

Big Shot 1721

Chapter 1721: Why Is It You Again, Shameless Vixen?

His and Mo Shixiu's birthdays were only a month apart.

Qiao Mianmian felt like she should prepare a birthday gift for Mo Yesi.

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Upstairs.

They walked out of the elevator hand in hand.

Just as they were about to enter a men's clothing store, they saw two people walking towards them.

Qiao Mianmian was wearing a mask and a cap, and her hair was loose. Logically speaking, no one should recognize her.

But the handsome man in black at the front recognized her immediately.

Gong Zeli couldn't help but walk towards Qiao Mianmian.

He walked very quickly, and the woman beside him had to jog to keep up with him.

The woman was wearing high heels that were at least 10 centimeters high. The heels were sharp and thin, and she almost sprained her ankle after taking two steps.

She looked at the man in front of her who still hadn't stopped. She bit her lip in dissatisfaction, steadied herself, and quickly chased after him.

As she chased him, she called out sweetly, "Brother Zeli, slow down. Wait for me. I can't keep up with you in my high heels."

Gong Zeli ignored her and walked towards Qiao Mianmian.

Jiang Luoli was shocked to see him. "Y-Young Master Gong?"

Gong Zeli looked at Qiao Mianmian for a few seconds. There was a hint of joy in his eyes, but he hid it well.

"Qiao Mianmian, is that you?"

Although he asked her, he had already confirmed Qiao Mianmian's identity.

The moment he got close to her, her faint fragrance wafted over.

Besides her, he hadn't smelled the same scent on anyone else.

This was her unique scent, like her label.

Qiao Mianmian looked up and was stunned to see him.

She opened her mouth and was about to speak when she heard a sharp voice. "Why is it you again, shameless vixen? Did you find out that Brother Zeli was here today, so you deliberately came to pretend to have a chance encounter with him?"

Qiao Mianmian's expression darkened.

Gong Zeli's expression also darkened. He turned around and said coldly, "Shangguan Qing, no one asked you to speak. Shut up. Also, didn't I tell you not to follow me anymore? This has nothing to do with you. Leave immediately."

Shangguan Qing's eyes reddened.

Her hatred for Qiao Mianmian deepened.

She felt like Gong Zeli was defending Qiao Mianmian.

She pointed at Qiao Mianmian's nose and yelled, "Brother Zeli, why are you protecting this shameless vixen? Aunt Gong said that I'm your future wife.

"A shameless woman wants to seduce my husband. Can't I scold her?"

Shangguan Qing was very loud.

Seeing that everyone was looking at them, she became even more self-righteous, as if she had really caught a mistress. She pointed at Qiao Mianmian and scolded her even more fiercely. "Qiao Mianmian, I warned you last time not to get close to Brother Zeli. Why are you so shameless? Isn't Bai Yusheng enough for you to seduce? You even came to seduce my man.

"A shameless vixen like you is seducing other men just because you're pretty."

Chapter 1722: You Want to Marry Me, Never in This Lifetime

"You're just a toy that someone can sleep with after spending some money. How dare you snatch my man, you..."

Before Shangguan Qing could finish her sentence, her face was slapped to the side.

Five bloody finger marks appeared on her cheek.

Gong Zeli said icily, "If you dare to say another word, I'll make sure you can't open your mouth.

"It's impossible for you to marry me in this lifetime. I feel disgusted seeing a woman like you. Get lost immediately!"

This slap wasn't light.

Shangguan Qing took a few steps back and fell to the ground.

She cried out in pain.

Gong Zeli looked at her coldly for a second before looking away.

He said to Qiao Mianmian, "Ignore her, she's crazy. I have nothing to do with her.

"I don't know what my mom said to her. But my mom is my mom, and I'm me. She can't decide anything about me."

Qiao Mianmian was speechless.

When she was about to hit her, Gong Zeli had already taught Shangguan Qing a lesson.

Seeing Shangguan Qing lying on the ground, half of her face swollen, holding her injured knee, and crying, Qiao Mianmian felt that she didn't have to do anything.

Gong Zeli was really ruthless.

Qiao Mianmian felt that he didn't hold back at all. Shangguan Qing's face was swollen like a pig's head, and the five bloody fingerprints were still very clear on her face.

It was obvious how powerful that slap was.

Actually, Qiao Mianmian was shocked by his actions.

She heard from Bai Yusheng that the Gong and Shangguan families wanted to form a marriage alliance.

He hit Shangguan Qing in public and even hit her so badly. The marriage between the two families was probably...

"Mr. Gong, this is all your business. It has nothing to do with me."

Although Gong Zeli helped her, Qiao Mianmian wasn't grateful to him.

On the contrary, her attitude wasn't very good. Her tone was even a little cold. "Mr. Gong, this is all your business. It has nothing to do with me. You don't have to say this to me. I don't want to be misunderstood by your friends."

Gong Zeli was stunned.

Qiao Mianmian ignored him.

She looked at Shangguan Qing, who was still crying on the ground, and took two steps forward. She stopped in front of her and looked down at her coldly. "Miss Shangguan, I don't care what your relationship with Gong Zeli is. This is my last warning.

"I have nothing to do with Gong Zeli. I have a boyfriend, and we have a good relationship. If you're delusional, go to the hospital for early treatment. Don't keep fantasizing about anyone snatching your man. This is an illness, it has to be treated."

Shangguan Qing covered her face and looked up with swollen eyes. "You shameless vixen, you..."

"Vixen, vixen, is this how the Shangguan Family teaches you?" Qiao Mianmian sneered. "Only beautiful women are called vixens. I'll take it that you're jealous of my looks.

"If a person isn't good-looking enough, they can change their appearance through some means. But if their heart is ugly, then it's hopeless."

Shangguan Qing's chest heaved.

Chapter 1723: Who Wants to Marry This Woman?

"Slut, shameless vixen!"

Qiao Mianmian looked at how ugly she looked and smiled even more disdainfully.

No wonder Gong Zeli didn't like Shangguan Qing.

She didn't look like a rich girl at all.

Even a daughter from an ordinary family wouldn't be like this.

It was too embarrassing.

Qiao Mianmian glanced at her and couldn't be bothered to talk to someone as simple-minded as Shangguan Qing.

More and more people gathered around them.

Because of Shangguan Qing's loud voice, many people learned of Qiao Mianmian's identity. Some young people who often browsed Weibo also quickly recognized her.

They surrounded Qiao Mianmian and pointed at her.

"Isn't this Qiao Mianmian? She's the actress who's always on Weibo's hot searches."

"I was wondering why she looked so familiar. So it's Qiao Mianmian. What's going on? Is the woman lying on the ground Gong Zeli's fiancée? Was it true that she called Qiao Mianmian a vixen for seducing Gong Zeli?"

"She seems to be the daughter of the Shangguan Family. A friend of mine works at the Gong Corporation, and he said that the Gong Family might be forming a marriage alliance with the Shangguan Family. So, the fiancée might be real."

"The Shangguan Family? They're quite compatible with the Gong Family. I think the Shangguan's only have this one daughter. If the Gong's marry her, it's equivalent to taking over the Shangguan family's business. This is the true alliance of the strong."

"The Gong Family is already so powerful. They don't need to rely on the Shangguan Family to stabilize their position. I don't think Gong Zeli is interested in this Miss Shangguan at all. This person fell to the ground, but he didn't help her. This marriage should be the intention of the two families' elders. Gong Zeli definitely isn't willing."

"If the woman lying on the ground is really the daughter of the Shangguan Family, then their upbringing is too terrible. She doesn't look like a daughter of a rich family at all. She's more like a shrew. No wonder Young Master Gong despises her so much. Who would want to marry such a woman?"

"I'm only concerned about her saying that Qiao Mianmian seduced Gong Zeli. Is that true?"

"I really don't know, but I can tell that Gong Zeli is very protective of her. I don't know if it's because Qiao Mianmian's boyfriend is his brother, or if he's really having an affair with her."

Qiao Mianmian heard the discussions around her.

She already thought she might be on the trending list again.

She even thought of a few trending topics:

Qiao Mianmian snatched her fiancé

Gong Zeli's ambiguous relationship

Qiao Mianmian was accused by Gong Zeli's fiancée

She felt that she was really unlucky.

It was an undeserved catastrophe.

She had no contact with Gong Zeli in private, and neither did they have a friendship.

There was nothing between them.

But even so, she was still misunderstood.

She was out shopping today, but she actually bumped into Gong Zeli and this Shangguan Qing.

She didn't know why Shangguan Qing was so hostile towards her and insisted that she seduced Gong Zeli.

Qiao Mianmian didn't intend to be too entangled with her. She was afraid she wouldn't be able to get away if more people gathered around them.

She didn't want Jiang Luoli to be criticized, too.

Chapter 1724: Why, Because This Shopping Mall Is Mine

"Luo Luo, let's go."

She held Jiang Luoli's arm and turned to leave.

Suddenly, someone rushed out of the crowd and pushed her.

The person who rushed over was a girl who looked to be only 15 or 16 years old. She pushed her and yelled, "Qiao Mianmian, you bad woman. You caused Brother Yilei to be so badly injured and forced him to leave the industry. You caused him to be like this, but you're still walking around here as if nothing happened."

"You vicious woman, return my Brother Yilei."

No one expected someone to suddenly rush out.

Qiao Mianmian was even more surprised.

Hence, she was pushed back a few steps and fell to the ground.

"Baby!"

Jiang Luoli was also shocked by this sudden situation. It took her a few seconds to react.

Seeing Qiao Mianmian fall to the ground, her expression changed, and she immediately ran over to help her up.

But someone was faster.

In the blink of an eye, Jiang Luoli saw that Gong Zeli had already reached Qiao Mianmian and was helping her up.

As he grabbed her arm, a rare hint of nervousness appeared on the man's usually feminine face.

"Qiao Mianmian, how are you feeling?"

Qiao Mianmian opened her mouth and was about to say something when the girl who pushed her to the ground rushed over again.

The girl looked indignant and seemed like she wanted to hit her. "You're a jinx. Brother Yilei is kind-hearted and won't hold it against you. I'll vent my anger on you today."

The girl raised her hand.

But before she could touch Qiao Mianmian, Gong Zeli stood up and kicked her away.

The girl fell to the ground. Her face went pale from the pain and she cried.

At this moment, the mall security guard noticed the commotion and walked over. When he saw the few people on the ground and Gong Zeli's scary expression, he was stunned and immediately said respectfully, "Young Master Gong, what happened here? This is..."

Gong Zeli glared at the girl on the ground and said coldly, "Take this troublemaker away. She's not to enter this mall ever again."

The moment he said that, everyone was shocked.

The girl on the ground looked up. With red and swollen eyes, she gritted her teeth and asked, "Who are you? What right do you have to ban me from this mall? I only taught a bad woman a lesson. What right do you have to say I'm causing trouble?"

"You hurt me. I'm going to sue you for compensation!"

Gong Zeli narrowed his eyes. "Why? Because this mall is mine. Compensation? Don't worry, I won't lose a single cent."

The girl's eyes widened in shock.

Although Gong Zeli wasn't low-profile, many people knew him.

But the girl was still young, and she usually only chased after idols.

Young masters like Gong Zeli weren't public figures, so it was normal for little girls not to know them.

"What are you waiting for?" Gong Zeli was obviously angry. "Take her out."

Chapter 1725: I'll Carry Her to the Hospital

With that, he narrowed his eyes and turned to look at Shangguan Qing, who was still clenching her teeth on the ground. "Take her away, too."

Hearing that, the security officers immediately went to drag the girl off the ground.

When the security guard reached out to grab her, Shangguan Qing's reaction was especially intense. She waved the security guard's hand away and yelled, "I'm Shangguan Qing, the daughter of the Shangguan Family. Get lost, don't touch me."

"Whoever dares to touch me, I'll make sure you suffer."

The security officers were stunned by her actions.

They were employees of the Gong Corporation and had naturally heard about the Gong Family's marriage with the Shangguan Family.

And they saw Shangguan Qing with Gong Zeli before.

They really didn't dare to touch this woman who might become their future lady boss.

The security guard looked at Gong Zeli as if asking for his opinion.

Gong Zeli said angrily, "Don't you understand me? Take her away."

"But Miss Shangguan..."

Gong Zeli sneered. "It seems like you'd rather be fired."

"No, no, Young Master Gong. We'll bring Miss Shangguan away immediately."

They would be fired if they didn't follow the order. The security officers didn't hesitate anymore and reached out again. Ignoring Shangguan Qing's struggle and resistance, they pulled her up from the ground.

"Brother Zeli, I'm not leaving."

"Let go of me, get lost, don't touch me."

"Brother Zeli..."

"Gong Zeli, you're too much. I'm going to tell Aunt Gong everything you've done!"

Shangguan Qing was escorted further and further away by the security officers.

Until they couldn't hear her anymore.

The crowd was also dispersed by the security officers.

But some people were unwilling to leave and looked over from afar.

Qiao Mianmian wanted to stand up on her own.

But when she tried to move, her ankle immediately hurt. The unbearable pain made her unable to stand up.

She tried a few more times, and her face turned pale from the pain.

Jiang Luoli noticed her abnormality and squatted down. She looked at her injured leg and asked anxiously, "Baby, what's wrong with your leg? Is it injured?"

"Mm." Qiao Mianmian took a deep breath and endured the pain. "I think I sprained my ankle. I can't stand up."

"What? Sprained your ankle?" Jiang Luoli frowned. "Then, we have to go to the hospital quickly."

Qiao Mianmian looked at her lap and sighed. "But I can't stand up now."

Jiang Luoli immediately said, "I'll carry you."

"You?" Qiao Mianmian looked up at her. "Can you do it?"

Although Jiang Luoli was 1.7 meters tall, her figure was slim.

Jiang Luoli was about to speak when she heard a voice above her head. "I'll carry her."

Jiang Luoli and Qiao Mianmian looked up at the same time.

Both of them were stunned.

Gong Zeli squatted down and faced Qiao Mianmian. "Get your friend to help you up. The hospital is nearby, I'll drive you there."

Jiang Luoli turned to look at Qiao Mianmian and then at Gong Zeli.

Chapter 1726: It's Already Too obvious

"Mianmian, let Young Master Gong take you to the hospital." Although she felt that Gong Zeli's behavior was indeed a little abnormal, Jiang Luoli still didn't reject him. "Let's quickly go to the hospital to see what's wrong with your leg. If you're really injured, it won't be good to delay treatment."

Qiao Mianmian pursed her lips and nodded.

As Jiang Luoli carefully helped her onto Gong Zeli's back, Qiao Mianmian immediately felt him stiffen.

After a few seconds, he put his hands behind her and slowly stood up.

Jiang Luoli looked at him deeply and said, "Young Master Gong, I'll have to trouble you then."

Gong Zeli nodded and carried Qiao Mianmian towards the elevator.

Jiang Luoli stood rooted to the ground for a few seconds before following him.

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With Gong Zeli's help, they arrived at the hospital quickly.

People were already waiting at the hospital. As Gong Zeli carried Qiao Mianmian out of the car, a nurse came over with a stretcher.

Gong Zeli carefully placed Qiao Mianmian on the stretcher.

“Young Master Gong,” the doctor greeted respectfully.

Gong Zeli kept his eyes on Qiao Mianmian with a hint of worry in his gaze. “Her leg is injured, she can’t stand. Check where she’s hurt.”

The doctor quickly said, “Young Master Gong, don’t worry. We’ll immediately do a check-up on this lady.”

Gong Zeli nodded and looked at Qiao Mianmian’s pale face. He frowned as if something was tugging at his heart.

What else could he do besides watching her suffer?

To avoid suspicion, he couldn’t even show his concern for her.

If she was his woman, he would be hugging her and comforting her.

He wouldn’t have to hide his emotions.

However, no matter how worried and anxious he was, he could only watch from the side.

But Gong Zeli didn’t know.

He was already showing his restraint.

Even someone as slow as Jiang Luoli could tell that something was wrong.

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Qiao Mianmian’s legs were fine, just that her bones were dislocated. Once the doctor restored them, she could stand normally.

Even so, Gong Zeli still asked the doctor, “Have you checked her thoroughly? Is she really fine?”

“Young Master Gong, don’t worry. We’ve already done a full body check-up. She really only sprained her ankle, and we’ve already fixed it for her. As for the rest, she’s still a little bruised, but it’s not serious. Just apply some ointment.”

Gong Zeli nodded and turned to ask Qiao Mianmian. “How are you feeling now? Do you feel any discomfort?”

Qiao Mianmian shook her head. “I’m fine now, Mr. Gong. Thank you for bringing me to the hospital. Luo Luo and I are leaving, you can go back to your work. I’m sorry for wasting your time.”

Qiao Mianmian was very polite.

Polite and distant.

Gong Zeli could tell.

A hint of sadness flashed past his eyes. After a few seconds of silence, he nodded. "Since you're fine, I'm relieved. Alright, I do have something on. I'll take my leave first."

Qiao Mianmian nodded. "Mr. Gong, take care."

Gong Zeli looked at her and moved his lips as if he had something to say.

But in the end, he didn't say anything.

He nodded at Qiao Mianmian and left.

Chapter 1727: Gong Zeli Has Feelings for Me?

After Gong Zeli left, Qiao Mianmian rubbed her sore ankle. She looked at the time and said apologetically, "Luo Luo, I promised to pick a gift with you. But now..."

"Instead, it became you accompanying me to the hospital."

"Baby, don't say that. If you're so polite, I'll be angry. We can pick a gift any day. If anything happens to you, I'll blame myself. After all, if I hadn't called you out, you wouldn't have encountered this today."

"Alright." Qiao Mianmian thought that even if she participated in a variety show, she would still have to wait for a while. She said, "Then, pick a time tomorrow. I'll shop with you."

"Alright."

Jiang Luoli was still worried about her. "Are you really alright? You have to tell me if you feel uncomfortable."

Qiao Mianmian nodded. "I'm fine."

"Alright. It's already so late, let's find a place to have dinner. Have you made an appointment with Prince Charming tonight? Will I affect your date?"

"What effect can it have? I'll just let him know. Let's go find a place to eat."

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In the end, they chose a hot pot restaurant.

Jiang Luoli drank a little.

She recalled what happened in the mall and couldn't help but ask, "Baby, what's with that Shangguan Qing? Is she really Gong Zeli's fiancée? I think Gong Zeli hates her a little."

Qiao Mianmian picked up a piece of tripe. "I'm not sure. But I heard from my brother that the Gong's intend to form a connection with the Shangguan's through marriage. As for whether it will happen, I'm not sure."

"You and Gong Zeli obviously have a very ordinary relationship. Why would Shangguan Qing think that you have an ambiguous relationship with him?" Jiang Luoli had just finished asking when she suddenly recalled Gong Zeli's previous actions. Her eyes flickered, and there was a deeper meaning in them.

Perhaps she was overthinking.

She felt that there was something wrong with Gong Zeli.

Although she didn't know him well, she'd heard about him before. She knew he wasn't someone who would defend others easily, nor was he so thoughtful.

But he didn't just defend Qiao Mianmian.

He even offered to send her to the hospital.

And the way he looked at her when he got the doctor to do a full-body check-up on Qiao Mianmian...

If it was because he and Mo Yesi were brothers.

He was too concerned about his brother's woman.

Too concerned.

"How would I know? Maybe she saw the scandal between us?" Qiao Mianmian didn't know what was going on with Shangguan Qing.

Jiang Luoli hesitated for a while before saying, "Baby, don't you feel that Gong Zeli... treats you differently?"

Qiao Mianmian was stunned. "Differently? Luo Luo, what are you trying to say?"

"I think so." Jiang Luoli hesitated for a few seconds before saying, "I know you only have Prince Charming in your heart. But Gong Zeli seems to have feelings for you.

"Perhaps this caused Shangguan Qing to misunderstand?"

Qiao Mianmian's expression changed slightly. "Gong Zeli has feelings for me?"

Chapter 1728: Shen Rou Is Gong Zeli's Savior

Jiang Luoli nodded. "I think he treats you differently from others. Don't you feel that he's... very good to you? Whether he marries Shangguan Qing or not, the way he treats her in public will affect the relationship between their families."

And everything he did was because of Qiao Mianmian.

Jiang Luoli felt that he was only willing to help Qiao Mianmian because of his friendship with Mo Yesi.

Moreover, there was something wrong with the way he looked at her.

He didn't look like he was looking at an ordinary friend.

Jiang Luoli also hoped that she was overthinking. After all, Gong Zeli and Mo Yesi were very good friends. If Gong Zeli really had feelings for Qiao Mianmian, it definitely wasn't a good thing.

But she didn't think too much about it.

Qiao Mianmian kept quiet for a while.

Jiang Luoli wasn't the only one who felt that Gong Zeli treated her differently.

Initially, she thought that he was especially nice to her because he felt guilty towards her.

But now that Jiang Luoli said that...

"I don't think so." After a while, she analyzed it in her heart and felt that the possibility of Gong Zeli liking her was rather low. She bit her lip and analyzed her thoughts for Jiang Luoli. "Gong Zeli has someone he likes, he can't possibly like me.

"He must have helped me because of his friendship with Mo Yesi."

Jiang Luoli didn't believe it.

She raised an eyebrow. "Gong Zeli likes someone? Who?"

"Shen Rou." Qiao Mianmian knew this. So, she felt that Gong Zeli wouldn't like her.

"I heard it from Yan Shaoqing, too. He said that Gong Zeli has liked Shen Rou for many years and only has her in his heart. He's been waiting for her. As long as she's willing, he can marry her immediately.

"And you know, Shen Rou means a lot to him."

"Means a lot to him? In what way?"

"Shen Rou is Gong Zeli's life savior. I heard from Yan Shaoqing that Gong Zeli fell into the pool when he was little and almost drowned. It was Shen Rou who saved him. Gong Zeli is very grateful to her, so Shen Rou's place in his heart is different."

Jiang Luoli was stunned. "There's such a thing? Shen Rou is Gong Zeli's savior?"

She believed that Gong Zeli liked Shen Rou.

She still remembered how he protected her at the restaurant.

He had fallen out with Mo Yesi because of Shen Rou.

But Shen Rou saved Gong Zeli? This surprised Jiang Luoli.

"Mm. That's why Gong Zeli's feelings for her won't change so easily."

"If that's the case, it might be because of his friendship with Prince Charming. But..."

"But what?"

"But if Shen Rou is so different in Gong Zeli's heart and even saved her, why didn't the Gong Family help when something happened to her family? Gong Zeli should be in charge of the family now. If he wants to help, he can at least help a little.

"Don't you find it strange?"

Qiao Mianmian felt that something was amiss.

Because some time ago, Shen Rou went on blind dates because of her family situation.

She knew that Gong Zeli liked her, so she could have married him.

Chapter 1729: In the End, It Was Hopeless

Moreover, Gong Zeli probably wouldn't reject her. Even if he couldn't completely solve the Shen Family's problem, he would at least help a little.

But judging from Shen Rou's performance and her family's current situation, Gong Zeli obviously didn't help.

Even if he helped a little, the Shen Family wouldn't have fallen to such a state.

Although the Shen Corporation hadn't declared bankruptcy, the corporation's current situation was similar to that.

It was a hopeless situation.

If Gong Zeli still liked Shen Rou, would he watch her family fall to this state?

Could he accept Shen Rou going on blind dates?

According to Yan Shaoqing, as long as Shen Rou was willing, Gong Zeli could marry her anytime.

It was always better for Shen Rou to marry Gong Zeli than for her to go on blind dates. Gong Zeli's qualifications were far from hers.

"Baby, are you sure Gong Zeli really likes her? If a man likes a woman, would he ignore her in her most difficult situation?"

"Perhaps he and Shen Rou had a misunderstanding." Qiao Mianmian thought for a while and said, "In any case, I don't think Gong Zeli would be interested in me."

Gong Zeli knew that she and Mo Yesi were married.

It was said that a friend's wife was not to be trifled with.

No matter what, Gong Zeli wouldn't fall for his brother's wife.

Moreover, Qiao Mianmian didn't think she had such charm.

"Perhaps." Jiang Luoli shrugged. "It's best that he's not interested in you. I hope I'm wrong. Otherwise, how could he face Prince Charming and lust after his brother's wife? Isn't he a jerk?"

But Jiang Luoli still felt that Gong Zeli wasn't pure towards Qiao Mianmian.

Everything else could be explained as a brotherhood.

But the way he looked at Qiao Mianmian...

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They left the hospital.

Gong Zeli sat in the car but didn't start it.

He recalled the feeling when he was carrying Qiao Mianmian.

That was the first time he was so close to her.

He could feel her body temperature when he was carrying her.

And her faint scent.

The journey carrying her was actually very short, but in his heart, it was a beautiful memory that he couldn't erase.

At that time, he really hoped that time would last forever.

Or perhaps, it would be better if the road was longer.

He wanted to carry her for the rest of his life.

Gong Zeli realized something terrible. He seemed to be sinking deeper and deeper.

He seemed to have fallen into a swamp. The more he struggled, the deeper he sank.

He thought that liking someone was a sweet and wonderful thing.

But he didn't feel it at all.

Perhaps she already felt something.

That was why she was so cold and distant to him.

Gong Zeli sat in the car for a long time. Just as he was about to start it, his cell phone rang.

He picked it up and frowned when he saw the caller ID.

It was Madam Gong.

Gong Zeli hadn't picked up the call yet, but he could guess why she was calling.

He picked it up. "Mom."

Madam Gong's angry voice was heard. "What did you do to Qingqing? Not only did you hit her, you even chased her out of the mall. Is this true?"

Chapter 1730: It Has Nothing to Do With Anyone Else

Gong Zeli's expression didn't change. "Since you already know, why are you still calling me?"

"You brat!" Madam Gong raised her voice. "You actually did such a disgraceful thing. A man like you actually touched a woman. Is this what I've taught you? I'm telling you, you can't bully girls.

"I invited Qingqing to my house as a guest. Speaking of which, you're her brother. Is this how you treat your sister? If your Uncle Shangguan and Aunt Shangguan know that you treated Qingqing like this, do you know what they'll think?"

"Why don't you consider the consequences of your actions!"

Gong Zeli was indifferent. "What's wrong with that? Some women deserve a beating. Since Uncle Shangguan and Aunt Shangguan didn't educate their daughter well, I'll help them educate her. Speaking of which, they should thank me."

"You! So unreasonable! When your Uncle Shangguan sent Qing Qing over, I promised to take good care of her. But now that this happened, how am I going to explain it to them?"

"They only have one daughter, Qingqing. But now, my son has hit her."

"Mom, I'll take responsibility for my own actions. When they ask, just push everything to me and let them come to me. I'll give them whatever explanation they want. Also, this is the last time I'm saying this to you. I won't marry Shangguan Qing. Not in this lifetime.

"If you insist on setting me up with her, I can do even worse things. Don't regret it, then."

Gong Zeli was about to hang up.

"What are you dissatisfied with about Qingqing? The Shangguan's are compatible with our family. Qingqing is outstanding in all aspects. Most importantly, she's loyal to you. Our Gong Family needs such a daughter-in-law.

"Are you still thinking about that girl from the Shen Family?"

"Or is it because of that girl?"

Gong Zeli was about to hang up when Madam Gong mentioned Qiao Mianmian.

"Mom, I'm not willing to marry Shangguan Qing because I'm not interested in her. It has nothing to do with anyone else."

"It seems like it's really because of that actress with the surname Qiao." Madam Gong sneered. "You have such a big reaction when talking about her. If you want to play with that lousy actress, I won't say anything about it. You just have to keep your heart in check before marriage.

"But if you fall for an actress, you're embarrassing the family."

Gong Zeli's expression darkened when Madam Gong belittled Qiao Mianmian. "Mom, she's not some low-class actress. You come from an affluent family, why must you say such awful things?"

He couldn't tolerate others belittling Qiao Mianmian.

Even if the person was his mother.

Madam Gong was even angrier now that he was so protective of Qiao Mianmian. "You actually rebutted me for an actress. It seems like Qingqing is right. She's really a vixen.

"She's just a woman, it's fine if you treat her like a toy."