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Chapter 331: If I Don't Behave (4)

Only a moment ago, she looked so dejected like a wilting flower, but he had only simply agreed to let her have some barbequed skewers and that made her so happy.

Did she like barbequed skewers that much?

As the two of them approached the exit of the restaurant and were about to head across the road for barbequed skewers, Mu Huan suddenly remembered — she was a regular customer of that shop. The boss and the wait staff all knew her. What if, the moment she stepped in, the boss said, Yo, you're here! Do you want the usual 30 skewers of meat and a small bowl of crayfish?

That would be the end of her!

She was thinking so much today that she'd gone stupid!

"Hubby, I suddenly don't feel like eating barbequed skewers! I feel like eating roast duck from that shop up the road. Their roast duck is really good!"

Bao Junyan: "..."

She had only just wanted barbequed skewers so much that she had come alive instantly, and now she wanted roast duck.

However, because he himself didn't like eating such things, he didn't say much when she changed her mind. He got into the car and took her to the roast duck shop up the road.

After they bought the roast duck, Mu Huan had it in the car while the food was hot.

Bao Junyan picked up his documents.

"Hubby, don't you want to try a bite? This roast duck is really good!" Mu Huan tore off a piece of meat and held it out to him.

"No, I don't want it." Bao Junyan declined.

Because of how he had called her a good girl and made her feel like a pet dog, Mu Huan had ended up feeling a sort of suppressed indignation. A part of her wanted to rebel, so when he declined, she stuffed the piece of meat into his mouth, trying to provoke him.

Unexpectedly, Bao Junyan gave her a look, then chomped down on the food and downed it without even a frown.

Mu Huan: "...!"

Why wasn't he mad?

Hence, she tore another piece of meat and stuffed it into Bao Junyan's mouth. Still, he ate it without a word.

When Mu Huan started tearing the third piece of meat, she suddenly felt that this was no fun at all. Hence, she stuffed the piece of meat into her own mouth and ate it angrily.

Bao Junyan looked at her furious tiny face and did not understand what had angered her again.

"What's the matter?"

"Nothing!"

Bao Junyan: "..."

Girls of this age... they change their minds too quickly.

After Mu Huan had eaten and drank to her heart's content, she suddenly had a thought. "Am I really not even a fraction as good as Ling Wei?"

She wanted to know how much of a presence Ling Wei had in his heart.

"Don't listen to all the nonsense that Yuqi says. She and her brother worship the ground that Ling Wei walks on. In their eyes, she's perfect and no one in the world is better than her," Bao Junyan said.

"And what about you, what do you think of Ling Wei?"

He replied, "Nothing much. She's an ordinary girl."

"And what about me, compared with her?"

Bao Junyan considered it for a moment and said, "You're better than her in every way."

"If I'm really that good, why did you hesitate? What were you thinking in those few seconds when you hesitated?" Mu Huan narrowed her eyes.

Bao Junyan: "..."

This must be what people say about women being exceptionally sharp when you don't want them to be.

"Why aren't you saying anything? Were you just trying to placate me by saying those things?" By nature, Mu Huan was a domineering and overbearing person. She would never allow her man to have another woman in his heart or think that another girl was better than her. Although she tried very hard to suppress her nature, it would still rear its head sometimes.

Bao Junyan did not speak another word. He simply lowered his head and kissed her on her lips.

Mu Huan: "...!!!"

Despicable, using this to stop her!

But since he was so dashing, she decided to let him off!

Sometimes, when a man is willing to placate you, it's a sign that he cares about you. If he doesn't even bother to placate you, that is indeed the end!

Chapter 332: If I Don't Behave (5)

After pondering for a day and a night, Mu Huan finally decided on her next steps.

She decided, once she had built a strong foundation, she would expose her true nature. And if Bao Junyan could accept her and still wanted her as his wife, then she'd spend the rest of her life with him!

If he didn't accept her, then no matter how painful and unbearable it was, she could only leave since he didn't like her.

Hence, the most important thing came back to the foundation — which meant having money, position, and status! If she wanted to leave, she had to have enough money and enough clout to come up against her paternal grandmother and to ensure the safety of her granny.

On Saturday morning, Mu Huan went to the Mu family residence.

"Grandma, I heard that Bao Junyan's ex-fiancee is returning."

Matriarch Mu froze in the middle of raising her teacup to her lips.

Mu Huan continued, "Bao Junyan's family really likes his ex-fiancee. I've even heard from his cousin that it was this ex-fiancee who dumped Bao Junyan. She must be quite a formidable woman who comes from a good background to have dumped Bao Junyan."

"I have heard people saying that Bao Junyan's ex-fiancee is a formidable character. You'd better have a good hold on the man's heart!" Matriarch Mu said as she placed her teacup down.

Mu Huan had been well-behaved lately, for she had managed to secure whatever benefits the old lady wanted from Bao Junyan. Hence, her attitude toward this granddaughter had softened a great deal.

"I will try my best to capture his heart, but it has to be on the premise that there's no hindrance from Grandma's end."

"Why would I hinder you? Don't you know why I spent so much effort to marry you off to the Bao family? Why would I shoot myself in the foot?" Matriarch Mu was displeased that she should say something like that.

"Grandma, have you never thought what would happen if those things you have in your possession right now should fall into another person's hands?"

Matriarch Mu knew at once what the girl was driving at, and she said, "Those are things to do with life and death. How would I allow them to end up in someone else's hands? This not only has something to do with your life and death, but it also concerns the life and death of the Mu family!"

"Grandma, there is no place in this world that is a hundred percent safe, and there are no external parties that are completely trustworthy. No matter where you put them, these things can fall into the hands of someone else."

One of the most important things that Mu Huan had to do was to destroy these things that her grandma was holding on to, so that the old lady would not have any control over her in the future. This was the only way she could freely be with Bao Junyan.

Mu Huan had always planned before she acted, and she would prepare herself both ways — whether to attack or to retreat and defend.

Ling Wei was coming back and this was a good opportunity. Such a great external pressure would reinforce in the old lady the danger of possessing those things. Given this, if she played her card well, she could talk her grandma into destroying them.

"You need only to relax and focus on capturing the man's heart. These things will not end up in anyone else's hands."

Matriarch Mu had already guessed what she wanted. She knew, as Mu Huan had said, that if those things ended up in someone else's hands, that would be the end of their family. But how would she let someone get their hands on those things?

"Grandma, you're not the only person who knows of the existence of these things. There's Lin Qingya. And after what happened with Bai Xuexian, you should be very aware of the sort of person she is. Lin Qingya is merely the daughter-in-law of the Gu family and yet she's already untouchable. If, when Ling Wei returns and she has this strong ally, would she feel that she'd let us alone? You don't think that she would make Ling Wei find ways and means to get her hands on these things? Grandma is not afraid of this possibility?"

Finally, Matriarch Mu turned pale.

Chapter 333: Destroying the Stuff (1)

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Mu Huan had always planned before she acted, and she would prepare herself both ways — whether to attack or to retreat and defend.

"Grandma, there are no absolutes in this world. Just like how only the dead will not speak, the only way for this to leave no future trouble is for it to completely disappear."

Matriarch Mu kept silent.

She understood the reasoning. But right now, Mu Huan's Granny wasn't her hostage and could not be made use of. Hence, if she lost those things, how was she going to control Mu Huan?

Would the girl continue to obey her?

"Grandma, I know what you're worried about. But have you ever thought that if I were really determined to leave Bao Junyan and escape your control, I won't be waiting around for Lin Qingya and Ling Wei to become allies? I would have become allies with Ling Wei. If I gave up my position as Madam Bao to her, don't you think she will give me enough money and resources to escape your control?"

Matriarch Mu sank when she pondered Mu Huan's argument.

She knew how intelligent her granddaughter was and how desirable Bao Junyan was. She especially knew Ling Wei's background. Hence, she understood fully that if Mu Huan did that, she could not only escape her control without an issue, she could even destroy the Mu family!

"Grandma, do you know why I'm not waiting for Ling Wei to return and offer to trade in my position as Madam Bao and, instead, have come to you to ask you to destroy all that stuff?"

"Why?" This puzzled Matriarch Mu too. She knew that this granddaughter of hers wanted to escape from her control. She wished to run away and be free. With this sort of opportunity, she could have patiently endured and waited, then break free with a single strike.

"Because I've fallen in love with Bao Junyan and want to be with him forever. I don't want to give other women a chance to steal him!"

Matriarch Mu widened her eyes in surprise, but the moment she thought of the sort of person Bao Junyan was, her surprise faded. No woman would be able to resist his charm!

"Grandma, I don't know if you will believe me, but I'm telling you sincerely, if you would destroy those things and put all our worries to rest, I can guarantee that in the future, I will put in my best efforts to help Zixuan!"

"With the way we used to treat you, how could we believe you now?" Matriarch Mu was aware of how badly she used to treat Mu Huan. Given that Mu Huan was such a tit-for-tat person, how could she possibly treat the Mu family kindly and be wholehearted about helping her grandson?

"Grandma, you should know how important one's family background is. If I wish to secure my position as Madam Bao forever, not only must I have good family backing, my family has to increase in strength! Otherwise, after dealing with this Ling Wei, there will be the next opponent. After many years, there will be younger and prettier ones. But if I have a strong family, they will have qualms. If I were alone and have no backing, for sure, these women will try their luck.

"Hence, even if it were for my own sake, I would do my best to stand the Mu family in good stead! Grandma, think about the most recent times. Haven't I done everything that you wanted me to do?"

In any case, whatever projects that were of benefit to the Mu family now would eventually put money in Bao Junyan's pocket. Hence, whatever benefits her grandma had wanted her to gain from Bao Junyan, she had complied.

Chapter 334: Destroying the Stuff (2)

"Grandma, in the past, I was young and rash. I felt that I only needed to depend on myself. But now I've matured, and I know that sometimes, in some matters, one cannot depend on one's own efforts." Of course, since Mu Huan had decided to come looking for her grandma, she had thought about what she needed to say.

Matriarch Mu thought about how Mu Huan had indeed been obedient lately and wasn't stubborn and rebellious like in the past. She kept silent.

At this point, Mu Zixuan, who had been sitting by the side quietly, said, "Grandma, I believe Sister."

Matriarch Mu looked toward him upon hearing this remark, giving him a warning look that he should not speak nonsense.

However, Mu Zixuan continued, "Grandma, compared to Lin Qingya, Sister is definitely more trustworthy."

Mu Zixuan had not forgotten nor forgiven Lin Qingya's scheming against Bai Xuexian.

Only if Mu Huan was Madam Bao would he have the chance to take revenge on Lin Qingya. Otherwise, when Lin Qingya had become the daughter-in-law of the Gu family and secured her position with the arrival of her child, he would never have the chance to take revenge in this lifetime.

Furthermore, between Lin Qingya and Mu Huan, he definitely trusted Mu Huan! Even if she did not keep her word and help him as much as she could in the future, she definitely would not harm him.

On the other hand, that would not hold true for Lin Qingya. An evil person like her would not hesitate to destroy Mu Huan the minute she had the chance to. With Mu Huan out of the way and the Mu family having seen her true colors, they could very well be her next target.

"I know." Matriarch Mu knew too that, compared to Lin Qingya, Mu Huan was definitely more trustworthy. However, she continued, "I won't let anyone else get their hands on those things!"

She still felt more secure holding on to the things.

"Xiao Huan, you really don't have to worry about this at all! As long as you keep behaving yourself, those things are as good as non-existent!"

"Since Grandma is so confident in yourself and you're not worried about Lin Qingya or Mu Kexin, then I have even less to worry about. At worst, I leave Bao Junyan. As long as Grandma can bear the consequences if such a day should really come," Mu Huan said as she got to her feet and prepared to leave.

Then, as though she suddenly thought of something, she turned around and asked, "Grandma, the person who failed in the operation at the time was you and not Granddad. Isn't that right?"

Of course, Mu Huan had thought of looking for those things and destroying them herself. However, she did not manage to locate them, but in the process, she found out some other information.

Many years ago, her grandma had taken on a case of a high-risk operation for the sake of raising the profile of the Mu family's hospital. She had even taken advantage of the publicity and made big news out of this case. However, the operation eventually failed due to an error on the surgeon's part, causing the patient's death.

At the time, the lead surgeons were her grandma and granddad, with Bai Xuexian assisting.

After this episode, her grandma had pushed the blame to her granddad and even made a big show of punishing him in the cause of justice by firing him. She pushed him to face the pressure of public opinion, and eventually, he died from depression.

When Matriarch Mu heard Mu Huan say that, she almost jumped in shock.

"This matter that had happened so long ago is supposed to be known only by Grandma, Granddad, and Bai Xuexian. Grandma surely had thought that no fourth person in this world would ever come to know about it. But now I know. How do you think I found out about it? You've kept it a deep secret and thought that it would remain so for sure. But how did I find out?

"Are there any absolutes in this world?"

Chapter 335: Destroying the Stuff (3)

Matriarch Mu tightened her grip around the cup she was holding.

Mu Huan did not speak further. She turned around and walked toward the door.

"Wait!" Matriarch Mu shouted.

Mu Huan turned around.

"Xiao Huan, Grandma hopes that you will keep your word and wholeheartedly help Zixuan and treat the Mu family kindly." The matter happened so many years ago and she thought it had left no trace, but Mu Huan had actually found out. Indeed, there were no absolutes in the world! It was really impossible to guard against exceptions!

And if something exceptional did really happen and these things fell into someone else's hands, it could possibly destroy the Mu family!

Matriarch Mu would never have thought that the things that she had used to control Mu Huan in the past would now become the greatest threat to the Mu family.

"I've said so much but Grandma would not believe me, so it's useless for me to try to assure you of anything."

Matriarch Mu looked at her and pondered for a while. Then she said, "I believe you, and I hope that you won't let Grandma down. Otherwise, even without all these things, I can ruin your position as Madam Bao too. Grandma can find allies too!"

Now, she had no choice but to trust this granddaughter of hers.

"I know, Grandma, don't worry. From now on, I will put all my effort into doing everything for the Mu family."

Matriarch Mu did not speak further but took Mu Huan along to retrieve the things.

Indeed, she had hidden the things in a location that was so secretive that no one would have thought about it. It was really no wonder she was confident that no one would find them.

Mu Huan saw with her own eyes as her grandma destroyed the things. She made sure there were no other backup copies before she left the Mu family residence.

Just as she came up to the door, Mu Zixuan caught up with her.

"Sister, I know that the things my mom and sister had done to you in the past are unforgivable. But I will work hard to make it up to you, and I will become your greatest backing forever!" Mu Zixuan was rather sincere in saying these things, for he had far greater insight than his mother and sister. He had never thought of harming Mu Huan. Even before she had married Bao Junyan, he had never done it.

This wasn't because he was a kind person. It was just that he never felt he needed to condescend to do something like that. But now, he knew that to get to an even higher position, the way to do it was not by stepping on Mu Huan but to rely on her.

He wanted their relationship to be a mutually-beneficial one.

"Don't worry, I will definitely help you where necessary." Mu Huan was sincere in saying this too. It didn't matter what his motives for helping her were. The fact was that he was of practical value to her. Hence, she would definitely swing him any advantages that she could.

Mu Zixuan looked at her and knew that she was sincere. He ceased worrying and, after a while, said, "Sister, if only you were really my own sister."

If she were his own sister, then his journey to success would be so much smoother and faster.

"I don't have the slightest desire to have a brother like you." After Mu Huan spoke, she turned and walked away.

At Yun University...

"Come, your big sister here will treat you to lunch this afternoon!" Mu Huan said as she put her arms around Li Meng's shoulders.

"You've succeeded?"

"That's right!"

"That's great!" Li Meng hugged her excitedly.

This meant that her Xiao Huan could be with God Bao freely from now on!

Now that the burden that she had been carrying was finally gone, Mu Huan's eyes were dancing as she asked, "What sort of feast would you like?"

"Can we go to Dragon Court for a full banquet?" Li Meng didn't bother to be modest.

"Let's go!"

"Let's ask Xingye to come along. Otherwise, he'd be unhappy!" Li Meng said.

"Of course he has to be invited!" If good food was involved and they didn't invite him, he'd be angry with them for at least a month.

Just as Mu Huan was happily heading off to a good meal with her arm around Li Meng...

Huo Yuqi stepped right into their path.

"You two aren't going anywhere!"

Chapter 336: Dirty Deeds (1)

Mu Huan looked at Huo Yuqi and asked, "What's the matter, my dear cousin?"

"Who are you calling your dear cousin?! Who's your cousin?!" Huo Yuqi said disdainfully.

"You, of course! Aren't you my husband's cousin?"

"I'm your husband's cousin, but not your cousin. Very soon, my cousin will dump you!" Huo Yuqi, who had received details of Ling Wei's arrival last night, felt even more certain than ever that Mu Huan's arrogance was not going last.

"You're still my dear little cousin-slash-sister before I get dumped. Right now, your sister-in-law is heading off for some good food. Come if you want, I'm picking up the tab. If you don't wish to come, please get out of the way."

"You can't leave! I've lost a valuable diamond necklace — it's a birthday present from my mom and I like it a lot! I lost it in class so no one leaves this place! I'm searching everyone!"

Mu Huan: "..."

Was she actually using such an inferior way to frame her for stealing?

Li Meng thought the same thing too and was speechless.

Everyone knew that her Xiao Huan had married a wealthy man who was exceptionally doting toward her. For her to say that Xiao Huan stole her diamond necklace — was anyone going to believe it?

Everyone in class: " ... "

Newbie fellow student Huo, are you saying that Mu Huan has stolen your diamond necklace?

The moment she joined the class, they had known that there was going to be drama between the two girls, but who would have thought it would be this soon?!

Long Feiting, who was seated in the back row, stared at Huo Yuqi in speechlessness. He had already told her not to find trouble with Mu Huan since she was no match for the girl. But still, she had used such an inferior tactic to try to frame her.

She was going to end up being a laughingstock!

Huo Yuqi looked at Mu Huan and said provocatively, "Do you dare to let me search your bag, then?!"

"What need is there to search? Seeing how confident and certain you are, I'm sure your diamond necklace is in my bag. If you insist I stole it, I did it, then," Mu Huan said.

Everyone in class burst out laughing. This fellow student Huo is too childish! This is such an obvious setup of planting and framing!

Seeing that Mu Huan not only did not deny it or protest that she had been wrongly accused but actually admitted it, Huo Yuqi was immediately stunned. It was no wonder Long Feiting had said that she was not easy to deal with! Indeed, she wasn't!

She had given in so easily that even if they were to find the necklace in her bag, no one would believe that she had stolen it!

However, Huo Yuqi's target wasn't Mu Huan!

"The way you say it is as if I'm planting the object and framing you!"

"Isn't it so?" Mu Huan raised her eyebrow.

"Of course not! Why would I want to plant the object and frame you? What benefits do I get from framing you?! I only want to get my lost necklace back!"

Huo Yuqi put on a look of complete innocence.

Mu Huan narrowed her eyes.

Would this person only be satisfied when she was able to fish the necklace out of her bag?

"Well, do you dare to let me search your bag, then?!"

"Why would I not dare? Search all you like." Mu Huan placed her bag on the desk for Huo Yuqi to search as she pleased. In any case, even if she were to find the necklace in her bag, no one would believe that she had stolen it from Huo Yuqi, and they would only feel that such a move was inferior and obvious.

"And you, hand your bag over for me to do a search!" Huo Yuqi pointed at Li Meng.

"Sure!" Li Meng placed her bag on the desk for the search.

Everyone thought that Huo Yuqi was out to create trouble for Mu Huan, but they were all wrong.

Huo Yuqi wanted to find trouble with Mu Huan, but she did not target Mu Huan. Instead, she had targeted Li Meng!

Chapter 337: Dirty Deeds (2)

The necklace that Huo Yuqi had lost was not found in Mu Huan's bag. It was, instead, found in Li Meng's bag.

Everyone was surprised. If she had wanted to implicate Mu Huan by planting the necklace, why would she have placed it in Li Meng's bag and not Mu Huan's? Could it be possible that she wanted to argue that Mu Huan was afraid to be found out after she had stolen the necklace and therefore hid it in Li Meng's bag?

And that would make the case of Mu Huan stealing the necklace more convincing?

As everyone was taken by surprise and started to make guesses...

They saw Huo Yuqi fishing out a necklace from the bag. As she did so, she looked toward Li Meng with an expression of great disdain and said, "Didn't I say so? Crookedness gets passed on, it's indeed true! Your father was a thief and you indulge in these dirty deeds as well!"

"Who are you saying indulges in dirty deeds?!" Li Meng was instantly provoked.

"You! I'm talking about you! Otherwise, why would my diamond necklace be in your bag?!" Huo Yuqi's accusing expression was clear — the stolen object had been found in Li Meng's bag, it was no use denying!

"Huo Yuqi, it's fine if you wish to plant evidence in my bag and frame me, I'll play along for your cousin's sake. But watch your words!" Mu Huan's expression turned icy. If the girl wanted to create trouble for her, she could try to tolerate it as best as possible, but she was not going to tolerate her creating trouble for Li Meng!

"What do you mean planting evidence to frame you?! Why would I want to do that? It's not like I have too much time! She saw how beautiful my necklace was, and it's something that she'll never be able to afford in her lifetime, so she stole it!" Huo Yuqi pointed at Li Meng.

"Stop talking nonsense!" Li Meng charged up to her angrily.

Mu Huan stopped her. Even if they were going to teach Huo Yuqi a lesson, she'd be the one to do it. If she punished Huo Yuqi, Bao Junyan would protect her, but if Li Meng did anything to the girl, the Huo family would not just sit back and do nothing.

"I'm not talking nonsense. Do you dare say your father is not a thief? Your father was beaten and had his leg broken because he was stealing, and you dare steal! Oh, yes, and before this, there was the high profile case — wasn't the crippled man your father?! With those genes, how clean would you be?!"

After Huo Yuqi's brother, Huo Li, had been beaten up last time for smearing Mu Huan's name, he knew that they must not directly attack Mu Huan. Hence, he had investigated the background of Mu Huan's good friend, Li Meng.

Li Meng had a father who loved to steal and gamble. Although his leg had been broken because he was stealing and he thereafter hardly stole, this didn't stop him from gambling. Earlier in the year, he had kidnapped a young girl and demanded a ransom so that he could pay off his gambling debts.

In the end, he was caught even before he could call the girl's family to blackmail them. He was afraid of being charged for kidnapping so he had stupidly said he took the girl home because she was cute and that his intention was only to keep her at home to accompany him. He claimed he hadn't done anything to her and her family had very quickly found him.

He thought that by saying that, the girl's family would not make a report since, after all, he hadn't done anything to the girl.

To his dismay, the girl's family went ahead to press charges against him for kidnapping a young girl.

Not only was he nabbed, but the matter was also circulated widely on the internet, and for a while, the news of his kidnapping was the focus of attention. Netizens reprimanded him, saying that he deserved to die and should be chemically neutered! Dying ten thousand times over would not be enough to punish people like him!

This incident had happened in Yun Cheng, so naturally, the students of Yun University knew about it. Many of them had even left a message online reprimanding the crippled man. Now, it was made known that the crippled man who kidnapped the girl was Li Meng's father.

Instantly, Li Meng's expression changed!

Who would have thought she had such a father?!

Chapter 338: Dirty Deeds (3)

Li Meng felt the change in the gaze her classmates were looking at her with and she clenched her fists.

Just because she had such a father, ever since she was young, whenever someone in the class loses something, her teacher and classmates would suspect her. They'd say that with such a father, she probably was someone bad too.

Why would she be bad just because she had such a father?

Ever since she was young, she'd never taken another glance at the belongings of others! Why did they have to stereotype her just because of her father?!

Why?!

Was it her choice to have such a father? She also wished that her father wasn't a person like this!

But was this her choice?

She really hated it very much! She hated people saying that she was sticky-fingered!

Li Meng's life was really tough and poor, all because of the father she had. No matter how hard she tried to earn money, it wasn't able to fill the black hole caused by her father. If she didn't give him money, he would constantly harass her mother and younger sister, resulting in them living in fear every day.

But after she gave him money, he'd come back again.

For the sake of Li Meng, Mu Huan had once taught her father a brutal lesson. However, after he had recovered, he was back to his original state. After that, Mu Huan wanted to send him into jail, but Li Meng's father only stole and gambled, he didn't commit other illegal acts.

After his legs were broken by someone, he could no longer steal, so he committed himself to gambling. Mu Huan had watched over him for really long, but she could only report him for gambling.

At the start of this year, he had committed such an act and was brought away. Mu Huan immediately went to find a really powerful lawyer to help the girl's family, and Li Meng's father was sentenced to 15 years of jail.

Her father was currently 45 years old, and by the time he's out, he'd be an old man at 60. And this 15 years would be sufficient for Li Meng to grow strong enough to be able to not be threatened by him any longer.

After the court had given its sentence, Li Meng was so happy she hugged Mu Huan and cried for a whole night.

Obviously, Li Meng hated her father, but... others would say that it's her blood-related father. The blood in her body was all dirty blood from that man and she was bad too.

This world was indeed so judgmental. Colored glasses would always be worn when looking at those people who were already so unlucky.

Mu Huan rushed forward and pulled Huo Yuqi's collar with force. She said, "Huo Yuqi, you better apologize to Li Meng immediately!"

As Li Meng's best friend who had accompanied her throughout that kind of school life, Mu Huan knew how much Li Meng hated others saying that she had sticky fingers.

Her Xiao Meng was so good. Just because of her father, she had been maligned since she was young and was judged by others with such discrimination! Now, she was even blamed and slandered to have done a dirty deed!

"Apologize? Why do I have to apologize? If an apology must be given, she should be the one doing so! Have you ever seen someone who got her things stolen apologize to the thief? Don't tell me I'm supposed to apologize for having such good stuff that made you jealous, resulting in you stealing it?" Huo Yuqi sarcastically retorted.

Mu Huan's eyes became cold. She used the other hand to grab her hair. Just as she was about to smash Huo Yuqi's head until she admits to making Li Meng take the blame on purpose...

Li Meng pounced over and held her arm and said, "No, Xiao Huan! No!"

Mu Huan was able to think calmly when it concerned herself. However, when it hurt her friend, especially when she was the cause of it, she wasn't able to accept it. She was really furious and she couldn't control her boiling anger at all.

Even when Li Meng was hugging her like this, the anger radiating from her was so strong it would cause one to shiver!

Chapter 339: It's Too Late for Regrets (1)

"What? You want to hit me? Come! Come and hit me!" Ever since she was young, Huo Yuqi had never known what being afraid felt like. Besides that, she was waiting for Mu Huan to hit her.

If Mu Huan dared to do so, she would immediately tell her aunt that she hit her so she could cause her aunt to dislike this daughter-in-law of hers and make her scram off more quickly!

Mu Huan's hand clenched into a fist tightly. She really wanted to destroy her face!

Had she never thought of how hurtful it was to slander someone like this?!

"Huo Yuqi, let me tell you one more time. I don't care how you want to make my life terrible, but don't touch my friend. You better apologize to her immediately! Admit that you placed the necklace in her bag!"

"Why would I place my necklace in her bag? It's her fault for stealing it!" Although Huo Yuqi said that, her expression was obviously challenging Mu Huan. It was as if it's saying: I'm making your friend take the blame on purpose, so what?! If you have the guts, come and hit me!

Just as Mu Huan was about to lose control and punch her, Long Feiting stepped forward and pulled Huo Yuqi over.

"Yuqi, stop messing around." Long Feiting knew how much her family pampered her. She's the only girl in such a huge family, and Bo Junyan's mother loved this niece of hers a lot. If Mu Huan punched her and Bo Junyan ditched Mu Huan, Mu Huan would be done for without Bo Junyan even having to do anything.

"Long Feiting, don't speak nonsense!" Huo Yuqi glared at Long Feiting.

"You're the one who should stop speaking nonsense and messing around! I saw you put the necklace in Li Meng's bag with my own eyes. I know that you dislike them a lot because you lost to them when you tried snatching items at the mall and thus wanted to create a joke to scare them, but you're really going overboard with this joke of yours!" As Long Feiting said that, his gaze directed at Huo Yuqi became a little colder.

His gaze was obviously telling her that she better step down obediently with his help!

Huo Yuqi looked at Long Feiting angrily. Why was he helping Mu Huan? Was he stupid?!

He's actually speaking up for both of them!

The rest of the students were also surprised. They never thought that Long Feiting, who was always at odds with Mu Huan, would stand and speak up for Li Meng.

Shouldn't he be adding fuel to the fire right now?

"Long Feiting, you..." Huo Yuqi wanted to say something.

But Long Feiting's tone became more serious. "Huo Yuqi!"

She better not continue making a fuss!

Seeing that change, Huo Yuqi didn't want to anger Long Feiting any more and said, "Forget it. For Long Feiting's sake, I will not fuss over it with you."

Anyway, she wasn't intending to report it to the police or anything. She just wanted to shame Mu Huan's friend and also put Mu Huan in an embarrassing spot.

"What do you mean by fussing over it with us? The ones who should be fussing over it is us! How dare you malign Xiao Meng!" Mu Huan wasn't going to give in so easily.

"I didn't malign her, she's the one who had done a dirty deed!"

"Huo Yuqi, I'm giving you one last chance to apologize. If you don't apologize and admit what you did, I will sue you for defamation and slander!" Mu Huan's eyes became colder and colder.

"Mu Huan..." Long Feiting looked at Mu Huan, trying to hint to her that the matter could be settled as long as both of them took a step back.

If she really went to sue her, the ending would definitely be bad.

However, Mu Huan would definitely not take a step back no matter what. If it was a matter regarding her, she wouldn't care, but this involved Li Meng's reputation. She had to make Huo Yuqi admit that it was her fault, apologize to Li Meng, and ask for her forgiveness!

"Sue me if you can! Why would I be scared of you?!" Huo Yuqi said arrogantly.

"Ok!" She really refuses to be convinced until reality strikes!

Chapter 340: It's Too Late for Regrets (2)

"Xiao Huan, forget it. Even Long Feiting has said that she was joking..." Li Meng didn't want Mu Huan to fall out with Huo Yuqi completely because of her. They had worked so hard to destroy the things in her grandmother's hands and Mu Huan could finally be with Bo Junyan forever without any burden. She couldn't let Mu Huan have a tough life with the Bo family in the future.

"No way!" After Mu Huan had said that, she removed Li Meng's hand, which was tightly grasping her arm. She took out her phone and a data cable and walked toward the podium.

No one knew what she wanted to do.

But in no time, everyone understood it.

She used the screen on the podium and displayed the surveillance video, which showed Huo Yuqi placing the necklace in Li Meng's bag when Li Meng wasn't around.

Ever since Huo Yuqi had transferred to study in their class, Mu Huan and Li Meng had chosen seats that were able to be captured most clearly by the surveillance camera. Thus, the whole process was clearly caught on video.

Huo Yuqi's expression instantly changed.

How did this happen?! Before she took action, she had asked someone to make sure that the surveillance cameras in the class would be faulty!

"Are you very curious why the surveillance cameras that were supposed to be faulty aren't faulty?" Mu Huan sneered.

Mu Huan felt that after Huo Yuqi had transferred to her class, she would definitely find trouble with her. Thus, as a precaution, she had asked Wu Xingye to use his hacker techniques to connect the surveillance cameras in the class to her cell phone. Once the surveillance cameras were damaged, she would know about it instantly and be able to fix it. She knew about it the moment the surveillance cameras had been damaged today, but it had seemed to be due to the aging of the wires. Thus, after she repaired it, she didn't really bother much about it.

But now, it seemed like Huo Yuqi had hired someone to damage it! This person she had hired was also a professional. He had made it look like the wires had aged naturally.

Huo Yuqi's expression became even darker.

Why didn't those surveillance cameras spoil?!

"Huo Yuqi, I gave you a chance just now but you rejected it! Now, it's too late for you to regret it. There's no use for an apology! I will bring the video of the surveillance cameras to sue you for defamation and slander! With such clear evidence, no matter how good your family background is, it's useless!"

If Huo Yuqi had placed the necklace into her bag and said that she stole it, she would have been able to tolerate it. It would have been alright even if she didn't take out the evidence. However, if it's about Li Meng, there's no way she could let it be!

She was not even going to take half a step back! Her Xiao Meng valued reputation a lot, and what she couldn't take the most was when someone slanders her for a thief! She couldn't receive related insults! This matter must be pursued!

Bo Junyan was so nice to Mu Huan, so even if Mu Huan wasn't able to like and dote on whoever he did, she would try to give in a little.

Thus, when this happened, her first reaction had been to beat Huo Yuqi up — she didn't want to bring out this evidence to sue her or anything.

She gave her another chance to allow her to admit her mistakes and apologize to Xiao Meng and ask for her forgiveness.

However, not only did she not admit her mistakes, she continued slandering Xiao Meng!

"What do I regret?! Why do I have to apologize?! I just wanted to joke around with both of you! Who knew that both of you can't take it?!" Huo Yuqi suddenly thought that the words Long Feiting had said just now were a good excuse. Thus, she insisted on not apologizing and admitting her mistake!

"If I really wanted to get her into trouble, why would I do something somewhere with surveillance cameras? I'm not stupid!" No one knew that she had asked someone to spoil the surveillance cameras anyway!

Huo Yuqi had dared to do it so openly only because she thought that the surveillance cameras were faulty. Little did she expect that they weren't! As she recalled that her bodyguard had confidently told her that the surveillance cameras were spoiled, she was so mad she really felt like kicking her bodyguard very hard when she got home!