

Chapter 203 Escape

"Don't say that, Tsai."

"Let me finish. I've liked lots of girls since I was little. Ya one of them."

Oh my God, Tsai Xiaobing's lack of emotional intelligence made me tut. How could he say such a thing?

Sure enough, Lin Yue'er only smiled awkwardly.

"But ya the best-looking one. I... When I liked girls last time, I only wanted to pursue them. I like ya a lot, but I'm unworthy of ya. Since I'm unworthy, I better take a step back and let ya have better choices. As long as ya happy, I'm happy."

When he got to the end, he was so choked up that he could barely speak.

They sat facing each other, but he kept his head down and did not dare look at her.

As a man, there was nothing more painful than having to let go of the woman you liked when she was in front of you.

I could not bear to continue watching this and started to come out of hiding with Chu Xiaoxiao. I believed that Tsai Xiaobing would get over this eventually.

Just then, Lin Yue'er asked, "Xiaobing, I don't know what to say to everything you've said."

"Say whatever ya like."

Lin Yue'er took a deep breath and made a decision. "Then I'll say it. Can you help me put on the necklace?"

"Huh?"

She opened the jewelry box and took out the Swarovski necklace that I bought. Placing it in Tsai Xiaobing's hand, she asked him, "Can you help me put it on?"

"Yes, yes..." Tsai Xiaobing was so excited that he jumped up from his chair. He held both ends of the necklace, but his large hands were unable to fasten the lobster clasp.

He stared intently at his fingers, which were shaking. Blinking with determination, he looked like a jeweler making repairs.

"Xiaobing, do I look beautiful with this necklace on?"

"Yes, beautiful. Ya very beautiful."

"Oh." Lin Yue'er rolled her eyes, perhaps not expecting Tsai Xiaobing to be so clueless.

It took a while, but Tsai Xiaobing managed to fasten the clasp. He even gave her a thumbs up, saying, "Beautiful. Captain's taste is great."

"Pft," Lin Yue'er laughed as touched the necklace. "Xiaobing, aren't you supposed to fool me into thinking that you bought this? With your Captain's wealth, he's being stingy. He can definitely buy something more expensive. He bought this so you could pretend that you bought it."

Tsai Xiaobing rubbed the back of his head and laughed in sudden realization. "So that's why. Captain's going to be mad at me. I'm so stupid."

"Xiaobing, do you really not understand what it means to be romantic? What are we going to do? I like roses. I don't want to receive napa cabbage."

The blockhead that was Tsai Xiaobing replied without thinking, "Ya shouldn't let anyone give you napa cabbage."

Lin Yue'er was really anxious now. She had probably never thought anyone could be as clueless as Tsai Xiaobing was. She stopped beating around the bush and said directly, "Then you need to give me roses for Valentine's Day. I don't like napa cabbage, okay? Otherwise, I'll make you kneel on the washboard, okay?" Blushing, she plucked up her courage and gave Tsai Xiaobing's tanned face a quick kiss.

"Still watching? Do you want to kiss her too?"

I was watching the exciting scene when Chu Xiaoxiao pulled me back by the ear. She frowned, pretending to be angry.

"Of course not. Have mercy, great lady warrior."

"Fine, you can live. Answer your phone. It's been vibrating all this while, can't you feel it?" she said, twisting my ear.

"It's Xia Genghuai. Why is he calling me? He must have caught Lin Fang."

Chu Xiaoxiao urged me to answer the call, and I put it on speaker.

"Hello, Zhang Chao, where are you? There's a problem. Lin Fang's gone."

"What?!"

"She was already gone when we got to her place. All the valuables in the house are missing and so is she. You should have made a police report immediately after the incident. Of course she would be gone by the next day. Come down to the station now and make a report. We'll put a warrant out for her arrest."

I had not reported this last night as I did not want to alert my enemies. I was hoping that Xia Genghuai would detain Lin Fang first, then she could testify against Liu Rong in return for a lighter sentence.

Once a warrant was issued, Liu Rong would know that Lin Fang was on the run. He would definitely send someone to kill her.

"Are you sure she ran on her own? Could she have been kidnapped?" asked Chu Xiaoxiao.

Xia Genghuai replied, "It's unlikely. I'm currently at the scene, all the valuables are missing, but there's no trace of a fight and no sign of forced entry. We checked with the bank just now, and Lin Fang withdrew seven thousand from her three cards last night."

"She withdrew cash to run. Why didn't she take more?"

Where was she going to run to with so little money?

"Just because you're ridiculously rich... This seven thousand is all the money under her name. She took all her money and ran," Xia Genghuai told us.

Chu Xiaoxiao and I were shocked. Chu Xiaoxiao muttered, "She got millions from Chen Yuzhou and over three hundred thousand from Zhang Chao. Where did the money go?"

Chen Yuzhou's three million, the three hundred fifty thousand I gave her, and her own savings amounted to almost four million. Yet she only had seven thousand on her. I knew she gave most of the money to Lin Kang, but I had not expected her to be penniless.

"Don't announce this yet. Keep an eye out for Lin Fang, but don't issue the warrant yet."

"Aiyoh, Chao. If you don't make a police report now, we can't secure any evidence. After a couple of weeks, there's going to be little evidence of the attempted murder. Don't treat us like amazing superheroes. We need to work too."

I shook my head. "The most important thing now is Lin Fang's safety. We need to find her as soon as possible without alerting my enemies. Liu Rong must be looking for Lin Fang too. We need to find her first, otherwise, she's done for."

"Also," Chu Xiaoxiao added, "Lin Fang must have destroyed all the evidence already. I know her well. There's probably not enough evidence to prove her guilt."

She had a point. Lin Fang did not try to kill me herself. The most she did was to instigate Liu Rong to kill me.

"Alright, since she's disappeared. How can we find her?" Xia Genghuai asked.

Lin Fang had told me that she would leave Tong City today. She had probably already planned to escape before then.

She had acted all emotional, but it was just to abuse my trust!

"Have someone keep an eye on her parents. Let's look for Lin Kang now."