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Eunuch Wei Datted Xu Bail?s shoulder and chanced the tODic.""As the saving

goes, a tiger father will not have a dog son, but her son is disappointing."

"Oh?" "Seventh Prince?""

Speaking of the Seventh Prince, he still had some memories. At that time, the Seventh Prince sent someone to recruit him, but that person was extremely arrogant and even wanted to humiliate him. He was killed by him. Speaking of which, there was still a grudge between the two.

Eunuch Wei drank half of the wine in the jar and said,""Perhaps it's because of the Sword Empress. His Majesty especially dotes on this son. From a young age, he doted on him more than the other members of the royal family, which also developed his condescending attitude."

It should have been his honor to have such a powerful mother. However, he used this honor as his support. Sometimes, even His Majesty felt bitter because of this support."

Xu Bai pondered for a moment and said," From what Eunuch Wei said, it seems like he wants to find trouble with me. Eunuch Wei also said that he would let go of his hands. It seems like he wants me to deal with it myself?""

Eunuch Wei coughed and said," We didn't say that. His Majesty didn't say that either. However, His Majesty admires you very much now. As long as you don't do anything too out of line, it's fine. As for what's not out of line..." Just don't cripple it."

Eunuch Wei emphasized the word "Your Majesty" in his words.

The meaning was obvious. What he said just now was the emperor's meaning, not his own.

"But I'm not too interested in Your Majesty's family matters." Xu Bai stroked his chin."

What kind of joke was this? He had no intention of helping the Emperor take care of his son. He was still busy with his own matters.

Eunuch Wei could tell that Xu Bai didn't want to interfere.

This answer was in line with Xu Bai's personality.

"Lord Xu, this is a good business," Eunuch Wei said with a smile." "Oh?" 'What benefits can I get from that?" Xu Bai asked thoughtfully."

"Of course, this is related to Lord Xu's decision to stay or leave." Eunuch Wei was hinting at something." Lord Xu, have you ever thought about what kind of reward you should receive for your meritorious service? Is it just a tour around the royal treasury?

"Your Majesty is also worried now, but I think Your Majesty should already have a good solution."

Xu Bai smiled." Eunuch Wei, you're probably overthinking things. I'm not interested in being an official, and I don't want to be a high-ranking official. ""

Eunuch Wei waved his hand." Of course, I know Lord Xu's character. His Majesty must also know. However, His Majesty has always considered everything thoroughly. I'm sure Lord Xu will be satisfied."

This time, it was an opportunity. Lord Xu, think about it. If Lord Xu could even tame the Seventh Prince, who would dare to raise any objections to Lord Xu's reward in the court?"

Xu Bai rubbed his chin with his fingers, thinking about the meaning behind Eunuch Wei's words.

Eunuch Wei didn't say much. He knew that Xu Bai was a sensible person and could see through it.

Time seemed to have stopped, and the surroundings fell silent. After about half an incense's time, Xu Bai finally reacted.

"Alright." "I believe in Eunuch Wei," Xu Bai said.

Eunuch Wei shook his head." Lord Xu, you should trust His Majesty. His Majesty will definitely give you a satisfactory explanation in 20 days. You have to rest assured."

Xu Bai did not continue to discuss this matter. Since he had an idea, he would not continue to dwell on it.

The two of them continued to drink. This time, they drank until the table was full of dishes. Eunuch Wei then left in satisfaction.

Two servant girls walked in and cleaned the table before leaving. They closed the door behind them, leaving Xu Bai alone.

Xu Bai didn't know what to do now that he was free. He went to the door and opened the window. He sat in front of the window and looked at the sky.

He did not know when he had slowly walked to this position. It was indeed beyond his expectations.

Looking at the scenery outside the window, Xu Bai felt a little sleepy.

It was not rare for him to have such a pleasant time, but such a pleasant afternoon was a good opportunity to sleep.

Xu Bai closed his eyes, and the puppet of the Fourth Stage continued to stand guard by his side.

Just as he was half-asleep, the sound of footsteps entered his ears, causing him to open his eyes.

Outside the window, Zhou Qing was rushing over. Halfway there, he saw Xu Bai outside the window and his face lit up with joy.

"Xu... Milord, how have you been?" Zhou Qing felt that it was inappropriate to communicate by the window, so he walked to the door and knocked.

Xu Bai naturally knew what Zhou Qing was here for.

Zhou Qing served Prince Six. To put it bluntly, he was Prince Six's subordinate.

This trip must have something to do with Prince Six.

As for what it was, Xu Bai could roughly guess.

He went to the door and opened it, then returned to his chair and lay down.

Zhou Qing's heart pounded when he saw Xu Bai's expression. He did not understand what Xu Bai was thinking, but he was indeed here to complete the mission given to him by the Sixth Prince, so he still cupped his hands and said.

"Congratulations, Lord Xu, for finally arriving in the capital with thousands of people fighting alone. This is worthy of celebration. Zhou Qing's visit this time is naturally to congratulate Lord Xu."

Previously, when they were ascending the county, although Zhou Qing was also polite, he was not as respectful as he was now. There was already a huge difference in their status..

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Xu Bai was now a popular person in front of the Emperor. One word from him could decide Zhou Qing's life and death.

As for Zhou Qing, he was still the same Zhou Qing. He had not changed at all.

Xu Bai, who was lying on his side, shook his head when he heard Zhou Qing's words.""I know what you mean. I just want to know what Prince Six means."

Zhou Qing had keenly caught Xu Bai shaking his head just now. He seemed to feel that something was missing.

Zhou Qing gritted his teeth and said," What the Sixth Prince means is that Lord Xu has risen to fame. He wants to express his feelings and invite Lord Xu to his residence for a meal. At the same time..." If Lord Xu could become a member of the sixth prince's residence, the sixth prince would definitely put him in an

important position."

Xu Bai smiled and said," Zhou Qing, Zhou Qing, you've fallen behind. Go back.

I'm not interested."

Zhou Qing was stunned. He did not know why.

He thought that there was nothing wrong with his words. He had said it very respectfully and made the Sixth Prince's meaning clear. He even said that the Sixth Prince could be put in an important position. But why did he get this sentence?

"Why did I...Did you fall behind?" Zhou Qing was puzzled.

At this moment, the one who answered him was not Xu Bai, but a crisp female voice.

"Because you didn't treat Xu Bai as a friend, and we treat Xu Bai as a friend." Outside the door, Qing Xue walked in with Qing Mei, a smile on her face.

Qing Mei looked at Xu Bai curiously as soon as she came in. When she saw Xu Bai's appearance, she couldn't help but be puzzled.

She had only heard of Xu Bails reputation. Now that she saw him for the first time, he was indeed a handsome man. However, was this really the Bloody Butcher Blade Guest who was now in the limelight?

Qing Mei could not help but mutter.

Zhou Qing's expression changed when he saw Qing Xue enter the house." 'Qingxue, what do you mean?"

Qing Xue didn't give Zhou Qing any face and said, ""That day, we went through life and death with Xu Bai, but now we are so estranged and want to take him under our wing. Let me ask you, Xu Bai is no longer the same person as before. What ability does the sixth prince behind you have to take Xu Bai under his wing?"

Zhou Qing's expression was uncertain.

He felt that he and the Sixth Prince had indeed forgotten the most important point.

The current Xu Bai was not the same as before, but they had yet to walk out of their fixed mindset. They still only wanted to take Xu Bai under their command, and it seemed that it was really inappropriate.

"Go back." Xu Bai waved his hand.

Zhou Qing stood where he was and sighed. He did not stay any longer and left.

He knew that he was no longer of any use. Staying here was a waste of effort. After Zhou Qing left, Xu Bai stared at Qing Xue with interest and did not say anything.

Qing Xue revealed a bright smile.""Lord Xu, you're really happy here."

She didn't seem to care about Xu Bai's identity at all. She seemed unusually relaxed here.

Qing Mei, who was beside him, was shocked and quickly said:"Lord Xu, my elder sister usually speaks without restraint. Please don't blame her."

Although the young man in front of him looked very easy-going, he was currently a popular person and could not be offended.

She was worried that her sister would offend Xu Bai with her words. It would be bad if something bad happened.

Although they had the Ninth Princess as their backer, there were many taboos in the palace that they had to abide by.

Otherwise, even the Ninth Princess would not be able to protect them. free.c om

"I'm the one who saved you several times, but you're still the same as before," Xu Bai said nonchalantly."

Qingxue was fine, but Qingmei was getting more and more surprised. She opened her mouth wide and could stuff a huge thing in. Why did her sister feel so familiar with Lord Xu? Could it be...

Qing Mei was a little confused.

"If you, Xu Bai, change, I'll just turn around and leave," Qing Xue said with a smile."

"Alright, alright. There's plenty of time to catch up. Tell me your purpose first." Xu Bai said.

Qing Xue turned her body and made an inviting gesture.""The Ninth Princess has invited Lord Xu over. She has set up a banquet to entertain him and wants to make friends with him."



In front of him sat a young woman dressed in silk. The woman looked to be in her twenties and wore a jade hairpin on her head. Coupled with her luxurious clothes, she looked noble..

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Her appearance was impeccable, and she had a layer of light makeup on her face, making her look even more gorgeous and beautiful.

This kind of beauty had a graceful and luxurious feeling, giving people the feeling that they could only look at it but could not reach it.

"Lord Xu, please sit." The Ninth Princess stretched out her jade-like hand and pointed at the spot beside her.

Thank you, Ninth Princess." Xu Bai said and sat beside the Ninth Princess.

As soon as she sat down, she smelled a fragrance that was like the fragrance of orchids.

"I once had a friend called Liu Xu." Xu Bai smiled and said," She has sandalwood on her. It's formed by placing sandalwood in the room for a long time. It has been marinated. The fragrance on the Ninth Princess seems to have the same effect."

As soon as he finished speaking, the scene fell silent. The maidservants raised their heads in unison, their faces filled with disbelief.

This was...Teasing the Ninth Princess?

They could not believe their ears.

A long time ago, a scholar saw the portrait of the Ninth Princess and wrote a poem. It fell into the hands of the Ninth Princess. Soon after, the scholar disappeared.

What the Ninth Princess hated the most was to tease her with her beauty. Even if it was a compliment, she would be disgusted.

Qing Mei quickly stood up and said angrily, "Lecher, no matter who you are, how can you say such words in front of the ninth princess?"

Qing Xue quickly pulled her sister and scolded her in a low voice.

She was very familiar with Xu Bai's style. This kind of playful behavior was deliberately done.

As for why, he wasn't sure.

The ninth princess was stunned for a moment, but she quickly returned to her senses. She covered her mouth with her hand and laughed softly,""Lord Xu, why do you have to pretend to be a lecher to make me hate you? How much do you dislike being with me that you deliberately put on this appearance?"

Xu Bai curled his lips in boredom and said,""You princes and princesses, your brains are really spinning fast."

Although he didn't say it directly, the meaning was obvious. The ninth princess had guessed his thoughts.

"I invited Lord Xu here today to make friends with him. "The Ninth Princess raised her wine cup and said," Lord Xu, would you do me the honor?'"

Xu Bai picked up his wine glass and clinked it with the Ninth Princess's. He said,""It's fine to be friends. It's just that I don't know if this friend... What are the benefits?"

The ninth princess raised her fair neck and drank the wine in the glass. Then, she took out a box and handed it to Xu Bai.

Xu Bai took it and opened it. He found a lot of banknotes inside. Not only that, but there was also a book beside the banknotes.

There were many banknotes. Xu Bai only glanced at them briefly before putting them away. The most important thing was the book.

The True Understanding of Traps.

It was just four simple words, but there was a golden progress bar at the top, which was very useful to Xu Bai.

"I know that Lord Xu has a puppet with him, but its grade seems to be a little low. This book is of the first grade." The ninth princess slowly said," I spent a lot of effort to get it. Now, can I take it as a gift to make friends?"" Xu Bai silently put it away and said simply, ""'Tell me."

"I've met the second young master of the Kong family. He explained his intentions." The ninth princess rested her chin on her hand, and the sleeve on her arm fell down, revealing her white color." I've already accepted my subordinates on account of Lord Xu. In that case, Lord Xu only needs to promise me one thing."

"What's the matter?" Xu Bai raised his eyebrows."

The Ninth Princess looked at Xu Bai and said slowly,""It's very simple. If I fight with the others, Lord Xu just doesn't help anyone."

"Is that all?"

"Yes." The Ninth Princess stretched her back and said, "Of course, if Lord Xu is willing to help, I am the only one who can use the reward to exchange for his help. Even if others receive the reward, Lord Xu should not help them."

Xu Bai fell into deep thought. In the end, he nodded and agreed temporarily.

He finally understood that the first half of his sentence was nonsense, and only the second half was true. If anything really happened, only the ninth princess could take it out and ask him for help.

However, he thought about it and agreed. He didn't like the other two princes.

There was no need to say anything more about the Seventh Prince. He still had to slowly train him. The Sixth Prince actually wanted to take him under his wing. He could not bear it.

Of course, agreeing to it was one thing. Whether or not he would do it would depend on whether the reward was worth it.

"Then, Lord Xu, please have your meal." The ninth princess finally relaxed. fre(e)

Xu Bai shook his head.

"Is the food not to your liking? I'll get the imperial kitchen to prepare it again." the Ninth Princess said.

Xu Bai narrowed his eyes slightly and revealed an interested look. "The food smells good, but I really want to know one thing now."

"What is it?" The ninth princess was puzzled.

Xu Bai said directly," You guys are fighting. What are you fighting for? His

Majesty's body is still very strong..."

The meaning was obvious. The people in the royal family were fighting for the throne, but the current Emperor could be said to be young and strong. Wasn't it a little too early to start fighting now?

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This was what Xu Bai was thinking about. You princes and princesses were fighting non-stop here, but His Majesty was in good health now. No matter how you fought, you were just a prince and princess. What was the point?

Hearing Xu Bai's words, the crowd fell silent. The ninth princess fell silent as well. Then, she looked at the servant girl beside her and waved her hand gently.

As the ninth princess waved her hand, all the maids except Qing Xue and Qing Mei left, leaving only a few of them.

There was something big to say.

Xu Bai thought to himself, The fight between the princes and princesses might not be as simple as I thought. It shouldn't be for the throne."

Just as he was thinking about this, the ninth princess quickly gave him an answer.

"Lord Xu, do you think that we are only here for the throne? This is too simple. "The Ninth Princess put down her wine cup and rested her chin on her hand.""Imperial Father is in his prime. Under Imperial Father's command, the Great Chu Country will only get better and better. How can we dare to have the heart to surpass it?"

From this angle, the Ninth Princess looked even more beautiful with light makeup.

Xu Bai acted as if he didn't see it. He took a sip of wine and said,""Then what are you guys fighting for?"

The Ninth Princess was unmoved by Xu Bai's beauty. She let go of Xu Bai's hand and leaned back on the chair. She said lazily, ""Lord Xu, what do you think of the current system of Great Chu? I'm talking about the Jing Prefecture Dao."

Xu Bai thought carefully for a moment and said, "The division is very clear, and each place is managed by someone. This is a good thing, but there are also shortcomings. When I came to the capital this time, there were traitors in many places."

Whether it was a state, a prefecture, or even a Dao He County, they were like an iron bucket. There were advantages and disadvantages to dividing up such regions.

"Yes." The Ninth Princess nodded." That's why Father has always wanted to change this situation. In the end, he came up with a solution. ""

As she spoke, she stood up and walked behind Xu Bai. She held onto the chair behind Xu Bai and bent down slightly.

The fair face was less than a finger away from Xu Bai. Her limpid eyes stared at Xu Bai as she slowly spat out two words. "Conferring the title of king."

Xu Bai frowned and didn't say anything.

Although he did not speak on the surface, his heart was already in turmoil.

Conferred emperor?

He did not expect the Emperor to have such boldness.

He wanted to get through the idea of traitors appearing in every region, but he actually used an emperor to deal with it.

"No, that's not right." Xu Bai suddenly turned around and almost bumped into the Ninth Princess 'head.

"What's wrong?" The Ninth Princess did not flinch.

"It seems that His Majesty wants to give you a good place to go."Xu Bai stroked his chin and said.

"Those who are capable and trustworthy can better cooperate with His Majesty to manage Great Chu. You are all His Majesty's children, so you are naturally trustworthy. After all, the world is ultimately surnamed Chu."

"Moreover, if you stay here, no matter how big the reward you give, it won't be as good as your current status. If you become a vassal king, you will be promoted to a higher level."

"There's no need to consider cutting off your vassal states. At least for now, with His Majesty and His Highness around, you don't have the guts."

In terms of power, the capital and the local governments were a pair of contradictions. The power of both sides was closely linked to the rise and fall of the dynasty.

The emperor represented the backbone, and the vassals represented the regions.

When the emperor was alive, his prestige was very high, so he had a strong binding force on the vassals. However, if the old emperor was the one, the successor's prestige would be far weaker, and the binding power on the local vassals would suddenly weaken. Therefore, the vassals would use the power in their hands to boldly start to grow, trying to get rid of control and even covet imperial power.

This would result in the weakening of the core and the weakening of the local forces.

Therefore, the reduction of vassals came.

However, would the current Great Chu cut off its vassals?

With the Emperor and King Sheng You present, even if these members of the royal family were given a hundred guts, they would not dare to be disrespectful.

"Smart." "Now you know what we're fighting for, right?" The Ninth Princess smiled. If we don't perform well and are given a very barren land, our days there won't be good either."

"Boss has always been at the border, following Second Uncle in the army. He doesn't care about these things because his contribution points are very high."

"Old Seven is just a boorish man without any shrewdness. If it wasn't for the Sword Empress, he would probably have been sidelined."

"The only thing I'm worried about is Sixth Brother. He's an ambitious person."

"I understand," Xu Bai said.

If he understood, everything would be clear.

The Ninth Princess raised her glass and said, "Then..." Lord Xu, it's a pleasure working with you."

Xu Bai clinked glasses with the Ninth Princess and smiled.""Happy cooperation. "

The two of them drank the wine, and as they laughed, they seemed to have merged.

They chatted from time to time, making it seem more harmonious on the surface, but neither of them knew what they were thinking.

"By the way, Lord Xu, you have to be careful of many people in the capital." The Ninth Princess's face was flushed red as if she was drunk.

"Oh?" Xu Bai narrowed his eyes and looked at the Ninth Princess pretending to be drunk. "It seems that the princess wants to talk to me drunk. Then I'll treat it as drunk talk. Who do I need to worry about?"

Nowadays, there were very few people in the industry who could get drunk. However, the Ninth Princess looked drunk. It was obvious that she wanted to portray herself as a person who would slip of the tongue after drinking..

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There were two ways to describe a drunk person. One was to tell the truth after drinking, and the other was to say that one could not believe what one said after drinking. This was equivalent to telling Xu Bai that if something happened, he might have said something drunk.

Cunning.

It was indeed inappropriate to use this word to describe a woman, but Xu Bai felt that the Ninth Princess in front of him was very suitable for this word.

"In the current imperial court, the Prime Minister is one of them. There are also those henchmen under him that you have to guard against." The Ninth Princess put her hand on Xu Bai's shoulder and whispered into his ear, ""He is an extremely pedantic scholar. He has always disliked Lord Xu very much. He thinks that Lord Xu is from the martial arts world and is not worthy."

Xu Bai grabbed the Ninth Princess 'wrist and put it aside. He said," Ninth Princess, you're drunk."

As he spoke, he stood up.

"This Xu is very satisfied with today's meal. If there's nothing else, this Xu will take his leave."

The Ninth Princess's eyes were blurred. She waved her hand and said,""In that case, I won't send you off."

Xu Bai nodded and turned to leave.

After Xu Bai left, the drunkenness in the ninth princess 'eyes disappeared. She looked at the wine glass in front of her and fell into a long silence.
"Princess, your situation doesn't seem right." Qing Xue stepped forward and said."
They were all people who often accompanied the princess, so they knew the princess's temper the best However, the ninth princess they saw today was completely different from the noble ninth princess in the past.
Just like
"Seducing, right?" the Ninth Princess said with a smile.
Qing Xue didn't say anything.
"I do have this idea." Princess Nine repeated the sentence.
Qing Xue and Qing Mei were shocked when they heard this. They could not believe their ears.
The Ninth Princess had such a noble status, yet she actually had such thoughts. If word got out, it would probably shock many people.
Princess, do you like him?" Qing Xue hesitated.
The Ninth Princess shook her head." No, I don't like it at all. After all, we've only met once. How could I like it?""
"But if he really wants it, so what if I give it to him? As long as he can help me, everything will be worth it."

"Qingxue, you have to remember that no matter what my identity is, this is my capital. If I want to be a bargaining chip, Xu Bai is the most suitable because omy ne can enter my eyes:
'What a pity
Qing Xue recovered from her shock and asked subconsciously,""What's a pity?"
The ninth princess was lost." He's not interested in me. He even hates what I do. You've interacted with him quite well. Is there really a man in this world who doesn't like women?""
"He loves women." Qing Xue thought for a while and said,""But he doesn't seem to like using women to make deals. He's a very principled person."
"Principles?" " Well," the Ninth Princess said with a smile." This is getting more and more interesting. ""
The room fell silent again.
Xu Bai left the Ninth Princess's residence, but his mind kept thinking about the conversation he had with the Ninth Princess.
"Prime Minister?"
In Great Chu, the position of Prime Minister could be said to be the head of all officials. Of course, it referred to civil servants.
Sitting in this position, one could basically summon a hundred people to respond. All the civil officials in the world would dare to disobey. It was no exaggeration to say that as long as the Prime Minister said a word, these civil officials would listen.
Of course, the prerequisite was that he was still the prime minister.

If the Emperor was unhappy and wanted to change his position, then this position would belong to someone else.

However, he was a pedantic scholar, but he was able to sit firmly in this position. At least it proved that his ability was excellent, and he could bear this official position, so the emperor did not replace him.

Now, this prime minister did not like him, and it seemed to be a little difficult.

However, it was just a little. Xu Bai was not afraid of this. He did not cause trouble. If things really came to an end, he was not afraid.

With this thought in mind, Xu Bai walked toward his residence. He was already familiar with this road, so he wasn't afraid of getting lost.

As they walked, they were about to arrive when they were stopped by someone.

The person who stopped him was a young man dressed in silk and satin. He had a pressuring noble air about him. Clearly, his status was not low.

Xu Bai stopped and looked at the young man in front of him with interest. "'Who are you?"

"Seventh Prince." The young man in front of him didn't beat around the bush and directly told Xu Bai his identity. He slightly raised his head and looked extremely arrogant.

Xu Bai looked around the young man and saw a few shadows passing by.

"So it's His Highness the Seventh Prince. May I know why you're looking for

"It's nothing. I'm just here to see what the legendary figures in the martial world look like." The Seventh Prince cupped his fists and turned to leave.

It came and went quickly. There was no conflict or conflict between them, which made Xu Bai feel a little strange.
He and the Seventh Prince had a grudge, but now he only came to see him. Xu
Bai thought of the few black shadows he saw just now and quickly had a guess.
"Heh, so you're here to find out the truth."
It was very normal for these members of the royal family to have a few guards with them.
These guards might have been recruited by them personally. Xu Bai guessed that the few shadows that flashed past were the guards of the Seventh Prince.
And this time, the Seventh Prince probably came to see his strength. Other than that, he couldn't think of anything else
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"Boring."
Xu Bai yawned and walked back to his residence. It didn't take long for him to return.
He had wanted to take a nap just now, but now he couldn't. So, Xu Bai took out the book he got from the Ninth Princess and started to check the progress bar.

On the other side, the Seventh Prince hurriedly returned to his palace. As soon as he sat down, he
quickly said to the surrounding people.

"What did you guys think of Xu Bai's strength?"

The surrounding space distorted and soon, a few players appeared beside the Seventh Prince.

"This person is unfathomable. We can't beat him. Just now, he discovered our tracks in a single exchange."

When the Seventh Prince heard this, he clenched his right fist slightly and hammered the armrest of the chair with force, making a thud.

"You are the strongest experts under me. If I can't even defeat you, how can I avenge my hatred?"

The few of them looked at each other and smiled bitterly. They didn't say anything.

If they couldn't win, they couldn't win. They had nothing to say.

At this moment, the Seventh Prince's expression became even more gloomy.

After a moment, a person dressed in plain clothes suddenly walked in from outside the door. He didn't show any respect and came directly to the Seventh Prince.

"Greetings, Seventh Prince."

Although he said that he had seen it before, he did not look like he had seen it before. He did not even bend his waist.

The Seventh Prince did not care about this young man's performance. He waved his hand and let the few experts retreat. Only then did he look at the plainly dressed young man in front of him.

"The Prime Minister has twelve personal disciples. Which one are you?" "Third." "Your Highness, you can call me Wen Chengshu," the young man in plain clothes said with a smile." "Why are you looking for me?" "I don't have any interactions with the Prime Minister." The Seventh Prince's expression was calm." Could it be because of Xu Bai?"" Wen Chengshu didn't hide anything. He nodded and said,""The Prime Minister knows that Your Highness and Xu Bai have a feud, so he sent me to help Your Highness." The Seventh Prince pursed his lips." There's nothing free in this world. Why do you want to deal with Xu Bai?"" "For the sake of the world." Wen Chengshu didn't hide anything." Xu Bai was born in Jianghu. He can't be put in an important position. Teacher said that Jianghu people can't be trusted. Besides, Teacher was expelled from the Qingyun Academy back then. Xu Bai was favored by the Qingyun Academy. Teacher didn't like it." His voice was calm, and there was nothing wrong with his face. However, in this day and age, those who could hide their emotions were the most sinister and terrifying people.

"For so many years, the Prime Minister has always kept a clear distinction between public and private

affairs. Even though many scholars are from the Qingyun Academy, they have never used any

tricks.""Why do you want to deal with Xu Bai today?" the Seventh Prince asked."

Even if the Seventh Prince was arrogant, it was just his personality. To be able to be a member of the royal family, he must have a lot of ideas and a certain level of intelligence.

Therefore, he quickly discovered that something was wrong and bluntly said it. This was also related to his character. If it was any other member of the royal family, they would definitely not say it and would only bury it in their hearts. However, the Seventh Prince was extremely arrogant, so he did not hide it. f(r)ee

"Your Highness, do you know why the teacher hasn't changed after so many years and is still sitting in that position?" Wen Chengshu asked.

The Seventh Prince shook his head, indicating that he did not know.

Anyone who was familiar with the Chu Kingdom would know that the Prime Minister had fought alongside the Chu Emperor.

However, ever since he became prime minister, he had different opinions on many problems. He was direct and pointed them out in front of all the civil and military officials.

Many a time, when the Chu Emperor proposed some plans, he would also point out the inadequacies and would not beat around the bush.

The Chu Emperor was a person who cherished old friendships, but he wasn't a fool. Some of the old people who had come with him that day had been greedy for pleasure after conquering the country. He had tried all means to remove them from their official positions and let them return to their hometown.

But until now, the position of Prime Minister remained unmoved, and no one dared to step over it.

The Seventh Prince was also very curious about this.

He had once seen in the royal study that his father had an argument with the prime minister. After the prime minister left, his father smashed his favorite antique to the ground and shattered it.

This showed that his father was very angry. However, he had never dismissed the position of prime minister.

He couldn't figure out the reason.

"Because the Prime Minister has the ability. This is only one of the reasons. The second reason is that everything the Prime Minister has done is for the sake of Great Chu. He has no selfish motives. This is why His Majesty still trusts the Prime Minister." Wen Chengshu said bluntly.

The Seventh Prince instantly understood. Everything that the Prime Minister had done since the establishment of the Great Chu State had indeed not contained any selfishness.

"Then why...To deal with Xu Bai?

"Because the Prime Minister believes that Xu Bai will definitely bring disaster to Great Chu.""He has already guessed what kind of reward His Majesty will give Xu Bai," Wen Chengshu said."

"What reward?" asked the Seventh Prince.'

Wen Chengshu opened his mouth, but he didn't say it directly. He mouthed it very slowly, and the Seventh Prince saw it clearly.

The Seventh Prince stood up abruptly with an expression of disbelief." Impossible!"

"Then do you think there's a better reward than this?" Wen Chengshu said...

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The Seventh Prince shut his mouth and sat on his seat weakly. He seemed to be thinking, but after thinking for a long time, there was only bitterness on his face.

"What do you want to do?"

"If we let the experts in the capital make a move, Imperial Father will definitely find out."
"Even the Prime Minister wouldn't dare." f(r)eeweb(n)ovel
"I dare!" Wen Chengshu shook his head."
"My teacher once said that as long as it was for Great Chu and for His Majesty, he would not waver even if he were to die immediately."
"But Teacher said that Xu Bai alone wouldn't make him pay such a huge price." "If it succeeds, then Xu Bai's death is nothing. If it fails, then Xu Bai deserves the reward.'
Was he worthy of that reward?
The Seventh Prince silently mulled over Wen Chengshu's words. Finally, he gritted his teeth and asked,""What do you want to do?"
"Take this and shine it in front of Xu Bai."Wen Chengshu took out a mirror from his pocket and handed it to the Seventh Prince.""Alright."
The Seventh Prince took it and sized it up.
This mirror was just an ordinary mirror. It looked normal, and even the patterns on it were particularly rough.
"This is just an ordinary mirror."Wen Chengshu smiled." But in this mirror, there is an article that Teacher personally copied. Your Highness, you should have heard of the Eternal Noble Spirit, right?""
The Seventh Prince was still looking at the mirror in his hand. When he heard this, he suddenly stood up.

"Back then, the Prime Minister wrote the Eternal Noble Spirit and killed thousands of miles of strange creatures. Legend has it that those who have ghosts in their hearts will feel fear when they see this text. The stronger the evil in their hearts, the stronger the backlash."
"Do you mean to use this to test Xu Bai?"
Wen Cheng Shu nodded his head in agreement.
The Seventh Prince had a complicated look in his eyes.
"It is said that the Prime Minister is the most pedantic person in the world."
"I didn't expect him to be so open-minded in this aspect. As long as he passes the test, will he be able to pass the Prime Minister's test?"
Wen Chengshu shook his head and said," No, Teacher still doesn't like Xu Bai. However, no matter how much he dislikes Xu Bai, he can tolerate everything in front of the Great Chu royal family and the world."
"Like I said just now, Teacher has never done anything selfish in his life.
Otherwise, why would he always sit in such an important official position?"
"Teacher said that if he passes, it will be the blessing of Great Chu. At most, he won't come into contact with Xu Bai to avoid dirtying his eyes."
"There's one last question. Why do you want me to do it?""
Wen Chengshu looked at the person in front of him who held a high position and slowly said what his

teacher had said.

"You are different from the other members of the royal family. You have the blessing of the Sword Empress."
"The only martial artist that teacher admires in this lifetime is the Sword Empress."
"You are wrong in this matter, and you are wrong. Whether Xu Bai passes or not, you are wrong. However, with the blessing of the Sword Empress, you will not be punished by His Majesty."
The Seventh Prince handed the mirror over, meaning that he did not want to do this.
However, Wen Chengshu did not take it." This is a deal. Your Highness can take revenge, but you have to pay the price. If Your Highness doesn't do it, then forget it. I'll give Your Highness some time to consider.""
The Seventh Prince was stunned. He stood there and thought for a long time before silently putting the mirror back.
Wen Chengshu cupped his fists and turned to leave.
However, before he left, he paused for a moment and turned around to say something.
"Your Highness. mv teacher has a message for vou."
"What words?" The Seventh Prince asked doubtfully.
Wen Cheng Shu organized his words and then said the rest.
"Teacher was just a poor scholar back then, and he also received the Sword Empress's grace. Teacher said that the blessing that the Sword Empress bestowed upon Your Highness would not allow you to live

a carefree life, so Your Highness had better restrain yourself in the future."

With that, Wen Chengshu left. The Seventh Prince sat on the ground, thinking about what Wen Chengshu had just said. A moment later, he came back to his senses and held the mirror in his hand. "Just this once. This time, it's over. I'll let you go. Will mother's blessings be exhausted by me..." The Seventh Prince's bitter voice rang out in the empty hall. On the other side, in the royal study. Eunuch Wei knocked on the door. Only after a sound came from inside did he push the door open and enter. He closed the door behind him and came before the Chu Emperor, handing over a memorial. "Your Majesty, all the personnel have been gathered. As long as Your Majesty gives the order, the entire capital will be filled with bloodshed." The Chu Emperor was currently reading an ancient book with his head lowered. After hearing Eunuch Wei's words, he picked up the booklet and flipped through it gently for a while before throwing it onto the table. "Start from the periphery and gradually spread inwards." "Yes, sir!" Eunuch Wei replied respectfully with a troubled expression. The Chu Emperor was an astute person and could tell with a single glance. He couldn't help but

laugh,""Is there anything between you and me that can't be said?"

"The Prime Minister sealed the Eternal Noble Spirit into the mirror and asked the Seventh Prince to bring it over," Eunuch Wei said." He wants to test Xu Bai's temperament.'"
Hearing this, the Chu Emperor nodded his head. He didn't show any expression, merely expressing that he understood.
Eunuch Wei was stunned. To be able to get to his position, he was also a shrewd person. He quickly thought of the truth.
"This isWhat does Your Majesty mean?"
"Yes." The Chu Emperor didn't avoid the Chaosang and directly nodded
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"Three birds with one stone." Eunuch Wei suddenly woke up.
The Chu Emperor smiled and said," You finally saw it. That's right, that's it. ""
"The Prime Minister is talented and virtuous. He doesn't even have any selfishness. You know this matter as well, but he's too pedantic."
"Let him give the Seventh Prince a mirror and then let the Seventh Prince test
Xu Bai. If I win, he won't care about this matter."
"As for the results, there are three."
"Firstly. I can test Xu Bai's temperament-'

"Secondly, we can shut the Prime Minister up."
"Third, Old Seventh this fellow should temper himself. This time, just treat it as using up all of my beloved consort's blessings and let him know the dangers of the world."
Eunuch Wei's mouth twitched.
As a person who was particularly particular about rules, he couldn't say the words "cunning", but he was criticizing in his heart.
"At that time, it was fortunate that His Majesty lost, and His Highness forcefully gave the throne to His Majesty." If it were His Highness, he would probably be holding his weapon and looking for the Prime Minister right now," Eunuch Wei said."
The Chu Emperor glanced at Eunuch Wei and said,""Zhen knows that you admire Xu Bai, and Zhen also admires him, but there are some things that
Zhen must do from a different perspective."
"I understand." Eunuch Wei said in a low voice.
Only then did the Chu Emperor let Eunuch Wei leave. After he left, he picked up the ancient book on the table and continued to read.
The sky gradually darkened, and night fell.
In the resplendent palace, there were not many who slept soundly.
The next day.
Xu Bai looked at the light blue smoke in front of him with a satisfied expression.

He could only say that after the mutation, the speed of the golden finger was really too fast. The smoke gradually condensed in the air and finally formed a line of words. [You have studied the true understanding of mechanisms and comprehended it.] [Fusion option found. Fusion in progress.] [Mechanical Quintessence + Mechanical Puppet Technique = Mechanical Puppet Quintessence.] [Fusion successful.] The smoke disappeared and turned into a sea of information that entered Xu Bai's mind. At the same time, Xu Bai's interface changed again. [Name: Xu Bai] [Realm: Extraordinary First-grade Itinerant] [Swordless Blade Superclass (Extraordinary Rank-I):[Maximum level.] [Myriad Forms Heavenly Technique, Extraordinary Rank-I]:[Maximum level.] [Wind Snow Return (Level 5): Maximum level.] [Breaking through rank nine (level 9): Maximum level.] [Shifting Stars (Level 9): Maximum level.] [Vajra Holy Demon Body: Rank 8, Level 10]] [Kidney Harvester (Level 5): Maximum level.] [Hundred Poison True Clear Rank 3]: Full Rank.] [Mastery of Mechanical Puppets (Level 9): [Maximum level.] [Indestructible Body (Incomplete)(Level 6): [Maximum level.] [Water Aptitude Technique (Level 5): Maximum level.] [Feng Shui Arithmetic (Level 9): Maximum level.] [Thousand Faces Technique (Level): Maximum level.]

" Comprehension: Maximum level."

Having reached the ninth step of the Puppet Quintessence, he was already capable of crafting first-grade mechanical items.

At this moment, Xu Bai turned his head and looked at the puppet of the Fourth Stage next to him, rubbing his chin.

He was going to make a saber now. At the same time, he was going to make a puppet again and make it a first-grade puppet.

He needed a lot of materials, so he had to get them as soon as possible.

However, before that, he carefully looked at the interface and found that he had a skill that was particularly dragging him down.

[Hundred Poison Solution (Level 3)]

This skill could allow him to resist poison, identify poison, and use poison, but his level was too low.

Xu Bai would not be able to resist a poison that was beyond his level unless he activated the Diamond Holy Demon Body.

However, those who used poison were very cunning. They would not use it openly in front of him, so he had to improve it as soon as possible. "I'll set up the traps first, then I'll set up the progress bar related to poison." Xu Bai made up his mind and prepared to go out to find the Ninth Princess.

No materials?

It didn't matter. He could just ask the Ninth Princess for it. They were friends.

The Ninth Princess was in charge of the royal family's finances. She was definitely not poor. It would be best if she could get some materials.

Xu Bai stretched his back and opened the door. He stepped out of the door and walked toward the Ninth Princess's residence.

Along the way, he did not encounter any obstacles. Some passing soldiers even greeted him respectfully when they saw him.

Soon after, he arrived at the Ninth Princess's mansion. After explaining his purpose of visit, the Ninth Princess agreed to it without hesitation. She took the list of materials that Xu Bai had given her and ordered her subordinates to do it.

Xu Bai didn't stay. When the ninth princess said that she would send the collection to him, Xu Bai went back to his residence.

The journey was also smooth. When he returned to his residence, Xu Bai pushed open the door and was about to sit on a chair to rest for a while. Unexpectedly, before his butt could warm up, he heard footsteps outside the door.

The Seventh Prince carried all kinds of boxes in his hands, carefully wrapped, and walked into the room.

"Lord Xu, I'm sorry to disturb you. You've been in the palace for so long, so I came to deliver some daily necessities to you."

Xu Bai narrowed his eyes.

Had this guy changed?

There must be something wrong with things.

Then, under the Seventh Prince's astonished gaze, he was pushed out by Xu Bai. "I've recently caught a cold and am afraid of passing it on to the Seventh Prince, so it's not convenient for me to meet guests." The door closed. In the spacious courtyard, the Seventh Prince carried the gift box and was in a mess in the wind.. Chapter 569: 5,000 Years of Culture, Are You Joking? Looking at the tightly shut door in front of him, the Seventh Prince felt like he was about to collapse. This time, he didn't do anything taboo, nor did he come to provoke him. He came with a gift. Why was he rejected by Xu Bai before he could say anything? You should at least wait for me to finish speaking! The Seventh Prince gripped the box in his hand so tightly that it was slightly deformed. He took a deep breath and tried his best to calm down the depression and anger in his heart. He squeezed out a smile and knocked on the door. "Lord Xu, I know that there was some enmity between the two of us in the past, but I'm here to ask for forgiveness. Open the door." The door didn't open, but Xu Bai's voice could be heard. "Just leave it outside the door. This Xu's body hasn't been feeling well recently and I'm afraid it will

infect His Highness the Seventh Prince."

Infected?
Feeling unwell?
You're an evolution state master, but you're saying you're not feeling well? Are you fooling a ghost?
Seventh Prince's brows twitched wildly. He felt that if he stood here for a few more minutes, he would explode in anger.
However, the other party did not open the door at all, and he had no way to force his way in. Thinking of this, the Seventh Prince could only put the things in his hands outside the door and slowly stand up.
"Then I'll leave it here."
The Seventh Prince did not stay any longer. He turned around and left. However, after he left, he found a corner and secretly watched.
After about half an incense's time, the two servant girls carried the gift box he had placed in his hand and threw it outside like trash.
The Seventh Prince clenched his fists when he saw this. He knew that not only did Xu Bai not want to see him, but he was also very wary of him. He was not even willing to open the things he gave him. He did not even want to take a look at them.
Thinking of this, he took out the ordinary mirror from his arms and thought to himself.
"Fortunately, I didn't put the mirror inside. Otherwise, it would have been broken."
The Prime Minister's Eternal Noble Spirit was sealed in the mirror, but it was made of an ordinary mirror. The Eternal Noble Spirit had no effect on people with righteous hearts, so it was impossible to

make the mirror stronger.

If he had dropped it, the mirror would have been damaged. But now that Xu Bai didn't want to see him, how could he hold the mirror in front of Xu Bai to take a

look?

After thinking for a moment, the Seventh Prince gritted his teeth and walked out from the corner. He came to Xu Bai's room again and knocked on the door. "Lord Xu, I must see you today. If you don't come out, I will wait in front."

Compared to the past, the Seventh Prince no longer had his usual arrogance. Instead, he looked like a person who visited the thatched cottage three times and was thirsty for talents.

In the room, Xu Bai rubbed his chin. He didn't understand why the Seventh Prince had come.

Had she changed? It was very difficult.

It was impossible for such a person to change his nature for no reason, unless he was beaten up.

It was like thinking that one was the best before they had experienced life and the beating of society.

There was definitely something going on.

Just now, he had already expressed that he was not going to see him and had thrown away all those gifts. Now, he still wanted to come and even made up his mind to guard outside the door. It seemed that if he did not go out, the Seventh Prince would definitely not leave.

Thinking of this, Xu Bai went to the door and opened it.

"Seventh Prince, why are you so stubborn? The grudge between us has long been put aside. There's no need to apologize."

He still had to put in some effort to save face. After all, in this day and age, everyone had to put in some effort to save face.

However, he did not expect that when Xu Bai opened the door, the Seventh Prince did not even say anything. He raised the mirror in his hand and looked at Xu Bai's face.

"Hmm?"

The mirror did not shine on Xu Bai's face. Instead, Xu Bai snatched it away from him, keeping the smooth side of the mirror away from him.

Then, Xu Bai raised his leg and kicked hard.

The Seventh Prince was attacked and rolled on the ground a few times before stopping.

The Seventh Prince stopped and his hair was disheveled. His originally combed hair had been scattered to the side because of the continuous rolling. Even the silk on his body was stained with dense dust.

He didn't expect Xu Bai to react so quickly. He didn't even look at the mirror before he snatched it away. He even kicked him, causing him to roll on the ground.

"Aiyo, why is His Highness the Seventh Prince walking so carelessly? This place is full of hard stone slabs. If you fall, it will really hurt." Xu Bai said expressionlessly, although he looked concerned.

The Emperor had already spoken and asked him to take good care of this Seventh Prince. How could he let go of this opportunity?

Moreover, the Seventh Prince had fallen on his own and had nothing to do with him. As for the footprint on his chest...

When he fell, the ground was not clean. It was normal for one or two footprints to be left on the ground.

The Seventh Prince was instantly enraged. He stood up and pointed at Xu Bai.

His expression was uncertain. He wanted to say something, but he didn't say it.

What did he say? There was no other way.

The other party didn't seriously injure him. He only kicked him and said that he fell.

There was no one else here. The two servant girls had been guarding outside the door all this time. They could not be witnesses. Even if they suffered now, they could only bear it alone.

He pointed at Xu Bai for a long time, but he couldn't say anything. In the end, the Seventh Prince snorted coldly, waved his hand, and left..

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Anyway, the mirror had been delivered. As for whether it would work or not, it had nothing to do with him.

Not long after the Seventh Prince walked out, he happened to bump into Wen Chengshu, who was watching the show in the corner.

The Seventh Prince didn't like this third disciple of the Prime Minister's calm aura, especially after what had happened today, which made him lose face. It was even more unbearable.

Wen Chengshu hid in a corner and waved at the Seventh Prince, signaling him to hurry over.

He looked very wretched, like a peeping Tom.

Although he was angry, the Seventh Prince still walked over and told him what had happened.

Especially when Xu Bai snatched the mirror away and did not shine on Xu Bai.

"I'm fine." Wen Chengshu patted his chest confidently." Actually, as long as the mirror sees him, it will be triggered. It's just that it's a little late. He doesn't need to look in the mirror."

"What you mean is that I've completely become a tool for you to execute your plan, and you're deliberately making me look bad.""

It was obvious that he only needed to touch it, but he insisted that he had to look in the mirror to successfully trigger it. This was clearly Wen Chengshu deliberately not telling him and letting him come over to make a fool of himself.

And with the Prime Minister's temper, he would never deliberately make things difficult for him.

The reason was that this matter was definitely Wen Chengshu's own decision.

"Seventh Prince, don't be angry. No matter what, this is a form of training." Wen Chengshu said with an extremely indifferent expression.

He did not have the arrogance of a scholar. Instead, he had a hidden aura.

"What a good training." The Seventh Prince gritted his teeth so hard that they were about to break. However, when he thought of the other party's identity and his cooperation with the other party, he could only swallow his broken teeth.

Wen Chengshu took out a brush and drew in the sky for a moment. He easily transmitted the image of Xu Bai.

In the courtyard.

Xu Bai was about to throw away the mirror in his hand, but he did not expect an inexplicable airflow to appear in the mirror. This airflow carried a light that made people unable to look directly at it, as if it was the light of the righteous path.

"There is indeed a problem."

The two servant girls guarding the door did not notice anything unusual. Even though the light was very dazzling, the two servant girls did not seem to see it.

Xu Bai deduced from this that this thing was actually heading precisely for him.

"It's specifically targeted at me."

Thinking of this, Xu Bai braced himself and prepared to deal with this inexplicable light.

But in the next moment, before he could react, the light from the mirror in front of him gradually weakened and finally disappeared completely, as if it had never been there.

"What's going on?" Xu Bai was puzzled. He held the mirror in his hand and looked at it repeatedly, but he could not see anything different.

There was clearly a light just now, but this light flashed and disappeared in the blink of an eye. What was going on?

Xu Bai couldn't make up his mind, but he still threw the mirror in his hand away, turned around, and returned to his room. He planned to take a good look to see if there was anything wrong with him.

Just as he returned to his room, Wen Chengshu, who was in a corner outside, looked at the light in front of him. He was stunned on the spot, as if he was a wooden statue. He did not react at all.

The Seventh Prince was curious and wanted to push it away, but he thought that these things were very strange. If he touched them and something happened, he would have no place to reason, so he suppressed his curiosity.

Wen Chengshu's face was filled with a dull expression. After a moment, the scene in front of him disappeared. His expression was slightly gloomy, and no one knew what he was thinking.

At this moment, only he, the third disciple of the Prime Minister, knew that what had happened in that instant was too exciting.

As everyone knew, the Eternal Noble Spirit Chapter had an extremely powerful effect on people who had evil in their hearts. The more serious it was, the stronger the effect.

However, nothing seemed to have happened just now, which proved that not only did Xu Bai not have any evil in his heart, but he was also a person with a noble spirit.

However, these were only laymen's opinions. As an expert, Wen Chengshu knew that there was a second kind of accident.

No one could have a pure heart, unless they were newborn babies. Otherwise, they would more or less have some dirty things to do. However, Xu Bai did not even have any reaction in the mirror, which could only mean the second situation.

The second possibility was that Xu Bai had already defeated the Eternal Noble Spirit, but was that possible?

It was simply impossible!

This was because Xu Bai was not a scholar. Although according to the current intelligence, Xu Bai had learned a lot, the knowledge of scholars occupied a very small share.

"I really want to see what kind of extraordinary person he is, to be able to resist even Teacher's handiwork." Wen Chengshu took a deep breath, raised the brush in his hand, and drew in the air.

He had already learned the Eternal Noble Spirit Chapter, so he wanted to use this opportunity to use the Eternal Noble Spirit Chapter as a guide to investigate its roots. Even if he could only find a trace, it would be extremely useful.

A noble spirit unique to scholars flowed through Wen Chengshu's heart and spread in the air along the brush. A moment later, Wen Chengshu closed his eyes.

In the next moment, he seemed to see a vast expanse of white light. In the white light, there were lines of words that were constantly being transmitted..