

## Chapter 286 Tong City's Number One Beauty

What was she doing here?

I was overjoyed. I had not expected to see her in this place, but Chu Xiaoxiao looked very unhappy and she stalked past me without a glance.

I was wondering what that was about when I remembered that I had a disguise on. How could she recognize me when I could not even recognize myself?

"Just get me a beer." I did not frequent bars and was not sure how to order. I only wanted to send the staff away so that I could find out why Chu Xiaoxiao was here.

This was not a high-class establishment. All levels of society came here, so the staff nodded and left.

Chu Xiaoxiao looked haggard, as if she had just recovered from an illness. She collapsed in her seat, and a young woman who was around her age sat down too. They both ordered alcohol. I could not tell what she had ordered; I only had eyes and ears for her what she to say.

"Xiaoxiao, I heard that someone killed Zhang Chao. What are your plans now?"

Chu Xiaoxiao's went pale. "I don't have any plans. What you're saying is impossible."

"Why don't you believe it? My husband heard it himself. I'm your cousin, I wouldn't lie to you. If you managed to snag a second-generation rich man like Zhang Chao, I would be happy for you. But you need to consider yourself right now. Zhang Chao offended too many people. Will Juen's Chen Yuzhou let you off? I heard that not everyone in Junran liked Zhang Chao. Junran's Mr. Liu didn't get along with him. And the Black Dragons were at odds with him too. Now that he died out of the blue, won't their hate fall to you?"

Ashen-faced, Chu Xiaoxiao shook her head. "You said 'out of the blue'. How am I supposed to know that he's dead without a body? There's no way he's dead. You don't know how powerful he is."

As she spoke, she fished out her phone and dialed my number. This was a new mobile phone. Her old phone had probably been thrown away by Chu Hua'en, but she had memorized my number.

Unfortunately, my phone was switched off to prevent anyone from tracking me.

"Look, his phone isn't switched on. Something's really happened to him. Would my husband lie to us?!"

Chu Xiaoxiao's eyes were red-rimmed and she was completely in shock. I really wanted to tell her that it was untrue, but I could not.

She bit her lip and held back her tears, not bothering to reply. Her cousin rolled her eyes and said, "Xiaoxiao, I'm just concerned about you. You need to find support for the Chu family now. Your father lost so much money and now his company is going bankrupt. Even if it's not for you, think about us. Sisi will be going overseas next year for elementary school. With the company in such a state, how can we afford to? Xiaoxiao, say something..."

Chu Xiaoxiao's eyes had been brimming with tears, but as she listened to her cousin, she became more incredulous. In the end, she grimaced and asked, "What are you trying to say?"

"I... I'm thinking about you. Under such circumstances, you need to find a man to support you. Li Ge still likes you, he asked me to let you know."

My fury bubbled to the surface. I should have castrated him then. Some people did not deserve mercy!

"There's no word from Zhang Chao and you're already eager to sell me off?! Qin Xiaomei, even if I need to be sold, you would never have any say in it. Who do you think you are to me?!"

Chu Xiaoxiao slammed the table and stood up, pointing her finger at Qin Xiaomei's nose.

With her straightforward temperament, she never made any allowances for shameless people like Qin Xiaomei.

The bar had been quite noisy as everyone drank and chatted, but silence had fallen. Everyone was watching Qin Xiaomei and Chu Xiaoxiao.

Chu Xiaoxiao began, "You good-for-nothing relatives have been leeching off my family and now you're being ungrateful?! Even if the Chu Group goes bankrupt, we don't owe you anything. Has sponging off us for years left you with skin as thick as an elephant's? Now that there's nothing left to sponge off, you still want my blood? Who taught you to be so shameless?"

Qin Xiaomei was left red and sputtering. Chu Xiaoxiao had never been someone to mess with. She was asking for a scolding for trying to change my girlfriend's mind.

Qin Xiaomei still tried to defend herself. "You make it sound so bad. We're family. I'm just concerned for you. You don't know what's good for you."

"I don't need your concern. I'll say it clearly to you today. Zhang Chao isn't dead. Unless his body is laid out in front of me, I won't believe that something happened to him. Take care of your own family first."

Indignant, Qin Xiaomei jumped out of her chair. "You really don't know what's good for you! Do you think you're some goddess?! If not for Zhang Chao, no one would care about you. A phoenix down on its luck is no better than a chicken! Now that Zhang Chao's gone, I've had enough of you. Li Ge is still willing to put up with trash like you. You wait and see. When your father goes bankrupt, he'll sell you to Black Alley. Do you think trash like yourself could be Zhang Chao's match? Haha, who knows how you seduced him."

The woman was such a shrew. Her words were toxic and I involuntarily clenched my glass, wanting to stand up for Chu Xiaoxiao.

But Qin Xiaomei had just finished speaking when Chu Xiaoxiao slapped her. The slap resounded clearly in the silent room.

"H—how dare you hit me!" Qin Xiaomei shrieked and covered her face, pointing at Chu Xiaoxiao.

Chu Xiaoxiao backhanded her in reply. "Just helping you watch your mouth. Whether or not I'm Zhang Chao's match has nothing to do with you. Either way, he's my boyfriend. Keep talking nonsense and I'll rip you a new one. You didn't even know how to spell the word 'shrew' when I was a delinquent. Get out."

She shoved Qin Xiaomei, who fell to the floor with a thud.

"Y—you can meet Zhang Chao in hell."

Qin Xiaomei only spoke after she had run to the door. She slipped out immediately after.

After Qin Xiaomei left, everyone's gaze was still fixed on Chu Xiaoxiao as they whispered and pointed at her. Chu Xiaoxiao's tears had started falling, and since I was at the next table, I heard her muttering to herself, "Where did you go? Please come back."

My heart ached so badly for me to pull her into my arms and comfort her.

Just then, applause rang out, followed by loud laughter.

"Yes, wonderful. Miss Chu, my name is Rock. You might not know me, but I have heard of you. Tong City's number one beauty is a well-deserved name. Would you care to come upstairs for a drink?"

Rock's smile was like the grimace of an evil dog who had locked on to its prey. His gaze was enough to give you chills.

My heart sank. He was going to attack Chu Xiaoxiao! This was too fast. I expected him to wait a couple of days.

Chu Xiaoxiao was no fool. She could tell that Rock was up to no good. She had encountered many such men when she used to frequent bars.

Chu Xiaoxiao nervously clutched at the table. However, she was no shrinking violet and she forced herself to calm down.

Holding her phone, she pressed a series of numbers. From the angle I was sitting, I could see that she had dialed my number. Unfortunately, I could not answer. When she did not feel the vibration that meant that the number connected, she dialed another number. This one was her father's.

Chu Xiaoxiao raised an eyebrow. "I'm not interested. Everyone in Tong City knows that I'm very particular about my men. I only choose the best. Haha, I'm sorry."