spirit beasts in the ocean were summoned and were rushing toward the teenager.

All the spirit beasts stood side by side before the teenager as if worshipping an emperor. They were waiting quietly for the teenager's command.

"Go and look for a way to the island where Tian Shen Manor is located."

The teenager was so formidable and domineering. However, his face was still young and stunning.

'This fellow is a strong opponent.' The white phoenix narrowed its eyes as it looked at the domineering teenager.

'No way! He must not meet Xiao Qingqing so soon. If he wins Xiao Qingqing's heart, how could I be Xiao Qingqing's father-in-law?'

As the white phoenix wanted to marry Suyi, Feng Ruqing was its kin. No one could take Feng Ruqing away.

Thinking of this, the white phoenix's heart filled up with pleasant delight.

When the white phoenix met Suyi, she would certainly pay the white phoenix an enormous compliment. Thinking of this, its member stood out from its body.

1 "Well, let these spirit beasts get the way to the island. We can just wait for their good news here." The teenager looked away.

'Should I leave this fellow quietly? Suyi said that there are many formations on that island. This fellow must not be able to get in there.' The white phoenix rolled its eyes.

After all, it was only one last step left to get into Tian Shen Manor. This teenager was not useful anymore. The white phoenix could get rid of this teenager now and look for Suyi and Nan Xian on its own. It could live happily ever after with Suyi, Nan Xian, and Feng Ruqing.

The teenager's mind was still focused on looking for the island. Little did he know, the white phoenix was already planning to get rid of him.

If one could find the island, he would also find Tian Shen Manor. Tian Shen Manor was like a kingdom on an island in the Southern Ocean.

Chapter 853: Meeting Tan Shuangshuang Again II

It was isolated from the rest of the world. It was even hidden by numerous formations. No one could ever reach that place.

There were many people who could not find their way to Tian Shen Manor. That was why they guessed that Tian Shen Manor had created a medium that belonged to them. Hence, the people of Tian Shen Manor stayed inside the medium. It was what the outsiders assumed.

They thought that what could not be seen was true because of the formations. In fact, the founder of Tian Shen Manor did not even have the ability to create a medium.

But, it was peaceful there on the surface of the ocean. The powerful people of Tian Shen Manor could still feel it too.

Inside the chief manor.

Gu Shi opened his eyes calmly. His gaze fell on the sky not far away. His eyes brightened.

It was such a big movement that neither human beings nor spirit beasts were able to produce.

There was only one possibility. Only those living things which were born out of the spiritual qi would be able to do so. They were born with the ability to control all the power within heaven and earth.

Gu Shi got up from the rush cushion. He smoothed his sleeves and walked out of the cultivation room.

The back hill was a prohibited place in the chief manor.

It was a secret which Gu Shi got to know of when he got rid of the previous manor master.

Moreover, only the manor master was allowed to go there.

It was pitch dark in the jail that was located in the back hill. A woman whose face was scarred was seated in a corner in the dark.

The darkness engulfed the extremely ugly and disgusting face. Gu Shi would always be frightened although he prepared himself every time he went there.

It was an indescribable feeling.

He had never met someone whose face could be so ugly and disgusting that even heaven, earth, and hell would be shocked.

He still remembered the first time he had met that woman in the jail when he had defeated the previous manor master.

Her clothes were shabby. Her messy hair covered her extremely ugly face. Both of her hands were even nailed onto the wall. She appeared to be dead but she did not seem to die.

Gu Shi had killed a lot of people these past few years.

He had slaughtered the entire family who had caused the death of his wife. He did not let any of them go.

His hands were covered with the blood of the deceased.

But, he had never really tormented anybody even though they were his enemies. He would just end their lives there and then.

He did not know the crime of that woman. He did not even know why she was being treated in such a way. He could not endure the sight of her being tormented like that. Hence, he planned to let her go and set her free.

But, that woman never left. It seemed that she had treated the jail as her home. She would never leave it behind.

“Girl.” Gu Shi sighed helplessly. “How long are you planning to stay in my chief manor. I don’t know what kind of hatred existed between you and the previous manor master. He treated you like this. Now, you’re free at last. When will you leave?”

In fact, Gu Shi had been the manor master for ten years now.

That woman simply stayed there resolutely for ten years. Her body festered and she did not want to be treated by a physician. In the end...

Her body healed but her face never did.

That woman was not ordinary.

It had not been peaceful in Tian Shen Manor as of late. He really did not want her there anymore.

The woman remained quiet.

It was just like ten years ago. Gu Shi had never heard her voice. She had never spoken in front of him.

She appeared to be a dumb person. Her eyes were dull. He did not know whether she really could not speak or that she thought that they were unworthy of her voice.

“Girl, I’m begging you now. When are you willing to leave? If not, the others would think that I’m the one who has tormented you in such a way if they find you here in the back hill.”

Gu Shi almost burst into tears.

His conscience would not allow such things to happen.

Chapter 854: Meeting Tan Shuangshuang Again III

Although Gu Shi had killed quite a lot of people, those people deserved to die. He had never harmed anybody for no reason.

However, no one knew about that.

He had been the manor master for ten years now. That woman had never left the cell and was clinging to it stubbornly. If the others got to know about this, they might think that Gu Shi was the one who had captured her.

"I'll tell you the truth now. This Southern Ocean is only an ocean. But, it's quite peaceful because of the use of formation to suppress it. But, I felt a strong wave there. Usually, it would never happen there."

Gu Shi sighed helplessly when he realized that the woman still refused to talk. "Only spiritual qi could have that kind of power. But, things that are created by spiritual qi usually have neither intelligence nor conscience. They do whatever they want. They even have great power. If they choose to drown Tian Shen Manor or create trouble here, how are you going to run away given that you're quite weak? Surely, others can run away easily. It's not possible if you expect us to protect you."

Gu Shi admitted that he was not a kind person. He had no relation with that woman. But, that woman refused to leave. She was also eating a lot of their food. He would be crazy to protect her and abandon his own benefits.

'Born of spiritual qi?'

The girl's eyelids fluttered. But, she did not give any response.

It seemed as if she had not heard anything.

Gu Shi spoke, angrily, "Don't think that I'm threatening you. I heard a dragon's roar just now. It must be a dragon born of spiritual qi."

There were numerous formations on the surface of the Southern Ocean.

Their functions were more than simply being there on the island.

The formations on the surface of the Southern Ocean were just like the spies of Tian Shen Manor. So, that was the reason why Gu Shi could receive the news of the plight in such a short time.

A creature born of spiritual qi would surely surprise the entire Tian Shen Manor. Those people who did not fear death would surely go ahead and fight the creature. Gu Shi had actually planned not to reveal the truth because he wanted to prevent any fight in the chief manor.

But, he wanted to send the woman away badly. He had been thinking about that for ten years now. He would do anything as long as he could send her away.

The girl raised her head all of a sudden.

What kind of eyes did she have?

She was ugly but her eyes were rather bright. Her eyes were even brighter than the stars at night.

But soon, she calmed down. She maintained her silence just like a mute.

"Forget about it." Gu Shi sighed, helplessly, in the end. "Just try and consider whether you want to leave or not. If you're afraid that someone out there will harm you, I have another manor somewhere else. I can arrange for you to live there. I can even order somebody to protect you and ask someone to heal

your injuries. That's right. I know a girl. She's able to brew spirits herbal dishes. She might be able to help you..."

The previous manor master was a villain. It seemed unlikely that the woman he kept in this cell was a villain too.

Gu Shi pitied her and wanted to give her a hand.

But, he could not allow her to stay in captivity any longer. If not, his reputation would be ruined.

It was impossible for her to remain in the chief manor too.

If he was misunderstood, how could he explain himself to his deceased wife?

Why did Gu Shi reveal Feng Ruqing's true abilities?

'Hmm... Why do I have to keep that a secret?'

Tian Shen Manor, Deities Gate, and the Divine Herbs Sect had their own territories in the mainland.

He was even the manor master of Tian Shen Manor.

Who would dare to harm Feng Ruqing if Tian Shen Manor chose to protect her?

That was true strength and power!

If they owned true and strong power, they did not have to hide anymore. They could even do whatever they have wanted to do without anyone trying to stop them!

Chapter 855: Meeting Tan Shuangshuang Again IV

'Spirit herbal dishes?'

The woman's eyelids fluttered but soon she became still again.

It had been such a long time.

There were other people who were able to brew spirit herbal dishes.

But, she was no longer one of them anymore.

The woman hugged both of her knees tightly. She was still curled up in the darkest corner of the cell. She buried her head deep between her knees. It seemed as if she felt something in her heart.

What if a person could enjoy the privilege of immortality?

Was that a blessing or a curse?

It might be a great pain for her. She needed to endure all the pain and continue to live in this world.

Gu Shi sighed heavily. Then, he turned around and walked out of the cell.

He turned and glanced at the imperial guard beside him when he walked out of the jail. "Go and ask Yu Lao to come and meet me," said Gu Shi seriously.

“Yes.”

The imperial guard obeyed the order and retreated respectfully.

Not many people knew of the incident that had happened on the surface of the Southern Ocean. On the contrary, Tian Shen Manor appeared peaceful as of late.

Surely, the Mu family was an exception.

Chen Qingyan had brought along Mu Huan to prepare birthday presents for their father these past few days in order to show her filial duties.

Mu Ling was never bothered about the affairs of the Mu family. Chen Qingyan was the only one who took care of these things. Moreover, Mu Xi was always fooling around with women. He rarely bothered about these things.

Therefore, Tan Shuangshuang assumed that she could lead the Mu family when Chen Qingyan left. It seemed that she yearned for the news of her pregnancy to be known by the entire world. She wanted them to know that she was pregnant with Mu Ling's child.

A few maids followed closely behind Tan Shuangshuang while they were strolling in Tian Shen Manor.

They were holding different kinds of boxes in their hands. Those boxes held exquisite and rare spirit herbs. Their act was quite daring and it seemed that they were not afraid of the possibility of the spirit herbs being snatched away from them.

“Lady Shuang.” The maid, Xiao Liu, was annoyed with what Tan Shuangshuang was doing. She sounded sarcastic. “We have left the manor and bought a lot of spirit herbs. If the young manor master and the young lady get to know this, they might be infuriated.”

Tan Shuangshuang frowned slightly. “Father's birthday is coming soon. I'm his daughter-in-law. Why can't I prepare some presents for him? Since I cannot give him the spirit herbs of the Mu family, I have to go out and purchase them. Don't tell me that I don't even have this kind of privilege.”

Xiao Liu had all kinds of sarcastic thoughts in her heart.

‘Master has only one daughter-in-law and she is Lady Qingyan.

‘You're only a woman without any status. You're not even a concubine. How could you assume yourself to be his daughter-in-law?

‘If you're not pregnant, I wouldn't even have addressed you as ‘lady.’

But, Xiao Liu never showed her annoyance as she was only a maid.

She understood the difference between superiority and inferiority.

As Tan Shuangshuang was about to leave with her palace maids and the spirit herbs, she suddenly stopped short in her path. Darkness and coldness dawned on her smiling face. There was a sense of bottomless hatred in her eyes.

'Feng Ruqing!

'Why is she here in Tian Shen Manor?'

Soon, Tan Shuangshuang released her tightly clenched fists. Her lips curled up as she slowly walked toward Feng Ruqing.

'Princess, I never thought that we will meet again.'

A familiar voice made Feng Ruqing tilt her head to one side while she was talking to Luo Li.

She raised her eyebrows slightly and she was deeply shocked.

'Tan Shuangshuang...

'Wasn't she with Liu Fuyong?'

Feng Ruqing had not been bothered about Tan Shuangshuang since that incident. She did not think that she would meet Tan Shuangshuang in Tian Shen Manor.

It seemed that enemies were always bound to meet each other one way or another.

Chapter 856: Meeting Tan Shuangshuang Again V

"Are you pregnant?" Feng Ruqing scanned Tan Shuangshuang's pregnant belly with a faint smile. "Does the child belong to Liu Fuyong?"

Tan Shuangshuang's facial expression shifted.

Nobody understood better than her what Mu Ling cared about the most.

That man cared about the reputation the most.

If the people from Tian Shen Manor knew about her past, that she had been together with someone else, Mu Ling would never forgive her!

"Princess." Tan Shuangshuang smiled lightly. "I don't know what you're talking about. Your husband came to bother me the other day. I didn't allow him to do that. Then, you went and destroyed my reputation. I was on my own before I got together with Young Master Mu. How could you ruin the Mu family's reputation?"

Feng Ruqing was rather surprised.

'Young Master Mu? Mu Ling?

'Has Tan Shuangshuang become Mu Ling's concubine?'

Feng Ruqing never had any kind of impression on Tan Shuangshuang. She neither liked nor disliked her. She was just annoyed by Tan Shuangshuang's relentless behavior, her persistence in bothering her.

'Is Tan Shuangshuang looking for trouble now?'

Whoever was related to Mu Ling was Feng Ruqing's enemies.

“Couldn’t Liu Yuchen and his father satisfy you?” Feng Ruqing smiled happily and advanced toward Tan Shuangshuang. “Now, you have hooked up with Mu Ling. Could it be that you’ve fallen for both father and son?”

Tan Shuangshuang’s facial expression darkened.

In fact, Tan Shuangshuang should never have taken the initiative to go and provoke Feng Ruqing because of her previous experiences.

But, she yearned to fulfill her own urge to show off her new power in front of her old enemy.

‘So what if you’re beautiful?’

‘You’ve fallen for a lowly state preceptor. But I’ve become the woman of Tian Shen Manor’s young master.

‘I’m much better than you even if I’m only a concubine. You’re just the state preceptor’s woman.’

Feng Ruqing would never fall for Mu Ling’s son.

Mu Xi was a wicked and evil villain. Feng Ruqing would never adore that kind of man.

She would only fall for a gentleman like Mu Qingyin.

Tan Shuangshuang smiled faintly. “Princess, is it fun to slander me? I had a clean slate when I got together with the young master. He knows it clearly. Otherwise, why would he allow me to enter the Mu family?”

Feng Ruqing smiled happily. “That’s hard to say. Mu Ling might have a peculiar habit. He might like the feeling of being betrayed by women or even the feeling of becoming a father.”

Tan Shuangshuang did not understand what Feng Ruqing was talking about. But, she knew perfectly well that whatever Feng Ruqing said would never be nice things.

“How dare you!”

The maid, Xiao Liu, disliked Tan Shuangshuang. But, what Feng Ruqing had said was slanderous toward Mu Ling. She soon became angry. “You’re a lowly woman. How dare you insult my young master?”

Boom!

Luo Li went forward and kicked Xiao Liu’s chest.

Xiao Liu was sent flying over the street.

“You’re just a humble maid. How dare you scold my Xiao Qing?”

Tan Shuangshuang’s face darkened even more.

She did not understand the reason why there was always someone else who would help Feng Ruqing no matter where they were.

Furthermore, the person who helped Feng Ruqing was a woman!

Both of them were women. How could that woman help Feng Ruqing given that she was that beautiful and captivating? Was that woman not jealous of Feng Ruqing?

It seemed to be much or less the same situation back in Liu Yun Kingdom. Those women adored Feng Ruqing deeply. On the other hand, there were some men who hated Feng Ruqing deeply when they talked about her. It was strange.

Tan Shuangshuang relaxed when she thought of that incident. She smiled gently.

‘Feng Ruqing, so what if you’re good and talented? You’re always surrounded by only women. On the contrary, I am always surrounded by numerous men when I was in a better place before. There was always an endless stream of men, just like flies, lingering around me.’

Chapter 857: Meeting Mu Qingyin for the First Time I

Tan Shuangshuang believed that there were men who had feelings for Feng Ruqing in Liu Yun Kingdom. But, when some young masters went to propose to her, they were nearly killed by the people of the princess’s manor.

The common people did have not a single chance either.

Feng Ruqing enjoyed such a high status and power that they could never dream of being with her. Moreover, they were unwilling to pay attention to her.

In fact, Feng Ruqing had never paid any attention to men. She was gentle only toward women. That was why a lot of women adored her.

Those men hated Feng Ruqing because almost all of the women in Liu Yun Kingdom adored Feng Ruqing. Their manic adoration threatened the men’s marital prospects.

How could they not hate Feng Ruqing?

Tan Shuangshuang believed that she was talented and captivating. That was why a lot of men fought for her attention. She believed that Liu Yuchen had gotten tired of her and had gone in search of new excitement when she lost him. She never thought that she herself was the reason why Liu Yuchen had left her in the first place. She also never realized that her habit of labeling the men as flies proved that she herself was feces. Only feces would attract the flies.

1“Feng Ruqing.” Tan Shuangshuang was serious now. “I don’t care how you ruin my reputation. But, I’ll never allow you to slander my young master. My child belongs to him! I know that you’re jealous of me.

“You’re jealous that Liu Yuchen likes me. Uncle Liu treats me like his own daughter. Hence, you hit me. You even infuriated Aunt Liu. That is why Liu Yuchen has divorced you.

“You’re also jealous that I’ve become the woman of the Mu family’s young master. You’re just a wife of lowly a state preceptor. But, you do know that your birth and background is better than mine. Your father is the emperor of Liu Yun Kingdom. You’re adored and protected wherever you go. He would never punish you no matter how you bully or harm others.

"But, what I own today is the result of my own efforts. I have taken baby steps each and every day. Feng Ruqing, could you please let me go? I never liked Liu Yuchen and have never dreamed of fighting with you for him. It's the result of his own wishful thinking. I'm innocent. If you're angry, go ahead and seek your revenge from him. I'm begging you for real now. Please forgive me. I do love my young master. I'm begging you. Please don't ruin my happiness by coming all the way here to Tian Shen Manor."

Luo Li was stunned.

'Doesn't Xiao Qing belong to Tian Shen Manor?

'Liu Yun Kingdom... It sounds familiar. It feels like I've heard it from someone else.'

"Oh." Feng Ruqing was calm. "I have forgiven you long ago."

Tan Shuangshuang was speechless.

"I forgave both of you since the day Liu Yuchen divorced me. I forgave both of you when I almost died that day. I have even pasted the notice on the entrance of the city and asked you not to bother me. Tan Shuangshuang, why did you come and annoy me when I've forgiven you?"

The crowd was infuriated when they heard what Tan Shuangshuang had said.

But, they did not dare to voice out their opinions after listening to Feng Ruqing's side of the story.

Some people had spent all of their time cultivating so their intelligence was low. It is what we know as stupidity.

However, not everyone is like that.

It was obvious that the Mu family's concubine was the one who had started the conflict. She was the one who started elaborating on her own pitiful state.

Feng Ruqing had only given her side of the story after Tan Shuangshuang had spoken.

So, it was clear who was the one at fault here.

Feng Ruqing shrugged with a smile. "Moreover, I'm not slandering you about what had happened between you, Liu Yuchen, and his father. The entire Liu Yun Kingdom is well aware of that fact. I have even heard that you were almost killed by Liu Fuyong's wife when you hooked up with him. So, I just want to ask you whether you're enjoying the adoration from both Mu Ling and Mu Xi when you have become part of the Mu family."

Chapter 858: Meeting Mu Qingyin for the First Time II

Tan Shuangshuang went pale.

Her whole being was engulfed by her hatred.

She had forgotten that the others could easily learn about her past by investigating it in Liu Yun Kingdom.

Tan Shuangshuang regretted what she had done. It was the first time she regretted provoking Feng Ruqing.

1Feng Ruqing continued talking when she saw that Tan Shuangshuang had nothing more to say in response. "I heard that Mu Xi is fond of women. You're such a beauty. It's normal if he has that kind of feeling toward you. I just never thought that they have that kind of weird habit. Young Lady Tan, I congratulate you on being able to enjoy the happiness of living with two husbands especially when they're father and son."

"You..." Tan Shuangshuang's facial expression changed drastically.

Feng Ruqing smiled and interrupted Tan Shuangshuang before she was able to utter any more words.

"Young Lady Tan, you don't have to be shy. It's known to the entire world. Mu Xi betrayed his own father. I just wonder how many people know of this incident."

Tan Shuangshuang was shocked.

She became nervous when she saw the look of disdain among the surrounding crowd.

If the public knew that Mu Ling's woman was not an innocent woman, Mu Ling might beat her to death given how he prioritized his dignity.

Moreover, Feng Ruqing had even added some more spice into the story and the others could be easily misled.

In fact, she did sleep with Liu Fuyong. But, Liu Yuchen had never touched her.

Her numerous attempts proved to be failures.

She had nothing to do with Mu Xi either. She was wrongly accused. Feng Ruqing was intentionally ruining her reputation!

1"I didn't..."

Tan Shuangshuang wanted to justify herself but a cold voice came from behind her.

"Tan Shuangshung, aren't you done humiliating yourself? Go back to the Mu family now!"

That voice was neither familiar nor unfamiliar to Tan Shuangshuang. But, her heart still fluttered with anxiety. She turned her head and saw a man slowly approaching them.

"Uncle... I didn't..."

Tan Shuangshuang's eyes were filled up with tears. She shook her head and her voice was filled with pity.

She had never seduced Mu Xi. Not even once!

If Mu Qingyin misunderstood her, how could she survive in the Mu family?

"I don't know whether you've done that or not. But, I've told you that you have no right to address me in such a way that you are using the status of the Mu family's young mistress."

Tan Shuangshuang pursed her lips. "Second Young Manor Master, she's wrongly accusing me. I haven't done what she has claimed."

"It's enough if you yourself know about those things. You don't have to explain yourself to me. The Mu family's reputation being ruined is related to my elder brother. But, what has it got to do with me?" Mu Qingyin smiled faintly.

He had never cared about reputation. The old manor master and his sister-in-law did not care about it too.

In fact, the Mu family strived for strength instead of reputation.

His elder brother was the only one who cared about reputation.

Tan Shuangshuang felt weak. Her eyes were filled with deep pain.

'He doesn't believe in me! How dare he choose not to trust me!

1'Feng Ruqing! It's all her fault!'

Tan Shuangshuang trembled. She did not say anything anymore as she turned and left.

Mu Qingyin gazed in the direction where Tan Shuangshuang had left. He smiled coldly.

"Second Young Manor Master of the Mu family?"

Feng Ruqing touched her chin softly.

She was intentional in misleading the crowd so that both Mu Ling and his son's reputation would be ruined.

The second young manor master's unclear comment just now supported what she had said.

'Why... Why did the second young manor master of the Mu family want to destroy Mu Ling?'

Mu Qingyin was just leaving when he suddenly saw a bracelet on Feng Ruqing's hand. His eyes narrowed and he swiftly came toward her. He reached out and grabbed Feng Ruqing's hand.

Chapter 859: Meeting Mu Qingyin for the First Time III

Feng Ruqing responded naturally. She stretched her leg without any hesitation and kicked Mu Qingyin a few meters away.

The noisy streets soon fell into a heavy silence.

All noises disappeared and they stared at Feng Ruqing in shock.

Luo Li was stunned too.

Did Feng Ruqing just kick the second young manor master of the Mu family?

To their surprise, she had attacked the second young manor master of the Mu family!

That was the old master's favorite son in the Mu family. Moreover, he was Nan Xian's uncle too.

Mu Qingyin cleared his throat.

The imperial guards were going to react when Mu Qingyin raised his hand and prohibited them from doing anything more.

His steps faltered as he slowly walked toward Feng Ruqing. He seemed guilty and apologetic. "I'm sorry. I went over the line just now. I didn't mean to harm you."

"Oh! I do know that you mean no harm." Feng Ruqing apologized sincerely. "But, I couldn't control myself. I dislike being touched by any male. That's disgusting. I'll get goosebumps all over my body. That's why I was unable to refrain from kicking you..."

That was the truth. It was not her fault. She could not control her body's natural response.

Mu Qingyin was speechless.

It was the first time he was disliked by someone else.

It was a heartbreaking feeling.

"Young lady, where did you get that bracelet?" Mu Qingyin stared at the bracelet on Feng Ruqing's hand. His breathing seemed erratic.

Feng Ruqing touched her bracelet.

Mu Xi had met her before and he was well aware of the relationship between Nan Xian and her.

But, Mu Qingyin clearly did not know anything about that.

That was proof that he was totally different from Mu Ling.

Feng Ruqing realized that Mu Qingyin was staring at her bracelet all the time. She kept quiet for a while before explaining to him, "Suyi gave it to me."

It was indeed the truth. Suyi had given it to Feng Ruqing at the princess's manor. She had forced it onto Feng Ruqing at that time.

Mu Qingyin wanted to hold onto Feng Ruqing's hand again...

But, he suddenly remembered what she had done just now. He retracted his hand.

"Are you the one my elder brother had mentioned before? Uhm, the woman who is adored by my sister-in-law and Nan Xian?"

Feng Ruqing was silent.

'It's fine if you want to talk about Nan Xian. But, why did you have to bring Suyi up?'

It sounded like Feng Ruqing was the one who had seduced Suyi.

"Do you know where Suyi is?" Mu Qingyin continued his queries.

In fact, Feng Ruqing hoped that Suyi never returned to the Mu family.

It was a place that had broken her heart before.

“Do you want her back?”

Hence, she kept quiet for a moment before answering Mu Qingyin.

Mu Qingyin did not say anything.

He did hope for her sister-in-law's return.

But, Chen Qingyan was there now.

His elder brother was so stubborn. If she returned, she would only be heartbroken.

That was why he did not take any actions these past few days even though he had promised his father to go and look for Suyi.

Feng Ruqing smiled sarcastically. “If Suyi returns one day, it would never be for Mu Ling's sake. It's difficult for her to forget about the past. I'll never allow anybody to harm her again for the rest of her life.”

“I understand.” Mu Qingyin smiled softly. “I won't force her to return to the Mu family.”

Feng Ruqing looked at Mu Qingyin's sickly face. After a short while, she said, “You seem to be weak. Are you sick?”

“Yes, I had fetus poisoning. It's difficult to cure because I was poisoned when my mother was pregnant with me.”

It could be cured during the earlier period when he was poisoned.

But, nobody ever found out that his mother was poisoned back then. When he was born, his mother had died from the poison. That was when the others found out the truth.

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He was poisoned when he was still inside his mother's belly. That was the reason why his body was weak since he was young.

Although he did not die from the poison, the poison was slowly and gradually damaging his body. Hence, he did not know how long more he had to live.

Grandmaster Qian Kun had the same opinion too.

If he was doing fine, he would be just like any healthy person. He would only appear weak.

If his body's health deteriorated, he would be dead any second even if he was fine before.

That was also the reason why he did not get married.

He was afraid that he would ruin an innocent girl's happiness.

“Young lady.” Mu Qingyin did not want to dwell on the past. He laughed. “I’ve never met you before. But, I trust my sister-in-law. Master’s birthday is around the corner. If you want to come, we will welcome you with open arms. If you’re unwilling to meet somebody, it’s fine if you don’t want to come and join us.”

Feng Ruqing recovered her senses. She smiled softly. “Don’t worry. I won’t be going.”

Mu Qingyin was shocked.

‘This young lady is indeed honest. I admire that.’

Even Mu Qingyin had started to like her.

Surely, that feeling was just what any elder would feel toward younger people. It was just admiration and there were no mixed feelings.

Mu Qingyin did not say anything more. He smiled a little and turned to leave.

‘Master’s birthday is coming soon. I wonder if my sister-in-law and Nan Xian will return to the Mu family.

‘Since that young lady came to Tian Shen Manor, they might come back soo.’

Tan Shuangshuang was upset. She never thought that Feng Ruqing would appear in Tian Shen Manor and reveal about her past.

She would surely be punished if Mu Ling heard about that even if she was pregnant.

Suddenly, a person appeared in front of her and blocked her path.

Tan Shuangshuang stopped walking. She raised her eyes and looked at the woman in front of her.

She was a beauty indeed but she appeared sickly.

Her beauty was not oppressive but it was rather a captivating sight.

Unknowingly, Tan Shuangshuang saw her past self in this woman in front of her.

“Lady Shuang.” Qin Fei’er smiled. “I saw what happened just now.”

Tan Shuangshuang’s facial expression changed all of a sudden. ‘Did she come to intentionally humiliate me?’

“Lady Shuang, do you know Young Lady Feng?” Qin Fei’er smiled softly. Her voice was gentle and soft.

Tan Shuangshuang’s face darkened. “What do you want, Lady Qin?”

“Oh, I want to know more about her.” Qin Fei’er lowered her eyes. “My younger brother seems to adore her. I’m his elder sister. I need to take good care of him.”

Tan Shuangshuang was shocked.

‘It seems that her younger brother is called Qin Chen.

'Feng Ruqing had brought back a young man before. He was called Qin Chen too.

'Are they the same person?

'Otherwise, what else could explain Feng Ruqing's presence here in Tian Shen Manor?'

"Are you talking about Feng Ruqing?" Tan Shuangshuang lowered her eyes. She smiled. "She's the princess of Liu Yun Kingdom."

'Liu Yun Kingdom?'

Qin Fei'er frowned. A small kingdom of the secular world?

'It's rumored that Chen'er was brought back from a small kingdom by Father. He even has a twin elder sister.'

Qin Fei'er remembered how close Qin Chen and Feng Ruqing were. She was shocked. Then, she shook her head and laughed.