#### FARM SPACE 401

#### Chapter 401: Arrest

When the minivan stopped, the seven-seater car following behind also stopped abruptly.

'Why did the car in front suddenly stop?'

The minivan braked suddenly. Qiu Shaobai, who had been insulting Li Dazhu all this time, had his head bang into the dashboard due to inertia. Then, he reeled back.

"Ouch!" Qiu Shaobai was not wearing his seatbelt. Soon, a red and swollen bump appeared on his head.

Qiu Shaobai held his bleeding forehead and said angrily, "Li Dazhu, you bastard, do you want to die?"

Li Dazhu's face was livid. There was a wave of faint anger that he was holding back. He was angry due to Qiu Shaobai's humiliation.

However, when he thought of the other party's identity, Li Dazhu took a deep breath and said, "Young Master Qiu, don't you need to eat and pee? We'll stop at the rest stop."

Qiu Shaobai's anger surged as he said furiously, "Li Dazhu, are you crazy? It's one thing to stop, but why did you suddenly brake?"

Li Dazhu said coldly, "There was a car in front just now. If I didn't step on the brake, we would have crashed into the car. You're not afraid of death, but I'm afraid of death." After saying that, he started the car and continued to move forward. Qiu Shaobai's face alternated between red and white. He was scared and angry.

He gritted his teeth and cursed, "Li Dazhu, you bastard!"

As he said that, he touched his forehead and his palm was covered in blood. A wave of hatred instantly gushed out from his eyes as he said loudly, "You've injured me. Just you wait. When we return to Guang City, I'll have my uncle teach you a lesson!"

Li Dazhu said coldly, "Sure." Then he regretted bringing Qiu Shaobai along on this mission. What he regretted more was accepting this mission. It was an insult to his profession. Had he trained two years in the security company to do this?

But it was too late for regret now. The deed was done.

Qiu Shaobai was still cursing on the side while Li Dazhu calmly drove to the parking lot.

The people in the car behind were frowning. They were almost to Guang City, so why were they stopping at the rest stop? What if something happened?

These people were worried. They had been asking around when they were at Taoyuan Village. They found out the two cows were not ordinary cows. The family who lost them would call the police. If the police followed their trail, the police might catch up to them.

"What is going on? Why is Boss stopping?"

"Perhaps he has run out of fuel?"

The few people in the car were puzzled.

"That's impossible. Didn't we have extra gas in the trunk?"

"That's right. So, why did they stop? Is it possible that they want to take a dump?" These were not civilized people.

"Shall we follow them?"

"What do you think?" A person next to him rolled his eyes and said, "Our mission was to ensure that these two cows are safely transported to Guang City."

"Oh, then let's follow." There was nothing else they could do.

Li Dazhu parked the car. In case of an accident, he took out the spray and sprayed the two cows twice. This was hard for Little Light and Big Light. They had just woken up, and they had been knocked out again.

After the car behind them was parked, everyone in the car got out.

There were nine men in black. They were tall and big, and all of them looked rough and fierce. They were easy to notice.

Li Dazhu and the other two men in black followed Qiu Shaobai into the restaurant. After the other five people got out of the car, they immediately surrounded the small truck and guarded it, not letting anyone get close.

Some passersby were curious and wanted to find out what was in the small truck. However, they were all chased away by the men in black. The passersby didn't want trouble, so they left.

"Report. There's suspicious activity at 101's location. Please advise." A plainclothes officer stationed at the rest stop reported. He had been paying attention since he received orders from his superiors. He was told that there were nine men who had stolen two cattle. They were all dressed in black and well-trained.

"Understood." After 101 reported the situation, he kept his eyes on those people and watched them walk into the restaurant.

'So they stopped cause they were hungry.'

"101, 101. Please report. Please report the situation of the suspicious targets!" At this moment, a voice came from the intercom.

"Reporting. Four people entered the restaurant, and five people stayed outside,' 101 reported.

"101, go check out the situation!" Another order came.

'Yes!" 101 accepted the order.

101 immediately hid the walkie-talkie and tidied up his clothes. From the outside, he looked like a normal person. He passed by the men in black and the small white van. Since the van was carrying living beings, it couldn't be completely sealed. At least some cracks would be exposed.

Although Big Light and Little Light were different from ordinary cows, they were cows after all. No matter how clean they were, they still emitted the smell of cows.

101 's sense of smell wag very sensitive. Through the small gap, he could smell the cattle.

After a moment, 101 walked to a corner, took out a phone, and reported, "101 reporting, 101 reporting, target confirmed, please advise!"

'8101 approaches the target. Do not take reckless action. Support will be there soon!"

"Roger!" 101 said very seriously.

After that, he hid the walkie-talkie and put the tracking device on his sleeve. He looked around while holding a set of car keys. Then, he walked into the restaurant.

The food at the rest stop left much to be desired. Qiu Shaobai was a pampered young master, so he was not satisfied.

He ordered a few stir-fries and seafood. Then, he ordered a few bottles of wine. The waiter guided them to a private room Qiu Shaobai requested.

Li Dazhu's face was dark as he looked at the few bottles of white wine on the table. He said very seriously, "Young Master Qiu, we are on official business. We can't drink!"

Qiu Shaobai said disdainfully, "We're just transporting two cows. What's so serious?"

This time, Li Dazhu was very insistent. He said sternly, "You can pee and shit if you want to, but you can't drink!"

Alcohol was too troublesome. They hadn't even completed their mission. They still had to transport the two cows back to Guang City. Qiu Shaobai could do anything he wanted after that, but before the mission was completed, drinking was not possible.

Seeing Li Dazhu's resolute attitude, Qiu Shaobai was once again furious. He angrily shouted, "Li Dazhu, don't give me a hard time. Do you think you can order me around? You are just a dog. How dare you meddle in my business?" Then, he grabbed a bottle of white wine from the table and poured it into his mouth. Then, he looked at Li Dazhu with a mocking expression and said sarcastically, "Oops. I just drank. What can you do to me? Kill me if you dare." Then, he finished the bottle of wine.

Li Dazhu and his two brothers behind him were so angry that their faces were ashen. Their eyes were spewing fire. They clenched their fists tightly, and blue veins popped up.

They honestly wanted to kill Qiu Shaobai. The man had been insulting them all day.

They were bodyguards, but bodyguards were still an honorable profession. However, in Qiu Shaobai's eyes, they were no different from guard dogs. They were employed by Qiu Shaobai's uncle and so he felt that way.

A bodyguard behind Li Dazhu suppressed his anger and looked at Li Dazhu and asked, "Boss, what should we do now?"

Li Dazhu clenched his fists tightly, and his sharp eyes were filled with ferocity and determination. He said coldly, "Knock him out and drag him away!"

They couldn't join Qiu Shaobai to drink. The consequences would be unimaginable.

They couldn't just leave Qiu Shaobai behind either. How were they going to explain that to their boss?

Therefore, they could only forcefully take Qiu Shaobai away.

Qiu Shaobai drank and ate while looking at Li Dazhu and the others with contemptuous expressions.

However, when he heard that Li Dazhu was going to knock him out and take him away, his expression suddenly changed, and he shouted sternly, "Li Dazhu, you wouldn't dare!" His entire person became alert and vigilant.

Qiu Shaobai was a hooligan. He would lose Li Dazhu, who had been professionally trained. Plus, he was fighting three people instead of one.

Li Dazhu asked seriously, "Then I'll ask again. Young Master Qiu, do you want to leave by yourself now, or do you want us to knock you out and take you away?" Qiu Shaobai still said loudly, "Li Dazhu, how dare you! I'll report this to my uncle, and he'll punish you severely!"

Li Dazhu calmly said, "I don't care!" He had originally planned to resign after finishing this job. He then sternly asked, "Are you leaving now or not?"

Qiu Shaobai's expression changed when he heard that. Then, he unwillingly glanced at the table full of food. With an angry expression, he gritted his teeth and said, "Alright, I'm leaving!" But in his heart, he thought, 'When we return to my uncle, I'll teach you all a lesson. I'll pay you back a hundred times for the threats and insults you've given me."

Li Dazhu secretly heaved a sigh of relief. Next time, he didn't want to be with this young master who only knew how to cause trouble.

Just as Qiu Shaobai got up and the four of them turned around to leave...

A voice came from outside the door. "I'm afraid none of you can leave."

The four of them looked and realized that the other party was a man in white casual clothes. They did not recognize him. There were five or six men in black behind him, surrounded by a crowd of onlookers.

Qiu Shaobai was furious. He asked in a very angry tone, "Who are you? What right do you have to stop us? Get lost."

Situ Xing said with a smile, "Who are we? We are from Gong Family's Royal Security Company."

As soon as he said that, Li Dazhu and the others' expressions changed.

At that moment, Qiu Shaobai sneered. "Hah, what Royal Security Company? You make it sound so nice, but you're just another group of guard dogs!" He spat and shouted aggressively, "Now, be a nice doggie and get out of my way!"

Situ Xing acted as if he didn't hear Qiu Shaobai's scolding. He looked at Qiu

Shaobai with a mysterious gaze and asked with a faint smile, "Are you Qiu Shaobai?"

However, his question caused the pupils of Li Dazhu and his brothers to constrict.

They had a bad feeling.

Why would Gong Family's Royal Security Company suddenly appear here? How did they know Qiu Shaobai's name?

They had a feeling that these people were here to chase after two cows.

Li Dazhu and his brothers immediately became alert. This was a standoff, and the atmosphere was tense.

However, Qiu Shaobai did not sense any danger at all.

He admitted casually, 'Yes, I'm Qiu Shaobai. Since you know me, then hurry up and get out of my way." He was very conceited. He believed the other party knew him because of his high and mighty identity.

Li Dazhu and the other two cursed in their hearts. 'Idiot. He's going to be our death!' Li Dazhu then looked at the other party and asked, "May I know why are you stopping us?"

Situ Xing answered in a specious manner, 'Yes, you are Qiu Shaobai. You are accompanied by nine men in black. This is correct."

No matter how slow Qiu Shaobai was, he also felt that something was wrong. He asked, "What is the meaning of this?"

Situ Xing raised his eyebrows and said, "Oh. I'm trying to confirm whether you're cattle thieves or not. Thank you for admitting to me that you're Qiu Shaobai."

"Ah?" Qiu Shaobai was completely dumbfounded.

Situ Xing ignored him and looked at Li Dazhu. "Your five companions outside have been taken down by my brothers. What about you? Do you want to surrender, or shall we use force? But..."

He raised his eyebrows and looked at Li Dazhu and the others with a mocking expression. He said indifferently, "I don't like to use force. I have something else prepared instead."

After saying that, he took out an item from his pocket.

When Li Dazhu and the others saw this item, their expressions changed again. They couldn't help but ask in surprise, "You're Situ Xing? The Strange Doctor of the Gong family, Situ Xing?"

Situ Xing raised his eyebrows and smiled. "Oh, you know me?"

Li Dazhu and the others first nodded and then shook their heads. They didn't know Situ Xing, but they knew the thing in Situ Xings hand,

Because that was the symbol of the Strange Doctor, Situ Xing.

## Chapter 402 Strange Doctor Situ Xing

In the industry, everyone knew that the Palace Royal Security Company was a branch of the Imperial Palace Group. The Imperial Palace had all kinds of best talents, like top hackers, top doctors, and so on...

However, most of these people lived their lives among the crowd. As long as they didn't want to reveal their identities, no one would know who they were.

The only exception was the Strange Doctor, Situ Xing

Although Situ Xing was only in his twenties, he was a world-famous brain specialist. He was one of the best in the world. He was recognized by the medical world for his medical skills. His clients included many powerful and rich people.

However, he had a strange quirk. The doctor wanted to study the brain of his patients. He wanted to see how different the brains of these rich people were from the ordinary people.

The rich and powerful valued their lives very much. When they heard about Situ Xing's hobby, they were terrified, and their scalps went numb. They wanted him to treat their illness, not to donate their brains for his research.

Therefore, Situ Xing normally only dealt with people with terminal illnesses. It was how Situ Xing came to be known as the Strange Doctor.

Situ Xing didn't charge when he treated people. Instead, he looked at the value of his patients' brains. If the brain disease as no research value to him, he wouldn't work for the highest price. On the contrary, if the brain disease intrigued him, he would treat people without taking a penny. This was another one of his oddities.

Situ Xing had another oddity. He always carried something with him. They were 108 silver needles stored in an exquisite box. When necessary, he could use the needles as a hidden weapon.

108 needles meant that he could attack 108 parties at the same time. As an expert doctor, he could accurately pinpoint the acupuncture weaknesses of the human body. Depending on his mood, he could kill or severely disable someone.

Thus, Situ Xing was not only famous in the medical world but also in the assassin's circle. Many people didn't want to face Situ Xing because his weapon of choice was harder to avoid and detect than bullets.

At this moment, Li Dazhu saw Situ Xing taking out a small purple box the size of a cigarette box. The box was made of Purple Heart Wood.

Purple Heart Wood was only found in the Amazonian rainforest. The wood was very hard, waterproof, and extremely precious.

Situ Xing chose this wood to make the box simply because it was pretty. This purple box had become his symbol.

Situ Xing took out the box and seemed to be playing with it casually. After a moment, his finger pressed on the top of the box.

Anyone with a discerning eye could see that there was a switch that would dislodge the silver needles inside the box.

The pupils of Li Dazhu and his two brothers contracted violently, and their faces turned pale.

Situ Xing put on a domineering smile and said, "So shall we resort to force? My patience is limited, I'll only give you ten seconds to consider. Ten, nine..."

Qiu Shaobai was already very angry after dealing with Li Dazhu. Now with the arrival of Situ Xing, his anger exploded. He shouted at Situ Xing angrily, "Who are you? Be a good dog, and don't block the way. I'll give you ten seconds to get out of my way too!" Li Dazhu and his brothers panicked immediately. Before they could say anything, they heard Qiu Shaobai say in a cold voice, "Alright. Why dog this dog that? You must love dogs a lot. In that case, I'll let you experience life as one."

With that, he pressed his finger on the tip of the box.

Li Dazhu's pupils constricted again, and his eyes revealed fear and unease. He shouted, "No!"

However, before he could finish his sentence, a silver needle flew out and shot toward Qiu Shaobai.

"Ah!" Qiu Shaobai shouted and fell to the ground on all fours. Then, he tried to get up, but he couldn't. He raised his head with extreme fear.

Situ Xing said with a smile, "Do you want to get up?" Qiu Shaobai nodded uneasily.

Situ Xing squatted down slightly and patted his head. He said with a smile, "It's easy. I'll tell you how. You'll only need to walk around the room on all fours. Then, you'll be able to get up soon."

He was basically telling the man to act like a dog.

Even Situ Xing's subordinates felt sorry for Qiu Shaobai. Then again, the man asked for it. Why would he offend Situ Xing?

A man would lose all his dignity crawling around in front of others like a dog. If this happened to them, they'd rather die.

As for Li Dazhu and the others, they had suffered countless curses and humiliations from Qiu Shaobai. Seeing Qiu Shaobai sprawled on the ground like a dog, they felt strangely satisfied.

When Situ Xing pressed the switch earlier, they thought they would all die. Thankfully, Situ Xing didn't take his anger out on them but only punished Qiu Shaobai.

In an instant, their uneasy hearts fell.

As for Qiu Shaobai, they couldn't care less about him. To be honest, if it weren't for Qiu Shaobai's endless complaints, they would have arrived in Guang City already. They would have ended the mission. They wouldn't have met the Royal Security Company and Situ Xing.

Wait. Something didn't add up. Didn't they steal from a normal farming family? So why was the Gong Family's Royal Security Company coming after them?

They knew the values of the two cattle. However, the boss of Imperial Palace was worth hundreds of billions. Logically, he should be too rich to care about these two cows.

Li Dazhu's mind was full of doubts.

Situ Xing did not care about what they thought. He had lost his patience. He asked his subordinates to lead these people away.

Li Dazhu and the others did not put up any fight. Otherwise, they might end up like Qiu Shaobai.

Li Dazhu and nine of his men were placed in the same car. They didn't dare to escape. The cars headed back to City Z.

When the Xiao family heard that Big Light and Little Light had been found, their hearts instantly relaxed. "That is wonderful news!" Mother Xiao said excitedly. Ever since they found out that Big Light and Little Light had gone missing, Mother Xiao and Father Xiao had been on tenterhooks. If the cattle couldn't be found, Little Light's manure would lose the effect of the spring water soon. Then, those people would target the Xiao Family again. This placed their daughter in danger. Thankfully, the two cows were swiftly found.

Mother Xiao looked around the yard and then said with a smile, "Everyone was busy looking for Little Light and Big Light. None of us have eaten yet. I'll go to cook now."

"Second sister-in-law, let me help you," said third uncle Xiao's wife, Zhou Honghong, with a smile. Everyone relaxed after hearing the good news. They had an appetite again.

"Second daughter-in-law, it's so late. Let's make do with some noodles," said Grandpa Xiao.

Mother Xiao nodded and said, "Okay."

It was already 10 o'clock. It was too troublesome for Mother Xiao to cook a big meal.

After Mother Xiao and Third Aunt Xiao left, Eldest Uncle Xiao said, "Since they were found on Chuan Cheng Road, it will take seven to eight hours to bring them back. They will arrive at home at four or five o'clock tomorrow."

Gong Tianhao shook his head and said, "It won't take that long. They will arrive by plane. They will probably arrive in one or two hours."

Everyone was dumbfounded.

"By plane? Do you mean by helicopter?" Xiao Lingshuo widened his eyes and asked in disbelief.

Grandpa Xiao walked in front of him and slapped the back of his head. He said snappily, "What else? Do you think it'll be an airline plane? Is that realistic?"

Xiao Lingshuo touched the back of his head and said in puzzlement, "But two cows are almost 3000 pounds. This is equivalent to more than 20 adult men. Is the helicopter that big? I heard that helicopters can only carry three or four people."

The others snapped to attention. When the Xiao Family went to rescue Xiao Lingyun, Third Uncle Xiao's family and Second Uncle Xiao's family hadn't returned to Taoyuan Village. They didn't know about the large helicopter.

The others had flown in one before. Now that they thought about it, that helicopter back then could carry around 20 people. Was the helicopter large enough to carry two cows back?

The Xiao Family was worried.

Gong Tianhao smiled and said, "Don't worry, that large helicopter can carry five cows, not to mention two. When people say the helicopter can carry 20 people, it's in terms of space and not weight."

"Oh, okay." The Xiao family members nodded in understanding. In conclusion, the world of the rich was hard to understand.

Xiao Lingshuo said with some envy, "Brother Gong, it's awesome to be rich!" Third Uncle Xiao walked over and patted the back of Xiao Lingshuo's head.

Xiao Lingshuo touched the back of his head again and complained with some dissatisfaction, "Dad, why did you hit me? You're going to make me go dumb. What if I can't get into a university and become the third university student of the Xiao Family?"

Third Uncle Xiao rolled his eyes and said snappily, "If you're really that useless, then you'll follow your dad to sell tofu. Or you can go home and farm. There are many choices. You don't need to worry."

Xiao Lingshuo, "..." Was this his biological father? Why was he so eager to destroy his son's spirit?

Xiao Lingshuo clenched his fists and said firmly, "I will definitely get into a university. I will definitely become the third university student in our family. You just wait and see!"

The Xiao Family said perfunctorily, "Of course. Shuo 'Er, you have to work hard."

Xiao Lingshuo, "..." I could sense their insincerity so clearly.

At this moment, Grandpa Xiao lectured his grandson seriously, "Shuo 'Er, no matter how rich your Big Brother Gong is, that is none of your business.

"If you want to be rich in the future, then you have to work hard. We will support you and supervise you from behind.

"We can't give you the life of a young master, but you can work hard to give your children that life. However, there is one thing you must remember."

Grandpa Xiao said very seriously, "No matter what you do, you must keep your feet on the ground. You must never do anything that goes against your conscience. If I find out you did, I will break your legs. If I'm no longer around, your father, your uncle, your uncle, your sister, your brother, and the rest of the family will teach you the lesson on my behalf."

Grandpa Xiao was lecturing Xiao Lingshuo, but in reality, he was also teaching everyone in the Xiao family a lesson.

The Xiao family's life was getting better and better, but he hoped that the whole family would continue to live in peace and joy and not fall out over money.

Grandpa Xiao said these things because he saw how Xiao Lingshuo's eyes glowed when he found out Gong Tianhao was rich. It was a good thing to have a life goal, but one shouldn't be unscrupulous to pursue this. Therefore, he needed to educate Xiao Lingshuo.

Xiao Lingshuo replied very seriously, "Yes, grandfather, I will definitely listen to grandfather's teachings. I will always remember grandfather's words in the future."

Grandfather Xiao nodded in satisfaction, "Yes, that's my good grandson."

Gong Tianhao smiled as he looked at him.

The reason why the Xiao family was so happy and loving was that they had a wise patriarch like Grandfather Xiao.

### Chapter 403 Escape

The booming sound in the sky attracted the attention of many people in the village.

It was almost midnight. The booming sound was very loud.

"Ah, what's going on? Is It thunder?" Many villagers woke up from their sleep. "There is stuff in the courtyard. We better go take them in lest they get wet."

"This is so loud." Someone heard this sound and said, "It sounds like it's going to rain, but the weather was good in the morning."

"Thunder?" Some listened closer and realized it didn't sound like thunder. "Oh, wait. This sounds like a plane."

The companion beside him listened for a while and immediately echoed, "It does sound like a plane. If it's thunder, there will be an intermittent series of booms instead of something incessant like this."

"This has to be the Gong Family's helicopter."

"Yea."

The Gong Family's helicopter was a huge curio at first but eventually, the villagers got used to it. The Gong Family's helicopters would descend on the village often. They came to transport Xiao Zhengyang's family's stuff to sell. The villagers also heard that Xiao Zhengyang's family had taken the helicopter to rescue Xiao Lingyun. This made the villagers even more jealous of the Xiao Family. How could they be so lucky?

Their daughter was betrayed by the Chen Family, but she got the Little Cattle King and attracted the favor and pursuit of the young master of the Gong family.

For the Xiao Family, the good things came one after another. The Xiao Family's life became better.

Xiao Lingyu was pregnant with a bastard, but she got the favor of a rich young master.

The villagers ran out to collect their stuff when they heard the thunder. But when they were out, they discovered the bright moon in the sky. Silver white light illuminated the entire night sky. A gentle breeze blew over. It was refreshing and clear. It was extremely comfortable.

To their surprise, there was a plane circling in the air. The helicopter was bigger than the ones they usually saw.

The helicopters they usually saw could fit three to four people, but this one could probably fit at least twenty people.

"This is the Gong Family's plane, right? Why is it hovering in the middle of the night?" To not disturb the villagers, the Gong Family never flew their planes at night. This was the first time.

"Wasn't the Little Cattle King stolen? Young Master Gong probably sent people to look for him." As he said this, his eyes were filled with envy.

If their family had such a rich son-in-law, they would wake up laughing in their sleep. They would move away from the countryside and enjoy life in the big city.

"This means that Xiao Zhengyang's family is probably still awake. Let's go and take a look. After all, we're already awake."

"Okay, let's go."

After the Little Cattle King was found, the Xiao Family put down their worries. The hunger then came. Even the sleeping children got up when they smelled food.

Mother Xiao made a big pot of noodles. The Xiao Family finished everything that there wasn't even a bit of soup left.

Everyone became big eaters tonight. Even Grandma Xiao, who usually ate the least, ate a big bowl of noodles.

After eating their fill, Grandpa and Grandma Xiao felt a little tired, so they didn't wait any longer and went to sleep.

The four daughters-in-law of the Xiao Family gathered to play cards. This was entertainment for the rural people. When the weather was not permissible, and they couldn't farm, the women would gather to play cards.

The four brothers of the Xiao Family got another table to play mahjong.

Xiao Lingyun took her two daughters to bed. Xiao Xiaohui felt very guilty about losing Little Light and Big Light. He wanted to stay to welcome them home. However, he was still a kid. Plus, he was drugged in the morning. After he woke up, he followed the adults to search for the cattle. He was tired too. The adults persuaded him to rest, but he couldn't sit idle when Little Light and Big Light were missing. When he heard that they were found, his worried heart relaxed. Then, fatigue struck him. He could not hold back his sleepiness and fell asleep. He did not even want to wake up to eat. Xiao Lingshuo moved between the card table and the Mahjong table. He looked quite happy.

When Xiao Lingyu heard that Little Light and his mother had been found, the sleepiness also struck her immediately. Then, she yawned a few times and went back to her room to sleep.

However, she told Mother Xiao to wake her up when Little Light and Big Light were home.

As for Gong Tianhao, he ate a bowl of noodles and went back to the Gong family.

He still had things to do. He had to deal with the reports from his subordinates. While waiting for the Little Cattle King to return, the Xiao Family was very relaxed.

However, there was a question in everyone's heart that they did not ask.

How did this kidnapping come to be? Was it as Yu 'Er had guessed? Someone in the village had betrayed them?

This question would probably not be answered until tomorrow.

At around midnight, the Xiao family heard the roar of a plane.

In an instant, the players stopped playing. Mother Xiao also woke Xiao Lingyu up. Xiao Xiaohui was woken up by his mother. Before Xiao Xiaohui went to bed, he told his mother very carefully that he wanted to be there when Little Light and Big Light were sent home. Fourth Aunt Xiao knew her son was very guilty of losing the cattle, so she obliged this time.

Xiao Xiaohui rubbed his eyes and looked confused. He asked, "Mom, what's wrong?'

Fourth Aunt Xiao smiled and said, "Little Light and Big Light are back."

Xiao Xiaohui's head suddenly quivered, and he instantly woke up.

His eyes were wide open and bright, and he confirmed with joy, "Really? Are they back?"

"Yes, of course." Fourth Aunt Xiao rubbed his little head and said with a smile, "Then why aren't you up yet?" Usually, his son was very naughty and mischievous, but this time, his son was also sensible and obedient.

Ever since the pair of cows was lost, her son was anxious. His mood was depressed, and he had been crying. He only stopped crying when Gong Tianhao said he'd find them. Xiao Xiaohui immediately jumped up from bed. He didn't wear any shirts since it was summer. He quickly ran out. However, when he saw that there was no one in the yard, he looked through the hole in the wall and saw that Little Light and Big Light were not in the pen too.

Xiao Xiaohui immediately asked loudly, "Mom, where are they?"

Fourth Aunt Xiao walked over, patted his little head, and said with a smile, "Your Brother Gong brought them back by plane. They are at the sunning field. Do you think your second uncle's yard can fit a plane?" Hearing this, Xiao Xiaohui immediately ran towards the sunning field. When he arrived, he saw many people standing there, with their heads titled up at the sky. A helicopter was hovering. Many people heard the commotion and came looking They asked the Xiao Family.

"Zhengyang, what's going on?" Xiao Chengbang asked in puzzlement.

Xiao Zhengyang smiled and said, "Big Light and her son have been found."

When he answered, his eyes were looking at the sky.

When Xiao Chengbang heard this, he was clearly a little surprised. "Little Light and Big Light have been found?! Where are they?"

Xiao Zhengyang pointed at the plane in the air and said, "They are on the plane now."

"What?" Xiao Chengbang said in surprise. There were many people around. They all heard Xiao Zhengyang.

The Little Cattle King was found, and he rode a plane back.

"Zhengyang, where did the Little Cattle King and his mother go that they needed to be brought back by a plane?" A villager asked in puzzlement.

Xiao Zhengyang said, "They were almost brought into Guang City."

The villagers were stunned. "Zhengyang, do you mean that the mother and calf were stolen by someone?"

"That's right."

"Damn, what thief is so brazen to steal them and then transport them to Guang City?"

Xiao Zhengyang shook his head and said, "We don't know that yet. However, we have called the police."

"The police have been called." The villagers expected this. The Xiao Family had always been bold. They would go to the police when they had any problems.

In the countryside, people preferred to resolve things privately. They subconsciously feared the police. They felt that only those who committed heavy crimes would face the police

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However, Xiao Zhengyang's family was the complete opposite. They called the police station at the slightest disagreement. When the Chen Family came to cause trouble, they called the police.

When Zhang Xiaolan set fire to the ground at night, they called the police.

Both times people were jailed. The villagers became nervous whenever the Xiao Family called the police because it would mean jail time for someone again.

The plane roared so loudly. The villagers talked loudly as they walked towards the sunning field.

This big commotion alerted Xiao Fuqi's field too.

Xiao Fuqi liked big crowds. When he heard the noise, he naturally got up and followed them to the sunning ground.

However, when he left the house, he did not notice the person who shared the bed with him had a pale face. Then, she got up. When Zhang Chunjiao rushed to the sunning ground, she heard someone say that the police had been called.

When she heard that, Zhang Chunjiao's legs immediately went weak, and she stopped in her tracks. Her expression was unusually nervous and afraid.

The people following closely behind Zhang Chunjiao did not expect Zhang Chunjiao to stop suddenly. She almost fell.

Zhang Dongxiu said unhappily, "Zhang Chunjiao, what's wrong with you? Why did you suddenly stop?" Zhang Chunjiao was frozen

zen.

Zhang Dongxiu didn't want to cause trouble. She ignored Zhang Chunjiao and left.

As for Zhang Chunjiao, after her mind went blank for a moment, she came back to her senses. Then, she turned around and left. She stumbled.

Someone noticed Zhang Chunjiao's strange behavior and asked curiously, "What's wrong with this Zhang Chunjiao? She's stumbling around like she's drunk. Was she beaten by Xiao Fuqi again?"

Ever since Zhang Chunjiao's incident, Xiao Fuqi would occasionally beat Zhang Chunjiao backed by alcohol.

Many times, the villagers would hear Zhang Chunjiao's wailing and begging voice. "Hehe. At the end of the day, they're still sleeping on the same bed."

"In the past, Zhang Chunjiao had Xiao Fuqi around her finger. She would even beat him. But now the tables have turned."

In the past, Xiao Fuqi was afraid that Zhang Chunjiao would leave home or even get a divorce.

But now, it was different.

Ever since the embarrassing incident, Zhang Chunjiao's maiden family had severed all ties with her.

She wanted to go back, but her maiden family did not welcome her at all.

If she wanted a divorce, she would leave with nothing, and she could not take her son with her. However, she could take her divorced daughter with her.

Zhang Chunjiao's reputation was fully ruined. No one would want her. If she had a divorce, she would have her relationship with her son severed. Who would take care of her when she was old then?

For Zhang Chunjiao, divorce was not worth it.

Therefore, she would rather accept being beaten every day than get a divorce.

Anyway, Xiao Fuqi didn't dare to beat her to death.

After Zhang Chunjiao stumbled back home, she quickly packed some things and planned to leave overnight. Xiao Zhengyang had called the police. She had to leave immediately. Otherwise, the police department would come looking for her tomorrow. She didn't want to go to jail to accompany Zhang Xiaolan. She needed to leave as soon as possible. Otherwise, she might not be able to the next

day.

At this moment, her son got up to pee. When he saw his mother packing up, he rubbed his eyes and looked confused. He asked, "Mom, what are you doing?"

Zhang Chunjiao was shocked when she heard his voice. When she turned around and saw that it was her son, her eyes turned red.

She put down the clothes in her hands, hugged her son, and said, "Son, Mommy has to leave for a period of time. During this period of time, you have to take good care of yourself, okay?".

Her son asked, "Mom, where are you going?" Zhang Chunjiao said, "I'm going to your grandfather's house. Alright, you should go to sleep now." After saying that, she did not bother with her son anymore. She hurriedly packed up some things and took away all the money in the house before leaving quickly. Zhang Chunjiao didn't know that just as she left, her son went to find his father.

"Dad, just now, my mom packed up her things and left the house."

"What?!"

## Chapter 404 Return

Xiao Fuqi came to join the crowd. The villagers hadn't been on a helicopter before, so they came to look. In the future, they could show off to people from the other villages. However, Xiao Fuqi soon heard from his son that Zhang Chunjiao had packed her things and left overnight. Xiao Fuqi thought that he had drunk too much and that he was hallucinating.

He asked again, "What did you say just now? Your mother has packed up and left?!" Xiao Fuqi's son nodded and said, "Yes. I asked mom where she was going, and she said she was going to Grandpa's place. But Dad, didn't Grandpa and uncles say that they didn't want Mom to go back to them? Why is she going back to them then?"

There were many people in the sunning field. Xiao Fuqi's son also spoke loud enough that everyone could hear him.

At this moment, someone immediately joked, "Fuqi, did you beat your wife too much that she is escaping when you're not home?"

"That's right, Fuqi. You've been married to Zhang Chunjiao for at least twenty years. Despite what she did, you shouldn't hit her like this."

These people's had a hint of mockery in their 'advice'.

After all, the reason the table turned was something incredibly humiliating to Xiao Fuqi. Otherwise, with Zhang Chunjiao's fierce personality, she would lord over Xiao Fuqi for the rest of her life.

However, Zhang Chunjiao had to do something stupid. She had a good family, but she wanted to have an affair. But perhaps that was in her bones. After all, before she married, she had already hooked up with a married man.

The villagers would sometimes ridicule Xiao Fuqi. "Fuqi, why are you doing this? So Zhang Chunjiao cheated on you. She'll change. You don't need to hit her so hard every time." This sounded like advice, but it was also no different from exposing one's scar.

"That's right. You are already an old couple. Even if Zhang Chunjiao did those things on the streets... you two already have children. Zhang Chunjiao still needs to live with you for the rest of your life. Why not have some peace at home?"

# "That's right."

Xiao Fu's face turned green and red when he heard these things. He was angry and embarrassed.

Ever since Zhang Chunjiao did those things, his entire family had been looked down upon and criticized. It was simply infuriating.

At first, his family would still argue with the other villagers, but the more they argued, the more humiliated they felt. After all, what Zhang Chunjiao did was witnessed by everyone.

In the beginning, he had also thought about getting a divorce. However, for a person like him, getting a divorce was easy, but getting married was difficult. He didn't have money, and he was old. He had a son and a daughter. Who was going to marry him?

So instead of finding his son a stepmother, he decided to stay with his wife.

"Your son, Xiaoqiang, said that Zhang Chunjiao ran away from home, right?" After joking for a while, someone remembered this detail.

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Xiao Xiaoqiang shook his head and said, "My mother didn't run away from home. She said she was going to Grandpa's house."

"Everyone knows that your Grandpa and your two uncles don't welcome your mother back anymore." The villager didn't care that Xiaoqiang was just a child. He said directly, "Besides, it is midnight. Who would go visit in the middle of the night? Xiaoqing, your mother left home and didn't want you anymore."

The child didn't like this joke. When Xiao Xiaoqiang heard that his mother didn't want him, he immediately burst into tears.

Xiao Fu was annoyed and shouted angrily at Xiao Xiaoqiang, "Stop crying!"

Xiao Xiaoqiang was a little afraid of his own father. He did not dare to cry after that. However, tears continued to flow down his face, and his face turned red.

Xiao Fuqi didn't care about his son. He didn't care about the crowd too.

With a livid face, he turned around and left in a hurry. "The damn woman actually dared to run away from home. I'll beat her until she can't get down from bed for at least half a month!'

When Xiao Fuqi left, he ran into Xiao Lingyu and Gong Tianhao.

Xiao Lingyu looked at Xiao Fuqi's flustered expression, and a light flashed in her eyes. She instantly had a guess in her heart. 'If it were really her, she wouldn't be able to run away.'

Gong Tianhao helped Xiao Lingyu over. When they saw Xiao Fuqi's expression, the two of them looked at each other and nodded in tacit agreement. Then, they continued to walk forward.

When they reached the sunning ground, the moonlight was very bright. Xiao Lingyu saw Xiao Xiaoqiang, who was crying in the crowd.

She walked over and asked, "Xiaoqiang, what happened to you?"

A villager beside him immediately said, "His father scolded him."

Xiao Lingyu frowned and asked curiously, "Uncle Fuqi scolded Xiaoqiang? Why?".

"Xiaoqiang came over to tell his father that his mother packed up her things and went to his grandfather's house," a villager explained, "Then, we made a few jokes and said that his mother didn't want him anymore. He burst into tears and was scolded by his father."

Xiao Lingyu and Gong Tianhao's eyes lit up. The traitor was most likely Zhang Chunjiao.

Xiao Lingyu smiled and said, "Auntie Zhang went back to her maiden family so late at night. Isn't she afraid of being chased away?" "We think so too." A villager immediately echoed, "Besides, her family cut off all relations with her. Would they open the door for her now?"

"This is so strange." A villager was puzzled. "Actually, I think Xiao Fuqi has stopped hitting Zhang Chunjiao in the past week. Why would she choose this moment to go back to her maiden family? She didn't run home when Xiao Fuqi beat her the hardest."

"That's true."

While the villagers were discussing it, Xiao Lingyu said, "Third uncle, Taoyuan Village is about 40 miles away from Xiaba Village. And the journey is through the mountains. Auntie Zhang left in the middle of the night. I'm worried about her. Should we send two people to get her back? After all, safety is most important. She can leave in the morning,

### right?"

This third uncle was Xiao Bangfu. He was a busybody in the village.

Xiao Bangfu thought for a moment and said, "Xiao Fuqi has left to chase after her. He should be able to find her."

Xiao Lingyu immediately revealed a worried expression and said, "But third uncle, will Uncle Fuqi hit Auntie Zhang again? Auntie Zhang suddenly ran away from home. If Uncle Fuqi didn't hold back his temper..." Xiao Bangfu heard this and was silent. Then, he said very seriously, "Lingyu, you're right. I'll ask someone to go with me to take a look." But he didn't want to move. After all, these rural people hadn't seen a real helicopter before. Even though the Gong Family had helicopters flying in and out daily, they were small planes. This was a big one, so they wanted to stay to look. After all, they wouldn't have the chance to ride on the plane. They could at least watch it up close.

Xiao Lingyu was very clear about the thoughts of the villagers. Of course, she would not force them.

Xiao Lingyu said with a smile, "Third uncle, there's no rush. We should ask Xiaoqiang to go back home and take a look. Hopefully, Auntie Xiao hasn't left. That way, Uncle Fuqi wouldn't be so angry. Then, we'll go and look for her later."

She guessed that Zhang Chunjiao wanted to make her escape after hearing that Little Light and Big Light had been found. The countryside was filled with mountains and forests. If Zhang Chunjiao went to hide in the mountain, they would spend a lot of effort to find her.

Without any evidence, Xiao Lingyu needed to stall. When the police came tomorrow with concrete evidence, they would arrest Zhang Chunjiao.

She couldn't tell everyone that she suspected that Zhang Chunjiao had something to do with the disappearance of the two cattle. These things required evidence.

Xiao Bangfu agreed and said, "Yu 'Er, you're right." Then, he turned to look at Xiao Xiaoqiang and said, "Xiaoqiang, go back home and see if your mother has left. If she has, see if your father has gone to look for her or not.

"If your mom is still home and your father hits your mother, come back to tell Third Grandpa, okay? Actually, come back and tell us no matter you found your mother at home or not."

Xiao Xiaoqiang wiped his tears with the back of his hand and nodded. "Okay."

After Xiao Xiaoqiang left, Gong Tianhao went to a deserted place and made a phone call.

"Ah, the plane is coming down. The wind is so strong!"

When the plane landed, it attracted a lot of attention.

"Yeah. You can't find this gust from those small planes."

"Ah, everyone, step back a little, step back a little," A villager shouted.

Fortunately, the sunning ground was very large. Even if there were many people standing there, there was still a lot of space.

A moment later, the plane landed.

When the plane completely stopped, some of the bolder villagers curiously surrounded it. Even more daring villagers used their hands to touch it.

"Wow, I've touched a helicopter!" Most people were curious and excited about new things.

"Me too! This is a real one. Not a model plane!"

More and more people ran over and touched the plane.

Only the Xiao family members looked at the cabin door excitedly.

Not long after, the cabin door opened, and the first person to walk out was Situ Xing.

He was wearing a white suit and a pair of sunglasses. The corners of his mouth curved as he looked at the crowded crowd below.

After he walked out, Big Light and her son appeared.

When Little Light stood at the cabin door, he raised his head and mooed. On a silent night, it was unusually loud and shocking. "The Little Cattle King is back."

"He is as spirited as ever."

"As expected of the Little Cattle King. He took a helicopter before any of us did."

"Does this mean we're worse than a cow?"

"But that's true! Haha."

Everyone was talking about Little Light and Big Light and their adventure on the plane.

Situ Xing saw Gong Tianhao from the plane.

Then, he noticed the woman beside him.

The moonlight was cold, but it couldn't hide Situ Xing's curious eyes.

The moment he got off the plane, he ran straight to Gong Tianhao and called out, "Boss."

Then, before Xiao Lingyu could react, Situ Xing called out, "Hello, sister-in-law."

Xiao Lingyu, "..." The Xiao Family, "..." Is this man Gong Tianhao's brother?

Gong Tianhao didn't correct Situ Xing. Gong Tianhao raised his eyebrows and asked with a smile, "Why are you here?"

Situ Xing said, "I happened to be wandering around that area when you gave the order. I accepted it and dealt with it myself."

Gong Tianhao was speechless.

Situ Xing was wandering around every day. No one could tell where he was. How could it be so coincidental that he was there?

Situ Xing had weird habits when he came to his medical practices. But at normal times, his favorite hobby was gossiping. He was probably intrigued by the facts behind this order and came to look.

The corner of Gong Tianhao's mouth twitched, but he said directly, "Alright, you can go back now. After all, the mission has been completed."

Speaking of the two cows, Situ Xing had something to say.

He said, "Boss, they are the two most obedient and sensible cows I have ever seen."

Gong Tianhao raised his eyebrows and asked curiously, "Oh, is that so? What do you mean?"

Situ Xing said, "When we found them in Chuan-Guang rest stop, they were drugged and unconscious. For the convenience of transportation, we originally planned to continue to drug them. "But they woke up in the middle of the transportation. They didn't jump around and run away like the other cows. They looked at each other, and I swore they exchanged a look before they started to struggle.

"It was dangerous because we were up in the sky. At that critical moment, I told them directly that I was flying them home. At first, they were confused. But eventually, they stopped fighting us.

"I didn't expect them to quiet down. Then, I told them it was a man called Gong Tianhao who asked me to rescue them. They became completely obedient after that. They were as quiet as children on the plan."

Xiao Lingyu and Gong Tianhao, ".. Is this really that shocking?

## Chapter 405 Mother-in-law

Situ Xing rambled on and on.

It was about how obedient and sensible the two Cows were.

In the end, Gong Tianhao's temples twitched as he said, "That's enough. Get to the point." Xiao Lingyu, "..." What does he mean? Is there another reason why Situ Xing lavishes so much praises on the two cows?

Situ Xing, "..." The boss does know me best.

Situ Xing glanced at Xiao Lingyu, then scratched his head in embarrassment and said, "Boss, I want to stay here. Can I?"

Gong Tianhao raised his eyebrows and asked, "You want to stay here? Why?"

When he said this, Situ Xing's face was a little angry. He said, "It's all because of Gong Yingxiong. He kept gloating to me, saying how delicious the food at the sister-in-law's house is! He bragged to me every day. Now that I'm here, of course, I need to verify his words."

Xiao Lingyu, "..." So all this is because of food? Three black lines appeared on Gong Tianhao's forehead. He said somewhat speechlessly, "IS this really necessary?"

Situ Xing said, "Yes! I can't stand seeing his smug face anymore! So I have to stay here and eat more than he did! Then, we'll see how he'll continue to show off!"

Xiao Lingyu, "..." Who are these people? Why are they as childish as Gong Tianhao?

Xiao Lingyu was reminded of Gong Yingxiong. She thought of the man who had saved her cousin.

Speaking of which, she heard Lu Lu and Rou Rou mention that this big uncle had gifted them flowers, wildflowers picked by the roadside.

Hearing this, Xiao Lingyu was instantly speechless.

Gong Yingxiong was obviously interested in her cousin, but he didn't seem to know how to court a woman.

Of course, the Xiao Family never interfered in each other's relationship. They all relied on fate.

Xiao Lingyun was still bogged down by her previous marriage. She was not yet ready to move on.

Gong Yingxiong didn't make another move either. This was something between the two, so the Xiao Family didn't do anything. After Gong Yingxiong rescued Xiao Lingyun, he stayed at Taoyuan Village for two days and disappeared. If Situ Xing didn't bring it up, Xiao Lingyu would have forgotten about the man who rescued her cousin.

After hearing Situ Xing's words, Gong Tianhao said unhappily, "So, Situ Xing, do you plan to stay here to have my future mother-in-law cook for you?"

"Yes.." Situ Xing was about to nod when he suddenly reacted. He was shocked and stuttered, "Motherin-law?

"Boss, the great cook is your mother-in-law?" Situ Xing was shocked. He looked at Xiao Lingyu and said loudly, "Damn. That Gong Yingxiong didn't tell me anything. He is really trying to kill me!"

How could Situ Xing dare to ask his boss' mother-in-law to cook for him if he knew the truth?

Situ Xing looked around and told Xiao Lingyu, "Sister-in-law, I might have to stay here for a few days." He couldn't ask his mother-in-law to cook for him, but he could beg his sister-in-law.

Gong Tianhao's face was full of black lines. He immediately chased him away and said, "Go, go. Yu 'Er is pregnant. She doesn't have time to entertain you."

When Situ Xing heard Gong Tianhao's words, his face was filled with shock. His gaze immediately shot towards Xiao Lingyu's stomach, and he realized that her stomach was already as big as a football. He estimated that she was about seven to eight months pregnant.

His expression immediately changed as he exclaimed, "Boss, you already have a son? Do we already have a little young master? And you're keeping this a secret from everyone!"

Situ Xing did not notice the curious expressions of the surrounding villagers.

Then, they noticed the change in Gong Tianhao's expression. However, they realized that other than the genuine smile on his face, there were no other changes in his expression.

However, what surprised them was that they actually heard Gong Tianhao's admission.

Gong Tianhao held Xiao Lingyu's fat waist with one hand and pulled her slightly into his embrace. However, he also carefully observed her stomach and did not press down on it.

He said with a smile, "I didn't win over your sister-in-law before this. So I haven't told anyone. Yes, I, Gong Tianhao, have a son."

The onlookers, "...

The Xiao family, "..."

Gong Tianhao really didn't mind Xiao Lingyu's bastard child. In fact, he was willing to treat the child as his own. That was what the villagers thought. They were very happy for Xiao Lingyu. There were a few that didn't agree, but they could be ignored.

They really didn't misjudge Tianhao. He was really good to Yu 'Er. He liked Yu 'Er, and he also liked the child in Yu 'Er's stomach.

Previously, they were still a little worried that Gong Tianhao would mind this child whose father was unknown. Now, they did not have to worry at all.

However, Situ Xing was still in shock. "What? Boss, you had just only won over sister-in-law?"

Then, he looked at Xiao Lingyu's belly suspiciously and said with a strange expression, "But boss, I think sister-in-law's belly should be about seven or eight months old, right? Did you get her pregnant before you won her over?"

"..." Gong Tianhao.

This man was really asking for trouble.

Gong Tianhao's face turned black. He looked at Situ Xing with a gloomy expression.

However, Situ Xing did not seem to notice.

Then, he continued to shout, "Boss, did you force yourself on sister-in-law until she agreed? This... is too much." He wanted to scold the man for being so shameless. Then, he remembered the identity of the man. He decided to find a better word.

However, Situ Xing did not notice that while he was teasing his boss, his surroundings suddenly became too quiet.

Situ Xing did not wait for Gong Tianhao to speak. He gave Xiao Lingyu a thumbs up and said, "Sister-inlaw, you are amazing. I am impressed that you managed to lure in our cold and handsome boss. You even got him tied down with a child first. You are really charming. You are the woman I admire the most.

"I thought there wouldn't be any woman who could subdue the boss. But suddenly, there's a child. Haha... Boss, congratulations."

Situ Xing didn't notice the awkwardness around him. Situ Xing laughed, and then he finally noticed the strange silence.

Then, under the bright silver moonlight, he noticed the strange expressions on the faces of the people who were looking at him.

He was completely dumbfounded.

He did not know what was going on.

He touched the back of his head and asked in confusion, "What's wrong? Did I say something wrong?" The villagers didn't know what to say. They couldn't tell Situ Xing that Xiao Lingyu wasn't carrying Gong Tianhao's child, could they? After all, even if this child wasn't Gong Tianhao's biological child, anyone with a discerning eye could tell that both Gong Tianhao and Old Master Gong didn't mind this child at all. On the contrary, they were exceptionally concerned and enthusiastic about this child.

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This even caused the villagers to wonder if Young Master Gong was infertile, and that was why they cared so much about this child. In fact, many people secretly thought that Young Master Gong was pursuing Xiao Lingyu for this reason. Many villagers whispered about this behind their backs.

When Old Master Gong heard about this matter from his subordinates, the corners of his mouth kept twitching.

However, for the sake of his great-grandson, Old Master Gong could only bear the rumors for now. When the dust settled in the future, he would slap these people with the truth.

Of course, such rumors did not reach Gong Tianhao's ears. Gong Tianhao was confused when he noticed the sympathetic gazes of the villagers as he walked along the road, but he did not delve too deeply into it.

Sometimes, even the Xiao family believed this supposition. However, they noticed that Gong Tianhao liked the child because of Xiao Lingyu and not the other way around. So they brushed off the rumors.

When Xiao Lingyu heard about this rumor, she immediately spat out all the water in her mouth.

'Gong Tianhao is infertile? Then, how would they explain this baby?'

Of course, Xiao Lingyu didn't tell Gong Tianhao about this.

Anyway, let's circle back.

No one answered Situ Xing's question. At this moment, Mother Xiao walked over with a smile. She looked at Situ Xing and asked, "Young man, you are Tianhao's brother, right?"

Situ Xing looked at this kind-looking middle-aged woman with a smile. When he heard her address of his boss, he had some guesses.

He immediately put away his teasing expression and looked at Mother Xiao with a serious expression. He smiled and asked, "Hello, Auntie, I am Boss Tianhao's brother. Auntie, you are..."

Mother Xiao smiled and said, "I am Yu 'Er's mother." When she said this, Mother Xiao pointed at Xiao Lingyu. "Oh, so you're my mother-in-law." Situ Xing immediately said. Mother Xiao, "..."

Everyone, "..."

Was there something wrong with this young man's head?

Gong Tianhao, "..." Is Situ Xing going to fight me for my woman?

"Ahem," Gong Tianhao shot him a sharp gaze and said with some dissatisfaction, "Situ Xing, who's your mother-in-law?"

Gong Tianhao's sharp gaze was full of warning.

Situ Xing shuddered, and his whole body trembled.

He reacted and said again, "Hello, Auntie. So you are my boss's mother-in-law. I am Situ Xing, one of his underlings. From now on, Auntie, you can just call me Little Xing." Mother Xiao, "..."

Everyone, "..."

Mother Xiao smiled and replied, "My Yu 'Er and Tianhao are currently in a relationship. I was listening by the side just now. You're Tianhao's brother, right?"

Situ Xing smiled and nodded. "Yes, Auntie. I'm Big Brother's good brother." Technically, his Big Brother was his boss.

Mother Xiao said, "Little Xing, thank you so much for sending Big Light and Little Light back. It's been a long journey." "Big Light and Little Light?" Situ Xing was a little puzzled.

"They're those two cows." Mother Xiao explained, "I heard from Tianhao that they were smuggled to Guang City."

"Ah, Qiuying, the Little Cattle King and his mom were being transported to Guang City?" A wave of exclamations sounded. "Those thieves were so fast. They stole the cows in the morning and almost arrived in Guang City in the afternoon."

"And the two cows are now back to our village in the same night." Someone said with envy, "They took a plane home. If I could take a plane ride, I would die happy." "Me too. But our lives are getting better. Maybe we'll have a chance to take a plane in the future."

Many people had the same thought.

"Who knows when that would happen."

Xiao Chengbang was also quite surprised when he heard that Big Light and Little Light had been transported to Guang City.

"Zhengyang, Big Light and Little Light were transported to Guang City? Were they stolen by someone?"

Xiao Zhengyang nodded and said, "Yes." "Then who stole them?" "I don't know!"

Situ Xing listened to the discussions around him and finally heaved a sigh of relief.

He kept feeling that he had said something wrong, but he had no idea what. Fortunately, his mother-inlaw... er, his boss' mother-in-law stood up to help him out.

However, speaking of which, this village was really interesting. Mother Xiao looked at Xiao Xiaohui, hugging Big Light and Little Light, and said. "It's so late. We should go back." At this point, Mother Xiao thought of something and asked, "Little Xing, have you had dinner?"

Situ Xing scratched his head and said in embarrassment, "Auntie, not yet."

Even if he had eaten, he said he hadn't eaten.

He had come here for the sake of delicious food.

After that, the group planned to leave.

At this moment, Xiao Xiaoqiang ran over and cried, "Help. Please save my mom. My dad is going to beat my mom to her death."

"Ah, what's going on?"

### Chapter 406 Zhang Chunjiao was Badly Beaten

When everyone arrived at Xiao Fuqi's house, they saw Xiao Fuqi swing his fists at Zhang Chunjiao like she was a piece of dough.

Even from a distance, people noticed Zhang Chunjiao's bruised and swollen face. Everyone sucked in a deep breath. Xiao Fuqi was really ruthless this time. He didn't hold back. In the past, Xiao Fuqi would only attack Zhang Chunjiao when he was drunk, but this time...

No wonder Xiao Xiaoqiang came to call for help.

"Stop!" The village chief, Xiao Taiyang, immediately shouted, "Xiao Fuqi, what are you doing? Are you trying to kill her?"

Xiao Fuqi's face was full of anger, and his face was still livid.

He did not stop waving his fist. Instead, he punched Zhang Chunjiao's stomach.

"Help, help..." Zhang Chunjiao cried out in horror, "He's going to kill me. Help!" She wounded weak. At this moment, she was lying on the ground in the courtyard. Her clothes were in a mess, and her face was bruised and swollen. Xiao Fuqi was sitting on her stomach, and one of his hands was pressing on her chest. He kept punching her stomach.

The village chief immediately shouted, "Quick. Pull him back!"

A few strong men ran to stop Xiao Fuqi. Even after he was held back, Xiao Fuqi was still very angry. He raised his foot and kicked Zhang Chunjiao's stomach again.

Everyone, "..."

What is going on? Are they husband and wife or sworn enemies?

The village chief was angry. He said very sternly, "Xiao Fuqi, what's wrong with you? Do you want to beat her to death?"

Xiao Fuqi was still angry as he said, "This damn woman deserves to be beaten to death!"

"Nonsense!" The village chief shouted sternly, "You'll get the death penalty if you kill her!" Xiao Fuqi tightly pursed his lips. The fury in his eyes directly sprayed toward Zhang Chunjiao, who was still lying on the ground. He said loudly, "Even if I have to pay with my life, I will beat her to death."

Everyone,"..." What kind of great hatred is there between this pair of husband and wife?

The village chief shouted, "Enough! You aren't afraid of death, but this is incredibly embarrassing!"

At this moment, Zhang Chunjiao got up from the ground and knelt in front of the village chief. She begged the village chief for help and cried, "Village Chief, please save me. Xiao Fuqi, that bastard, was really going to beat me to death."

Looking at Zhang Chunjiao's disheveled clothes, messy hair, and swollen nose and face, really made people feel sympathy and pity for her. However, when they thought of Zhang Chunjiao's disgusting character, their sympathy faded.

"Get up first. Otherwise, people will think I'm bullying you." Xiao Taiyang said in a bad mood. Then, he looked at Xiao Fu and angrily rebuked, "And you! Why can't we use words? Must you use fists?" Xiao Fuqi seemed to be very angry as he said, "Village chief, this damn woman just took all of my family's money and was preparing to leave. If I didn't catch her in time, she would be gone already!"

Hearing Xiao Fuqi's words, the others were immediately shocked.

Xiao Fuqi's family wasn't poor. Xiao Fuqi's parents, Xiao Fuqi, Zhang Chunjiao, and their daughter were all working people. Only Xiao Xiaoqiang was too young to work. Even though they didn't get to use Little Light's manure, they got the rental from Xiao Lingyu's mountain contract. They had received quite a lot of money this year. It was at least ten thousand. Zhang Chunjiao had taken all that. No wonder Xiao Fuqi was so mad. They would be mad too.

After hearing this, the village chief took a deep breath, then looked at Zhang Chunjiao and asked, "Zhang Chunjiao, is he telling the truth?"

A guilty expression flashed across Zhang Chunjiao's face. Then, she argued vehemently, "His money is mine, so why can't I take them? I don't want to stay here and be beaten up anymore. So why couldn't I take the money and leave?"

Zhang Chunjiao was indeed thick-skinned.

When the people present heard this, their expressions were somewhat incredulous.

Zhang Chunjiao basically stole all the money from her family. How could she still be so shameless about it? She might not care about her husband and her in-laws, but what about her children? How would Xiao Fuqi feed their son and daughter after she left with all the money?

This woman was ruthless. "Zhang Chunjiao, you still have the cheek to say that. You don't even care about your children anymore. After you take away the money, how will your son attend school? Also, who is going to marry Xiaoqiang in the future? This is so embarrassing. You actually tried to scam your own family."

"Zhang Chunjiao, you really have no bottom line. You're willing to do anything. This is an embarrassment for us women. No wonder Xiao Fuqi said that he would beat you to death. Any other man in his place would probably do the same."

"Zhang Chunjiao, how much money did you take? Did you take everything? That's tens of thousands. Didn't you leave some for your children?"

To rural people, every penny they earned was hard money.

Therefore, they treasured money very much.

They would rather be killed than robbed. This mentality was especially strong in Taoyuan Village because they used to be very poor.

After Xiao Lingyu contracted the mountain, the villagers received a huge amount of rent. It gave many people hope. They could now build new houses and find a better match for their children.

Xiao Fuqi's family had five members, including the divorced Xiao Dahua. Based on Xiao Lingyu's contract, they would have gotten close to 40,000 RMB.

Xiao Xiaoqiang was still young. However, Xiao Fuqi had planned everything for him. He would use the money to build his son a new house. Their old house was dilapidated. Even if they renovated it, it would cost almost as much as building a new house. Who would have thought there would be a thief in the family? His wife basically stabbed him in the back. No wonder he was so angry.

The villagers immediately felt sympathy and pity for Xiao Fuqi. On the contrary, they looked down on Zhang Chunjiao.

The village chief said seriously, "Zhang Chunjiao, if you want to leave, you can ask for a divorce. Why did you steal the money and leave?

"You don't own Xiao Fuqi's money. In fact, you only have the right to part of his wealth. After you took all the money, how do you expect the rest of your family to survive, especially your two children?"

Zhang Chunjiao cried out and complained, "Village chief, I... I was forced to do it. Xiao Fuqi beats me every day, especially when he drinks. I deserve a peaceful life too. I can't live like this anymore."

At this moment, a woman spoke up, "Honestly, that was your fault. You did this to yourself. In the past, Xiao Fuqi was so good to you. He didn't scold or hit you. In fact, he let you hit him. He cherished you so much.

"But you didn't even treasure such a good husband. You went to seduce another man. You even... did those things in public..."

The villager didn't say anything beyond that because she still wanted to give Xiao Fuqi face, but everyone knew what she meant.

The others echoed, "Zhang Chunjiao, you really like to complain. In the past, your family was poor, but Xiao Fuqi treated you like a queen. Everyone could see that. "You didn't like to farm, so Xiao Fuqi didn't even let you work. Xiao Fuqi did everything, and you only needed to sit at home. Do you know envious we were?"

Naturally, it was mostly women who said these things. The men didn't say anything. In any case, none of them spoiled their wives as Xiao Fuqi did in the past.

Everyone was lecturing Zhang Chunjiao. Zhang Chunjiao lowered her head. She didn't know what to say.

She ran away because she was afraid.

Of course, it was not because she was afraid of being beaten by Xiao Fuqi, but because... she was afraid of being caught.

If she had to leave, she had to have money. She wouldn't live on the streets.

She told Xiao Xiaoqiang that she was going to her grandfather's house, but she knew that her maiden family wouldn't welcome her. Plus, she was afraid the police would find her there.

Therefore, she had to go to a place where no one knew her. To achieve that, she had to have money.

As long as she had money, she would have food and shelter. She didn't want to become a beggar.

The group of people dispersed after a while.

After all, this was Xiao Fuqi's family business. It was already the middle of the night, and everyone was tired. They needed to go home and rest.

After everyone left, Xiao Fuqi was afraid that Zhang Chunjiao would suddenly leave again, so he took a hemp rope and tied her up.

Xiao Fuqi took back all the money Zhang Chunjiao had stolen. He secured them and went to sleep. He was woken up in the middle of the night and had used a lot of strength to beat up Zhang Chunjiao. He was very tired. Zhang Chunjiao was tied up in the yard and was still injured. Xiao Fuqi did not give her any treatment.

The Xiao family did not care about what happened at Xiao Fuqi's house.

The Xiao family was very happy to have Little Light and Big Light back.

Xiao Lingyu and Gong Tianhao did not care about Xiao Fuqi's family. They knew that Zhang Chunjiao would not be able to escape.

Zhang Chunjiao was just a small fry. She wouldn't be able to escape.

"Little Xing, sit down for a while. Auntie will prepare a bowl of noodles for you," Mother Xiao said politely. Situ Xing could not help but nod his head in response to Gong Tianhao's sharp gaze. "Okay, thank you, Auntie!"

Little Light and Big Light were back. After Xiao Xiaohui sent them back to the cattle pen, the Xiao family also went back to rest.

Eldest Uncle Xiao, Second Uncle Xiao, and Third Uncle Xiao's families retired to their homes. So only the Xiao Family remained.

Noting how young Situ Xing was, Father Xiao smiled and asked, "Little Xing, you look very young. But you're already running everywhere. Are you even eighteen yet?" Situ Xing, who was already twenty-eight years old, "..." I'm not sure if that's a compliment or not.

Situ Xing smiled and said, "Uncle, I'm already 28 years old."

Father Xiao looked at Situ Xing's tender face and was full of doubt. "Are you really 28 years

old?"

Situ Xing said, "Uncle, it's true. I have a baby face, but I'm really 28."

Father Xiao was obviously still in disbelief. He looked at Gong Tianhao as if to ask for confirmation.

Gong Tianhao smiled and said, "Uncle, don't be fooled by his young face. He's actually an old fox. He's indeed 28 years old." Situ Xing, "..." Now, I'm sure that's not a compliment.

Father Xiao obviously trusted Gong Tianhao more. He nodded and said, "You really can't judge a book by its cover. He looks so young, but he's actually quite old."

Situ Xing, "..." Okay... Is this a compliment? Gong Tianhao introduced again, "Uncle, Situ Xing may be young, but he's a brain specialist. Furthermore, he has a certain degree of international fame."

Hearing Gong Tianhao introduce Situ Xing's identity, Xiao Lingyu was very surprised.

He was 28 years old, a brain specialist, and he was even internationally famous. That was impressive.

However, Father Xiao was a farmer. He did not know much about these things. However, he knew that it required very deep professional knowledge to be called an expert. Father Xiao always respected intellectuals.

Father Xiao's attitude immediately changed. He was cautious and serious.

He said, "I'm impressed. Doctor Situ is already an expert at such a young age!"

"..." Situ Xing was embarrassed. Then, he said, "Uncle, you can call me Little Xing. I'm a doctor, but... I'm also Boss' good brother. Just treat me as your junior."

Gong Tianhao didn't want his future mother-in-law and father-in-law to be so awkward around Situ Xing too.

Gong Tianhao said, "Uncle, he might be a doctor, but he's an ordinary person like us too. Just treat him like your junior."

Father Xiao nodded. "Okay." He didn't want the youngsters to feel awkward.

"It's ready. The noodles are here." Mother Xiao came out with a bowl of noodles.

"Wow, it smells so good."

#### **Chapter 407 The Cause and Effect**

Situ Xing, who smelled the fragrance, stood up from his seat and took the bowl of noodles from Mother Xiao.

He was not afraid of the heat, so he picked up the bowl and took a sip of the soup. As soon as the soup entered his mouth, the fragrance entered his heart and filled his entire chest.

Situ Xing closed his eyes and enjoyed the aftertaste. "Wow, this soup is really fragrant!"

Then, he quickly took the chopsticks from Mother Xiao's hands, picked up some noodles, and put them into his mouth. Then, he slurped down the noodles like he hadn't eaten in years. The whole process took less than a minute!

The noodles had just come out of the pot, and the soup was still boiling hot. The speed by which Situ Xing finished the food made everyone dumbfounded.

Situ Xing wiped his mouth, looking as if he hadn't had enough yet.

He grinned and put on a pleading face. He smiled and handed the bowls and chopsticks to Mother Xiao. He said sincerely and embarrassedly, "Auntie, I'm not full yet. Can I have another bowl?"

Mother Xiao recovered from her daze. She took the bowl and chopsticks and said with a smile, "Sure, of course."

Then, she turned around and went to the kitchen to cook noodles for Situ Xing.

After Mother Xiao finished cooking the fourth bowl of noodles and Situ Xing finished eating the fourth bowl of noodles, he touched his round belly and said, "I'm finally full!"

The three people of the Xiao family were stunned again They were really shocked. Situ Xing had a childlike appearance, but he had such a big appetite. He ate the portion of four adults.

Mother Xiao asked with a smile, "Little Xing, are you full? Do you want me to cook another bowl of noodles for you?"

Situ Xing's eyes lit up as he shook his head and said with a smile, "Auntie, thank you. I'm full this time." He sincerely praised, "Auntie, your culinary skills are really great. No wonder that bastard, Gong Yingxiong, keeps showing off in front of me."

Mother Xiao and Father Xiao were speechless. They had no idea Gong Yingxiong had been doing that.

"Hehe. Now that I've eaten Auntie's cooking, I don't need to lower my head before that bastard anymore," Situ Xing said very proudly. Xiao Lingyu, "..." I bet he's going to show off to Gong Yingxiong in return.

Gong Tianhao couldn't stand seeing Situ Xing being so smug.

"That's enough," Gong Tianhao interrupted Situ Xing and said seriously, "Since you're already full, it's time to get down to business." Father Xiao and Mother Xiao knew that they had to talk about Little Light's disappearance.

Mother Xiao hesitated for a moment before saying, "Tianhao, it's already so late. Why don't we talk about this tomorrow? Plus, Little Xing has traveled such a long distance. He must be tired."

After all, Little Light and his mother had been found.

"Auntie, it's fine." Situ Xing said, "I'm not tired. We better finish this business first."

Gong Tianhao said, "Auntie, you're right. It's very late already. You and uncle should go and rest." They were no longer that young. They had been searching for Big Light and Little Light all day too. Xiao Lingyu also said, "Yes, Mom, Dad, you guys go and rest first. We'll handle the rest."

Mother Xiao looked at Xiao Lingyu's stomach hesitantly and said, "Yu 'Er, what about you?"

Xiao Lingyu said, "Mom, I'm fine. I rested for more than an hour just now, so I'm not tired."

Father Xiao stood up and said, "Alright, your mom and I will go rest first. Yu 'Er, Tianhao, you should rest early too."

"Okay!" The two of them replied.

After Mother Xiao and Father Xiao left, the three of them became serious.

"Speak!" Gong Tianhao said the word lightly, and it was full of dignity.

Situ Xing nodded and said directly, "It's Guang City's agricultural big shot, Cai Kunnong."

Gong Tianhao frowned slightly and said with some confusion, "Guang City's Cai Kunnong?"

"Yes," Situ Xing reported, "Cai Kunnong's assets have reached several hundred million. His business includes real estate, fruit and vegetable specialty stores, and fruit and vegetable farming bases. His major business is still fruit and vegetable farming.

"Just one month ago, Cai Kunnong was named as one of the leading agricultural figures in the country and won the Agricultural Star Award."

Gong Tianhao frowned slightly and asked in confusion, "Guang City is more than 1,000 kilometers away from Taoyuan Village. Taoyuan village is located in a remote area and is not marked on the map. So how did Cai Kunnong know about the Little Cattle King?"

Situ Xing said, "I'm not sure about that. The men were only ordered to steal the cows. They only found out about the uniqueness of the Cows when they arrived at Taoyuan Village."

At this point, Situ Xing paused for a moment. He narrowed his eyes and continued, "However, according to Li Dazhu, someone must have told Cai Kunnong about the Little Cattle King. It happened around a month ago. We followed this clue and found the culprit." "Who is it?" Gong Tianhao's eyes shone with a sharp light. The news of the Little Cattle King had spread to Guang City. Perhaps it would go to South City or North City next.

"Liao Guohui!" Situ Xing said.

"Liao Guohui?" Gong Tianhao asked in confusion, "Who is he?"

Gong Tianhao only gave an order to collapse the company that wanted to develop Taoyuan Village. He didn't really care who the boss was. Situ Xing rolled his eyes and said unhappily, "Boss, you've destroyed his company, but you don't know who he is? He's going to be so mad when he finds out."

Gong Tianhao just glanced at him indifferently and said, "He deserves it."

However, Gong Tianhao did remember the tourism company after the hints by Situ Xing.

If Liao Guohui, who was in prison, knew that the enemy who caused him to go bankrupt and put him in prison didn't even know who he was, he might really cry and faint. The man was really unlucky. Well, he was unlucky enough to run into a ghost. This was his fault for doing too many evil things.

"Continue!" Gong Tianhao said calmly. "..." Situ Xing continued, "Cai Kunnong and Liao Guohui were in cahoots. They worked together and developed a farm.

"That was how they knew each other. I have no idea why Liao Guohui did this. But before he was caught, he called Cai Kunnong and told him such a secret.

"However, Liao Guohui didn't tell Cai Kunnong that he was going to be imprisoned, and his company went bankrupt because of this."

Gong Tianhao and Xiao Lingyu listened attentively. They didn't expect this would lead to such a long story.

"However, Cai Kunnong is a cautious businessman." Situ Xing continued. "He received this news but didn't completely believe it. It was only through his own investigation that he confirmed that there was indeed a Little Cattle King hiding in Taoyuan

Village.

"He had sent his trusted aides to investigate, but after the investigation, he didn't brag about it. Then, he had his bodyguards come to steal the Little Cattle King.

"However, because of his overly cautious personality, he didn't trust his bodyguards very much. Therefore, he sent his nephew over to supervise.

"I have to admit that Cai Kunnong is really smart. But he was tripped by his own cunningness. His nephew has spoiled everything this time."

If the nephew didn't delay the process, they would have reached Guang City already.

Xiao Lingyu was a little puzzled as he asked, "But how did he confirm there's a Little Cattle King here?"

The outsiders wouldn't find out about this secret so easily unless they happened to come across the families who bore grudges against the Xiao Family.

"Were they so lucky to meet someone who hated my family?" Xiao Lingyu said, "And they verified with him the news about the Little Cattle King?" Situ Xing shook his head and said with a smile, "Of course not. They only confirmed the existence of the Little Cattle King through multiple analyses and judgments." Xiao Lingyu raised her eyebrows, "Oh? What do you mean?"

Situ Xing said, "Sister-in-law, I believe you know how popular your family's vegetables

are."

Xiao Lingyu immediately reacted and said, "You mean they only figured out we have the Little Cattle King through my sales?"

"That's right," Situ Xing said, "They may not be able to find any information about the Little Cattle King from the villager, but Cai Kunnong already knows about the Little Cattle King. He only needed a confirmation. The sales of your vegetables are the best confirmation." Xiao Lingyu nodded her head in understanding. That was indeed plausible.

However, Xiao Lingyu believed the man would still need another layer of confirmation, namely, a testimony from Taoyuan Village's locals.

Gong Tianhao said, "Did the bodyguards mention anyone from the village who sold them the news?"

This might be a small matter, but it was related to the safety of the Xiao Family and the two cattle.

Situ Xing nodded and said, "Actually, they did. These cattle thieves are trained bodyguards. They didn't want to alert the villagers, so they didn't ask around Taoyuan Village. Instead, they used the money to bribe the people of the nearby villages. "Sister-in-law, don't you have a Back Mountain Village nearby?" Situ Xing asked. "Yes." Xiao Lingyu nodded and said, "Back Mountain Village is adjacent to Taoyuan Village. After those people stole the cattle, they left from the Back Mountain Village."

"That's right." Situ Xing said, "The guards went to gather information at Back Mountain Village. However, the villagers there didn't know about the Little Cattle King. "However, they were drawn by the money. The villagers there promised that they would find out more about the Little Cattle King for the guards.

"There's a woman at Back Mountain Village who is familiar with a woman at Taoyuan Village called Zhang Chunjiao. Sister-in-law, do you know who that is?" Situ Xing asked again.

"Yes. This woman doesn't get along with my family." Xiao Lingyu said truthfully, "When I heard her son said she was trying to run away from home, I knew she was involved."

When she said this, her expression was a little dark. Zhang Chunjiao was too much. She had been involved in almost everything problem that had struck the Xiao Family.

She instigated a few families not to rent the land to Xiao Lingyu. Then she instigated Zhang Xiaolan to set fire to the strawberry field. Even when Xiao Chengcai sold the news of the Little Cattle King, she had to say something too.

Before this, Xiao Lingyu didn't do anything to her because they were conflicts between villagers. However, now that Zhang Chunjiao had broken the laws, she would have to face punishment.

Situ Xing said, "The woman from the Back Mountain Village called this Zhang Chunjiao to the Back Mountain Village, and then Li Dazhu used the money to entice her. Zhang Chunjiao told them everything. She sang like a canary. She told them the location of all the cameras.

"She also told them that it was normally children who herded the cows. And they would do it at a place called Back Mountain." At this point, Situ Xing sighed, "Sister-in-law, why is the naming convention here so weird? Back Mountain Village and Back Mountain are two different places? I was so confused!

"In any case, after they got the concrete news from Zhang Chunjiao, Li Dazhu's people went into preparation."

Situ Xing continued, "They never went through Taoyuan Village. Instead, they cut through Back Mountain Village. They waited for the children to arrive and then struck when it was time. With the cooperation of the villagers from Back Mountain Village, the two cows were transported out smoothly."

Xiao Lingyu frowned, and her expression was a little cold. She said, "So the villagers of Back Mountain Village are involved? No wonder when we were searching for the cows, none of them cared."

Gong Tianhao said, "These people are accomplices. Naturally, they will have to pay."

If not for the greed of the Back Mountain Village's people, they wouldn't find Zhang Chunjiao, and the two cows wouldn't have been stolen so easily.

What was even more unforgivable was that they had designs on the children. Even though they didn't act on them, it was unforgivable.

Qiu Shaobai wanted to cripple the children and send them out to beg for money. Such a vicious person had to be punished.

He might really abduct children next time if he was left untouched.

#### **Chapter 408 Arrest**

The next day, people from the police station came to Taoyuan Village again.

To their slight surprise, the two cows had been found.

According to the villagers, the cows had been brought back the night before by plane. That shocked them even more. The officers hadn't even been on a normal airline, let alone a private plan. But the cows enjoyed that privilege before they did. They understood that some kind of big shot was hiding at Taoyuan Village. Therefore, they paid extra attention to this case.

After their investigation and the clues received by the man who sent back the cows, Officer Li confirmed that there was an insider who worked with the outsiders.

Hearing Officer Li's conclusion, the villagers started to discuss and guess.

"Someone has sold out the Little Cattle King again. Could it be true?" Some villagers simply couldn't believe such a fact. "The police said this, so it has to be true. The police won't lie to us." To them, the police still had a lot of prestige. "Then who is the traitor?"

Even the most ignorant villager knew that this was a crime. If they were caught, they would go to jail. This was stealing!

There was already a person in jail from Taoyuan Village. They really couldn't afford another to damage the village's reputation.

The lives of the villagers in Taoyuan Village had been getting better and better. Every household had received a large sum of money. This made the surrounding villages extremely envious.

Some of the envious villagers said sourly, "Humph, so what if their lives are getting better? They still have someone in prison. Who will willingly marry there?"

"Exactly. I heard their famous university graduate also got pregnant before she married. She doesn't even know who the father of the child is."

"Hehe, what's even funnier is that she actually kept the bastard. How is she going to marry in the future?"

"Hehe, she's so rich now. When the time comes, she can just find a man to be her husband."

It was like this in the countryside. When one person committed a crime, they would think that there was something wrong with the moral character of the entire village.

"If another person from our village gets sent to jail, our reputation will worsen." Some villagers said worriedly, "How will our children get married in the future?"

The surrounding people were quiet for a moment.

"Who do you think this traitor is?"

"Do you think it's Xiao Chengcai?" Someone carefully muttered and guessed, "After all, the enmity between Xiao Chengcai and the Xiao Zhengyang family is getting bigger and bigger. Xiao Lingyu had taken away the mountain rental Xiao Chengcai's family should get."

"Xiao Chengcai's mother was so angry that she rolled on the ground and scolded the Xiao family for days."

"But what can she do? If she didn't fork out the money, Xiao Chengcai would go to jail. Xiao Chengcai's mother doted on her youngest child but without Xiao Chengcai, who was going to support the family? She won't be able to work."

"The culprit is most likely related to Xiao Chengcai."

"That might not be the case. Xiao Chengcai's family isn't the only ones who are at odds with Xiao Zhengyang. There's also Xiao Fuqi's family." Someone guessed.

"That's true."

The guesses revolved around those few families. But more people guessed that it was Xiao Chengcai.

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When Xiao Chengcai heard this, he was angry that his entire face turned purple.

He explained loudly, "It's not me. Don't blame me for this."

Someone sneered, "But you have a criminal record. Everyone will naturally guess that it's you. Of course, as long as you don't do anything wrong, the police won't arrest you." When Xiao Chengcai heard this, he was embarrassed, angry, and helpless. He had become the target of contempt and disdain of the whole village.

He divorced Zhang Xiaolan only for the sake of his family's children and to lighten the burden on the family. So why did everyone look down on him?

Xiao Chengcai did hate the Xiao Family, but he knew self-preservation. So he really wasn't involved this time. Why did no one believe him? At this moment, Xiao Chengcai felt helpless and wronged.

Xiao Lingyu and Gong Tianhao naturally didn't care about the thoughts of the villagers.

Since they knew that Zhang Chunjiao was the culprit, they naturally gave all the evidence and clues to the police.

As for the real cattle thieves, Gong Tianhao thought about it and didn't hand them over to the police. After all, this involved Xiao Lingyu and Taoyuan Village's secret about the Little Cattle King. The fewer people who knew about it, the better. Therefore, those people were moved to other places by Gong Tianhao. Gong Tianhao told the Xing An Town police that the thieves managed to escape after they were interrogated.

When Officer Li and the other two heard this, the corners of their mouths twitched. 'This is clearly a lie!' However, they had no choice but to believe it. It was obvious that this big shot had his own reasons, and it was not something they could question.

From the clues provided by Situ Xing, Officer Li went directly to Xiao Fuqi's house.

Some busybodies immediately exclaimed, "Could it really be Xiao Fuqi's doing?"

"It has to be it. Otherwise, why would the police go to his place?"

"Well, the two families have a deep grudge, so I'm not surprised." Many people followed. When they entered and saw the scene in the courtyard, many people were still stunned.

"Fuck, what's going on?"

Officer Li narrowed his eyes when he saw Zhang Chunjiao tied up under the tree. Her clothes were disheveled, and her face was bruised and swollen. He sternly asked, "What's going on?"

A woman immediately went forward to untie Zhang Chunjiao. After all, this was not a pretty sight.

Xiao Fuqi didn't come out despite the big commotion in the yard. So some villagers went to look for him.

Xiao Fuqi was hugging his money bag and sleeping soundly.

When he heard someone call out to him, he opened his eyes in a daze and muttered, "Who is this? It's still so early!"

He was dreaming that he was hugging two beautiful women on his left and right. The other villagers shouted outside his door, and the women disappeared. He shouted angrily, "Who is shouting outside? Don't you know you'd be struck by lightning after disturbing someone's sweet dream?"

The person outside was angry when he heard this. He sneered, "Xiao Fuqi, the sun is about to rise. Why are you still dreaming? Don't you know that the police are here?"

When he heard the word police, Xiao Fuqi shuddered.

He asked suspiciously, "Police? Why are they here?"

"Shouldn't you know the reason why? Didn't you collude with outsiders to sell out the Little Cattle King?" Since the police were there, Xiao Fuqi's family was most likely the criminal. So the person was not afraid of pointing this out. When Xiao Fu heard it, he was instantly angry. He got up from the bed in a huff and walked to the door. "Xiao Chenglin, what are you talking about? You're not pinning this on me! Or else I'll not be polite to you."

As stingy as Xiao Fuqi was, he would never commit a crime like stealing. "Xiao Fuqi, why are you mad at me?" Xiao Chenglin chuckled, "You should be mad at the police officers. They are in your yard right now."

"What?" Xiao Fuqi's expression suddenly changed, and then he strode toward his own courtyard.

In the courtyard, after the villagers untied Zhang Chunjiao, someone asked, "Chunjiao, what happened?".

Someone who witnessed the scene yesterday night said, "Dongxiu, you didn't know? She was beaten by Xiao Fuqi last night!"

"Did Xiao Fuqi get drunk last time?" Dong Xiu asked in puzzlement, "But why would he tie her under the tree? How long have you been tied up here already?" Zhang Chunjiao had been tied up for a whole night and couldn't move. Now her entire body was stiff and numb. The wounds all over her body didn't help. She was mosquito food. The night was terrible. Her wounds were a little inflamed, and her body felt a little hot.

The moment the rope was untied, she immediately fell to the ground.

Zhang Chunjiao's current appearance made some people sympathize with her.

"Chunjiao, are you okay? Can you stand up?" Dongxiu supported her and immediately scolded, "Is Xiao Fuqi crazy? How can he hit his wife like this? Is he even a man?"

Someone beside her said, "Dongxiu, it was understandable based on what happened yesterday night." Someone frowned slightly and didn't understand. The villager explained, "Didn't the Xiao Family find the cows and have them sent back by the place yesterday night?"

"Yea, I was at the sunning field too." A villager immediately nodded in agreement.

"Yes, most of us were there... But at that moment, Zhang Chunjiao was at home trying to pack all the money to run away from home. She was caught by Xiao Fuqi. It was why he was so furious."

"Ah! Chunjiao, is that true?" Dongxiu asked, "Why did you suddenly want to leave? Why would you take away all the money? What about your son and daughter?".

Zhang Chunjiao's eyes dimmed, and a guilty look flashed across her eyes.

She said weakly, "I... I don't want to leave either. But Xiao Fuqi beats me every day. I can't stand it anymore."

These words won some sympathy from some people.

At this moment, Xiao Fuqi rushed over and saw a police officer in a police uniform standing in the courtyard, looking at Zhang Chunjiao with a serious face.

Xiao Fuqi's heart skipped a beat. He had a bad premonition, and he couldn't control his nervousness and fear.

Xiao Fuqi walked up to them and called out carefully, "Officers, may I ask why you are here?"

"The police are here?!" A sharp voice said. After Xiao Fuqi appeared, Zhang Chunjiao finally noticed the few officers standing in the courtyard. Feeling guilty, she suddenly felt nervous, afraid, and terrified. She couldn't help but scream.

This earned her many people's confused looks.

At this time, Officer Li took out the relevant documents and said with a serious face, "Zhang Chunjiao, you are suspected of committing a theft. Please come with us."

Everyone was stunned. So it was really Zhang Chunjiao. They thought the culprit was Xiao Fuqi. But the real winner was actually his wife.

Then again, when they remembered Zhang Chunjiao's character, it was not that surprising anymore.

"No, no, I didn't steal the cow. You can't arrest me!" Zhang Chunjiao suddenly exploded with force. She struggled and explained fiercely.

However, her explanation felt weak to the villagers, much less the officers. "You damn woman." Xiao Fuqi reacted and immediately scolded Zhang Chunjiao angrily, "I was wondering why you suddenly packed the pack and decided to run. So you had done something horrible. I'll beat you to death!" After saying that, Xiao Fuqi walked quickly to Zhang Chunjiao, grabbed her hair, and gave her a slap.

Dongxiu, who previously supported Zhang Chunjiao, had already moved away. The officers came to arrest Zhang Chunjiao. It was clear that Zhang Chunjiao had committed a serious mistake and violated the law. Dongxiu didn't want to get involved.

Zhang Chunjiao did not have any support. She immediately raised her hand to block Xiao Fuqi's slap.

When Xiao Fuqi wanted to give her another big slap, Police Officer Li could not stand it anymore and shouted, "Stop!"

## Chapter 409 Gong Tianhao is Very Hurt!

When Xiao Lingyu, Gong Tianhao, and Mother Xiao came to the scene, they saw Xiao Fuqi assaulting his wife.

Mother Xiao only frowned for a moment and did not say anything.

After Officer Li stopped Xiao Fuqi, he criticized him with a serious expression, "Sir, don't you know that hitting someone is against the law?"

Xiao Fuqi was a little afraid when he heard that, but he defended himself, "I was hitting my wife. How is that against the law?"

Officer Li said, "This is domestic violence. It's against the law."

"But she is a thief. I have to teach her a lesson!" Xiao Fuqi really had a lot of resentment toward Zhang Chunjiao. Why would she be so foolish to do something like that?

Officer Li said seriously, "Your wife broke the law, so there are laws to punish her, but it's wrong for you to hit her. When we came here just now, we saw your wife tied to a tree trunk with a bruised face. We can arrest you and detain you in the police station for a few days."

Xiao Fu's face changed when he heard that. He said with fear and panic, "Officer, don't. I... I won't hit her in the future." At this moment, Zhang Chunjiao saw Xiao Lingyu appear and immediately ran to Xiao Lingyu and knelt down. "Xiao Lingyu, Qiuying, I didn't steal your family's cows. Will you tell the police that? I will never go against you in the future. I beg

you."

Zhang Chunjiao was not stupid.

She knew that it was useless for her to plead with the police officers now. She could only plead with Xiao Zhengyang's family. As long as they withdrew the case, she would be fine.

Zhang Chunjiao never thought that one day, she would have to lower her head to Chen Qiuying. But now, she had no choice.

She had to lower her head. She was afraid.

Xiao Lingyu, this wretched girl, had a ruthless character and a hard heart. Everyone in the village knew it.

Back then, when Zhang Xiaolan had committed a crime, Xiao Lingyu still sent her to prison despite the begging from her family. Zhang Xiaolan's family had to pay the compensation too.

Now, it was her turn. When she thought about how she'd spend the rest of her life in prison, she was truly afraid and terrified.

Therefore, she pleaded with Chen Qiuying, whom she hated the most in her life.

However...

Xiao Lingyu did not wait for her mother to speak and said coldly, "Auntie Zhang, what you have done is against the law. It is useless for you to plead with us.

"You will be punished according to the law. We are just ordinary people. We can't budge the law. Plus, even if we are willing to forgive you, will the law forgive you?" Xiao Lingyu's words sounded a little harsh to the villagers. She was callous and cold-blooded.

Officer Li nodded in agreement, "Miss Xiao is right. You have committed a crime. It's useless to plead with anyone. However, as long as you reform yourself properly, the law will naturally be lenient."

The villagers accepted this.

At this moment, someone came over and asked doubtfully, "Sir, did Zhang Chunjiao really participate in stealing the cattle?"

Officer Li nodded and said, "The thieves have been caught, and they confessed everything. Zhang Chunjiao, you have to come with us."

After saying that, Officer Li took out the handcuffs. "No, no, I'm not leaving." Zhang Chunjiao struggled violently. "No, no, I'm not leaving. I... I didn't steal the cow, I didn't steal the cow, I was wronged."

Zhang Chunjiao struggled and shouted, but it was to no avail. She roared angrily, "Chen Qiuying, Xiao Lingyu, you will suffer retribution. Xiao Lingyu, I curse that your child will be born with defects!"

A vicious look flashed across Gong Tianhao's sharp eyes. This woman actually dared to do something like that. She could not be forgiven.

Zhang Chunjiao, who was still cursing, did not know that because of her words, her sentence of half a year was changed to six years. She would suffer six long years.

Xiao Lingyu knew that the child in her stomach was very healthy, but when she heard Zhang Chunjiao's continuous cursing, anger appeared on her face.

This Zhang Chunjiao was really stubborn. She was the criminal, but she was blaming it on the victims. Laughable!

Chen Qiuying turned green with anger. She yelled back at her, "Zhang Chunjiao, if you want to talk about retribution, you will get it first. You were the one who did the wrong thing, but you made it sound like we're the ones who committed the most heinous crimes. "You will stay in prison and pay for what you did."

Chen Qiuying was not someone who was easy to bully. She was a capable person and also a shrewd person. However, her shrewdness was only targeted at those who provoked her. As soon as Chen Qiuying finished speaking, the villagers present looked at Chen Qiuying with fear in their eyes.

At this moment, someone came over and asked carefully, "Lingyu, did Zhang Chunjiao really participate in the cattle theft?"

Xiao Lingyu looked at the person who asked with a faint smile and asked in return, "Auntie Liu, do you think that I wronged her? Do you think the police have wronged her? Do you think I'm powerful enough to order the police around?"

Auntie Liu said with an embarrassed smile, "But Zhang Chunjiao kept shouting that she was wronged. Moreover, when the Little Cattle King disappeared, I was with Chunjiao. She didn't have the time to commit a crime. So how could she be involved?"

When they found out the Cattle King was kidnapped, Zhang Chunjiao was chatting with a group of women. Therefore, Zhang Chunjiao didn't have the time to commit a crime. Plus, how could a woman like Zhang Chunjiao move two large cows?

Hearing Liu Sanxiu's words, the other women echoed, "Lingyu, Sanxiu is right. When the Cows went missing, Chunjiao was chatting with us. She couldn't have done this."

"That's right, that's right. Lingyu, what exactly is going on?"

Some of the villagers were purely curious, but others had ulterior motives. They didn't like how Xiao Lingyu called the police for the smallest reason. It meant that in the future, the police might be called on them too. Therefore, some people looked at Xiao Lingyu with fear in their eyes.

Why would Xiao Lingyu call the police for the slightest disagreement? Xiao Lingyu glanced at the people present and asked in amusement, "So, you mean that I have wronged her? Do you think the police have framed her?"

"That's not what we mean," Liu Sanxiu said embarrassedly. "We're just curious. Chunjiao didn't have time to commit a crime, so how could she be the thief?"

Xiao Lingyu said, "I don't know. I called the police after Little Light and his mom went missing. Then, the police found the culprit in Auntie Zhang." At this point, she paused and said sharply, "Auntie Liu,

whether Auntie Zhang committed the crime or not, you shouldn't ask me, but the police. My cows went missing, so I called the police.

"If the same thing happened to you, would you call the police? Maybe you won't. But if you found out your cows were stolen by your neighbor, would you be angry as I am now?

"Then, would you be magnanimous enough to forgive them?

"Zhang Xiaolan set fire to my strawberry field and caused me to lose more than 100,000. "Many people told me to forgive the culprit. But put yourselves in my shoes. Would you have chosen to forgive her? She has burned down half a year of hard work and caused great damage.

"Similarly, if your cattle were stolen and you couldn't find it, would you call the police? Everyone knows that a calf is worth at least 600 to 700, which is equivalent to the income of a farmer for half a year.

"When I bought Little Light and Big Light, I spent more than 1000. But I believe I don't need to explain their actual value.

"So shouldn't I call the police? Shouldn't I ask the police to help me find my two cows?

"The police did the investigation and tracked Auntie Zhang down as the culprit.

"If I had known this was the case, wouldn't I have gone to demand the cows from Auntie Zhang instead of calling the police at first notice?"

Some people didn't say it, but their expressions showed that they didn't think Xiao Lingyu should have called the police.

These people really liked to critique others. Xiao Lingyu didn't like this. She had to clearly express her attitude.

As soon as Xiao Lingyu finished speaking, the scene became quiet. Most people were lost in thought.

It was indeed like what Xiao Lingyu had said. Her two cows were missing, and no one knew who had stolen them. Since they really could not find them, they could only choose to call the police. If their cows went missing and later found out that they had been stolen by villagers from the same village, they would probably come to their door with knives, not to mention call the police.

As for whether Zhang Chunjiao had the time to commit the crime, that should be the matter of the police. The police stated that Zhang Chunjiao was involved in the theft, but she was not the main culprit. In that case, she didn't need to be at the crime scene at the time of the crime.

But, how did Zhang Chunjiao manage to collude with outsiders to steal the cattle?

They would have to ask the police that.

Gong Tianhao helped Xiao Lingyu out. As they walked on the road, his eyes were filled with hatred as he said, "Yu 'Er, she dares to curse our son. I'll never forgive her!"

Who cared if she was a villager from Taoyuan Village? As long as she offended him, she would not be able to live in peace.

As Xiao Lingyu walked, she was shocked when she heard Gong Tianhao say our son. She explained guiltily, "Gong Tianhao, this is my son, not your son. Don't forget that." Gong Tianhao smiled helplessly and said, "Yu 'Er, is there a difference? In the future, when we get married, it will be our son."

"Married?" Xiao Lingyu exclaimed.

She suddenly stopped in her tracks. Her eyes were filled with surprise and guilt.

She had never thought about marriage before.

Gong Tianhao looked at Xiao Lingyu's expression and asked suspiciously, "Of course, we're getting married. Yu 'Er, have you never thought about marrying me?"

As he said this, a thought flashed through Gong Tianhao's mind. He grabbed her hand and asked anxiously, "Xiao Lingyu, have you only agreed to be my girlfriend and never thought about being my wife and marrying me?" When Xiao Lingyu agreed to be his girlfriend, he could clearly see the love in Xiao Lingyu's eyes for him. He assumed they would progress from a couple to husband and wife.

However, he had no idea that Xiao Lingyu only wanted to be his girlfriend and not his wife.

When Gong Tianhao grabbed Xiao Lingyu's hand and questioned her, Xiao Lingyu's gaze clearly shifted. She stammered, "Uh, this... this, i... I..."

Gong Tianhao's face was dark. He interrupted her and asked sharply, "Xiao Lingyu, tell me directly, have you ever thought of marrying me?"

Xiao Lingyu was speechless for a moment. Looking at Gong Tianhao's serious face, she opened her mouth and said with some difficulty, "No!"

The light in Gong Tianhao's eyes instantly dimmed and was replaced by an injury.

He could not help but let go of Xiao Lingyu's hand and muttered, "So it was all my wishful thinking?

"That's right. I was the one who planted myself by your side, forcing you to get used to me.

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"All this while, I've acknowledged you as my wife.

"When you agreed to be my girlfriend, I was so happy that I couldn't sleep for three days and three nights. In the future, I will give you and the child the best life. We would be the happiest family.

"But it is all my wishful thinking."

Xiao Lingyu looked at the injured Gong Tianhao and opened her mouth. She wanted to explain, but she couldn't say a word.

The hope in Gong Tianhao's eyes was completely extinguished.

Then, he turned around in pain and left in large strides.

Xiao Lingyu reached out her hand and opened her mouth, wanting to stop him, "Gong..."

Then, her lips closed. Her eyes turned red.

### **Chapter 410 Conflict**

Old Master Gong paced in the living room, his eyes darting into the room from time to time, his brows furrowed.

'How many days has it been? This is the third day already.'

During these three days, Gong Tianhao stayed in his room and didn't come out at all. This was something that had never happened before. From the moment he planned to pursue Xiao Lingyu, he would report to the Xiao family on time every day. Then, he would serve Xiao Lingyu very carefully.

But now, he didn't even take a single step out of the Gong family's door, let alone step into the Xiao family.

Situ Xing sat in the living room and ate the fruits.

These fruits were delivered by the Xiao family and tasted exceptionally good.

Situ Xing, the foodie, swallowed them like a vacuum.

He looked at Master Gong walking around the house and frowned slightly. He asked in puzzlement, "Old Master Gong, what's wrong with you? Why do you keep walking around? Come and eat some fruits. These fruits are really the most delicious fruits I've ever eaten. Speaking of which, where did you buy these fruits from? How can they be so delicious?"

Old Master Gong looked at the carefree Situ Xing and said unhappily, "Eat, eat, eat. I hope you eat more!"

Situ Xing nodded obediently, "Yes, I will definitely eat more. Old Master, why are you pacing like this? Is there something on your mind? Tell me, maybe we can solve it together."

"I have..." Old Master Gong began, but when he saw the young Situ Xing, his shrewd eyes flashed. He then sat down and asked with a smile, "Little Xing, how many days have you been here?"

Situ Xing counted with his fingers and said, "Three days."

Old Master Gong, "..." Do you need to count with your fingers for that?

"Three days," Old Master Gong repeated. Then, he asked, "Did you sense anything wrong with Hao 'Er these three days?"

Situ Xing thought for a moment and said, "No. I feel that everything is normal."

He didn't know how Gong Tianhao and Xiao Lingyu normally interacted, so he didn't find anything unusual.

Old Master Gong,"..."

He sighed and said, "Forget it, you are no help."

Situ Xing threw a grape into his mouth, chewed it twice, and swallowed it. Then, he asked in confusion, "Old Master, what's on your mind? I'm all ears. Maybe I can help."

Old Master Gong looked at Situ Xing, who had been eating nonstop ever since he came to the Peach Blossom Village. He no longer had any desire to ask.

He waved his hand and said, "Forget it. Instead of asking you, I might as well go to the Xiao family and ask them about it." Situ Xing, "..."

He really didn't know what had happened. The old master also didn't share anything with him either. O well, when the old master wanted to tell him, he would.

However, when Old Master Gong went to the Xiao family, Situ Xing went with him.

Actually, the reason why he went with him was very simple. The Xiao family had a lot of delicious food.

Situ Xing had two hobbies in life. One was to study brains, and the other was to eat. Yes, this man was a foodie, a gourmet foodie to be precise. He had a deep love for very good food.

After eating Mother Xiao's noodles, he decided to stay with the Xiao Family to eat every day.

He couldn't help that Mother Xiao was such a good cook. She was the best among the best. She was better than the dishes made by seven-star chefs. However, who was he to stay at the Xiao Family and leech off their meals every day?

Thankfully, he was Gong Tianhao's brother, and since Gong Tianhao came to the Xiao Family every day, he would trail behind him.

However, for the past three days, Gong Tianhao had been hiding inside his room. He didn't leave the house. Situ Xing, the freeloader, had no reason to go to the Xiao Family anymore. However, whenever it was mealtimes, he would wander around the entrance of the Xiao Family until someone saw him and invited him in to eat.

From then on, his freeloading became more official.

The Xiao family was very busy. Other than Xiao Lingyu, everyone started to work after meals, even the children.

Situ Xing couldn't stay alone in the room with Xiao Lingyu. If he did, his boss would strike him. Therefore, he would leave after every meal. He had nothing to do at Taoyuan Village.

So he stayed with the Gong Family most of the time. He didn't care about much else. Naturally, he didn't find anything wrong with Gong Tianhao and Xiao Lingyu.

At the same time, the Xiao family members noticed Xiao Lingyu's red and swollen eyes. They looked at each other with confusion.

Furthermore, Gong Tianhao used to come over every day to serve Xiao Lingyu. However, he didn't appear for the past three days.

The Xiao family guessed that there had been a couple's quarrel.

"Yu 'Er, have you eaten? You should eat more." Mother Xiao saw her daughter pick up her chopsticks and eat only one bite. She tried to persuade her worriedly. Her daughter had been like this for three days already.

She only ate one or two mouthfuls of food every meal, and she said she was full. Everyone could see that Xiao Lingyu had lost weight.

If she wasn't pregnant, this was fine. However, she was! If this continued, it would have a huge impact on the child.

Xiao Lingyu put down her chopsticks and said calmly, "Mom, I'm already full." After saying that, she got up and left, returning to her room.

The Xiao family members looked at her worriedly.

"What's going on with Yu 'Er?" Auntie Xiao asked curiously.

They had been asking the same question for the past three days.

Mother Xiao guessed, "Perhaps she has an argument with Tianhao? Tianhao hasn't been here for three days as well."

Before this, it had always been Gong Tianhao taking care of their daughter. They had never been worried.

However, it had been three days since he appeared. Their daughter was locked in her room. Other than during mealtimes, she rarely appeared.

In the past, whenever Xiao Lingyu had time, she would go for a walk. Gong Tianhao would accompany her. Or she would read a book to pass the time. Gong Tianhao would also stand by her side and serve her tea, water, and fruits.

But now...

"But what kind of argument did they have?" Xiao Lingyun said worriedly, "We can't let Sis continue to be like this." Xiao Lingyu was very close to the child's birth date. This was definitely not something to joke about.

"In just three days, the child has lost so much weight," Auntie Xiao said worriedly, "If this continues for a few more days, this will not be

good."

"But what can we do?" Mother Xiao frowned. "We asked her about it, but she wouldn't tell us anything."

"We still have to find the person responsible. If this is caused by the conflict between Tianhao and Yu 'Er, then we can only find Tianhao," said Grandma Xiao. "But Tianhao hasn't been here for three days already," Mother Xiao said worriedly. Plus, they feared Tianhao's appearance might trigger Xiao Lingyu.

"If he doesn't come here, then we'll go to his place to get him." Grandma Xiao said decisively. "Qiuying, I know what you're worried about, but Yu 'Er's health is more important right now."

Mother Xiao was silent for a moment, then nodded and said, "Mom, you're right. We have to focus on Yu 'Er's health."

Just as everyone was discussing this decision, Old Master Gong walked into the Xiao family's courtyard with his walking stick and shouted, "Big Sister, so you're here too."

The big sister was naturally referring to Grandma Xiao.

Grandma Xiao stood up and said, "Elder brother, welcome. Please sit down. We haven't eaten yet, let's eat together. Yun 'Er, add two sets of cutlery." One extra set was, of course, for Situ Xing.

Old Master Gong waved his hand and said, "Sister, how will I have an appetite now?" Grandma Xiao had a guess, but she still pretended to be puzzled and asked, "Elder brother, what's wrong?"

Old Master Gong sighed and said, "It's all because of that stinky brat of mine."

"What's wrong with Tianhao?" Granny Xiao asked with concern, "Did something happen to Tianhao?" Did something happen to him?" Old Master Gong said with some resentment, "That Brat has locked himself in his room and didn't eat for three days. He didn't even drink a drop of water!"

"Ah?" Hearing this, the Xiao family's expression changed. Grandma Xiao became anxious and said, "What's wrong with this child? How can he not eat and drink for three days? His body wouldn't be able to endure it. He's not made of steel."

Old Master Gong nodded in agreement and said, "That's exactly what I told him." Then, he sighed and said, "I don't know what has gotten into him. No matter how hard I tried to persuade him, he wouldn't answer me. Even when I had Little Xing help me, it was useless." Situ Xing's mind was pulled by the food on the table. When he heard the old master call his name, he nodded and said, "Yes, that's right." He didn't really know what they were talking about.

However, he was smart enough to guess it. It had to be the boss' lack of consumption.

"Both of them are acting the same way." Xiao Lingyun exclaimed. "She only eats one or two mouthfuls every meal."

Hearing this, Old Master Gong frowned. He narrowed his eyes and asked, "Is the girl also not eating?"

The Xiao family members nodded.

"How can this be?" Old Master Gong suddenly stood up and said seriously, "Yu 'Er is pregnant! How can she not eat? Is she taking this as a joke?"

"That's right." The Xiao family members nodded in agreement. "But we tried to persuade her, and she said she couldn't eat. We can't force her to eat, right?"

Old Master Gong, "..." He knew that was the case, but that didn't stop him from worrying about his great-grandson.

What if something happened during this period of time? It was obvious that his brat had a conflict with his wife.

The key to resolving this issue now was to make them reconcile. This could not be allowed to continue.

Old Master Gong said worriedly, "What should we do?" They were, after all, outsiders in this relationship.

When Elder Gong asked this, the Xiao family fell silent.

If they knew what to do, they would have done it long ago. They wouldn't have allowed Xiao Lingyu to starve for three days.

The Xiao Family was really worried because Xiao Lingyu was pregnant. If she weren't, they wouldn't have cared. She wasn't a child, so why should they watch over her so carefully? But the problem was she was currently carrying a child!

At this moment, Situ Xing, who was putting food into his mouth, suddenly said, "As long as we find the crux of the conflict, it will be easy to solve." He basically had the whole table of food to himself. He was very happy.

Everyone present was about to roll their eyes. Of course, they knew that.

"Little Xing, but we don't know what the crux of their conflict is." Mother Xiao frowned.

"Then ask. That is the most direct way to get an answer." Situ Xing picked up another piece of food and put it into his mouth. "It's really too delicious. I'm so touched that I'm about to

cry."

The Xiao family fell silent again.

At this time, Grandma Xiao's eyes brightened, and she asked, "Little Xing, is your Auntie Chen's cooking delicious?"

Situ Xing nodded and replied, "Yes. Auntie Chen's cooking is really delicious."

Grandma Xiao said with a smile, "Little Xing, Grandma Xiao wants to give you a task. As long as you complete this task, you can order whatever dishes you want to eat in the future. I'll get your Auntie Chen to cook for you. What do you think?" Situ Xing's eyes lit up, and he said with excitement, "Grandma, is what you said true?"

Grandma Xiao nodded seriously, "Of course it's true."

"Then Grandma, what task is it?"