The Days of Being in a Fake Marriage with the CEO

Chapter 26: Go Seek Death, Then

"In that case, rather than dying, how about you confess to Gu Chenyi that my grandma forced you to say all those things that night? Tell him that I'm actually not such a person and I kept quiet about my work because of my strong self-esteem. Well, will you do that?" Mu Huan cocked a brow.

Lin Qingya's fists were clenched tight. "Xiao Huan, what's the point of me saying all that now? You're already a married woman. It's impossible between the two of you!"

"That's my business. All you need to do is to do as I said."

"Do you truly see me as your friend? If you do, then you wouldn't be forcing me to do such a thing. It's as good as driving me to desperation! I did what I did to you because I like him. For him, I betrayed you, my most important friend. If I do what you ask, it'll surely wipe out any possibility of a relationship between me and him! You might as well ask me to go seek death!"

"Well, go on, then."

Lin Qingya: "..."

Mu Huan then sneered at her. "Do as you deem fit!"

As she watched the former's back disappearing into the distance, she balled her hands in anger and hatred when she realized that she had no intention of giving her any chance at all. The other woman only wanted to mock her and make her give up.

Why wasn't Mu Huan's lifetime happiness ruined by her marrying an ugly old man?! Why?!

Feeling down, Mu Huan did not wish to return home yet, so she sent Bao Junyan a short text, saying: "Hubby, will you be back home for dinner tonight? If you're not coming back, I'd like to go out and meet my friend for dinner."

She soon received a succinct reply from him: "No."

And so, she immediately arranged a meetup with Li Meng at their frequently visited store where they ate kebabs and spicy crayfish over drinks.

When the latter learned that she was upset from having met Lin Qingya earlier, she snorted. "You're just too kindhearted! She might have sneaked you some food in the past but you have also done a lot for her over the years! Aren't you just being silly?!"

"Are you my frenemy? How can you call me silly when I'm feeling down?" Mu Huan pouted.

"Yes, I am." The other woman rolled her eyes in response.

"You haven't been starved before, so you don't know what starvation feels like or understand how it feels to even consider eating soil. It goes beyond the meaning of a bowl of rice..."

Back then, she was starving so badly that she fell into despair. Hence, she had always remembered how touched she was when she saw Lin Qingya appearing in front of her with a bowl of rice.

"Regardless of its meaningfulness, you've paid back enough! You nearly got a record, a permanent stain in your life, when you taught her stepfather a lesson! Even most of your hard-earned money was given to her for her living expenses, and because of that, she got to receive a good education and have a bright future!

"But how did she treat you in the end? While you're busy earning money to support her through school by working part-time in a bar, she used this very point to sabotage you! You had a good life back then! Not only did you have the school beau as your boyfriend who treats you well, but you also entered Yun University as the top scholar. You had such a bright future in your love and career paths!

"But now? You were drugged... and forced into marriage. Even though Bao Junyan is a very rare catch, it doesn't change the fact that she had destroyed your future since you're unable to truly be with him!"

At that, she fell into silence. She then opened a bottle of beer and gulped down half of its content.

"Xiao Huan, if you continue to be hung up over that bowl of rice and wish to treat that ungrateful thing well, I'm telling you, you're truly an idiot!" The more Li Meng said, the more agitated she got.

Chapter 27: Gone Nuts

Devotion and loyalty were both Xiao Huan's greatest merit and shortcoming.

"I know, so I told her clearly that we'll call things even, and should she come antagonizing me again, she'll be deemed as my enemy!" Mu Huan looked up. She was never a stupid person.

"Way to go! Now, that's my Mu Huan! You'll pay back your bullies ten-fold!"

"Of course!"

Knowing that she had completely put down her friendship with Lin Qingya, Li Meng cheerfully raised a beer bottle in the air. "Come, cheers!"

"Cheers!" Mu Huan downed the entire bottle of beer in one shot before shouting to the boss, "Boss, give us thirty more kebabs and two pots of crayfish!"

"Alright!" the boss replied and went on to make preparations.

The first time these ladies visited his store, he was shocked by the huge amount of food they ordered, so he repeatedly told them that it was too much for them to finish it all.

Now, however, no matter how much they ordered, he would calmly take their orders and even give them some free food since he knew that they would be able to finish everything.

"Sis Xuan called me today and told me that if we can get her money back, she'll give us a 20% commission. So, I told her we'll surely get it back!" said Li Meng as she munched on her food.

"That's a must!"

"Wow, 20% commission. We're gonna get a small fortune!" Her eyes twinkled brightly at the thought of money. "Shall we go on a trip for a few days?"

"Go with your family instead. I'm not going. I've got my eyes on a small yet expensive neighborhood in the Imperial Capital that is located close to the hospital. Once the houses are available for sale, it'll probably sell out fast, so I have to save as much money as possible in the meantime." Mu Huan wished to leave Yun Cheng for the Imperial Capital.

"Why don't you find other cities? Houses cost a bomb there." Li Meng's heart hurt at how hard she was working.

"The medical facilities there are good. Plus, Granny is getting on in years. Even if she recovers this time, she'll still surely need to visit the hospital frequently in the future."

"You know how much savings I have, so if our savings combined is enough to buy a house, don't hesitate and just buy it. Mind you, though, it's a loan. You'll have to pay me back with interest!" That was all she could do to help lessen her friend's burden.

"Alright. I'll pay you back with a high-interest rate, then!" Mu Huan raised the beer in her hand. "Cheers!"

"Cheers!"

Just when they were happily drinking away, her phone suddenly rang. She hastily picked up the call when she noticed that it was the Baos' home phone number.

"Mu Huan, you b*tch! How can you splurge so much of Junyan's money to buy so many things?! Are you courting death?!" Mu Kexin saw several servants continually bringing branded shopping bags to place in her sister's room, and when she discovered that these were the latter's shopping buys, she went mad with jealousy!

All these should belong to me! They're all supposed to be mine!

"Have you gone nuts?!" Mu Huan ended the call right after yelling back at her upon realizing the identity of the caller.

When she called back again, the former refused to pick up the call.

This made her raging mad, so she yelled in her bedroom for a good while to vent her frustrations before eventually making a call to her grandmother.

"Grandma, you have to help me come up with something! If we let Mu Huan go on like this, I won't be able to marry Junyan!"

At the thought of Bao Junyan letting his wife mindlessly spend his money, she got really afraid that he would like Mu Huan so much that there'd be no room for her to cut into their marriage.

"Try to make him like you first. If it's truly useless, then I'll help you think of something." Even though the old lady refused to admit it, this granddaughter of hers was really incomparable to the other.

"Please think of a way now! I can't stand waiting another day! I want to marry Junyan right now!"

Mu Kexin might be Mu Huan's younger sister, but they only had an age difference of two months. So, the former reckoned that she was completely ready to marry the man now.

"Try your best to make him fall for you first. If it doesn't work, we'll see how to proceed then!" ordered her grandmother.

The latter had actually come up with a way for the man to marry her younger granddaughter at all cost, but it would be best if he was fond of her.

Chapter 28: Slightly Adorable

It was past 10 PM by the time Bao Junyan arrived home after work. The one welcoming him home, however, was not his sweet and adorable little wife but the old butler.

His gaze turned slightly heavy. "Is my wife not home yet?"

"Young Mistress called back and said that she'll be back home late as she's having dinner with her friend," replied Butler Lee respectfully.

The man responded with an indifferent "Mhm."

Unsure if it was his misconception, the former somehow felt that his young master seemed a little disappointed when he did not see his wife.

When Bao Junyan was about to head upstairs, he found his sister-in-law, who saw his car had returned, rushing down the stairs.

"You're back, Brother-in-law." The flirtatious woman, in a super short dress, first sweetly greeted the man before pretending to fall from the stairs and right into his arms out of her hurry and carelessness. Reckoning that she had such a superb figure, she was certain that once the man hugged her, he would have ants in his pants!

Physical contact was the best way to seduce a person!

Just when she was indulging in her beautiful fantasy that she would be able to fall into the firm chest of this hunk, the man dodged her with a side-step.

Her eyes widened; she was aghast. Before she could react, she fell headlong to the floor, looking like a mess.

The butler, who was standing aside, struggled to hold back his laughter.

Why is this image so delightful?

Despite holding back his laughter, a peal of loud and unceremonious laughter was still heard!

The two men turned to the direction of the voice, only to see Mu Huan standing at the doorway and convulsing with laughter. It felt as if she was going to be breathless from all that laughing.

"Oh, my. Oh, my! Serves you right, you dummy! That's for seducing your brother-in-law and for your lack of morals and shame! You deserved that fall!" cried the woman cheerfully as she pointed at her sister.

Bao Junyan: "..."

Is my wife drunk?

Butler Lee: "..."

Is this our demure and adorable young mistress?

Mu Kexin, looking all disheveled on the ground, practically went berserk at that. If not for her brother-in-law still standing there, she would have long yelled back at her.

"Mu Huan!" she gritted out through clenched teeth.

"What do you want? Do you want me to kick you while you're down?" replied Mu Huan in an arrogant manner.

She was indeed drunk.

The former wanted to call her "b*tch," but at the thought of something, she immediately turned to the man, looking all pitiful. "Brother-in-law…"

She reckoned that his earlier action was not deliberate, but rather, he had dodged her on instinct.

Sweeping her a disdainful glance, he wanted to get the butler to send someone to drag her away when his wife approached and hugged him.

The lingering alcohol smell on her made him furrow his brows. Just how much had she drunk?

"Mu Kexin, how disgusting of you to call him your brother-in-law yet still want to climb into his bed! Why? Is it very exciting and stimulating for you?" Besides her vicious stepmother, the person she hated the most was this half-sister of hers. Since their childhood days, the latter would always be snatching her belongings, and if she failed to get it, she would spoil the things that she liked.

"Brother-in-law, look at Sis! This is how she's bullied me since our childhood days. I…" The other woman choked on her sobs.

"Mu Kexin, improve your acting if you want to pretend to look pitiful! Lin Qingya can shed tears in just three seconds, but look at yourself, your acting is so fake!" she sneered in disdain.

Mu Kexin: "...!!"

Bao Junyan could not resist smiling slightly at the sight of Mu Huan, who was looking slightly adorable in her drunken state.

Chapter 29: I Will Box You!

Just then, she suddenly looped her hands around his neck and her legs around his as she struggled to climb up to reach his eye level.

Seeing how tough the climb was for her, he gave her a helping hand by supporting her up.

The woman even politely thanked him for that.

The smile on his face deepened.

When she finally felt herself on equal levels with him and she didn't need to raise her head to talk to him, a proud and satisfied smile bloomed across her face and she even wanted to hum a song and sway her head. It suddenly hit her right then that she had a purpose for coming up. "Hubby, you won't get seduced by her, right?"

"Right."

"That's what I told her, but she just won't give up despite knowing that you won't be interested in such a brainless and flat-chested woman. Quick, repeat that to her so she can quickly give up and get lost instead of being a hindrance here!"

"Alright."

The thinking process of drunkards was usually very fast. So, the moment the man agreed to it, she tilted her head in vexation. "What if she still refuses to give up and leave after you tell her that?"

"I'll get people to send her away, no matter what."

"Great! That's awesome!" She immediately broke into a smile, which, however, quickly disappeared.

Putting on a serious face, she added, "You can't send her away now, though... otherwise, I can't account for it..."

From how the woman was still aware of all that in spite of her drunken state, it was apparent that her family had put immense pressure on her. His gaze turned cold a little.

At that moment, she suddenly rested her head on his shoulder. "I'm sleepy. I want to sleep..."

And just like that, she fell asleep in just a matter of seconds.

Bao Junyan: "..."

That speed!

It was unknown when Mu Kexin had gotten to her feet, but she did not forget to seize the opportunity to say, "Brother-in-law, my sister loves to drink. Before she even reached the legal age, she was already hanging out in bars to drink alcohol. There were several occasions when she—"

Before she could complete what she wanted to say, she received a cold glare from the man, which shook her so much she dared not go on.

"Get someone to send her back and tell the Mus that it's under my orders. Whoever dares say anything bad about my wife is as good as saying bad things about me!" ordered the man coldly.

Thinking that she wanted to improve the relationship with her family, he'd given in to her and let her sister stay at his house for a month as he did not want to make things difficult for her.

Now, however, it seemed like she was under a threat. It was out of fear that she was forced to agree to her sister moving in with them.

He would like to see just how bold the Mu family was to actually threaten his wife when he got people to send the younger sister home!

"Yes!" Butler Lee immediately approached Mu Kexin. "Ms. Mu, please."

"No! I'm not leaving! Brother-in-law, what have I done wrong for you to be sending me away?! I—" I can't leave like that!

Alas, before she could complete her sentence, her brother-in-law had already carried her sister upstairs.

He did not want this madwoman to rouse his sweetie pie from her sleep.

When Mu Kexin continued clamoring that she refuses to leave, the butler got someone to forcibly drag her to the car and send her back to the Mus along with her packed luggage.

The drunk Mu Huan, on the other hand, slept peacefully like a child, looking all obedient and lovely, until she suddenly woke up clamoring for water out of thirst.

Her husband got up to pour her a cup of water, but she refused to drink it and wanted to eat ice cream instead.

Bao Junyan: "..."

"You can't eat ice cream at night. It's bad for the teeth." It took him some effort to help her brush her teeth before bed, so he did not want a repeat of that.

Moreover, his obsessive-compulsive disorder (OCD) made him unable to accept her going to bed without brushing her teeth.

"I'll box you if you don't let me eat ice cream!" growled the woman as she struggled to sit up.

Chapter 30: Untitled

But from Bao Junyan's perspective, her vicious expression seemed like that of a fierce little kitten trying to be adorably angry. There was no murderous aura around her at all, exuding only a kind of cuteness that made people want to pat her.

"Be good. Drink some water and go to sleep." He patted her hair and tried to coax her.

"I don't want to! I want ice cream!" Mu Huan said determinedly.

"Be obedient!" Bao Junyan was used to others listening to him. He didn't know how to coax her any longer and, thus, he went back to being commanding.

"No, I won't! I want ice cream! Ice cream!"

Bao Junyan rubbed his forehead.

At this moment, the initially mad Mu Huan began to wail. "I want to eat ice cream, I want to eat ice cream... You're a bad man for not letting me eat ice cream... Wu wu..."

It wasn't a fake sob. She was really crying with tears rolling down her face.

Those sparkling and translucent teardrops made Bao Junyan unable to remain heartless with her. He could only get someone to bring some ice cream over.

Mu Huan smiled in satisfaction when she got to eat the ice cream she wanted.

She was an adorable, lovely, and obedient girl once again.

Mu Huan stopped eating midway as she swept her gaze over to him. "Uncle, why are you such a busybody? Why did you have to be so nosy, stopping others from eating ice cream!"

Bao Junyan: "...!!!"

Uncle? He was only 30! It was the prime age of men!

"Don't be angry, I am just telling the truth..." Mu Huan said as she paused for a moment, forgetting what she had wanted to say.

Just as she was trying her hardest to think about what she wanted to say, the ice cream in her hands was taken away.

"You are telling the truth? Great!" Bao Junyan laughed instead of getting angry.

However, the drunk Mu Huan couldn't help but feel cold and shiver at his smile.

But she still insisted on wanting to eat it. "Give me back my ice cream..."

"You still want it?" That low and attractive tone was like the seductive voice of Satan from hell. One would know that he was dangerous, yet couldn't reject the attraction.

"Yes."

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Mu Huan constantly got woken up due to hunger because she was starved as a kid. When she gained the ability to take care of herself after she grew older, she would let herself suffer any sort of grievances except for hunger. When she was just a little hungry, she would eat something. This made her unable to bear even a little bit of hunger. Therefore, no matter how tired she was and how late she slept, the moment she was hungry, she would wake up.

She turned in bed and got ready to wake up, only for her hand to touch a buff muscle wall.

She was stunned for a moment before getting up instantly.