

# So Pure 1371

## Chapter 1371: Two Marriages/ Wang Family's Family Banquet

As for the Butterfly Family's current situation, Yang Ming could only sigh with sorrow. The supposedly easy matter of breaking the engagement was about to succeed, but a storm had broken out. Wang Songshan's sister, Wang Ruoshui, had suddenly appeared.

This was undoubtedly a great thing for Fang Tian; his previous wife had been dead for several years. Now he had encountered Wang Ruoshui, who would definitely have a positive influence on him. However, for Yang Ming, it had become a headache.

Wang Ruoshui was very stubborn. She didn't seem to listen to his explanation at all. She wanted to duel with him no matter what. The result seemed to be the same whether he loses or wins.

Yang Ming rubbed his temple which was a little painful. *I wonder how Fang Tian, Wang Songshan, and Wang Ruoshui are interacting?* Yang Ming wanted to use his special ability to probe their movements but decided not to after he thought about it.

The three of them had met again after a long time. The possibility of them talking about Yang Ming's affairs was very low. It was nothing more than reminiscing about old times. Yang Ming was also too lazy to care about them; he would wait until the evening and discuss it with Fang Tian in person.

At the same time in Wang Songshan's study, Wang Songshan and Fang Tian both looked excitedly at Wang Ruoshui who was sitting on the sofa. Her expression was very plain.

"Sister, why haven't you written a letter home for so long? I thought... I thought you already..." Wang Songshan was choked with emotion.

Looking at Wang Songshan being emotional, Wang Ruoshui sighed quietly. Her plain expression from before could not help but be moved a bit, "I... I wanted to commit suicide... but was rescued by a senior... I wanted to commit suicide again after that, but I couldn't find the determination to do it."

Wang Songshan and Fang Tian were shocked when they heard Wang Ruoshui's words. If Wang Ruoshui was not coincidentally rescued, the two of them would probably not see her at this time. As for Wang Ruoshui who couldn't commit suicide before, it would not be as easy if she wanted to commit suicide again.

That's how the human mind works. If you try to commit suicide once and fail, it is difficult to be determined enough to attempt suicide a second time. It is simply human nature.

"It's good that you didn't die, it's good that you didn't die..." Wang Songshan looked at Wang Ruoshui who was still alive and could not help but release a tense breath.

"Brother... I'm sorry." Although Wang Ruoshui was over forty years old, she had been living a secluded life, so her heart had stayed as a little girl in her twenties. Seeing Wang Songshan so worried about her, she couldn't help but be moved; her little daughter-like weakness was revealed.

“Ruoshui, I should be the one to say sorry...” Fang Tian sighed and looked at Wang Ruoshui in front of him, seemingly like it was twenty years ago.

Wang Ruoshui didn’t respond to Fang Tian’s words but just snorted coldly. Her hatred for him had probably not yet faded. But on the contrary, this hate should also contain love. How could there be hate without love? Otherwise, she could just regard Fang Tian as an unfamiliar person. What would love and hate have to do with her?

Fang Tian noticed that Wang Ruoshui didn’t respond to him, so he smiled awkwardly and his face flushed as he turned to Wang Songshan for help.

Wang Songshan was filled with hatred and frustration towards old man Fang Tian, but he was helpless. It was Fang Tian who forced Wang Ruoshui to attempt suicide, but it was also Fang Tian who had the best relationship with Wang Ruoshui. Now, since Wang Ruoshui had returned, Wang Songshan’s heart knot had been unlocked and he would no longer blame Fang Tian. Instead, he felt that it would be a beautiful thing to match Fang Tian with Wang Ruoshui.

So when Wang Songshan saw Fang Tian asking for help, he quickly tried to smooth things over, “Ruoshui, you have just come back at this time, you won’t leave again, right?”

“It depends.” In Wang Ruoshui’s heart, naturally, she didn’t want to leave anymore. However, women were always reserved. Especially in front of Fang Tian, she would not say anything affirmative.

“Then don’t leave.” Fang Tian heard that Wang Ruoshui didn’t directly refuse and his heart suddenly rejoiced. He was considered a wily old fox. When he was young, he was simply captivated by the idea of loving only one person. Naturally, he would not make this low-level mistake again. Since Wang Ruoshui didn’t affirm that she was going to leave, Fang Tian fawned over her.

“Whether I leave or not, what does it have to do with you?” Wang Ruoshui glared at Fang Tian.

Fang Tian didn’t feel annoyed at all. Previously, Wang Ruoshui ignored his existence, so it was already a big improvement for her to speak to him at this time. So no matter what Wang Ruoshui said, Fang Tian was very happy.

“You haven’t been to China yet, right? I’ll take you around?” Fang Tian said with a smile.

“I’m sorry. I have been there in the past few years.” Wang Ruoshui said plainly, and directly rebuked Fang Tian’s words.

“It doesn’t matter. We can travel around the world and walk around other places.” Fang Tian didn’t know what a thin-skin was at the moment. If he didn’t grasp this opportunity, Yang Ming would likely make fun of him.

“Let’s talk about it another time.” Wang Ruoshui frowned and seemed to be annoyed at Fang Tian’s nagging. She turned to Wang Songshan and said, “Is my room still here? I’m tired, I need to rest.”

Fang Tian ignored Wang Ruoshui’s frown. Although Wang Ruoshui’s attitude was still not good, she had mostly expressed her thoughts by saying “let’s talk about it another time.” If she really didn’t want anything to happen again with Fang Tian, she could simply reject him, and not say anything as vague as “talk about it another time”.

"It's still here. I'll walk you there." Wang Songshan stood up and Fang Tian quickly followed, preparing to send Wang Ruoshui out.

"No need, I can find it myself." Wang Ruoshui took a deep breath. She was in a mess now. Originally, she had come back this time just to attend her niece's engagement ceremony. But was that really the case? Wang Ruoshui shook her head. *Maybe, deep down, I still want to see Fang Tian. But when I saw him, I didn't know what to do.*

*Should I hate him, ignore him, or?* Wang Ruoshui had worked hard to train herself and wanted to return to kill the ungrateful Fang Tian. However, somehow it had inexplicably become a duel with Fang Tian's apprentice!

Even Wang Ruoshui couldn't figure out how her wild ideas came about. The moment she returned to the family, she let the disciples of the Butterfly Family pass on a message to ask Fang Tian to come out with vigor and spirit. At that moment, she intended to kill Fang Tian and wash away the shame of her engagement being broken.

However, it not only Fang Tian who came out of the Butterfly Castle but also her brother Wang Songshan and Fang Tian's apprentice, Yang Ming! The ensuing brief confusion had disrupted Wang Ruoshui's original plan. Later, when she heard that Yang Ming had come to break an engagement, Wang Ruoshui had directly transferred her resentment to Yang Ming. It was to the extent that she followed Wang Songshan and Fang Tian to the Butterfly Castle where the thought of killing Fang Tian disappeared and turned into a complex emotion that was beyond words.

*Do I really want to kill him? I don't seem to have that intention...* Wang Ruoshui had listened to Fang Tian's nonsense and her heart had become very messy. She wanted to calm down alone.

"This..." Wang Songshan hesitated, but stopped. Wang Ruoshui had lived there for more than two decades and was hence familiar with the Butterfly Castle's terrain.

"Old Man Fang, I really didn't expect that Ruoshui would come back..." Wang Songshan sighed, but his expression was indescribably relaxed. Although Wang Ruoshui had disappeared for more than two decades, Fang Tian and Wang Songshan had tacitly not mentioned this matter. But that didn't mean that they had forgotten her existence.

The first reason why they didn't mention Wang Ruoshui was because they were afraid that they would both be sad if they mentioned her. The other reason was that the matter was caused by Fang Tian. If Wang Songshan mentioned this, it would inevitably hurt their long-standing friendship.

But now that Wang Ruoshui was back, there were no more scruples between the two. Fang Tian also seemed particularly excited, " *Hehe,*

this time it might be two marriages."

Wang Songshan heard Fang Tian's so-called two marriages and was stunned. Then he immediately understood what Fang Tian meant. Yang Ming and Wang Xiaoyan were a pair; Fang Tian and Wang Ruoshui...

"Old Man Fang, I can tell you that the happiness of my sister's future depends on you. Don't let me down again !" Wang Songshan looked at Fang Tian and said with a serious expression.

## Chapter 1372: Like Disciple Like Master/ A Presumptuous Request

After the three of them sat down in sequence, they saw a woman in white walk slowly into the restaurant. It was Wang Ruoshui. However, she changed into a new set of clothes. When she first came, she had worn black skin-tight clothes just like a provocative assassin. It was no wonder that the disciples of Wang Family would treat her as a troublemaker.

But when Wang Ruoshui had come, she hadn't brought along any luggage. Who knew where the white clothes had come from. However, when Wang Ruoshui approached, Yang Ming noticed that the clothes seemed to be quite old and the creases on them were very deep. These clothes likely belonged to Wang Ruoshui before she left the Wang Family many years ago. She had found and worn it again for this occasion.

Yang Ming was fine, but he noticed a tense breathing sound beside him. Yang Ming did not turn his head; he used his special ability to observe the situation beside him.

The person who was short of breath was Fang Tian. His fists were clenched and he stared excitedly at Wang Ruoshui who was not far from him.

On the other hand, Wang Songshan had no special expression, but he was slightly surprised by Wang Ruoshui's outfit change. Maybe he had the same thoughts as Yang Ming currently did. After being surprised, he had remembered that this might be some of her clothing that had remained after Wang Ruoshui left home.

Wang Songshan was also puzzled by Fang Tian's peculiar mood. This was not the first time he saw Wang Ruoshui. Before this, the three of them had talked in the study for a long time, so their emotions had already calmed down. If this was the first time that Fang Tian had seen Wang Ruoshui, then his expression at this moment could be understandable.

But they had already met. Previously in the study, Fang Tian and Wang Ruoshui had talked. Although the relationship between the two was not ideal, it was unlikely for him to actually show such an excited expression!

As for Fang Tian being fascinated by the current Wang Ruoshui... Although this was possible, Wang Songshan was not convinced. Wang Ruoshui looked like a beautiful young woman in her thirties even though she was in her forties. But Fang Tian was also someone in his forties or fifties at the moment. Even if he saw a beauty, he wouldn't be so excited right? Besides, if he wanted to be excited, he would've already been excited before. Why would he be excited now?

While Yang Ming and Wang Songshan were puzzled, Fang Tian stood up slowly and walked towards Wang Ruoshui. He murmured something incomprehensible, but it seemed that his excited mood had not calmed down.

"Ruoshui, we met for the first time twenty-five years ago. You were wearing this white dress..." Fang Tian stood in front of Wang Ruoshui and said slowly.

Yang Ming and Wang Songshan listened to Fang Tian's words and were stunned. They immediately understood why Fang Tian was so excited at this moment! It turned out that when the two had first met, Wang Ruoshui wore this dress. No wonder Fang Tian could not control himself.

Yang Ming didn't understand the matters in the past, so he naturally wouldn't understand these things. And although Wang Songshan was present at that scene twenty-five years ago, he was Wang Ruoshui's brother, not her lover. Therefore, he didn't care about what Wang Ruoshui wore, so it was normal that he didn't remember.

"Really? I don't remember." Wang Ruoshui responded to Fang Tian plainly, as if she was afraid that he wouldn't believe it. She then added, "The clothes I wore were a bit dirty and uncomfortable to wear, so I simply found these old clothes. I plan to throw them away after today."

Yang Ming and Wang Songshan couldn't help but smile bitterly. *How could Wang Ruoshui tell such a clumsy lie? Finding this specific set of clothes, can it really be coincidental?*

Yang Ming and Wang Songshan could notice that it was a lie. Naturally, Fang Tian could also discern it. His expression was no different from Yang Ming and Wang Songshan. He smiled bitterly first, then said, "Is it? What I'm wearing is also the same as back then."

"Nonsense. The suit you wore was also white." Wang Ruoshui frowned as she looked at the gray cashmere coat on Fang Tian. However, Wang Ruoshui immediately saw Fang Tian's strange smile. Her face froze and her ears reddened. She snorted coldly, "How would I know what you wore? What does the clothing you wear have to do with me?"

After Yang Ming heard Fang Tian's words, he almost slapped the table and shouted his praises. *He is truly my master. Like disciple like master; isn't this the usual tactic that I use? Fang Tian actually used the same perfect technique. In a few words, Wang Ruoshui was roped in.*

Even Wang Songshan looked at Fang Tian with admiration. He secretly said in his heart, *I haven't seen him in recent years. Old Man Fang's methods of flirting have become much better. If he was like this back then, the tragedy wouldn't have happened.*

Seeing Yang Ming secretly giving him the thumbs up, Fang Tian chuckled and looked at Wang Ruoshui shamelessly, "Well, no matter what you are wearing, the meal still needs to be eaten. Ms. Wang Ruoshui, please sit down." Fang Tian helped Wang Ruoshui pull out her seat as he said so.

Wang Ruoshui snorted softly and said nothing. She sat on the chair pulled out by Fang Tian, while he sat beside her with a smile.

"Ha, this is also a reunion dinner!" Wang Songshan knew that the atmosphere would be awkward, so he mediated, "It has been a long time since there is a family banquet; this restaurant has been quite deserted!"

"Family banquet? Who is a family member with the two of them?" Wang Ruoshui gave Fang Tian and Yang Ming a faint glance and refuted coldly.

Yang Ming was basically immune to women who had been hurt and were experiencing menopause. He was too lazy to argue with her. This woman's identity was special. She was the aunt of the fiancée who

he had never met, and she might also become his master's future wife. So Yang Ming would not provoke this kind of person if he could; it was best to stay away.

Fang Tian naturally knew that Wang Ruoshui's remarks were directed at himself. As for Yang Ming, he was just caught in the middle. He touched his chin but couldn't argue, he could only ask Wang Songshan for help.

Wang Songshan looked at Fang Tian's pitiful look and was secretly very happy! Wang Songshan had a bad opinion about Fang Tian due to Wang Ruoshui's matter in the past. But because they had been friends for many years, it was impossible for him to break off their friendship. However, when there was an opportunity, they would start to bicker. So when Fang Tian suffered, Wang Songshan was still very happy to see it.

However, Wang Songshan had to help Fang Tian out of trouble this time. If it were other matters, Wang Songshan would definitely be happy to see Fang Tian suffer. In fact, he probably would have helped others ridicule Fang Tian. But this time was different!

If Fang Tian and Wang Ruoshui could become a couple, Wang Songshan's longstanding heart knot would be resolved. If his sister was happy, he would have nothing to worry about anymore. Of course, if Wang Ruoshui really hated Fang Tian at this moment, Wang Songshan would help his sister to continue to fight against Fang Tian, but he was not stupid. He could see that although Wang Ruoshui had deep grudges with Fang Tian, Fang Tian was still in her heart. Therefore, Wang Songshan didn't mind being a peacemaker.

He knew that Wang Ruoshui's sarcasm towards Fang Tian was not sincere. It was nothing more than the issue of a woman's face. Back then, her engagement had been mercilessly broken off by Fang Tian, and her face was lost. How could the knot in her heart be resolved so easily? Although she secretly still had feelings for Fang Tian, she must have a suitable way to let go of those dissatisfactions in her heart.

If Wang Songshan mediated more at this time, Wang Ruoshui would likely have enough face to accept Fang Tian, which was what he would like to see. So when he saw Fang Tian asking for help, he helped him out, "Sister, although Fang Tian and I are not blood-related, we are better than brothers. He was already considered a member of our family a long time ago. Also, young Yang Ming was considered as my son-in-law before the engagement was broken, so he can attend the family banquet."

"Breaking the engagement? Are you still thinking about breaking off the engagement?" Wang Ruoshui's face turned cold and she looked at Yang Ming slightly coldly.

Yang Ming thought, *This Wang Songshan, why did he involve me needlessly? Even if Wang Ruoshui is just trying to ridicule me, I don't care much about it. However, Wang Songshan mentioned the issue of the engagement again, and it provoked Wang Ruoshui's anger for no reason.*

However, now that he had been mentioned, Yang Ming knew that it was useless to cower. He had to brace himself to say, "Senior Wang Ruoshui, you don't know the inside story. I am afraid that your niece also does not agree with this marriage, right?"

### **Chapter 1373: An Uninvited Guest/ Young Master Goode**

If Yang Ming was a coward and had stammered, Wang Ruoshui would have to reconsider the marriage between him and her niece. Her niece could not marry a good-for-nothing, right? If Yang Ming appealed or fought for some conditions, then Wang Ruoshui was really going to give up on Yang Ming. How could such a person be worthy of her niece?

If he didn't have a man's courage and spirit, Wang Ruoshui would naturally look down at Yang Ming. However, since Yang Ming had readily agreed to her request, Wang Ruoshui saw Yang Ming's value.

If Yang Ming knew Wang Ruoshui's idea, he would probably be dumbfounded. If Yang Ming had used his special abilities at this time, Yang Ming would likely have pretended to be a coward and let Wang Ruoshui directly give up on him. But unfortunately, Yang Ming's ability was not available at any time. If Yang Ming knew that it was a mistake to promise so easily, he would probably regret it, right?

"Well, now that we have agreed on the duel time, let's have a meal first!" Wang Songshan mediated, laughed twice, and then said to the disciples of Wang Family who were close by, "Serve the dishes."

"Yes!" The disciple of the Wang Family who was waiting aside responded quickly and left the restaurant. Not long after, plates filled with exotic delicacies were served on the table one by one. These dishes should have been prepared in advance, and cooking them was the last step. The dishes would be available soon after Wang Songshan gave the order.

"We're all family, so I won't drink." Wang Songshan was not fond of alcohol, and it was inappropriate for him and Fang Tian to drink with Wang Ruoshui present. After speaking, Wang Songshan took the lead and picked up his chopsticks. After that, Wang Ruoshui and Fang Tian also started to pick up their chopsticks.

Yang Ming was already very hungry, but it was inappropriate to gorge himself with food in this situation. He just buried his head and ravished the two dishes in front of him without turning the table.

"Ruoshui, you haven't tasted the dishes at home for a long time, right?" Wang Songshan laughed and said, "These dishes on the table today are all products of Chef Mitteson. These are the ones you wanted to eat the most when you were young."

"Uncle Mitteson? He is still the chef?" Wang Ruoshui was surprised when she heard it, and her expression was filled with reminiscence...

"He has been the manager of the restaurant for a long time. Now the head chef at home is the apprentice of Manager Mitteson. He has mastered Mitteson's craft. However, once Manager Mitteson heard that you came back, he happily cooked personally because he knew that you liked to eat his dishes!" Wang Songshan explained.

"Yeah, many years have passed. Uncle Mitteson, who was in his prime, is around seventy years old now, right? I wonder if his body is still healthy?" Wang Ruoshui sighed.

"It's okay, he's in a good state of mind. After dinner, you can go and see him. He misses you too, but he is currently busy in the kitchen!" said Wang Songshan.

"I must go." Wang Ruoshui nodded. "Among the old people in the family, who is left?"

"Ai..." Wang Songshan sighed. "Some people have died, others are old and have returned to their hometown. Other than Mitesseon who has been unmarried his whole life, Butler Mu is the only one still staying at the Butterfly Castle."

"Uncle Mu... He is already a butler?" Wang Ruoshui nodded, "That is why no one knew me when I returned this time around..."

"Yeah, otherwise you wouldn't be blocked at the door." Wang Songshan said. "If Butler Mu had not accompanied your niece Yan... Little Butterfly to shop in the town, he would not have you turned away."

Wang Songshan secretly thought that it was a narrow escape. He almost said "Yanyan" before he noticed it! If he hadn't remembered in time, it would've probably been exposed. His daughter's name had to be hidden from Yang Ming, so he quickly changed his words to "Little Butterfly".

Little Butterfly was Wang Xiaoyan's nickname. Before Wang Xiaoyan was born, Wang Songshan's father gave the name Butterfly Wang to her. But later, Wang Songshan felt that the name of Butterfly Wang was a bit unsophisticated, so he changed it to Wang Xiaoyan. Wang Xiaoyan had grown up in recent years, so Wang Songshan began to call her Yanyan instead of Little Butterfly.

However, Wang Ruoshui left home before Wang Xiaoyan's birth. All she knew was that her father had already thought of a good name—Butterfly Wang.

This was the first time Yang Ming heard his "fiancee's" name. *Is she called Butterfly Wang? This Butterfly Family is quite unique, the name given is also related to the butterfly.*

While Wang Songshan and Wang Ruoshui reminisced about the past, a Butterfly Family disciple quickly walked into the restaurant with his face solemn. He stopped in front of Wang Songshan. It was Wang Kezhao, the disciple who was responsible for patrolling outside the Butterfly Family's castle.

"Master, I have something to report." Wang Kezhao lowered his body and whispered in Wang Songshan's ear.

"Wang Kezhao, what's the matter?" Wang Songshan remembered Wang Kezhao's name, but was dissatisfied that he had been disturbed. He was reminiscing about the past with Wang Ruoshui. Just as he was enjoying himself, he was interrupted. No one would like this feeling.

However, Wang Songshan did not show his dissatisfaction because he knew that in the Butterfly Castle, the disciples would usually report these things to Butler Mu. Butler Mu was not at home today, so these disciples could only report to their Master.

"Master, Young Master Goode of the Douglas family is here. He is right in front of Butterfly Castle..." Wang Kezhao said quickly.

"Oh? Why is he here at this time?" Wang Songshan frowned, Wang Songshan knew Goode's intention well, but today his sister Wang Ruoshui had just returned. How could he have the mood to deal with Goode?

"I'm not clear..." Wang Kezhao shook his head. Even if he guessed something in his heart, he wouldn't simply talk about it. After all the disciples of the Butterfly Family had very strict discipline; they were not allowed to speak unnecessarily.

Young Master Goode of the Douglas family liked Wang Xiaoyan, the Miss of the Butterfly Family. This was an open secret in high society. How could the disciples of the Butterfly Family not know this?

In fact, there was no need to ask Young Master Goode why he was here at this time. His intentions were clear; he came for Yang Ming! The news of Wang Xiaoyan's upcoming engagement was spread from Wang Songshan's mouth. Everyone in the local upper class knew about it. Young Master Goode was no exception. So, the reason he had come here must have a direct relationship with Wang Xiaoyan's engagement.

"You tell him that there are important guests at home. I'm entertaining these guests and I don't have the time to receive him. If he doesn't have any important matters, ask him to come again another day..." Wang Songshan hesitated and instructed Wang Kezhao. Although this Young Master Goode also had a background, he was from a younger generation. It was normal for Wang Songshan to not see him; there was nothing rude about it.

Of course, if the Master of the Douglas family had come, then Wang Songshan would have to personally receive him even if he was unwilling.

"Master, I had already told him that you are having a meal and that I would come to inform you. But Young Master Goode didn't listen to me at all and went straight to the fort. Although some disciples at the door are trying to desperately stop him, I'm afraid..." Wang Kezhao said carefully. Although he didn't finish talking, Wang Songshan most probably understood what Wang Kezhao meant to say.

Wang Songshan frowned after hearing. Wang Kezhao hadn't finished talking, but he didn't need to say anymore. Wang Songshan certainly understood what Wang Kezhao was going to say, so he waved his hand to signal that he knew.

*This matter is a bit tricky!* Of course, Wang Songshan did not expect the disciples at the entrance to have the ability to stop Goode, not to mention that these disciples did not dare to take action against him due to his identity. Even if they did take action, they were not Goode's opponent.

If Goode wanted to force his way in, these people likely couldn't stop him! When Wang Songshan was hesitating, there was a loud noise at the restaurant door. Then, a white man strode into the restaurant. Behind the white man were several men wearing the clothing of the Butterfly Family's disciples. They were all bitter faced as they helplessly chased after the white man that had come in.

#### **Chapter 1374: A Slap/ Misunderstanding Leads to Suffering**

So, from Goode's point of view, he would certainly win Butterfly Wang's heart as long as he was given enough time. After all, for people who were born into noble families, marriage was all about complementing each other's social status.

Besides, the Butterfly Family attached so much importance to Butterfly Wang's marriage out of consideration for their family's future! If this marriage could be prevented, then Goode would have no rivals in the entire Ello Town!

Although Ello Town was just a town, it was not an ordinary small town. In fact, Ello Town was even bigger than some first-tier cities and even some counties! Therefore, the Douglas Family's strength was actually quite daunting!

The Douglas Family was one of the top noble families in not only Ello Town, but the entirety of Europe. This was because the Douglas Family was the prominent underworld family in Ello Town, and his father, Elt Douglas, was the godfather of this town!

Moreover, Goode's grandfather Thomas Lancer was the current head of the Lancer Family and was one of the largest firearms suppliers in Europe. The Lancer Family was ranked in the top five of the European noble families!

With such a strong background, Goode was confident that he had a great opportunity as long as the Butterfly Family and the mysterious fiancée agreed to break the engagement!

Of course, Goode didn't know how scary Butterfly Wang's fiancée was, and didn't know that the fiancée was the King of Assassins' disciple. These were all part of the assassin world's secrets and were not something that non-assassin families could understand.

What Goode learned was that Wang Songshan's father had decided upon this marriage. Besides, he learned that Butterfly Wang's fiancée was from the same family as Wang Ruoshui's fiancée back in those years.

The reason why Goode broke into the Butterfly Family so boldly and insisted on voicing out his thoughts even though he knew that he would offend Wang Songshan, was exactly because of Wang Ruoshui! *Since Wang Ruoshui was able to break her engagement, then Butterfly Wang should have every right to do the same!*

*Moreover, Wang Songshan's father, the maker of this marriage contract, has deceased. So the marriage contract should be invalid by now!* This was why Goode had risked everything to break in. In his opinion, the reason why Wang Songshan insisted on the marriage was nothing more than to protect the older generation's faces. He believed that Wang Songshan would eventually support him if he insisted.

After all, the marriage should be based on the overall interests of their families! Perhaps the family that had engagements with the Wang Family was once glorious, but Goode did not think that they were still glorious now! Goode could be sure because he had asked his grandfather Thomas to help him spy on the noble families. Although the European noble families and most of their outstanding children of the right age had already signed marriage contracts, none of them had signed it with the Butterfly Family!

In other words, the Butterfly Family was not marrying a top noble family! Goode was confident knowing this information. After all, the Douglas Family could be considered as exceptional among the families that the Butterfly Family could choose for marriage.

The key point was that as an assassin family, they needed a lot of top-quality firearms every year. Many of these were prohibited goods on the market as they were supplied exclusively to the military! The

assassin itself was a profession that challenged the law; it was impossible for the Butterfly Family to purchase those top firearms through regular channels!

Of course, the Butterfly Family also had its own channel. Their supplier was the Lancer Family headed by Goode's grandfather. The Butterfly Family had worked with the Lancer Family for a long time, and they bought many special firearms from the Lancer Family every year.

Although it was a win-win business, frankly, the firearms ordered by the Butterfly Family were all in high demand. Even if they didn't sell to the Butterfly Family, the goods would still have excellent sales. Therefore, the Butterfly Family was in the weaker position of this business. Although they had a special position as an assassin family, the Lancer Family was not any weaker than them. The Lancer Family was definitely qualified to be on an equal footing with the Butterfly Family as they had a high social position and were running a firearms business.

It was also for this reason that Wang Songshan took the Douglas Family in Ello Town relatively seriously, and treated them better in any matters. Otherwise, the arrogant Butterfly Family would never look at any of the families in Ello Town.

This was Goode's trump card. He believed that Wong Songshan had no choice but to make careful considerations about the interests involved as long as he was holding this trump card. With this in mind, the pale Goode regained his self-confidence, "Uncle Wang, although Butterfly Wang may not have the same feeling towards me, you can't deny that I know her the best among the other families' sons. Even if it's a marriage contract, I believe it will be an ideal situation if you sign it with us, the Douglas Family. I think Butterfly Wang will be more likely to choose me over that fiance that she has never met before, right?"

"I will respect Butterfly's choice. So Goode, please go back first." Wang Songshan glanced at Goode who kept nagging at him. He said, "No matter who she chooses in the end, I will support her choice."

"You will respect her choice? Then why did she run away from home?" Goode did not believe what Wang Songshan said, as he did not know that Wang Songshan had reached an agreement with Wang Xiaoyan.

Wang Songshan frowned. He didn't expect that Goode would be so presumptuous. Although Wang Songshan was a little blunt at first, he was trying to maintain etiquette. Now, this guy was acting arrogantly and had even dared to judge him!

"Are you finished yet? He told you to go back first, did you not hear that?" Although Wang Songshan had not yet replied, Wang Ruoshui could no longer keep quiet. *How dare this little fellow makes some arrogant speech after breaking into the Butterfly Castle. Wang Songshan actually put up with him for so long.* In Wang Ruoshui's view, this was unacceptable! *Has the Butterfly Family gone downhill over the past few years? Is it so bad that even such an unimportant family's son dares to talk to us like this?*

*During the heyday of the Butterfly Family, even the heads of these families did not dare to act recklessly! But something's wrong now?* Wang Ruoshui hadn't heard of any changes in the assassin ranking of the Butterfly Family. Over the years, they had been ranked second and this had not changed at all.

"Women like you should keep your mouth shut when a man is talking!" Goode hadn't met Wang Ruoshui before and he didn't know that Wang Songshan's sister had returned. Therefore, he

instinctively grouped Wang Ruoshui with Yang Ming. In other words, he regarded her as a member of Butterfly Wang's fiancée's family and the so-called VIP for Wang Songshan!

Goode was being extremely rude because he had discerned that none of the top noble families had the marriage contract with the Butterfly Family. So, he was eighty percent sure that Butterfly Wang's fiancée was from some fallen family. Of the people sitting at the dining table, apart from Wang Songshan, there was a middle-aged couple, Fang Tian and Wang Ruoshui. It was only natural for Goode to see them as husband and wife, while the young man, Yang Ming, had to be their son!

*This family of three is definitely the family that Butterfly Wang will be marrying into.* The middle-aged man and the young man had not interrupted, yet the middle-aged woman had spoken before them unexpectedly. So, Goode was quite angry at her.

*How could they let a woman speak on such an important matter?* Goode despised the rumored fallen family of the fiancée even more. So, he did not take them seriously, and he was not afraid to offend them.

That was why Goode was extremely rude when he spoke to them, and did not worry at all about the consequences of offending them. For him, it was totally fine to offend these unimportant families, as they wouldn't dare to talk back.

The more prestigious a person was, the more he believed in his strength. The stronger a family got, the more arrogant they became. They looked down on other small families.

After a crisp slapping sound, Goode covered his swollen face. Surprised, he looked angrily at Wang Ruoshui, who was as fast and spooky as a ghost! This woman had landed a strong slap on his face in an instant, and then returned to her seat in a flash!

This series of movements were completed within a blink of an eye, and without a single wasteful move. Goode was unaware of anything until he felt the burning pain on his cheek!

### **Chapter 1375: Hold Up/ Reason for Holding Back**

"Agree with you?" Wang Ruoshui snorted coldly, "My niece had gotten engaged a long time ago; you should just go! Plus, I don't like you!"

"Don't like..." A hint of seriousness flashed across Goode's eyes. Ever since he was little, he had never been despised by anyone like this. Wang Ruoshui hadn't even taken him seriously.

"Cut your wishful thinking. Even if Little Butterfly's engagement doesn't work out this time, she will never marry you." Wang Ruoshui attacked Goode's self-esteem mercilessly. "An underworld family in Ello Town is nothing."

"You—" Goode's expression became furious after he heard Wang Ruoshui's words. He tilted his head up with bloodshot eyes and stared fiercely at Wang Ruoshui, "Ha! Good, good! In that case, there's no need for me to say anything more! Wang Ruoshui, I hope you don't regret your words today."

"Regret? Are you threatening me?" Wang Ruoshui didn't take Goode's threat to heart.

“Whether or not I am, you can think about it yourself,” Goode said as he gritted his teeth. “Since you’ve gone this far, I too, am not afraid to openly shed all pretenses of cordiality with you people! From now on, the Douglas Family and the Butterfly Family are irreconcilable!”

Wang Songshan looked at this explosive situation and shook his head helplessly. *It seems that Wang Ruoshui’s actions today have established hatred between the Butterfly Family and the Douglas family!* Wang Songshan didn’t think that his advice could save the situation. Since they had already shed all pretenses of cordiality openly, there is nothing more for both sides to say.

Although Wang Songshan was a little cautious of the Lancer Family’s attitude, he still didn’t take the Douglas Family seriously. Since they were already on bad terms, he might as well just let it be! The fissures had been created. They would never quit without determining the winner! So, Wang Songshan kept his mouth shut calmly at this moment. In any case, he would be on Wang Ruoshui’s side.

“A small little Douglas Family also has the right to clamor in front of our Butterfly Family. It seems that we haven’t done anything for too long...” Wang Ruoshui shook her head and said faintly. However, her thoughts had returned to when she was eight years old when the Butterfly Family had wrought a great catastrophe upon the high society of Europe!

Under the full-force encirclement from the Butterfly Family, dozens of families that were against them had vanished instantly. This was such a horrifying strength! It was also from that time onward that the Butterfly Family had established its transcendental status in Europe’s high society!

Although Wang Ruoshui’s memory was blurry as she was still young at that time, her memory of the shock brought about by the catastrophe remained fresh. Now that so many years had passed, it seemed that many people had long forgotten about this incident. Now, there was a boy from an insignificant family that dared to threaten the Butterfly Family openly!

It would be impossible for this to happen back in the old days! Was it that the Butterfly Family had been declining, or was it that they had been holding back for too long? Wang Ruoshui didn’t accept the possibility of the former. After all, the Butterfly Family’s status in the assassin world had never changed throughout the years. Even their management had become more powerful. Hence, it could only be concluded that it was the latter – they had been holding back for too long!

“Insignificant family? Very good! Very good indeed!” Goode repeated himself. “Since you say that we’re an insignificant family, I shall see how your big family will end up crying and pleading for me to marry Little Butterfly! I believe that that day will not be too far away! Remember what I have said today, hahaha—!”

Goode’s crazy laughter echoed throughout the entire restaurant. His ferocious and bloody face coupled with this laugh made people feel even more scared!

“Ai!” Wang Songshan sighed faintly. Just because he gave face to the Douglas Family didn’t mean that he was afraid of them. He didn’t want to cause trouble, yet he also wasn’t afraid of trouble. Since things had progressed to this extent, it could no longer be saved!

Wang Songshan believed that even if he were to mediate, Goode would not easily let go of this resentment. This conflict would be difficult to resolve unless he were to agree to marry his daughter to him!

However, this was impossible. Wang Xiaoyan and Yang Ming's marriage had been decided, and it could not be changed. Wang Songshan could only choose to be enemies with the Douglas Family! Who knew that Wang Ruoshui would bring trouble to her family as soon as she had returned!

However, Wang Songshan didn't say anything to stop Wang Ruoshui in the presence of Goode, Yang Ming, and Fang Tian. The Butterfly Family must not be bullied!

Originally, Goode thought that Wang Songshan would definitely try to reconcile when things had gotten to this point. After all, this was a society where family interests were of the greatest importance! Goode believed that Wang Songshan would make the right choice between the Lancer Family and his daughter's marriage! However, he was disappointed by Wang Songshan's silence.

Goode gritted his teeth! *Well, since you guys don't appreciate my kindness, then don't blame me for being cruel!* A sharp ray of fierce light flashed across Goode's eyes. He was his grandfather's most beloved grandson. He believed that if he had any request, his grandfather would do his utmost to please him! Goode firmly believed that as long as he pressured Wang Songshan through his grandfather, Thomas, Wang Songshan would have no choice but to send his daughter to the Douglas Family obediently!

The top-quality firearms from the Lancer Family were the foundation of the Butterfly Family. If they were to lose the supply of these high-end firearms, how would the Butterfly Family still be so prominent?

"Since this is the case, I will leave! Five days! It will not exceed five days for you, Wang Songshan, to send Little Butterfly over to our Douglas Family obediently!" Goode laid down his ruthless words ferociously, "If it exceeds five days, I will not be surnamed Douglas! Hng, kid, you're that fiance of Little Butterfly, right? I'll advise you to not step into this muddy water; be careful to not stumble into it! If you are smart, end this engagement quickly. Only that is the smart option. Otherwise, I'm afraid you too do not have to even think about walking out of Ello Town!"

After saying this, Goode knew that there was no point in staying in the Butterfly Family and saying more. He could only use actions to show them that they would regret their stupid behavior today!

Goode strode out of the restaurant while suppressing the pain on his face. Although no one stopped him, the gazes that were cast upon him had a hint of strangeness and anger.

"Hold up." Yang Ming, who was yet to speak, spoke at this time. It wasn't that Yang Ming wanted to be nosy, but that Goode was indeed too arrogant.

Goode's contempt for Wang Ruoshui was completely because she had been treated as Yang Ming's ally. So, it could be said that some of Goode's words from before were also directed at Yang Ming. However, Yang Ming was no longer a kid; naturally, he would not be angered by this. After listening to Goode's words about his fallen family, Yang Ming only laughed it off. Yang Ming was never from any family, so he didn't care about his words.

However, what made Yang Ming angry was Goode's last "advice" before he left!

Although Yang Ming was here to cancel the engagement, he didn't need other people to order him to do so! The engagement needed to be canceled, but it wouldn't be because of Goode's words.

However, Goode's last few threats made Yang Ming unsure of whether to laugh or cry! Yang Ming didn't dare to do anything to Wang Ruoshui and Wang Songshan as they were Fang Tian's good old friends, but a young master of a local underworld family dared to threaten him that he was unable to leave Ello Town. It was simply outrageous!

Yang Ming had been able to leave safely even under a rain of bullets in Vietnam and Africa. How would he be afraid of a young master from an underworld family? Not to mention what Yang Ming's profession was! Half a year ago, Yang Ming had the ability to wipe out the underworld of Jidun City completely, so a Douglas Family of Ello Town would be nothing.

"Why? Have you made up your mind?" Goode looked back and cast an eager gaze at Yang Ming. He thought that Yang Ming had gotten scared and flinched, choosing to cancel the engagement on his own!

If this were the case, Goode would be saved from a lot of trouble. As long as Yang Ming took the initiative to call it off, the Butterfly Family would not have to insist on whatever marriage contract. With that, among all of the big families in European high society, the Douglas Family was the only one that could match the Butterfly Family! Of course, this was only with the help of the Lancer Family.

### **Chapter 1376: Yang Ming's Voice/ The Douglas Family's Conference**

"I hope that the Lancer Family will not stick up for the Douglas Family... Otherwise, I will become the sinner of our Butterfly Family." Wang Ruoshui said a little sadly as if she regretted her previous reckless behavior.

"Rest assured, our Butterfly Family does not want to offend the Lancer Family, but we are also not afraid of them!" Wang Songshan saw Wang Ruoshui's worried look and a sense of pride rose in his heart. He waved his hand and said, "What's there to be afraid of? At worst, we'll just be their enemy and fight!"

"Uncle Wang, I don't want to demotivate you." Yang Ming spoke at this time. He felt that he needed to remind Wang Songshan and Wang Ruoshui. Although he had nothing good to say about them, it was only because of the Butterfly Family's training that he had become a true powerhouse! Yang Ming was not someone who would forget one's kindness towards him nor was he an ungrateful person. He still had a close relationship with Wang Songshan, Wang Ruoshui, and Fang Tian. Hence, Yang Ming needed to give them a heads up before anything happened. "I dare to guarantee that this time, Goode will never just let things go!"

Yang Ming's words stilled the atmosphere in the hall again. Wang Songshan frowned silently, and Fang Tian also looked at Yang Ming with a solemn expression. However, Wang Ruoshui didn't know Yang Ming's ability. When she saw a young generation intervening at the family dinner, she got irritated. From the etiquette cultivated by her family ever since she was young, she knew that it was forbidden for the younger generation to intervene when the elders were talking. Of course, there were some exceptions. That was if the younger generation member already had a strength that was either equal or more than that of the elders of the family!

This was a world that worshiped power, and was especially prominent in families that valued power such as the Butterfly Family! Wang Songshan naturally acknowledged Yang Ming's strength; this was a son-in-law whom he couldn't be more proud of. Whether it was from Wang Xiaoyan's mouth or any

other channels, he had known that Yang Ming had single-handedly assimilated the assassin world's third-ranked family, the Charles Family!

This strength was more than enough to exceed his own. Wang Songshan knew that he didn't have the ability for Old Charles to hand over his family to take care of, yet Yang Ming did it. So, Yang Ming's words naturally carried some weight amongst powerhouses of the same level. Wang Songshan would only consider the pros and cons of them, and would not rebuke Yang Ming for interfering at this time.

Fang Tian was Yang Ming's master and had long been a teacher as well as a friend to Yang Ming. This was why there was no concept whatsoever of difference in level in his mind. When Yang Ming discussed things with him usually, it was also casual. This time, he had already given Wang Songshan enough respect. He had used obscure salutations in his words, so even Fang Tian thought that he had given enough face to Wang Songshan!

However, Wang Ruoshui didn't know all of this. From the moment she saw Yang Ming to now, she had always treated Yang Ming as a junior. As for the words Yang Ming had said to Goode earlier, Wang Ruoshui thought that it was merely an ego dispute between two children, so she didn't care. So when Wang Ruoshui heard Yang Ming's bold statement, she didn't even consider if his words had any rationale. Instead, she immediately thought that Yang Ming was impolite and scoffed coldly, "The one with the surname Fang, I see that your disciple is extremely unruly, right? Haven't you taught him not to interfere casually when the elders are discussing matters?"

Fang Tian's old face turned red immediately from Wang Ruoshui's sarcasm. However, he didn't think that Yang Ming had said anything wrong. It's just that the status of being the Miss was deeply engraved into Wang Ruoshui's bones.

"I'm just reminding them in good faith." Yang Ming didn't get angry as well; he only spoke calmly, "If Senior Wang Ruoshui is so unconcerned and arrogant, then it is not impossible for the Butterfly Family to be destroyed..."

"Who are you to say these things?" Wang Ruoshui's expression changed rapidly with Yang Ming's reproach. She pointed at Yang Ming angrily, "What would a kid know? Do you think that this is some storm of jealousy between impulsive young people like you? The falling out between two big families is based on the premise of both parties' interests. If there were no interests, who would simply make an enemy?"

Yang Ming shook his head. If it weren't for the nature of his relationship with the Butterfly Family, he wouldn't be bothered enough to care about such a complicated matter. He sighed and said, "Senior Wang Ruoshui, you're right! Many storms of jealousy arise between impulsive young people! I think that Goode is this kind of person. I'm familiar with the resolution and hatred shown in his eyes just before he left. The various enemies that I've met before had all done things hot-headedly."

The term 'femme fatale' was not wrong at all. How many sane young talents had gone crazy over a beautiful woman? Wang Zhitao, Sui Guangqi, Zou Ruoguang, Ouyang Family's second young master, etc were all representatives of such cases. Singapore's Li Family was also an example.

"Even if Goode wants revenge, will the Douglas Family follow his crazy demands? Will the Lancer Family behind them also accompany them in their game?" Unknowingly, Wang Ruoshui had regarded Yang

Ming as an equal character with whom she could communicate with. She had also let go of her despise towards him being a junior! After all, regardless if she were to admit it or not, Yang Ming's words were reasonable!

"Perhaps the Douglas Family will not accompany his craziness. However, there's no guarantee for the Lancer Family." Yang Ming pointed out the key point bluntly.

"What!" Wang Ruoshui was stunned, "Impossible. If the Douglas Family wouldn't care about this, why would the Lancer Family care? It's not logical at all!"

Yang Ming sneered, *This woman has such a bad grasp of the human heart. She doesn't even understand such simple logic!* However, he was still patient on the surface as he explained, "The bigger the family, the more conceited they are. In their eyes, no one can ever touch their beards. Especially in the case of Goode. He said that he is the favorite grandson of Thomas Lancer, the current patriarch of the Lancer Family! This old man favors his grandchildren more than his children. Goode was so angry this time. Based on my predictions, I think that there's a high chance that Thomas will stick up for him! If my guess isn't wrong, Goode's warnings aren't empty talk! Instead, there is certainty in his heart! Goode knows that he can convince Thomas to stick up for him."

"Don't you think that coming to this conclusion by relying merely on a series of speculations as well as Goode's words that were said just to preserve his integrity is too arbitrary?" Regardless of how reasonable Yang Ming's words were, there was still a hint of optimism in Wang Ruoshui's heart. She was the one who injured Goode. She didn't want to be the one who brought trouble to the Butterfly Family.

It was because of this that Wang Ruoshui strongly denied Yang Ming's words. She was running away. She did not dare to face Yang Ming's words. She believed optimistically that there was no way that the Lancer Family would fall out with the Butterfly Family because of Goode's matter this time.

If Yang Ming knew that Wang Ruoshui was Wang Xiaoyan's aunt, he would notice that these two people were complete opposites! Wang Xiaoyan was much smarter than Wang Ruoshui, and she was also a little more responsible

Wang Ruoshui's character was too sentimental; she was always self-centered. If an accident beyond her control were to happen, she would always choose to run away.

Before, Wang Ruoshui also chose to run away after Fang Tian backed off from the engagement! If it were Wang Xiaoyan, she wouldn't run away even if Yang Ming had gotten married.

They were two extremes. One fought tirelessly with her family for her destiny, while the other had chosen to run away whenever she could.

"If it was just a warning, I definitely wouldn't say this." Yang Ming glanced at Wang Ruoshui and shook his head helplessly, "When Goode said his piece, he added a five-day deadline deliberately! Most people would usually say 'you wait' or 'this isn't over' when they give their warning. No one would give a five-day limit deliberately! But Goode did. He even swore to change his surname if he didn't show the Butterfly Family who's boss! Who would say such boastful words if they weren't certain? If nothing were to happen within five days, wouldn't he become a joke in other people's eyes?"

#### **Chapter 1377: Goode's Confidence/ To the Lancer Family**

Goode almost burst with rage when he listened to the gray-suited elder's words. However, it was his father who was talking to him, so he forced himself to say, "Yes, Grandpa Changster is right. I will not be so reckless next time. "

The elder in the gray suit snorted coldly to demonstrate his authority. Goode hated it even more and gritted his teeth. *I am afraid that this group of old bastards is mocking me, hoping that I'll humiliate myself so that their grandchildren can be promoted.*

Elder Changster's words resonated with another elder. His grandson was also an outstanding person in the family and was not inferior to Changster's grandson. Therefore, no one knew who would emerge victorious if Goode couldn't inherit the family's master position!

This elder is Elt's Uncle, Ma Deman. He was already dissatisfied with Elt being the family master! He could not say anything when Elt's father was the family master, as they were brothers and Elt's father also had outstanding capabilities. However, these old fellows in the family began to stir after Elt's father died.

These old fellows started to plan for their descendants especially when Elt cultivated Goode to be the next family master. *Everyone has the blood of the Douglas Family. For what reason can this idiot Goode inherit the position of the family master?*

Of course, Goode was not terrible. He was just somewhat impulsive. But which young man could guarantee that he wouldn't act on impulses when it comes to emotional problems? If it were Elder Changster's grandson or Elder Ma Deman's grandson, they wouldn't be any better. However, unfortunately, they had not encountered such problems yet. Therefore, Goode became the target of criticism.

"Elt, although our Douglas Family has a lot of power in Ello Town, there is absolutely no need to be enemies with the transcendental assassin family – the Butterfly Family. This will bring disaster to our Douglas Family!" Elder Ma Deman said ambiguously, but the meaning in his words was obvious. He would be the first to oppose if the Douglas Family wanted to stick up for Goode.

"Uncle Ma Deman knows how to joke. Although our Douglas Family had grown rapidly in these recent years, I am not arrogant enough to think that we can rival the Butterfly Family," Elt smiled and said. "Without a doubt, we would just be attempting the impossible if we troubled the Butterfly Family. It would be a pyrrhic victory even if we were able to take advantage. "

Even though Elt was furious and wanted to tear Wang Ruoshui the woman who beat his son till he was almost disfigured, into pieces, his rationality told him that it was not feasible to do so! The Butterfly Family was not an ordinary small family, nor a pushover. He couldn't simply seize it just because he wanted to!

Perhaps the Douglas Family's devastating hitmen might be able to fight desperately with the Butterfly Family, but this was clearly the worst move. Elt was not stupid enough to use the entire family's forces to stick up for his son.

Only one sentence out of a thousand words was clear; the Douglas Family could not stick up for Goode even if they wanted to do so.

"I won't speak further since you have already understood." Elder Ma Deman said nothing more as he had achieved his goal.

"Father, rest assured! I won't make things difficult for you and the elders this time!" Goode had anticipated this situation today. He had never expected the Douglas Family to stick up for him! His last hope was the Lancer Family and his grandfather who had always loved him since young!

Thomas extremely loved his grandson Goode because of Goode's mother. She was Thomas' daughter who had died of dystocia while giving birth to Goode. He turned the pain of losing his daughter into an indulgence toward Goode!

Goode believed that the Lancer Family would definitely stick up for him as long as he asked his grandfather for help.

"Oh? Then you ..." Elt stared at Goode in feigned surprise. Actually, Elt had already anticipated what Goode would do next when Goode said his sentence! However, Elt did not mention it directly; he wanted Goode to say it himself!

Elt also realized that it was a good opportunity for Goode to stand out in the Douglas Family! The Douglas Family had gradually expanded over the years with the Lancer Family's support, and had become the first ranked family in Ello Town! Of course, most people in the family thought that this was Thomas' compensation toward the Douglas Family because Elt had never remarried!

Only Elt knew in his heart that there wouldn't be much difference whether or not he married again! The reason Thomas fully supported the Douglas Family was that Goode was the first heir of the Douglas Family!

To help the Douglas Family was tantamount to helping his beloved grandson. Therefore, Thomas wouldn't hold back! However, no one in the Douglas Family knew Thomas's love toward Goode because he had only secretly commanded the Lancer Family to take extra care of the Douglas Family.

The old fellows of the Douglas Family had only tolerated Elt being the family master all this while because they had seen the benefits brought to the Douglas Family by the Lancer Family in these years. If not for this, perhaps Goode would have been restless as the family master's heir!

Now, this was a good opportunity for Goode to quickly establish authority within the Douglas Family. As long as he asked Thomas to let the Lancer Family resolve the enmity between Goode and the Butterfly Family, he could let the Douglas Family see Thomas' support toward Goode!

By that time, perhaps Changster and Ma Deman would no longer have the thought of promoting their grandsons as heirs. Even if they agreed, the rest of the Douglas Family would not agree.

No one was a fool. The Douglas Family could only continue to receive the support of the Lancer Family if Goode was in power. The benefits they "I'm going to the Lancer Family to visit Grandpa's place." Goode said, "I'm one of my would get would not be small.

grandpa's most beloved descendants. Grandpa would definitely stick up for me if I'm bullied!"

Elt was not at all surprised by Goode's words as he had already guessed Goode's idea. The Douglas Family was afraid to trouble the Butterfly Family, but the Lancer Family was not.

However, Elder Changster, Elder Ma Deman, and all the Douglas Family members looked at Goode in shock! They were not surprised because they heard the name of the Lancer Family. Everyone knew the relationship between Goode and the owner of the Lancer Family! But they did not think that Thomas would stick up for Goode!

Of course, the Lancer Family's care toward the Douglas Family over the years was obvious to all. However, to take care of and to stick up for were two completely different concepts!

In everyone's eyes, the Lancer Family's care toward the Douglas Family was entirely because Elt missed his dead wife and had never remarried. Therefore, Thomas took care of him, allowing the Douglas Family to rise rapidly and become the most prominent family in Ello Town aside from the Butterfly Family.

However, these people did not think that the Lancer Family would stick up for Goode. Maybe the Lancer Family would easily help Goode if he had offended a small family, but he had offended the Butterfly Family. They were an assassin family that had a transcendent status in European upper society!

*Is it possible for the Lancer Family to fight against the Butterfly Family because of an ancillary relative? It seems impossible, right? There may be such a possibility if Goode's mother had not passed away, but she had died long ago. Logically, the bond between Thomas and him is long gone, so how could Thomas stick up for him?*

"This can only be solved by your grandfather – my father-in-law!" Elt was very satisfied with the people's expressions. Goode's status in the Douglas Family would become a foregone conclusion once Goode had successfully asked for the Lancer Family to stick up for him!

What would it indicate if the Lancer Family still stood on Goode's side even when he had provoked such a strong opponent? It showed that Thomas truly supported his grandson and that Goode must be the family master if the Douglas Family wanted to grow!

Otherwise, not to mention any support by the Lancer Family, Thomas might even trouble the Douglas Family in anger if he saw that Goode was not the family master.

### **Chapter 1378: Are Family Interests Really so Important/ Cousin Wich**

Meanwhile, at Wang Songshan's study in the Butterfly Castle, Wang Songshan was solemnly staring at Fang Tian and Wang Ruoshui in front of him, "I always have this faint worry in my heart. I hope that Goode does not cause any more trouble..."

"I don't know much about the situation in Europe. I'm not sure how much power the Lancer Family has..." Fang Tian smiled bitterly and said after hearing Wang Songshan's words. "I'm afraid I can't help out this time. The few friends of mine in the firearms business are all in Africa, but they are small scale... you know that I'm a loner. There's no need for a loner like me to bulk buy firearms..."

Wang Songshan nodded. How could he not know Fang Tian's situation? Although Fang Tian had a lot of connections and could obtain many advanced firearms, he was a single person after all. He could only contact small firearm merchants. Fang Tian did not need to have contact with those big firearms merchants because it was impossible for him to bulk purchase.

"It might not be as bad as I had imagined. No one knows whether the Lancer Family will stick up for Goode. Maybe it's just a false alarm?" Wang Songshan quickly comforted everyone when he saw the tense atmosphere.

"Yang Ming is a good judge of character." Fang Tian sighed. "I hope we can turn misfortune into blessing this time."

"Yang Ming..." Wang Ruoshui repeated the name, "Old Man Fang, your apprentice has great courage. He is neither obsequious nor overbearing, and he isn't impulsive... but, he is still a little arrogant."

"Arrogant?" Fang Tian was stunned, but such evaluations from Wang Ruoshui's mouth could be considered as her acknowledgment of Yang Ming. At least, she had accepted the existence of Yang Ming, Wang Xiaoyan's fiancé.

"He couldn't help but refute two sentences after Goode said those provocative words at the end." Wang Ruoshui said, "His involvement will only make things worse. I was the one who started this, so naturally, we as the Butterfly Family will settle it. I don't want to get him involved, which was why I didn't ask my brother to call Yang Ming here for discussion."

After listening to Wang Ruoshui's words, Fang Tian looked at her in disbelief. He never expected that she would take such actions to protect Yang Ming during this critical situation when she had previously nitpicked and looked down on Yang Ming!

Wang Ruoshui's attitude was very obvious. She was the one who had provoked Goode and it had nothing to do with Yang Ming, so she did not want him to be involved in the revenge of the Lancer and Douglas Families.

"Ruoshui, Yang Ming is not an outsider. He is already a member of the Butterfly Family. How can he stay out of this matter?" Fang Tian looked at Wang Ruoshui and solemnly said. "Moreover, it cannot be said that he wasn't involved in this matter; he was also part of it. Goode wouldn't make such actions if Yang Ming didn't come here for the engagement!"

"We, the Butterfly family, can't even guarantee his safety when he came here for an engagement. Won't the Butterfly family's reputation be ruined if this news is spread out?" Wang Ruoshui said, "There's no way to let a junior like him get involved in this matter."

"He is mature enough to work independently." Fang Tian waved his hand and said lightly. "However, his participation in this matter will not be of much help unless we let him assassinate the family master of the Lancer Family. As for your open and secret strife, he can't be bothered about them."

"Yeah..." Wang Songshan smiled bitterly as he heard this. "Would the Butterfly Family ever be afraid of anyone if we could fight openly? However, I'm afraid that the Lancer Family will cut off our firearms supply. We can't really fight for it. Even the families that we have good relationships with will not stand up for us! They would not violate any rules because they are the ones in control of who to sell to, and it will not affect the benefits of others. So in this case, no one will want to offend the Lancer Family for our sake."

"Brother, I don't understand one thing..." Wang Ruoshui hesitated for a while and finally said.

"What is it?" Wang Songshan asked.

“Is our ranking on the assassin ranking list that important?” Wang Ruoshui took a deep breath and asked, “Let’s take a step back. What is the issue even if our Butterfly Family drops a few rankings on the assassin list due to having no supply of firearms? ”

Wang Ruoshui’s words caused Wang Songshan’s expression to be a little startled and made him ponder. But Wang Songshan shook his head helplessly after a while, “The Butterfly Family was established by grandfather in the past and was then passed onto me. How am I supposed to be worthy of grandfather and father’s effort if I didn’t carry the family forward but caused it to decline instead? ”

“You weren’t like this in the past...” Wang Ruoshui looked at Wang Songshan as if she didn’t know him. She sighed slightly, “In the past, our father forced me to get engaged with this guy surnamed ‘Fang’ for family benefits, but you supported me and argued in front of him. You asked him, are family interests really that important? What is the significance of our ranking on the assassin ranking list? We already have enough money to live a good life. Why are you constantly chasing for this illusory fame? ”

“Ruoshui ...” Wang Songshan suddenly felt embarrassed after listening to Wang Ruoshui’s words. “I indeed used to say such things, but that’s because I had a different identity and perspective. Now I must first think about family interests as I’m the family master of the Butterfly family... There’s a good phrase that says ‘you don’t have to be bothered when you are not in that position’. I can’t help myself too! ”

“You can’t help yourself?” Wang Ruoshui snorted coldly. “If that’s the case, you should just marry my niece to Goode once and for all so you’ll stay connected to the Lancer Family! You also don’t have to worry that they will take revenge on us.”

“This ...” Wang Songshan smiled bitterly, “Maybe... our Butterfly Family is really going to decline this time... Forget about it, let’s take one step at a time!”

It seemed as if Wang Ruoshui saw her father back then as she looked at the stubborn Wang Songshan. Although she did not understand Wang Songshan’s current mood, she was still part of the Butterfly Family. She didn’t want the Butterfly Family to decline deep down in her heart. The words she said were just to ease Wang Songshan’s anxiety and relax the atmosphere.

An off-road vehicle stopped smoothly before the suspension bridge in front of the Lancer family’s castle. Goode took a deep breath as he finally arrived. He had raced all the way and driven the car at the maximum speed just to be able to reach here earlier.

Today, he would definitely make the Butterfly Family repay the humiliation that he had suffered! Goode believed that even the Butterfly Family’s master, Wang Songshan, had to bow down to him and obediently send his daughter over to the Douglas Family as long as his grandfather showed up!

A smile of satisfaction appeared on Goode’s face as he imagined his mighty presence in the Douglas Family and the town of Ello.

A ray of searchlight radiated from the watchtower behind the suspension bridge after he pressed the car horn. Private army personnel of the Lancer Family asked, “This is the Lancer Family. Who are you? For what reasons are you here? ”

“I’m Goode, the grandson of Master Thomas.” Goode did not get down his car, but picked up the megaphone in the car and said.

Goode's voice came out of the car's megaphone, but the watchtower behind the suspension bridge became silent. It seemed that they were passing the news of Goode's arrival into the fort.

After a short while, the voice from the watchtower sounded again, but it had changed to a young man's voice, "Cousin Goode, is it you?"

"Cousin Wich, it's me!" Goode was delighted when he heard this voice and quickly answered.

"Let down the bridge!" The young man named Wich commanded the two guards in the watchtower after he had confirmed the identity of the newcomer.

A "creak" was heard as the huge suspension bridge slowly dropped, connecting the road to the castle.

### **Chapter 1379: Stop the Cooperation!/ Conversation Overtones**

Goode didn't dare to conceal or add oil to the fire; he could only tell the truth because he was very clear that it was not difficult for his grandfather to find out the details of the matter with his power. Once it was revealed that he concealed something, Grandfather would think that he was lying and would likely be disappointed and dissatisfied by him. Not only did it not achieve the purpose of having his grandfather to stick up for him, but it was also difficult to say whether his grandfather would continue to treat him well in the future.

After Goode told Thomas about everything that had happened in the Butterfly Family in detail, Thomas nodded solemnly, "So, you broke into the Butterfly Family first?"

"Yes... I was reckless!" Goode couldn't deny it. He bowed his head and admitted to it.

Thomas waved his hand; he was very satisfied with Goode's attitude. *Goode assumes responsibility for his mistakes, he is an upright man.* Otherwise, it would be a waste for me to love him so dearly. What Thomas didn't know was that Goode was acting pragmatically; it was precisely because he knew Thomas' character that he did not reserve or conceal anything that he did!

Goode knew that he was wrong, but Thomas was an old man who fiercely protects his own family. Goode had suffered a great loss this time, Thomas would definitely stick up for him! If Thomas was a fair person who was clear about when to reward and when to punish, Goode would not be truthful; he would try his best to fabricate a lie and get revenge first.

"Although it was reckless for you to break into the Butterfly Family, it makes sense." Thomas hesitated for a while and said, "Young people always do extraordinary things for love. As an elder, I understand! After all, who wasn't young and frivolous once? Although you indeed did something wrong and ill-considered, it's unacceptable for Wang Ruoshui as an elder of the Butterfly Family to hit you! If it was Butterfly Wang or her fiancé who hit you, I really can't say anything. After all, it is inappropriate for me as an elder to participate in a duel between juniors! Gentlemen can reflect between themselves, but as for Wang Ruoshui hitting you when you are not her opponent, it has nothing to do with teaching a lesson. She is obviously bullying you."

Goode smiled slightly after listening to Thomas. *It seems that I am right this time. Grandpa surely won't let the matter drop. It seems that the Butterfly Family will have trouble.*

"Indeed, if Little Butterfly's fiance and I could duel fairly, I think that I will not lose to him!" Goode nodded and said.

"However, you have made a mistake first after all. Although our Lancer Family has hundreds of years of history and we are not afraid of the Butterfly Family, this reason is not sufficient to take action against them." Although Thomas seemed to be protective toward his family, he was not arrogant to the point that he thought he was invincible. It seemed that he still had a lot of fear towards the Butterfly Family.

Goode's heart tightened, but he didn't dare to say a word. He raised his head and looked at Thomas nervously, waiting for his final decision.

"Furthermore, the strength of the Butterfly Family is not weak. In the end, a situation with no winners will likely occur." Thomas sighed slightly, "In these years, the Lancer Family has had business dealings with the Butterfly Family, so we know about their strength."

Goode couldn't help but feel disappointed after hearing Thomas's words. It seemed that Thomas didn't want to go against the Butterfly Family.

"Grandpa, I have a good suggestion. I don't know if it should be said or not." Wich, who had stood silently at the side for a long time, spoke up when he noticed that Thomas felt wrong in his heart.

"Oh? Wich, you might as well speak if you have something to say. You have a say in the family meeting, not to mention that this is just a private conversation." Thomas made a gesture to signal Wich to speak his mind.

"Grandpa, since the Butterfly Family is not weak, it is quite unwise for us to fight against them. However, we can punish them slightly and force them to suffer in silence!" Wich said. "Grandpa, don't we have business dealings with the Butterfly Family?"

Goode's heart moved and he immediately understood the specific content of Wich's proposal; it was to cut off the firearms supply to the Butterfly Family. This was an idea that he had before, so he immediately expressed a hopeful expression when he heard Wich say it.

"Oh? You mean to stop cooperating with the Butterfly Family?" Thomas was stunned for a moment, then immediately understood Wich's meaning, "Cutting off their firearms supply is like cutting off their left and right arms. This proposal is really good!"

In fact, how could Thomas, as the head of the family, not think of such a simple and clear idea? He just didn't think in this direction before. When he saw Goode beaten by the Butterfly Family's Wang Rusohui, Thomas thought of how to fight back to give her a taste of her own medicine; he did not think of using other means.

Goode's lips secretly twitched. He had thought of this idea a long time ago. *What's so great about your idea, Wich?* But he was calm on the surface and found it meaningless to fight for credit with Wich since both sides had no conflict of interest at all. On the contrary, it was better to tighten their relationship. Therefore, Goode also praised Wich after he spoke up, "Cousin Wich is really great! Both Grandpa and I were thinking about how to take revenge on Wang Ruoshui, but your method can force the Butterfly Family to suffer a loss in silence. After all, we are the ones who decide who the Lancer Family will cooperate with, so no one can find fault with this!"

How could Wich not know that Goode was deliberately praising him in front of Grandpa? However, he also knew that Goode was doing this to have a better relationship with him. Both were the future successors of their respective families, so there was no harm in them having a good relationship. So, Wich accepted the praise happily but humbly said, "This is just a small conspiracy. It's better kept under the table!"

"No!" Thomas waved his hand and said, "You can't say that. Regardless of whether it's a conspiracy or an overt plot, it is excellent as long as the goal is achieved. Wich, it seems that you have matured a lot these years, and you know how to deal with those who are against the family!"

Wich was immediately happy. His grandfather had praised him for this, apparently affirming his ability, "Grandpa has taught me well, so I understood."

"*Hmph*, Butterfly Family, without the supply of weapons from the Lancer Family, I don't need to deal with you. In a few years, you would likely be reduced to a second-class assassin family. At that time, the Lancer Family doesn't even need to take action; some of your old enemies will come for you." Thomas had a cold smile on his face, "This matter should not be delayed. I'll arrange it. I believe that once the Butterfly Family hears the news, it'll be too late for them to cry."

At the Butterfly Family, the phone in Wang Songshan's study suddenly rang. *It's already midnight, who would call at this time?*

"I'll take the call first." Wang Songshan stood up with a bitter smile and said to Fang Tian and Wang Ruoshui who were at the side. They had discussed it for a long time, but could not come up with any good countermeasures. Now they could only hope that the Lancer Family would not stick up for Goode.

"Is it Mr. Wang Songshan of the Butterfly Family?" A voice that Wang Songshan was familiar with came over the phone, but the voice had changed from the usual enthusiasm; it seemed extremely indifferent at the moment.

After hearing this voice, Wang Songshan's heart was filled with a chill feeling. He was clear about the identity of the other party. He had called in the middle of the night, so he must have an ulterior motive. From the indifferent attitude that the voice brought, Wang Songshan understood that the last thing he wanted to see was about to happen.

"It's Butler Mitry! It's so late is there anything wrong?" Wang Songshan politely said to the other person. He really couldn't afford to offend this person; he was Butler Mitry of the Lancer family, the person in charge of dealing with the Butterfly Family.

"Mr. Wang, I called to inform you about something," said Butler Mitry plainly. There was no trace of emotional fluctuation in his voice. "This year's quota of special firearms is very small, so I am afraid that we have to stop the supply to your family..."

Wang Songshan's heart suddenly thumped. *What was supposed to happen has finally happened.* Although he comforted himself many times that things might not be as bad as he had imagined, these concerns had become facts, and Wang Songshan had to accept the helpless reality in front of him.

"Butler Mitry... hasn't our cooperation always been very pleasant?" Wang Songshan was suddenly pained in his heart; his voice trembled a little.

### **Chapter 1380: Coping Strategy/ Biggest Family**

Wang Songshan's heart tightened as he guessed something from listening to Thomas. *This old fox has ulterior motives. If the quota was really reduced, then he would not be able to say these words. Obviously, there is still room for negotiation.*

"Family relations?" Wang Songshan snorted. He already knew Thomas's plan. *It seems that Goode must have gone to Thomas and said something. That's why Thomas would take such actions.*

"Goode's matters are not a big deal. Since he was a child, he has had feelings towards your Little Butterfly. If Little Butterfly marries Goode in the future, then Wang Ruoshui will be his aunt. There's nothing wrong when the aunt teaches her niece's husband a lesson, right?" Thomas laughed and said, "Also, Goode is my grandson. Supporting the Butterfly Family would be equivalent to supporting him. In this way, no one can find faults."

"Master Thomas, I can't agree to your proposal... My daughter already has a marriage contract." Wang Songshan took a deep breath, knowing that his actions might completely offend the Lancer family, but he had no other way. It would be possible to agree if it was back when Wang Xiaoyan had no connection with Yang Ming. But now, Wang Songshan could never agree to Thomas's proposal.

"Really?" Thomas didn't expect Wang Songshan to be so stubborn. He sneered and said, "So, I can only follow the rules."

"This-" Wang Songshan's heart tightened, "Mr. Thomas, is there any other way?"

"No. Why don't you give me a call after you think about it... *En*, within five days. If you haven't decided within five days, then I'm sorry, I can only give the quota for the firearms to someone else." Thomas said firmly in a low voice, "Okay, I'll hang up, I'm going to rest."

Thomas finished speaking and directly hung up the phone without waiting for Wang Songshan's response.

"Five days..." Wang Songshan sighed. He suddenly thought of Goode's words from before, *Five days, within five days... Sure enough, the powerful and resonating words he spoke back then has been realized!*

Indeed, the Butterfly Family had only five days to go. This was Thomas's deadline. After five days, the Butterfly Family must accept the revenge brought by the Lancer family and stop all business cooperation!

"What did Thomas say?" Wang Ruoshui knew that this negotiation was unsuccessful from the look on Wang Songshan's face. The other party must have put forward some harsh conditions that made it difficult for Wang Songshan to agree.

"Thomas said to let your precious niece marry Goode. In this way, both families will become relatives. He can supply to us and you would become Goode's aunt, so Goode will not pursue the matter of you hitting him." Wang Songshan smiled bitterly and said.

"He wishes!" Wang Ruoshui gritted her teeth and said, "Isn't this forcing us to submit? It's simply bullying!"

"So what if they're bullying us? They have the qualifications to do so!" Wang Songshan said. "Like what Goode said, Thomas gave us a deadline of five days, only five days."

"Goode really kept his promise!" Fang Tian listened to Wang Songshan's words and his face became gloomy.

"We can not agree to Thomas's request. It seems that this matter has been set in stone; we should take measures as soon as possible." Wang Songshan nodded and said, "Old Man Fang, I will have to trouble you for your connections. Although it may be limited, relief is still possible."

"Don't worry! This matter is not only related to Ruoshui but also my apprentice. I can't cower!" Fang Tian nodded solemnly, "I will contact my old friends early tomorrow morning and try to buy more firearms."

"As long as it is available, there is no problem with the price." Wang Songshan instructed, "The Butterfly Family does not lack money."

"I understand, I will try my best to get firearms for you." Fang Tian nodded and said.

Some people were destined to be happy; others were doomed to be sad tonight. Goode and Thomas belonged to the type that slept very soundly and sweetly; while Wang Songshan, Wang Ruoshui, and Fang Tian, almost could not sleep. They sat on the sofa in the study, each thinking of ways to save the family.

Taking into account the relationship between Yang Ming and Wang Xiaoyan, if Fang Tian and Wang Ruoshui really became a couple, then it could be said that Fang Tian had become a member of the Butterfly Family. So the fate of the Butterfly Family was closely related to Fang Tian. He could not stand by idly when someone was trying to conspire against the Butterfly Family.

However, Yang Ming didn't think about these matters at all and slept soundly. In his eyes, Goode was a clown, a flea-like figure, and couldn't cause any trouble.

Yang Ming did not put this kind of character, or the Lancer Family behind him, in his eyes. The biggest difference between Yang Ming and Fang Tian was that Yang Ming had special abilities. Since he had these special abilities, Yang Ming was scared of almost no one, including the Behind-The-Scenes Boss and Elder You who possessed voodoo. Yang Ming had never been afraid of them, let alone the Lancer Family.

Perhaps, Fang Tian's ability would not be enough to assassinate Thomas. After all, it was very difficult to sneak into the heavily guarded Lancer Family, let alone murdering someone under those heavy defenses.

But it was not difficult for Yang Ming! With the experience of successfully avoiding the surveillance of the Sui Group's Immortal Building, Yang Ming believed that as long as he used his special abilities, it was not impossible to sneak into the Lancer Family.

Thus, if Yang Ming was willing, then Thomas might die at any time. This was Yang Ming's hidden trump card, a life-saving offensive hidden trump card that was an absolute advantage over anyone.

What made Yang Ming's head ache was the duel that Wang Ruoshui mentioned. He could not win or lose; only with a tie could he safely leave the Butterfly Family. It really troubled Yang Ming.

Although Yang Ming boasted confidence when he was eating, in fact, he was not confident at all in his heart. It was easy to win or lose, but to tie... As long as Wang Ruoshui played a little trick and took the initiative to show weakness, a tie could also become a victory for him. This matter was really a little difficult to handle!

*Who knows, I can only do some tricks first. I'll do a ruthless trick. During the duel with Wang Ruoshui, when she retreats, I will also take the initiative to retreat. In this way, the illusion of a tie will be created.*

However, doing so required opportunities. It was not possible to perform this trick under any circumstances. All the people present were masters. They must behave properly. Otherwise, if Wang Ruoshui refuted, it would be hard for Yang Ming to explain. Yang Ming could only make everyone believe that it was a tie, only then could he insist that it was a tie and force Wang Ruoshui to suffer in silence. If no one could see any flaws, no one would help Wang Ruoshui to speak up. Even if Wang Ruoshui would not let the matter go, he wouldn't be afraid anymore.

It was already past eight in the morning when he woke up. All the fatigue brought by the plane ride was relieved. He stretched and got out of bed, but when his eyes fell on the wall clock, he felt slightly strange. *When I reached here yesterday, the disciple at the reception told me that someone will call every morning at eight o'clock to inform me to have breakfast. It is already half-past eight, so why isn't there a call?*

*Is it because I slept too deep and didn't hear it? Impossible.* Yang Ming had been sleeping well after his assassin training, but he was extremely sensitive to external sounds and could easily hear subtle movements.

It was impossible for him not to hear such a loud ringtone; there was only one possibility, no one called him.

Since no one called, Yang Ming didn't think much about it. Who knows, the person who was meant to notify him might have forgotten. He got dressed and washed up, then pushed the door open and went downstairs.

The disciples on duty of the Butterfly Family all knew Yang Ming, so they all greeted him when they saw him come out of the room. Yang Ming walked to the restaurant where he ate yesterday, but he had an accidental discovery. There was no one in the restaurant!

Of course, Yang Ming excluded the disciples of the Butterfly Family and only referred to Wang Songshan, Wang Ruoshui, and Fang Tian.