Big Shot 411

Chapter 411: I'm Sorry

"Ouch..."

Gu Zhou let out a muffled groan. The pain instantly spread throughout his body, and cold sweat broke out on his forehead. Only then did he let go of her. His slender hands gripped the blanket at the side, as if this could relieve the pain that Qiao Nian had just caused him!

Qiao Nian's eyes gradually lit up as she snapped out of her memories from five years ago.

The moonlight shone in through the curtains, and she could vaguely see Gu Zhou curled up in a ball on the bed.

Jesus!

What had she just done?

She seemed to have used all her strength and...

A trace of panic flashed across Qiao Nian's face. She quickly turned on the wall lamp and looked at Gu Zhou, who was lying on the bed.

Gu Zhou's brows were tightly knitted together, and the veins on his forehead and fingers bulged ferociously. His face was even paler than the snow-white bedsheets.

Gu Zhou's slightly unbuttoned shirt still revealed his sexy collarbone, which was covered in sweat, giving off a sense of beauty after being bullied.

An ascetic demon!

This was the first time Qiao Nian had seen Gu Zhou like this. She looked at him fearfully.

Oh no!

Gu Zhou was about to be crippled!

He had just used his hand to soothe her back.

But what had she done?

Qiao Nian pursed her lips tightly, looking vexed. "I-I'm sorry. I thought..."

Before Qiao Nian could finish speaking, she suddenly realized that she had said something wrong. Gu Zhou hadn't wanted to do anything to her just now!

It was all her imagination.

"You-"

Qiao Nian was about to speak again when she suddenly realized something and silently swallowed her words.

Did she have to ask him directly if his lower body was fine?

Could she ask about it?

Did she have to ask?

Seeing Gu Zhou like this...

Was it possible that he was fine?

Even if it were a normal person, with her strength just now, he definitely wouldn't have been able to withstand it. Moreover, Gu Zhou's body was weak!

Qiao Nian bent down and approached Gu Zhou. She saw that he was frowning, his long eyelashes trembling, and his eyelids slightly red.

"Does it still hurt?" Qiao Nian asked anxiously.

Upon hearing Qiao Nian's voice, Gu Zhou slowly opened his eyes. His deep eyes seemed bottomless, as if he wanted to suck Qiao Nian in.

Before Qiao Nian could react, Gu Zhou grabbed her waist.

The world spun, and Qiao Nian was pinned under him.

Qiao Nian still wanted to move, but to her surprise, Gu Zhou's long legs were already pressing against her legs. Gu Zhou held her hands above her head with one hand.

At this moment, Qiao Nian had no strength to resist.

With such a big movement, the bathrobe on Qiao Nian's body had already loosened, revealing her fair and sexy collarbone. Her beautiful chest was faintly discernible as she breathed, looking extremely charming.

Gu Zhou's phoenix eyes narrowed slightly, and his thin lips moved slightly. His voice was low, magnetic, and very dangerous. "Mrs. Gu, you're too ruthless!"

Mrs. Gu?

Qiao Nian's heart raced. Was Gu Zhou reminding her of her happiness for the rest of her life?

Qiao Nian looked at Gu Zhou's pale face and knew that he was definitely still in pain. If she resisted forcefully, Gu Zhou would probably be in even more pain.

It seemed that she could only give in.

Qiao Nian blinked her beautiful foxy eyes, filled with apology. "I'm sorry. I-I didn't do it on purpose."

Her voice was very soft, like a feather gently brushing across Gu Zhou's chest.

Gu Zhou looked at her charming eyes and finally let go. He raised his eyebrows slightly. "Mrs. Gu, has anyone ever said that you're very suitable to be an actress!"

Qiao Nian tilted her head. She was slightly puzzled, but didn't say anything.

After Gu Zhou moved away, she silently turned over and climbed out.

Gu Zhou leaned against the head of the bed, his face covered in sweat. It seemed that the pain had not subsided.

Qiao Nian heaved a sigh of relief. She recalled what had just happened. It seemed that Gu Zhou had moved slightly at the critical moment.

At this thought, the guilt in her heart lessened a little.

Chapter 412: Her Disguise

Only then did Qiao Nian pick up the blanket at the side and carefully cover Gu Zhou with it.

Gu Zhou accepted it calmly.

Only then did Qiao Nian heave a sigh of relief. She covered him carefully with the blanket before climbing into bed. With her back facing Gu Zhou, she lay down and covered herself with the blanket, curling up in a safe position as she prepared to sleep.

Gu Zhou looked at Qiao Nian's posture beside him and thought of how she had covered him with the blanket. His anger dissipated a little.

Qiao Nian frowned slightly, as if she had thought of something. She turned to look at Gu Zhou and smiled obediently. "I have something to do tomorrow too. You're injured now. Why don't you rest early?"

When Gu Zhou met Qiao Nian's sparkling eyes, he had a different feeling in his heart, but he didn't show it on his face.

Qiao Nian turned off the lights tentatively. Seeing that Gu Zhou had not spoken, the uneasiness in her heart dissipated. She closed her eyes and prepared to sleep.

A little too much had happened tonight.

She wasn't afraid of Gu Zhou. She just felt that if Gu Zhou was crippled, the Gu family wouldn't be able to continue their lineage. She felt sorry for her grandmother and the Gu family.

Fortunately, he was fine.

"Qiao Nian!"

When Qiao Nian heard Gu Zhou's voice, her heart skipped a beat.

Other than that, Gu Zhou's voice was really pleasant, especially when he called her name.

"Why are you so averse to anyone approaching you?"

Gu Zhou had long realized that as long as others approached her, she would involuntarily become nervous.

In his impression, Qiao Nian should be calm and composed but like every time he approached her, she would look innocent and harmless, as if she was using this method to hide the fear in her heart.

If she did this once or twice, he could understand it as a joke. However, she did it every time, making him feel that this matter was not that simple.

Unless she had been hurt in a similar way before, and it had caused her to react reflexively as a protective mechanism?

When Qiao Nian heard Gu Zhou's words, her heart couldn't help but race, and her beautiful fox-like pupils gradually constricted.

Although she knew that Gu Zhou was really asking her sincerely, his tone rose slightly, and was unquestionable.

Qiao Nian pursed her lips tightly. That night five years ago had been lingering in her mind. Her body had long learned to resist!

But she did not want to tell anyone about these things.

To her, this was an extremely dirty past!

After Qiao Nian composed herself, a smile appeared on her face. She pretended to be casual and said, "That's because I'm shy. I'm not ready to..."

Qiao Nian didn't finish speaking, but Gu Zhou could tell what she meant.

"Oh," Gu Zhou replied, clearly not believing Qiao Nian's words.

Qiao Nian lowered her eyes slightly, saying nothing.

Seeing that Qiao Nian didn't respond, Gu Zhou didn't ask further. He closed his eyes and prepared to rest. Not long after, he fell asleep.

Gu Zhou was asleep, but Qiao Nian was suffering from insomnia.

Was her revulsion so obvious?

Gu Zhou realized that something was wrong with her.

A trace of pain flashed across Qiao Nian's eyes, but she had clearly tried her best to restrain herself.

However, every time she thought about that night and the innocent child who had died tragically, she could not calm down.

No matter what, she had to find that man!

MY was a chaotic city, and the people here were the most well-informed. Qiao Nian thought that perhaps she could use the informants here to investigate what had happened back then.

With this thought in mind, Qiao Nian gradually fell asleep.

At the side, Gu Zhou, who was originally breathing evenly and was supposed to be asleep, slowly opened his eyes. He turned to look at Qiao Nian, his gaze landing on her quiet side profile. A trace of confusion flashed across his eyes.

When he had held her waist just now, he had actually felt a familiar feeling, reminding him of the girl who had been forced to accept him five years ago.

Chapter 413: Gentleman?

The girl's body was soft and supple.

Qiao Nian's reaction was very similar to that girl's when she was panicking!

Gu Zhou had investigated Qiao Nian in the past, and he had also learned that Qiao Nian had been trapped in a mental hospital previously. Therefore, he felt that the girl shouldn't be Qiao Nian.

Gu Zhou was completely sure that Qiao Nian wasn't that girl because she had also been schemed against.

Qiao Nian was so smart. How could she have fallen into someone else's trap?

She had also been drugged before. Moreover, after being drugged, she could still control her body to beat up the scumbag.

Not only that, but she had also cleverly avoided danger during the charity auction.

In conclusion, Gu Zhou felt that Qiao Nian was definitely not that girl.

At the thought of this, Gu Zhou felt a sense of loss.

He looked at the sleeping Qiao Nian and slowly closed his eyes.

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The next morning.

When Qiao Nian woke up, she saw Gu Zhou sitting by the bed, flipping through a magazine.

He seemed to be in a good mood. The corners of his mouth turned up slightly.

That was true. It was indeed a joyous matter to be able to continue the family line in the future.

However, at the thought of this, Qiao Nian felt a little guilty.

Qiao Nian sat up. Just as she was about to speak, there was a knock on the door.

"Miss Qiao, are you awake?"

Lu Zhu's voice came from outside.

Qiao Nian subconsciously looked at Gu Zhou. Seeing him shake his head, she instantly understood.

It seemed that Gu Zhou didn't want Lu Zhu to know that he was here either. Qiao Nian turned to look at the door and said, "I just woke up. Go downstairs first. I'll go over after I'm done packing."

"Got it."

Qiao Nian quickly got out of bed and went into the bathroom to wash up. Then, she put on some light makeup, put on her clothes, and came out of the bathroom.

When Qiao Nian came out of the bathroom, Gu Zhou was still reading a magazine. She asked, "Shall we eat out together at noon, or should I bring food back?"

Gu Zhou looked up from the magazine and his gaze landed on Qiao Nian's face. "I'm going out in the afternoon. Just bring me some food at noon."

"Okay."

Qiao Nian nodded and turned to walk towards the door.

"Wait."

Qiao Nian turned to look at Gu Zhou in confusion. "What's wrong?"

Gu Zhou's gaze landed on Qiao Nian's beautiful face. He pursed his lips slightly and lowered his voice. "Remember to stay away from Mr. Chen!"

Qiao Nian responded and turned to walk out.

Even if Gu Zhou hadn't reminded her, she would have stayed away from Mr. Chen. After all, Ah Miao's death last night was still vivid in her mind. She didn't want to die without knowing why.

Qiao Nian walked downstairs. From afar, she could hear people discussing Ah Miao.

"The forensics team has already produced the results. They said that Ah Miao drank too much and accidentally fell into the lake, causing her to die in an accident!"

"What a pity. She's only in her twenties. This is the best time of her life!"

"Isn't that so? It's really too pitiful. She has a 16-year-old younger brother who has leukemia and is still waiting for her to earn money to treat him!"

"Boss Jin is also a coward. He left on a plane last night and even told others that he wasn't familiar with Ah Miao. His values are really awful!"

"Speaking of which, Mr. Chen is still the kind one. He said that he had already sent a plane to pick up Ah Miao's younger brother, saying that he wanted to help him treat his illness and then raise him by his side!"

"Mr. Chen is really a good person. Even though such a big thing happened on his property, he didn't shirk his responsibility. Instead, he's serious and responsible. Where in the world can we find such a good person!"

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Hearing their words, Qiao Nian lowered her eyes slightly, her heart filled with disdain.

She was already dead. How could she be lucky?

Only the living could enjoy life.

Now, it seemed that Mr. Chen was really too good at putting on a show. Even though he had done many ruthless things, outsiders felt that he was a gentleman. To them, he was so kind that he couldn't bear to step on an ant.

Chapter 414: Rescue

"Miss Qiao, how was your rest last night?"

Suddenly, a deep and mellow voice came from behind.

Qiao Nian was slightly taken aback. She turned around and saw the elegant smile on Mr. Chen's face, which made it impossible for her to feel any disgust.

It was precisely because of this that Qiao Nian felt that Mr. Chen was very dangerous.

When Mr. Chen had spoken just now, she had thought that it was Gu Zhou. His voice was very similar to Gu Zhou's, but if one listened carefully, they could still tell the difference.

Mr. Chen's voice was a little hoarse, while Gu Zhou's voice was as clear as wine.

Moreover, Gu Zhou wouldn't call her Miss Qiao.

Seeing Qiao Nian's dazed expression, Mr. Chen took a step back and distanced himself from her. "I'm sorry. Did I scare you?"

Although Mr. Chen spoke elegantly, Qiao Nian did not dare to let her guard down.

Qiao Nian shook her head and said, "No."

"Nian Nian."

At this moment, a cold voice sounded from the side.

Qiao Nian tilted her head and saw Lu Zhu walking towards her.

Qiao Nian had a strange feeling in her heart, and a warm feeling flowed through her. Usually, Lu Zhu wouldn't call her that.

She really liked it when Lu Zhu called her that.

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Lu Zhu walked up to Qiao Nian with a gentle smile on his face. "I've been looking for you for a while. So you're here. You didn't cause any trouble for Mr. Chen, did you?"

As she spoke, Lu Zhu stood between Qiao Nian and Mr. Chen.

When Mr. Chen heard Lu Zhu's words, he said with a gentle smile, "No. Besides, it's my honor to greet the beautiful Miss Qiao!"

Lu Zhu looked at Qiao Nian gently, his voice filled with affection. "You must be hungry now. I've already ordered breakfast for you!"

Qiao Nian nodded gently.

Lu Zhu raised his arm slightly. Qiao Nian instantly understood and held his arm.

"Alright, let's go eat now!" With that, Lu Zhu was about to lead Qiao Nian to the dining room when he remembered that Mr. Chen was also there. He turned to look at Mr. Chen and asked with a smile, "Mr. Chen, shall we have breakfast together?"

"Thank you for your kindness, Mr. Lu. I've already eaten."

Lu Zhu nodded and left with Qiao Nian.

Qiao Nian was acutely aware that Mr. Chen's gaze was fixed on her.

The pressure of being stared at made her feel a little uneasy. It was only when Lu Zhu led her to the corner that the uneasiness gradually disappeared.

At this moment, Lu Zhu also stopped. His gentleness and doting expression instantly disappeared.

Qiao Nian didn't feel awkward at all. She knew that Lu Zhu had only done that to help her out.

Lu Zhu looked at Qiao Nian and said stiffly, "Please forgive me for offending you just now!"

If Old Madam Gu and Gu Zhou hadn't reminded him to take good care of Qiao Nian, he wouldn't have bothered with her.

Qiao Nian said sincerely, "Thank you!"

"In the future, try your best to stay by my side and not wander around."

Qiao Nian nodded slightly.

Although she was not afraid of Mr. Chen, he looked at her strangely and she could not put her finger on it

The less trouble, the better.

Only then did Lu Zhu say, "But it's about to start. I can't take care of you all the time. Ah Zhou has even arranged a bodyguard for you. I'll bring you to see him later!"

Hearing Lu Zhu's words, Qiao Nian's heart warmed. She hadn't expected Gu Zhou to arrange a bodyguard for her. She really hadn't expected him to be such a warm man.

Qiao Nian smiled and replied, "Okay."

When Qiao Nian smiled, her cunning fox eyes curved into crescents. She looked adorable, and the charm that exuded from her eyes made one want to make a mistake.

Lu Zhu was slightly taken aback. When Qiao Nian smiled, she actually looked a lot like Lu Qi. His expression instantly turned cold as he said, "In the future, there's no need to put on makeup on such occasions. Don't smile at anyone!"

Chapter 415: Control Her?

Qiao Nian was slightly taken aback.

Lu Zhu was actually controlling her.

There was nothing wrong with wearing ordinary clothes and wearing simple makeup, but why couldn't she smile?

What surprised Qiao Nian the most was that Lu Zhu, who usually disliked her the most, would actually say such things.

Moreover, Gu Zhou had never said such things to her.

Thinking about it carefully, this sounded like a brother lecturing his sister to protect her.

A trace of confusion flashed across Qiao Nian's eyes.

Lu Zhu also knew that he had said too much. However, what he had said was like water that had been splashed out. There was no way to take it back.

He looked at the people coming and going in the hall in front of him and said, "Let's go!"

Qiao Nian nodded slightly.

When Qiao Nian walked into the hall, she instantly received all sorts of gazes from all directions.

Those who could come here were either rich or noble. Most of them were well-known people, and some were people who had received invitations.

However, to Qiao Nian's surprise, Qiao Xin wasn't around.

As usual, Qiao Yu was wearing a dark suit and looked old-fashioned.

It was such an old style, but on Qiao Yu, it did not look tacky at all. Instead, he gave off an unapproachable feeling.

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In addition, Qiao Yu's handsome face instantly attracted the attention of many socialites. Some of them boldly walked over to talk to him, hoping to get his contact information.

However, Qiao Yu rejected all of them expressionlessly.

At this moment, Qiao Yu also noticed that Qiao Nian had entered.

When Qiao Yu saw that Qiao Nian was wearing a rose-colored dress, his frown deepened, and he did not hide the displeasure on his face.

Qiao Yu walked up to Qiao Nian and said coldly, "Why didn't you take what I said yesterday to heart?"

Qiao Nian looked at Qiao Yu fearlessly. Her red lips curled up slightly as she said, "I've already said it yesterday. With Mr. Lu around, I'll be fine."

Hearing Qiao Nian's words, Qiao Yu's frown deepened. He took a step forward and looked at Qiao Nian coldly, a hint of impatience in his tone. "Qiao Nian, don't go too far!"

Qiao Nian smiled brightly and asked, "Are you helping Gu Zhou remind me?"

Yesterday, Qiao Yu had noticed that Mr. Chen looked at Qiao Nian differently!

Moreover, he had already reminded Qiao Nian, but he had never expected that Qiao Nian would specially put on makeup today. She was wearing a red dress, and was simply the most beautiful person present!

Qiao Yu took a step back and said coldly, "Qiao..."

Lu Zhu frowned and interrupted Qiao Yu. "Mr. Qiao, please pay attention to the occasion! You've attracted the attention of many people!"

Qiao Yu closed his eyes slightly and stood rooted to the ground coldly. When he opened them again, his gaze was fixed on Qiao Nian's face.

"Oh my god, that girl in the red dress is really beautiful! There are two handsome men surrounding her. She's so lucky!"

"She's really beautiful!"

"So Qiao Yu likes girls like that. I understand now!"

"I've never heard her name before. It seems she doesn't have much of a background!"

"Could she be a wild model like Ah Miao?"

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In the eyes of these people, a wild model was just a prostitute.

The men looked at Qiao Nian's face and listened to what the others were saying. They were already certain that Qiao Nian was a model.

"Even if she's a wild model, she's still a top-notch one!"

"There's sweetness in her charm!"

"I wonder how she will feel in bed!"

"She must have served Mr. Lu and Mr. Qiao before. I think her skills can't be bad!"

"Even if you die for love, it's still a worthwhile love affair! If I can get close to her, I can die without regrets!"

Chapter 416: The Past

Qiao Yu took a few steps back. Looking at Qiao Nian's back, his frown deepened.

In a daze, he remembered his childhood again.

At that time, Qiao Nian had always liked to follow behind him, constantly calling him Brother Qiao Yu...

Qiao Yu's throat involuntarily moved. His eyes behind his glasses narrowed slightly as he tried his best to suppress the frustration in his heart.

Qiao Yu pursed his thin lips and clenched his fists tightly.

The little girl had grown up and was no longer obedient.

Qiao Nian and Lu Zhu walked to the dining room. There were fewer people here, so she heaved a sigh of relief.

Now that the auction had yet to begin, the scene just now had already attracted a lot of resentment.

Especially from those women who liked Lu Zhu and Qiao Yu. They probably wanted to kill her directly!

Recalling the nasty words those people had said just now, Lu Zhu looked at Qiao Nian worriedly and said, "Those people are just spouting nonsense. Don't take it to heart!"

Qiao Nian smiled indifferently and said, "I'm fine."

Actually, Qiao Nian was already used to those bad comments. She had always been too lazy to fuss about them. If those people really dared to attack her, she would definitely take revenge ten or a hundred times over.

Lu Zhu was slightly stunned. Seeing how calm Qiao Nian was, it seemed that she really wasn't affected by what those people had said.

For some reason, Lu Zhu recalled Qiao Nian's speech at the medical school.

At that time, Qiao Nian had calmly faced those bad critics and directly gave a beautiful speech.

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A trace of curiosity flashed across Lu Zhu's eyes. Qiao Nian had a carefree personality, but why did she always give him a strange look every time she saw him?

Just as Lu Zhu was about to ask about Qiao Nian's personality, he saw that she had already returned to her usual self.

Lu Zhu suddenly remembered the way Qiao Yu looked at Qiao Nian. It was a possessive look that a man had when he looked at a woman. Almost subconsciously, he asked, "Is Qiao Yu your biological brother?"

"No, I have nothing to do with him," Qiao Nian said without thinking.

She had long wanted to cut ties with the Qiao family, even if it was only in name.

Lu Zhu was speechless.

She hadn't expected Qiao Nian to be so honest.

Lu Zhu finally understood Qiao Yu's hidden intentions.

Seeing that Lu Zhu was looking at her, Qiao Nian explained, "I'm a child adopted by the Qiao family. I heard from Su Xue that my biological mother was abandoned by a wealthy businessman. She couldn't afford to raise me, so she abandoned me too."

Lu Zhu listened to Qiao Nian's calm voice, as if this matter had nothing to do with her. It was as if she was describing the weather today.

Lu Zhu suddenly remembered that he had found out about Qiao Nian previously. She used to live in the countryside, but was only brought to the city when she went to university. However, for some reason, she was sent to a mental hospital.

He had heard from Gu Zhou that Qiao Nian was getting married on behalf of her younger sister.

At this moment, Lu Zhu couldn't help but pity Qiao Nian.

The best thing that the Qiao couple had done in their lives was to let her marry Gu Zhou.

His heart ached inexplicably.

Lu Zhu was slightly stunned.

To him, Qiao Nian was just a stranger. To put it nicely, she was Gu Zhou's wife.

But for some reason, when he saw Qiao Nian like this, he felt terrible.

His chest tightened too.

Lu Zhu didn't even dare to think about it. If his sister, Lu Qi, had been wandering outside and had experienced the same thing as Qiao Nian, he would have wanted to kill those that hurt her.

In Lu Zhu's opinion, girls should grow up happily.

However, Qiao Nian did not notice Lu Zhu's expression. She calmly picked at her food, as if she did not care about what she had just said.

Chapter 417: Change of Perspective

Qiao Nian lowered her head to eat. Sensing that Lu Zhu had been watching her, she looked up and realized that he was looking at her thoughtfully.

One had to know that the way Lu Zhu used to look at her was filled with disgust and alienation.

For a moment, Qiao Nian was at a loss. An awkward atmosphere filled the air.

"It's about to start now. We'll be opponents in a while. I won't show any mercy!" Qiao Nian smiled, breaking the stalemate.

Instead of answering Qiao Nian directly, Lu Zhu asked, "Then do you believe what the Qiao couple said?"

Qiao Nian was slightly taken aback. It turned out that Lu Zhu was still thinking about what had happened just now. She shrugged slightly and said, "I'm only half convinced!"

Moreover, the Qiao family was not to be trusted.

"Then have you thought of looking for your loved ones?"

Hearing Lu Zhu's words, Qiao Nian's movements slowed down, and the smile on her face slowly disappeared.

Actually, she did not want to mention finding her relatives.

Although she yearned for kinship, she also knew the reality very well.

If her parents had been looking for her too, they might have been together long ago.

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Qiao Nian pursed her lips and said, "I did."

Hearing Qiao Nian's answer, Lu Zhu felt a little suffocated.

He could hear the resignation in her voice.

It seemed she hadn't found her family.

Lu Zhu frowned and asked, "Where's Gu Zhou?"

Qiao Nian was stunned. She hadn't expected Lu Zhu to be so concerned about her background. But on second thought, it made sense. Perhaps Lu Zhu was thinking about his dead sister again.

Instinctively, Qiao Nian spoke up for Gu Zhou. "I did, but it's not that easy to find a relative. Besides..."

At this point, Qiao Nian's eyes darkened.

Her relatives did not seem to have approached her.

Thinking about it another way.

She did not allow her relatives to think of looking for her at all.

It had always been her wishful thinking.

Lu Zhu looked at Qiao Nian with concern. "What's wrong?"

Qiao Nian's eyes darkened, hiding the disappointment in them. In the end, she smiled at Lu Zhu and said, "I'd better eat breakfast first. Didn't you say just now that you wanted to introduce a bodyguard to me?"

Seeing that Qiao Nian didn't want to talk about it, Lu Zhu didn't ask further. "He's already on his way!"

If he continued to ask, he might be rubbing salt into Qiao Nian's wound.

Lu Zhu ate in silence. Qiao Nian's upbringing made him feel a little depressed.

She had not had a good life since she was young. Even so, she had tried her best to live and shine in the dark.

At this moment, Lu Zhu's impression of Qiao Nian changed.

From the looks of it, every time Qiao Nian looked at him like that, perhaps he simply felt that she looked familiar.

After breakfast, Lu Zhu's phone rang.

"Okay, I'll be right there!"

With that, Lu Zhu hung up and looked up at Qiao Nian. "Your bodyguard has arrived. We're going to see him now! He's waiting for us in the hall!"

Actually, Qiao Nian didn't need any bodyguards. With someone following her, she might feel a little uncomfortable.

However, this was Gu Zhou's kind intentions, so she couldn't refuse.

Qiao Nian followed Lu Zhu back to the hall. At this moment, everyone in the hall was looking at them.

Some were envious, some were jealous, and some were up to no good.

Qiao Nian frowned slightly.

Actually, there was a reason why she was wearing a red dress today. She just wanted to see if she could be lucky.

However, she ignored the fact that it would attract the attention of others.

Although she did not like Qiao Yu, what he had said previously still made sense.

Lu Zhu looked around and finally found his target. He waved his hand in the distance.

Qiao Nian followed Lu Zhu's gaze and saw a man walking towards them. Her eyes widened slightly.

She was instantly stunned.

Jesus!

How was this a bodyguard? He was clearly the young master of a family!

Chapter 418: Can't Keep a Low Profile

The man was about 1.8 meters tall, the kind that was instantly noticed when standing in a crowd. Of course, others noticed him not because of his height, but because of his appearance and figure.

His facial features were very exquisite. Even if he disguised himself as a woman, no one would doubt his gender.

He had a buzz cut and looked like a tough guy. He looked a little obedient, but also a little handsome.

This person was simply a walking hormone stimulator!

When he appeared, he instantly attracted the attention of countless young socialites. Those people wished they could pounce on him.

When the man approached them and they looked at him closely, they would realize that he was even more handsome.

"Brother." When the man smiled, two shallow dimples appeared.

His voice was low, pleasant, and a little sultry.

Qiao Nian couldn't help but be attracted to him.

At this moment, Qiao Nian noticed that a middle-aged man was frowning.

Qiao Nian's gaze landed on the middle-aged man's face. This man seemed to hate her very much, as if he was unwilling to be her bodyguard.

However, this man was, after all, a bodyguard given to her by Gu Zhou. She still extended her hand. "Hello, I'll leave my personal safety to you from now on!"

The bodyguard turned to the side, ignoring Qiao Nian.

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At this moment, the handsome man, who exuded hormones, held Qiao Nian's hand and said gentlemanly, "It's my honor to serve a beautiful and noble young mistress like you!"

Qiao Nian was slightly taken aback.

This man was her bodyguard?

Was Gu Zhou really serious?

Was it really okay to find a man who was better-looking than a woman to be her bodyguard?

Was Gu Zhou too confident, or did he trust her too much?

The man's skin was that of healthy wheat color. Perhaps it was because he was a bodyguard, but his hands were covered in calluses.

When she touched his hand, Qiao Nian felt a little awkward, and an indescribable sense of security.

The man kept smiling at Qiao Nian, his dimples showing.

Lu Zhu, who was standing at the side, coughed.

Only then did Qiao Nian notice that she had been distracted. She smiled awkwardly and said, "Hello, please take care of me in the future!"

The man's smile widened. "My name is Ah Rao!"

"Qiao Nian!"

Only then did she let go.

At this moment, someone shouted, "The competition has begun!"

Ah Rao immediately retracted his smile and stood beside Qiao Nian with his hands behind his back.

Lu Zhu whispered a few words of advice into Ah Rao's ear before leaving with the middle-aged man.

Ah Rao's aura was too strong. Even though he was standing silently at the side, Qiao Nian could still sense his presence.

Qiao Nian led Ah Rao towards the second building. Along the way, many people kept staring at them and discussing among themselves.

"This little model is quite capable. She has charmed many handsome men!"

"How strange. Who is this man? Why haven't I seen him before?"

"His figure is really good. Don't tell me he is also a model!"

"There are many people here who like men. With him like this, he'll probably be liked by others soon!"

"I don't think he looks like a model at all. Don't tell me he's from an aristocratic family!"

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Qiao Nian listened expressionlessly to the gossip.

Now, she felt that even if she wore no makeup, others would probably notice her because of Ah Rao. It was impossible for her to keep a low profile here.

Not long after, Qiao Nian arrived at Building No. 2.

Everyone had also arrived at Building No. 2. The moment they entered, they were shocked and could not regain their senses for a long time.

In the middle of them was a piece of jade. It was about 1.6 meters tall and crystal clear. It was so beautiful that no one could look away.

When everyone passed by the jadeite, they could still see their own reflections. Under the light, this jadeite was even more dazzling than a diamond.

Qiao Nian felt that this piece of jade could at least be exchanged for 20 million yuan. Perhaps, the price would even be higher.

Chapter 419: Looking for Trouble

The HH Group was indeed wealthy. There was such a large piece of jade in the preliminary hall.

The people who came here today were all either rich or noble. When they saw this piece of jade, they were all tempted.

It had to be known that large pieces of jade were priceless.

At this moment, the host on the stage said, "This piece of jade took nearly ten years to polish. Mr. Chen said that this piece of jade is the prize for first place in the preliminary round."

The host paused for a moment before continuing, "As everyone should have seen, there are many untrimmed quarry stones placed around. Everyone can choose the best one and let the master cut it on the spot. According to the quality of the material, the top twenty can enter the next round!"

Hearing the host say this, everyone stared at the jadeite.

Most of them were just here to watch the show. They had never expected that there would be such an expensive prize.

Everyone was tempted. Who didn't like good things?

The HH Group was really generous. The 50 to 60 people present were eager to try. No one wanted to miss this jadeite.

All the untrimmed quarry stones present had to be bought with their own money!

There were a total of 50 to 60 people present. If each of them contributed a portion, the chairman of HH Group could earn a lot of money.

If some people got carried away, they might even buy a few more untrimmed quarry stones. At that time, HH Group would make a killing!

The host said, "Let the competition begin!"

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Many people couldn't wait to choose the stones they liked. They wanted to start early.

As for Qiao Nian, she did not immediately go forward to choose. Instead, she observed the stones.

These raw materials looked ordinary, but no one knew what was inside.

Qiao Nian looked through them once. Finally, her gaze landed on an ordinary and unremarkable raw stone. She walked towards it.

At this moment, an impatient voice sounded from the side.

"Vixen, if you don't have money for stone gambling, just lie in bed and accompany your man. Don't get in my way here!"

As she spoke, the woman was about to knock into Qiao Nian flying.

At this moment, Ah Rao raised his hand to block the woman. He raised his hand slightly, and the woman stumbled and fell to the ground!

Gao Hong fell to the ground. Her fair calf was scraped. Instantly, she frowned in pain and screamed, "Are you crazy? Can't you see? Are you blind?"

"Yes, I am!" Ah Rao said calmly. "What's wrong?"

Initially, Qiao Nian had been a little unhappy about this woman causing trouble. But when she heard Ah Rao's words, she couldn't help but laugh.

Qiao Nian's smile angered Gao Hong so much that her expression changed. "You vixen, you wretch. Why are you here if you don't have the money!"

Gao Hong had come with her father, Gao Quan. Gao Quan had just picked a raw stone. He walked through the crowd and saw his daughter sitting on the ground, crying.

Gao Quan immediately saw Qiao Nian and Ah Rao. He said angrily, "Who hit her? Who did it? If you don't apologize, I'll cut off your legs!"

Gao Quan's angry roar attracted more people.

Initially, everyone had a good impression of Qiao Nian. However, when they saw that she was looking for trouble, they all despised her.

Lu Zhu and Qiao Yu also walked over.

At this moment, Gao Hong was lying in Gao Quan's arms, crying pitifully!

Qiao Yu walked forward.

Seeing this, Lu Zhu grabbed Qiao Yu.

Qiao Yu looked at Lu Zhu in confusion.

"Don't cause trouble!"

Qiao Yu's expression changed slightly, and he stood rooted to the ground reluctantly.

"She can handle it," Lu Zhu said.

Qiao Yu looked at Qiao Nian suspiciously.

At this moment, Ah Rao crossed his arms over his chest and did not even frown. He shrugged slightly and said, "Your daughter randomly threw herself at me. I only rejected her!"

Chapter 420: It's Him?

"She's even pretending to be weak and sitting on the ground. Why? Must I marry her?" Ah Rao said with a troubled expression.

Gao Hong was shocked.

When Gao Hong heard that man slander her, her expression changed drastically. She scolded angrily, "You're just a hooligan. How could I throw myself at you? You're dreaming! You're just spouting nonsense and slandering my reputation. Are you still a man?!"

Ah Rao said nonchalantly, "You know best whether I'm a man or not!"

When Qiao Nian heard Ah Rao's words, she laughed out loud. This bodyguard was so impressive. He was even arguing back.

Gao Quan's face turned red with anger when he saw how shameless Ah Rao was. He shouted angrily, "Wang Chuan, chop off his hands and feet! Then cut off his tongue!"

Ah Rao immediately shielded Qiao Nian behind him and looked at Gao Quan casually.

Qiao Nian looked at Ah Rao's back and couldn't help but smile.

This bodyguard was really dutiful.

Wang Chuan was originally checking Gao Hong's wound. When he heard Gao Quan call out to him, he stood up and rolled up his sleeves, preparing to fight.

Ah Rao calmly unbuttoned his sleeve and slowly folded it, revealing his healthy wheat-colored wrist. He slowly looked up at Wang Chuan.

His lazy attitude showed that he did not take Wang Chuan seriously at all.

Wang Chuan took a step forward with a cold expression. His gaze landed on the face of the man in front of him and he frowned slightly. This man looked familiar.

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Suddenly, an idea flashed across Wang Chuan's mind, and his pupils instantly dilated.

That's him?

How could it be him?

Didn't he quit long ago?

A trace of fear surged in Wang Chuan's heart. He swallowed and did not dare to step forward.

Seeing that Wang Chuan was still not approaching him, Gao Quan asked impatiently, "What are you doing? Why aren't you hitting him?"

Wang Chuan clenched his fists tightly, his palms sweating profusely.

Even if he had ten times more guts, he wouldn't dare to attack!

The man in front of him was a god in the bodyguard world.

If he fought him, he would be risking his life.

No one knew his name, only that there was a Rao in it.

It was said that he did not leave the mountain easily, nor did he protect others easily. It was said that the last employer he protected was his childhood sweetheart.

It was said that the son of the chairman of that group had hit his employer. It was said that he had only slapped her once. Then, he barged into that group and crippled that person's son in front of the chairman.

From then on, only his legend remained in the bodyguard world.

What was going on? Why had he come out again?

He was actually doing this for a small fry like Qiao Nian.

That wasn't right. Could it be that Qiao Nian had some powerful background?

Seeing that Wang Chuan did not dare to attack, Gao Quan scolded him angrily.

Gao Quan rolled up his sleeves and was about to do it himself.

Ah Rao stood calmly, looking down at him as if he were a harmless ant.

Just as Gao Quan was about to make a move, the host walked over and said with a faint smile on his face, "Mr. Gao, I'm really sorry. Fighting is not allowed during the competition. If you really want to make a move, then I'll have to forfeit your participation. Please think twice before you act!"

When Gao Quan heard the host say this, he could only suppress his anger and try his best to control himself.

Ah Rao's gaze landed on the host's face and he asked very politely, "Can we fight outside the arena?"

He said the most arrogant words in the calmest tone.

The corners of Qiao Nian's mouth curled up slightly. She suddenly understood why Gu Zhou had asked Ah Rao to be her bodyguard. The two of them were very compatible, and both of them were unwilling to be wronged.

The others discussed it.