

Hidden 1081

Chapter 1081: Personnel From Main Branch?

"Why aren't you leaving? We're closing!" The tall salesperson said coldly when she saw that Ning Xi was still there.

"I remember that Spirit is a high-end store and trying on items isn't allowed." Ning Xi stared defiantly at this arrogant salesperson right in front of her.

"Anyone else can try except for you. Leave now or I'm calling the security guard!"

The other two salespeople went up and wondered where this woman was from and why was she not leaving.

Ning Xi scoffed at them, "Get me your boss."

"Boss?"

"What's wrong with you? Who do you think you are?"

"Are you here to look for trouble?"

"Knowing my boss' identity? Who do you think you are to see her?"

One of the salesgirls went out and called the security guard.

"Guard, she came in and looked for trouble. Please get her out!" The tall salesperson glared at Ning Xi as she saw the security guard entered.

"What's the fuss? What happened?"

Before the security guard could say anything, a middle-aged woman came in.

"Manager Gu Yue, why are you here this late?"

The salespeople went up to the middle-aged woman as she walked in.

"Manager Gu, this random woman stayed in our store for a long time. She just asked for prices and didn't buy anything. I'm suspecting that she might want to steal our clothes. Didn't we lose a few before?"

"Right, the whole mall has been having a volume of thefts recently, from branded shoes to bags. They were all stolen when no one noticed."

The manager looked at Ning Xi impatiently, but when she saw her, she felt that she looked familiar.

"Are you...from the main branch?"

The manager tried to remember. Some time ago, she had gone to the main branch with her boss to do some paperwork and she was sure that she had seen this woman there before.

"The main branch?!"

"Spirit's main branch?"

The salespeople were surprised. Why would a person from the main branch be at their store?

"Maybe she wants to buy something from our store because she heard about the discounts," said one of the girls.

"Main branch? So what if she's from the main branch? We might even be more well-off than her. Look at how poorly she's dressed. She still can't afford things from our store even when it's discounted!" The tall sales guide said.

Ning Xi had no more tolerance for people like her anymore. She looked at the store manager and then called Lu Xinyan.

"My big boss, it's very late already. Can we talk about this tomorrow?" Lu Xinyan sounded like she was sleeping.

"Come to your store, right now. If I don't see you in ten minutes, you can close your store tomorrow."

Ning Xi did not give Lu Xinyan any chance to talk and ended the call immediately.

The manager and the few sales guides were dumbfounded. They did not know that Ning Xi was talking to Lu Xinyan just now.

Lu Xinyan acted quickly this time and actually arrived her store within ten minutes.

The store manager and the salespeople went up to greet their boss who had suddenly appeared.

"What's so urgent that you need me here right now? What happened? Can't we talk about this on the phone?" Lu Xinyan complained unhappily while looking at Ning Xi.

Chapter 1082: Bear The Consequences

The store personnel were totally stunned when they heard what Lu Xinyan said.

Their boss actually knew this woman?

"Lu Xinyan, these people in your store...where did you find them? Didn't the main branch assign some professional salespeople to you?" Ning Xi glanced at the sales guides and the manager.

"I hired them! It's my own shop, so of course, I'm going to recruit the people myself. Only then will it be counted as my own effort!" Lu Xinyan looked proudly at Ning Xi.

Ning Xi almost passed out hearing the girl's logic. She took a deep breath. "Change them! All of them! I'll pick out personnel from the main branch for you. Just follow the protocol!"

Ning Xi's tone was ferocious and she did not give any chance for Lu Xinyan to say anything.

"Fine, fine...you're the boss. I'll do whatever you say...but what happened?"

Lu Xinyan frowned a little, she could sort of guess what had happened. Ning Xi must have noticed some issues when she arrived in the store. Otherwise, she would not be this angry.

Anyway, Lu Xinyan felt immensely guilty. Although her financial report seemed to be earning a lot on the surface, she was losing money. A lot of money...

"Big boss?!"

"Boss from the main branch?!"

The few sales guides could not believe it. This woman was the founder of Spirit?! They freaked out, never imagining that the boss would suddenly appear in the store.

The store manager had only felt like she had seen Ning Xi before, but she had not known that Ning Xi was the founder of Spirit.

Ning Xi's voice softened as Lu Xinyan's attitude was gentle and she had toned down. "Also, cancel all your promotions. Go and look for Director Qiao tomorrow. Learn how to run a franchise from her!"

"Huh? Cancel? I came up with these campaigns with all my wits!" Lu Xinyan sounded dejected.

Ning Xi's mouth twitched. "My dear, you used up all your wits just to lose money like this?!"

Lu Xinyan's expression froze. "Y-you found out..."

Oh, no! Her cover was blown!

"In three days, I want to see you strictly following the plan and our protocol! If not, you'll bear the consequences!" Ning Xi left the store without even looking back at the workers.

They were all shocked when they saw Ning Xi's attitude towards Lu Xinyan.

Lu Xinyan was Lu Tingxiao's cousin! Yet, Ning Xi had yelled at her!

Who exactly was this woman?

"What happened?!" Lu Xinyan asked angrily while glaring at her people after Ning Xi left.

"Boss...I-I don't know anything! Big boss was already angry when I came back. It must be them!" The store manager pushed the responsibility away completely.

One of the salesgirls told the truth.

After she heard everything, Lu Xinyan immediately fired everyone, including the manager.

Chapter 1083: Interesting Person

Ning Xi had a headache after she left Lu Xinyan's store. She felt really helpless.

Six franchise stores but only Lu Xinyan's shop was doing so badly. With a manager and salespeople of that standard, plus an amateur owner, the store would definitely close down sooner or later. It was a good thing that Ning Xi found out about it early...

Thud!

As Ning Xi was deep in thought, a person suddenly flashed by and collided with her, making her almost fall.

"I'm sorry, lady, are you alright?" The person stopped and held Ning Xi to avoid her from falling down.

Ning Xi shook her head. "I'm okay."

"Ah...lady, you seem pretty agile. Have you learnt martial arts before?" The man looked at her with perked interest.

Ning Xi could not help but roll her eyes. Just where was he from, calling her "lady" like an ancient, old man?

"Haha, I'm glad that you're alright. I have to flee." The man smiled and looked back, his smile growing wider.

Flee?

Ning Xi tilted her head and raised her eyebrows questioningly.

Before Ning Xi could say anything, numerous running footsteps came from the back. About a dozen people were running towards their direction.

"Are...they your enemies?"

Ning Xi was taken aback. Who exactly was he to be chased by a dozen of people in the middle of the night?

"Haha!" The man laughed, "I don't know them, but I saw that they fought pretty well against each other. They couldn't decide the winner after quite some time, so I beat them up instead. Who knew they'd have guns? Haha, no matter how good I am, I can't be faster than bullets!"

"Oh...how are you not dead by now then?"

Ning Xi was impressed by the man's shameless attitude. He had offended some people and was chased by a dozen of them, yet he was still acting tough.

And people were fighting on their own, so why did he involve himself? Was he asking for trouble?

"Farewell, milady, I have to go!"

As the man was about to flee, Ning Xi held him back.

"Follow me."

Ning Xi dragged the man and forced him under a SUV.

"You...what are you doing?"

The man was taken aback by her action.

Ning Xi looked at him smilingly. "Luck is in your favor. I like your adventurous attitude!"

And...everything she was interested in...

This man had just so happened to possess them all.

Ning Xi stopped talking to him. She stood in front of the car and blocked the man from the sight of his pursuers. A short while, the dozen of people reached her.

"First...First Senior Brother?!"

Ning Xi's eyes flew wide open when she saw a familiar face framed by a pair of glasses.

The man at the front was Tang Ye! The more outrageous fact was not only that Tang Ye was there, Tang Lang was also beside him!

How had they ended up together?

"Little Junior Sister, why are you here?" Tang Lang asked while panting.

"Second Senior Brother? I'm about to ask you guys! What are you guys doing? Why are you with First Brother Senior?"

Ning Xi was stunned.

Could the man under the car be hunted by Tang Ye and Tang Lang?

Really? Who exactly was that man who was able to make Tang Ye and Tang Lang cooperate?

Ugh...wait... Just now, that man mentioned that he saw two people were fighting and that he beat them up because they could not decide the winner after a long time. Could the people he was talking about be First Senior Brother and Second Senior Brother?

Chapter 1084: Playing Around Lovingly

"Little Junior Sister, did you see a madman pass by?" Tang Ye's cold eyes looked questioningly at Ning Xi from behind his glasses.

Ning Xi was not stupid. The madman Tang Ye was referring to must be the same one under the car.

After a difficult moment of internal struggle, Ning Xi nodded.

"Where!?"

Tang Ye and Tang Lang suddenly became alert as they focused on Ning Xi.

"Right here." Ning Xi inclined her head towards Tang Lang and Tang Ye.

"Where?" Tang Ye swung around.

"Here, two madmen, right in front of me!" Ning Xi looked seriously at them.

"You cheeky little brat! We're asking you about something serious!" Tang Lang exclaimed.

"Go back early tonight. It's not safe here," Tang Ye said expressionlessly.

She became more and more curious. Just who was the man under the car and how did he get on First Senior Brother be aware of him?

"Second Senior Brother, what happened?" Ning Xi asked.

"Just now, I was playing around lovingly with your First Senior Brother when suddenly, a madman butted in and said he wanted to give us advice. He even fought with the both of us!"

Tang Lang was really annoyed. What the heck was "playing around lovingly"?

Ning Xi's expression darkened. "Then...the both of you lost?"

Was she really looking at Tang Lang and Tang Ye?

Ning Xi was shocked. Tang Ye losing? Tang Lang also losing? Tang Ye and Tang Lang had both...lost?

Tang Lang seemed a little awkward. He slapped Ning Xi's head lightly. "Nonsense! Your First Senior Brother lost, I didn't!"

"I understand...but, why do you need so many people for?" Ning Xi looked at the dozen people behind him.

If he could really win, why did he need the people behind him?

"They...they're here for us to find him easily. Anyway, I have no time to stay and chat anymore!" Tang Lang realized that this girl was up to no good.

"Let's go." Tang Lang turned around and left as they had lost the guy. He did not even bother glancing at Tang Lang.

"Hey! Where are you going? We're not done yet! Give me back my card!" Tang Lang yelled at him.

"My dear Second Senior Brother, if you don't put in more effort, First Senior Brother probably won't look for you again because it seems like something more interesting has just popped up!"

Tang Lang was reminded of that madman and his expression turned broody. "Go away! I can finish him instantly with just a little bit more training!"

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After Tang Ye and Tang Lang left, Ning Xi's curiosity was killing her. Who exactly was the man under the car?

Ning Xi was well aware of the abilities of Tang Ye and Tang Lang. With the both of them together, how could they have possibly lost to the madman?

As Ning Xi was thinking about it, a powerful palm casually tapped her shoulder.

Ning Xi was surprised by the sudden contact and she swiftly swiveled a kick behind her.

What was surprising was that her instinctive kick missed! A dark shadow moved through the air at an inhumane speed.

If Ning Xi was in a forest, she would have surely assumed that it was a beast.

"Lady, you're really well trained!"

The man had easily dodged her attack and suddenly stood right in front of her.

Ning Xi instinctively backed away. This man is extremely dangerous. Extremely!

Chapter 1085: End Him Anytime

"The both of them are your Senior Brothers? They aren't much," the man mocked, laughing in a rather hoarse and creepy way.

"Who are you?" Ning Xi looked at the man as her senses were on alert.

"My name is Han Xiao, what about you?" Han Xiao half-smiled at her.

"I'm Ning Xi."

He did not seem like a bad guy, so Ning Xi relaxed a little. The reason that she felt Han Xiao was really scary was that knowing Tang Ye and Tang Lang's high standards, he could still beat them. It was incredibly hard to believe for her.

"Lady, you saved me, so this meal is on me." She noticed that Han Xiao's eyes sometimes looked crystal clear, but at times were filled with a devilish charm. One look of his was able to send a chill down anyone's spine.

"It's okay, I'm kind of busy," Ning Xi rejected Han Xiao's invitation.

She had saved him unintentionally just now. Now that she knew it was Tang Lang and Tang Ye who were chasing after him, she did not want to get too deeply involved with him anymore. However, since she had already helped him, she would finish the job.

"No, no way. I never owe others... If you don't want to eat, let me help you with some self-improvement. Would like some plastic surgery? Ladies nowadays like to do it on their face, don't they? Although you already look great, I can make you look perfect!" Suddenly, Han Xiao took out a scalpel.

"Hey! What do you want?!"

Ning Xi doubted whether it was a right decision to help him.

"Don't worry, I forgot to tell you that I was a surgeon before. Oh, I was also a fashion designer... I've even worked as a grave caretaker..." Han Xiao looked like he was seriously recalling the jobs he had worked as before.

"A designer..." Ning Xi's mouth twitched.

This guy was once a designer?

"Hey, didn't you say you want to buy me a meal? Let's go!"

Ning Xi did not know what this madman was thinking, so she might as well go to a more crowded area, which would be safer for her. In case anything happened, it was easier for her to escape as well.

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Halfway to the restaurant, Han Xiao sped up ahead of her.

"Mountains aren't blessed with heights. It's blessed if a god resides within... A river isn't judged by its depth. It's spiritual when a dragon stays within... Spirit...the name feels pure."

Han Xiao stood outside Spirit's store and looked at the garments inside through the glass window.

"I looked through the design concept and the garments of a few stores. This Spirit is pretty good. I'd like to see who the designer is." Han Xiao grinned creepily.

"I think you should go back to be a grave caretaker... You really think you're a designer?" Ning Xi said.

Han Xiao turned around sharply. "Lady, believe it or not, Spirit's designer is nowhere near my level, I can end him anytime."

"I believe you," Ning Xi acquiesced, "I believe that with your scalpel, you can end him anytime you want."

Ning Xi was sure that Gong Shangze would never beat him in a fight.

"And please, don't keep calling me 'lady'. Call me Ning Xi," Ning Xi interrupted before he could say anything else.

Han Xiao looked at Ning Xi with a sly smile. "You're pretty courageous. No one has ever talked to me like that before."

"Right, aren't you a grave caretaker? The dead ones are usually pretty shy to talk to the living." Ning Xi felt like she was going crazy talking to a madman.

Han Xiao stopped talking to Ning Xi until they reached a 24-hour KFC outlet.

"I'll buy you a meal here." Han Xiao then dragged Ning Xi in.

Chapter 1086: Bro, You're Really Creative!

"Two hamburgers and two milk teas, please."

Treating your life savior to a meal in KFC... Bro, you're really creative!

After he paid, Han Xiao really brought over two hamburgers...and two cups of milk teas.

Han Xiao smiled as he saw Ning Xi's odd expression. "Don't eat so much at night or you'll get fat."

Ning Xi did not bother to reply.

It was dim earlier but now, Ning Xi could see Han Xiao's face clearly. He had long, dark hair that fell to his waist, the tendrils falling messily like intersecting streams of waterfalls.

His brown eyes were filled with a mysterious spiritual aura and were as clear as crystal. They peeked out from under his long eyelashes, making him look very pretty.

Ning Xi's heart got caught in her chest for a moment. She swore that she had never met any man...so beautiful!

This Han Xiao had nothing to do with being cool; there was only one word to describe him: beautiful.

If Han Xiao had not opened his mouth to speak, she would never have known that he was a man.

Ning Xi started to doubt herself. Maybe, Han Xiao's voice was just a little too masculine and he was actually a real woman...

Ning Xi kept staring at him while wondering if he was actually a man or woman.

Han Xiao stood up a short while later and said, "Lady Ning, thank you for your help tonight although you were just a busybody..."

"I should've just give you to them," Ning Xi replied.

"This is my contact. Lady Ning, if you have any problems, do give me a call. I just feel that...a hamburger and some milk tea don't seem enough to repay you."

Han Xiao snatched Ning Xi's phone away and punched in his contact number to save, then he returned the phone back to Ning Xi.

Before Ning Xi could say anything, Han Xiao turned around and disappeared.

"First Senior Brother and Second Senior brother aren't wrong... Han Xiao really is a madman!"

Ning Xi felt her brain go haywire after talking to him. She would never want to meet him again!

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At night, after she returned to her villa, Ning Xi soon forgot about it. As she was about to shower, she received a phone call from her grandfather.

"Mmm, I'm alright. Little Treasure's doing well too... I know, I'll go over tomorrow!"

The elder had called her to inform her that he was going to write his will tomorrow and told her that she had to come.

Ning Xi was not surprised. As expected, Ning Yaohua had approached her the other day about this matter.

After her shower, Ning Xi went to bed early. She heard that even the long-lost Aunt Ning Qitong had come back as well...

There would probably be a storm tomorrow...

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The next morning, Ning Xi wore the same floral dress she wore at the cooking show. She took her bag and drove towards the Ning residence.

"Miss Xi, welcome! Elder Master said to inform you to meet him in the study room when you've arrived!"

It could be the BMW she drove today, or because they knew that the elder, who always had a soft spot for her, was making his will that they thought they might get some sort of advantage from her. The servants had never once called her "Miss Xi".

Ning Xi nodded, then went upstairs.

After she had left, she did not have to even bother guessing the kind of things these people said about her behind her back...

Chapter 1087: Not Recognize The Real Master

"Tsk, how shameless! She came to take their assets from them as a foster daughter..."

"Right! Shameless indeed!"

"This girl is different now. Did you see her outfit? That's a very popular brand recently and it's pretty expensive too. Plus, she drives a BMW! With her seductive face, who knows which old man kept her as his mistress?!"

"What is the Old Master thinking? He already has Miss Xueluo, yet he wanted to adopt another girl from the countryside!"

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"Chatting very happily, aren't we?! Who's the girl? Hmm?"

As the big bunch of servants was gossiping happily, a cold voice came from behind. Everyone was shocked and they turned around.

"A bunch of servants biting your master's tail, eh? Is this the standard of the Ning family's servants?" A woman in her thirties reprimanded them. She had short hair and wore a champagne-colored dress, looking very much like the epitome of a strong woman.

Ning Qitong was the cousin of Ning Yaohua and Ning Yaobang. Her parents had passed away early, so she left home and ventured overseas. Rumor was that her business was going really well and that she had married into a good family. It had been many years since she last came back. Her name was sometimes brought up in conversations because of how well she was doing overseas and some of the older servants in the Ning family knew about her.

Even after so many years, the intimidating aura she gave off was still the same.

"W-we're talking about Ms. Xi, not Ms. Xueluo..."

"That's right! We're talking about the countryside girl!"

Ning Qitong was not someone to pick fights with, so they quickly explained to her.

Ning Qitong glared at all of them, her tone going even colder. "Why would I have to scold you all if you guys were talking about Ning Xueluo!?"

Ridiculous! The servants could not even recognize their real master now! If it was not for her uncle's call, she really did not want to come back.

"Miss... She... What does she mean? What does she mean she wouldn't have scolded us if we were talking about Ms. Xueluo?"

"Who knows!?"

"Actually, I realized that Ning Qitong did not like Ms. Xueluo many years ago. I don't understand what went wrong between them..."

They started gossiping again, discussing the capable Ning Qitong's legendary life.

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When Ning Xi stepped into the study room, she saw that everyone else had arrived. Ning Yaohua, Zhuang Lingyu, Ning Xueluo, Ning Yaobang, and Ning Tianxin were there. Even Su Yan attended the session.

"Xiao Xi, you're here! Come to Grandfather!" The elder's serious expression broke into a smile the moment he saw Ning Xi.

Ning Xi had put on peach-themed makeup today, matching her youthful outfit. The elder was pleased that she looked healthy and happy.

Ignoring the cold glares from multiple directions, Ning Xi went up to her grandfather smilingly. "Grandfather, are you alright? How was the herbal medicine prescription I gave you the last time? Was it effective?"

The elder was excited to update her. "Ah, I was just about to tell you! The prescription you gave me worked like a charm! My headache stopped and I stopped having sweat when I sleep. I can even walk more now! Look at me walk!"

Chapter 1088: He Must Be Crazy!

Ning Xi's laughter tinkled lightly. "That's great then. I'll get more for you after you've finished it!"

"Xiao Xi, which old traditional Chinese medicine doctor did you go to? He really must be the real deal! I've gone to a few before. All the prescriptions they gave tasted horrible and were all very useless. Those that were useful have severe side effects!" The elder complained.

"It's a friend of mine. He's not that old but he has really good medical knowledge," Ning Xi replied.

After Annie's visit the last time, they texted each other from time to time, so in one of these conversations, Ning Xi had just asked her casually about how to treat her grandfather's condition. Annie had replied with a very detailed prescription, so she went to a traditional Chinese herb store and bought whatever she needed according to the prescription. To her surprise, it worked very well.

She had to find a time to thank Annie properly...

"You actually dared to trust a young doctor's prescription? What if any problems arose?" Ning Yaobang mumbled.

Ning Yaohua interrupted him, "Didn't Father say it was effective? Stop your nonsense!"

Ning Yaohua then switched to a gentler attitude and spoke to Ning Xi, "Thank you so much, Xiao Xi!"

It was a sensitive period right now. No matter how unhappy he was towards Ning Xi, he had to get Ning Xi on his side right now.

Zhuang Lingyu was about to say something but was stopped by Ning Yaohua. "Xiao Xi, take a seat!"

As she observed Ning Yaohua's attitude towards Ning Xi, Ning Xueluo could not do anything but to suppress her emotions inside.

What was important now was to get the shares from Ning Xi.

"Sister, come over here!" Ning Xueluo dragged her to her seat where Zhuang Lingyu was on her left and Su Yan was on her right. When Su Yan saw Ning Xueluo trying to drag her over, he moved over a space, so Ning Xi now sat in between Ning Xueluo and Su Yan.

After Ning Xi sat down, Su Yan did not feel at ease and moved away slightly further. However, his effort was futile as the girl's natural sweet scent invaded his nostrils everytime he breathed, seeping right into his heart.

He did not remember the last time he was this close to her...

He also did not understand why he was feeling so uncomfortable when they were just sitting next to each other.

The girl was talking to Ning Xueluo at the moment. He glanced at the girl's butterfly-like eyelashes, her soft lips, and her exquisite collarbone...

He must be crazy! His fiancée was right here, yet he was attracted to another woman and this woman was one whom he treated like his little sister...

Ever since he realized his feelings for Ning Xi were unusual, he had stopped himself from seeing Ning Xi. For a period of time, he did forget about her. Unfortunately, now, the moment they were reunited again, the burst of his long-suppressed feelings was hardly controllable...

Su Yan! Wake up!

The man took a deep breath and tried to calm himself down.

"Sis, this outfit looks really good on you!" Ning Xueluo sounded impressed.

She touched the fabric, and said, "Sis isn't this the latest product from Spirit this season? I saw you wore this on the cooking show last time. Many people have asked me about the brand. I heard that this particular design is sold out!"

Chapter 1089: Let's Begin Then

Without waiting for Ning Xi to say anything, Zhuang Lingyu had already revealed a dismal expression. "She knows that Spirit is a rival to her sister's company, yet she intentionally wore their clothes to advertise them. You're always helping outsiders!"

When Ning Yaohua heard this, he quickly tried to smooth things over and said, "Girls! When they see pretty clothes, they buy it if they like it without paying attention to such things! But, Xiao Xi, this Spirit has really been going against your sister's company recently, so you should watch out a little. If you like this kind of style, just let your sister give you a few outfits later on!"

"The last time Sis came to our store to shop, I told her that I wanted to give her some, but...Sis..." Ning Xueluo did not finish her sentence. Nevertheless, it was enough for Ning Yaohua and Zhuang Lingyu to fill in the blanks by themselves.

Zhuang Lingyu's face was full of loathing. "Why should you care about her? She's petty, always fussing over minor matters and throwing tempers!"

It turns out that having her entire life snatched away was just a minor matter to her!

Ning Xi sat on the side and watched the three of them like a drama and she almost laughed out loud. She kept on calling her "Sis", yet she did not know when she had one. It made them look like they were really a family now that they really seemed to have forgotten about breaking ties with her and chasing her out of the house.

As he watched the girl's indistinct smile, like the lazy short-lived bloom of a cactus in the dead of the night, once again, Su Yan's logic broke through his cage of control and he felt reckless...

When she felt a fervent sight on her, Ning Xi subconsciously turned to look.

The instant his gaze met the girl's, Su Yan thought his heart was about to explode. He had used up all his might to regain self-control. In a calm tone, he said, "I watched your show a few days ago. Your culinary skills have improved again!"

When he said this, Su Yan could not help but feel a forlornness in his heart. There was a time when she had learned to cook for him, yet now he could only find out that her cooking had improved through a television show...

Ning Xi smiled and said, "Really?"

She naturally did not miss the sentiment and ambiguous affection in Su Yan's eyes when he looked at her.

If this man could be loyal and love Ning Xueluo unchangingly, she could still respect him a little more. Sadly...

There was the sound of three knocks on the door. Someone pushed the door open and walked in.

Everyone in the room turned to look, then they saw Ning Huiyuan strolling in, cool and proud.

"Uncle!" Ning Qitong did not look at anyone else and only greeted the elder.

"Huiyuan is here..." When the elder saw his niece whom he had not seen for years, he could not help but feel rueful. At least, he felt assured as he knew that she had a good life outside.

After the two made some small talk, the elder's gaze swept across the crowd before he said, "Since everyone is here, let's begin then!"

The moment he said that, everyone's expression turned serious. After glancing at each other, they slowly got up and walked to the long oval table to sit down. The lawyer was holding the prepared will and stood beside the elder who was sitting at the head of the table.

On the table, Ning Yaohua, Zhuang Lingyu, Ning Xueluo and Su Yan sat on one side, while Ning Yaohua and Ning Tianxin sat on the other. Ning Qitong sat beside Ning Tianxin.

Then, there was Ning Xi left.

Ning Xi's eyes swept past the empty seat opposite Su Yan, then ignored Ning Yaohua's warning gaze and sat casually opposite Su Yan, beside Ning Qitong.

Chapter 1090: Some Things To Say

When Ning Yaohua saw that she had actually sat opposite, his expression darkened.

Now, he could only wait and see. He hoped that Xueluo would get a little more shares. That way, he would feel less pressure and would not need to involve the root of all his trouble, Ning Xi!

"Well... Father, you're so healthy now. You don't actually need to rush your will!" Ning Yaobang knew that the current version of the will was most unfavorable for him, so he said that as his final attempt.

Ning Tianxin, who sat beside him, was indifferent instead.

When the elder heard his second son's words, he was furious and immediately roared, "Shut up! You have no right to tell me what to do! If you have the capability, then turn the tables for the companies under you that lose money every year, or else, don't talk to me!"

Ning Yaobang was sullen after such a scolding while Ning Yaohua looked delighted.

The elder calmed down before saying, "To avoid any grudges among all of you, I have some things to say before the lawyer reads out the will!"

"Okay, okay...speak, Father! We're all listening!" Ning Yaobang started to be the obedient child after getting criticized.

The elder gave him a harsh look, then continued to say, "You can see that I've called Su Yan over as well this time. I know some of you have opinions about this, but Su Yan is going to be engaged to Xueluo soon, so he's counted as half a Ning already!"

"Father's right, this needs to be done," Ning Yaohua quickly echoed as Zhuang Lingyu nodded. Ning Xueluo looked shyly at her grandfather.

The elder looked towards Su Yan and continued, "Regarding the distribution of the inheritance, the Nings have nothing much to hide. To avoid any trouble in the future, I might as well just invite you to hear for yourself!"

"I'll leave everything in your hands. I married Xueluo because of who she is as a person. No matter what the results are, it won't affect my decision," said Su Yan.

Ning Xueluo looked intensely at the man beside her, feeling moved. "Bro Yan..."

The elder looked at Su Yan and nodded with satisfaction. He had always had a pretty good impression of his granddaughter's husband. He remembered back when Su Yan and Xiao Xi seemed to be quite close too. He thought that there was a possibility of a romantic relationship between them but who would have expected him to choose Xueluo in the end. Nevertheless, it was not right for him to probe too much into the children and their relationship matters.

When Ning Xi first met Su Yan in the countryside, she was just a simple girl. Su Yan's family would definitely not agree to their relationship, so they had secretly dated.

Even after Ning Xi returned to the Ning family, because she had caused a series of ruckus and embarrassment, to avoid implicating Su Yan, she continued choosing to temporarily hide their relationship. It was only until she was pregnant that she had to tell Ning Yaohua and Zhuang Lingyu.

Thus, apart from Ning Yaohua, Zhuang Lingyu, and Ning Tianxin who had accidentally found out about their relationship, many people in the Ning family including the elder did not know that Ning Xi and Su Yan had dated.

When he was finished with Su Yan, the elder's gaze fell on Ning Qitong again. "As for Qitong, I know her business is expanding and her life is steady..."

"Why did you call her over if you knew? It's not like she's lacking any wealth!" Ning Yaobang mumbled.

The elder shot him an annoyed look. "What I wanted to say is that her father also contributed to the company back in the day. Now that her parents have passed away, it doesn't matter how great her life is. I will give her what she deserves. It doesn't matter whether she wants or needs it or not, I will still give it as her uncle!"