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Chapter 511 Will Of Shi Yunsheng

How can I not recognize him? Didn't Shen Shixiu say that he was not Shi Yu? How come he is now Shi Yu? What is he here for today? If Shen Shixiu is actually Shi Yu, why did he get adopted into the Shi family, considering that the Shen family was quite wealthy?

These were the questions that fleeted through Shi Nuan's mind at the moment. She had so many doubts that needed to be cleared up, but she knew now was definitely not the right timing and place for her to throw out questions. She swallowed up her confusion and nodded. "Uncle Shixiu, it's been a while. I'm just happy to see you after such a long time."

Shen Shixiu pursed his mouth in a half-smile. He stared meaningfully at Shi Nuan and said, "Nuan, I thought you'd forgotten about me." Then, he turned to Shi Jingzheng and Jiang Yu and greeted them.

Shi Jingzheng's face fell immediately upon seeing Shen Shixiu. Meanwhile, Jiang Yu's reaction was no better than his.

Shi Jingzheng thought he had finally gotten rid of the biggest opponent in his life, but to his dismay, Shi Yu had come back again. Besides, judging from Shi Yu's current way of acting, it seemed like he had turned more patronizing than before.

Instinctively, Shi Jingzheng sensed an imminent threat to himself. However, he could not comment much seeing that there were a lot of onlookers on the scene. Hence, he merely nodded in response. "When did you come back? Why didn't you come home? It has been years since Dad last saw you. He misses you a lot."

"I've been back for quite some time. I've met Dad personally." Shen Shixiu's lips curled up. "It's just that Dad thinks that it's not convenient for me to come back anymore since I've entered adulthood. That was why we didn't inform you guys."

Shi Jingzheng froze. Although Shen Shixiu did not reveal much in his words, the overtones were clear. Shen Shixiu was implying that he had a narrow mind and could not tolerate his existence.

Shi Jingzheng's face contorted in frustration, but he could only swallow the bitter bullet.

Uncle Yang rushed over when he saw Shen Shixiu. "Young Master, you're here!"

"Mr. Yang, it has been a while." Shen Shixiu nodded in response. "I'm sorry I wasn't here when Dad passed away. Thank you so much for staying by his side and looking after him." "No worries!" Uncle Yang waved his hands and said, "I didn't want to bother you at first, but your name was mentioned in Master's will. That's why I took the liberty to find you."

"It's okay."

Others might not know about Shen Shixiu's identity, but Uncle Yang was surely not one of them.

He had been working for Shi Yunsheng for many years. It was no surprise that he also knew who Shen Shixiu really was.

Shen Shixiu did not need anything from the Shi family, but Uncle Yang still went to him privately in worry that Shi Nuan might get bullied here. Fortunately, Shen Shixiu was currently still in Jiang City. This fact had set Uncle Yang's mind at ease.

"Since everyone is here, let's begin."

"Wait, Ms. Shi Wei is still not here yet." Zhang Quan glanced around and asked, "Where's Ms. Shi Wei?"

Jiang Yu's face froze. "S-Shi Wei is busy and has no time to come back. Zheng and I are her biological parents, I'm sure we can be her representatives."

Zhang Quan frowned, but he nodded nonetheless. "Although it's against our protocol, I guess I have no choice but to relent."

With that, Zhang Quan got up and opened the will. "In accordance with the will left by Mr. Shi Yunsheng, his estate will be distributed as follows. The mansion at Hanlin District will be given to the eldest son, Shi Jingzheng, and his wife, Jiang Yu. Meanwhile, the shares allocation remained unchanged. Five percent of the shares will be given to Mr. Shi Yu while one-quarter of the shares will be given to Ms. Su Nuan. As for Old Mr. Shi's personal bank account, 5 million will be allocated to his granddaughter, Shi Wei, while the remaining will be donated to charity."

"What did you just say?" Jiang Yu and Shi Jingzheng jumped up from their seats and looked at Zhang Quan in disbelief. "Could you perhaps have made a mistake somewhere?"

"Everything is done correctly in accordance with Mr. Shi Yunsheng's will. He drafted this will one year ago. The allocation of the estate was designated by Mr. Shi Yunsheng himself when he was still alert."

"How can it be!" Jiang Yu found it hard to accept. "How can the old man be this foolish and give away all his shares to the outsiders. They're not even part of the Shi family. We're the Shi family members, the ones that share the same blood with him." Jiang Yu could not believe that Shi Yunsheng would set up a will like this. She knew Shi Yunsheng was very fond of Shi Nuan, but she did not expect he would give all of his shares to the latter.

"It must be you! You must have done something, am I right?" Jiang Yu pushed the blame on Shi Nuan. "You must have said something to the old man to cajole him into drafting this ridiculous will." Jiang Yu was shocked beyond belief that she and Shi Jingzheng only received a mansion and Shi Wei only got 5 million.

"Mrs. Shi, please stop spouting nonsense. You're defaming my integrity." Zhang Quan glared at Jiang Yu coldly. "I'm done notifying the beneficiaries about the will. As for the handover, I will discuss it with all of you as soon as possible."

"Wait." Jiang Yu grabbed Zhang Quan's hand and said, "You're with them, right? You guys must have worked together to tamper with the old man's will. How much are they paying you?"

"Mrs. Shi, please show some respect!" Zhang Quan pulled away from Jiang Yu and exclaimed, "It has nothing to do with me as to why Old Master Shi has distributed his assets this way. I was hired to execute Old Master Shi's will. I'm merely carrying out my duty. Mrs. Shi, if you insult me ever again, I will sue you for defamation."

"You…"

Just as Jiang Yu was about to say something, Shi Jingzheng grabbed her hand. "Mr. Zhang, can you guarantee that this will is genuine?"

"Why? Mr. Shi, you don't believe in me?" Zhang Quan pulled a long face. "If you have doubts about the authenticity of the will, you can always find an attorney to verify the validity of the will or sue me. I don't mind meeting you at the court. My job today has finished. Please excuse me now."

With that, Zhang Quan shot Shi Nuan and Shen Shixiu one last look, nodded, and left.

In fact, Shi Nuan was quite surprised when she first heard about the will. Besides those shares she received the first time, Shi Yunsheng had actually given some of the remaining shares to Fu Chengyan a couple of days ago. Shi Nuan thought that he would give the rest of the shares either to Shi Jingzheng or Shi Wei. At the end of the day, Shi Jingzheng and Shi Wei were still Shi Yunsheng's biological descendants.

Shi Nuan did not expect that Shi Yunsheng would distribute his assets to her and Shen Shixiu but left almost nothing for Shi Jingzheng and Shi Wei.

Shocked, Shi Nuan looked at Shen Shixiu with mixed emotions.

Meanwhile, Shen Shixiu was apparently calmer than Shi Nuan in contrast to the latter's surprised look. He retracted his gaze and turned to Shi Nuan. "I have no use for these shares. How about this? I will transfer my shares from Father to you after Mr. Zhang settles all the procedures."

Shi Nuan was dumbfounded once more. "This is too much, Uncle Shixiu!"

Shi Nuan was not interested in the inheritance. "Granddad left this for you. How can you give it to me?"

"Silly. I have no use for this." Shen Shixiu reached his hand out and gave Shi Nuan's head a light pat. "Since Father gave this to you, you should just accept his gift. I'm pretty sure he has his own reason."

"Haha. His own reason." Jiang Yu interrupted Shen Shixiu with a sneer. "Shi Yu, you made a promise to Zheng back then that you would never come back again and you would not take anything from the Shi family."

"Indeed. I didn't come back until now. Have you seen me in the Shi residence over these years? If Father hadn't passed away, I would never have come back here. I have no interest in taking the shares anyway. I will give mine to Nuan. Do you have any problem with that?"

"Yes, of course. Didn't you hear us just now? She is not part of the Shi family. She is the daughter of Su Huaibei. Who gives the right to her to take stuff from the Shi family?"

Shi Nuan's brows knitted into a frown. "Mrs. Shi, what do you mean?"

"Give back the Shi family's belongings!"

'So, you're coming after the shares that I now hold?" Shi Nuan quirked up her brows.

"Yes. Not only that, return those shares that were given to you by the old man previously." Jiang Yu glared at Shi Nuan condescendingly.

Shi Nuan found the situation hilarious. She had no interest in taking those things, but she changed her mind upon looking at Jiang Yu's hideous face.

Granddad must have known about Jiang Yu's and Shi Jingzheng's true colors. That's why he didn't give them the shares. Since this was the old man's last wish, Shi Nuan decided that she would never hand over the shares easily to Jiang Yu and Shi Jingzheng. "What if I don't want to?"

"Then don't think you can leave here today!"

Jiang Yu stared at Shi Nuan with a gloomy expression. Soon, the Shi residence was surrounded by a group of hooligans. They barged in through the doors, each holding a weapon in their hands. Shi Nuan and Shen Shixiu were soon surrounded on all sides.

"Shi Nuan, if you know better, hand over the shares of Huancheng now. Otherwise, I can't guarantee your safety. Who knows what these hooligans will do to you?" A sardonic grin crept up Jiang Yu's face. Her eyes were fixed on Shi Nuan as she said, "Think about it. You're now of noble status. The heir of the Fu clan is in your belly now. You could get anything you want after you got married into the Fu clan. Why do you still want to snatch away what belongs to us?"

Shi Nuan frowned hard. She never expected Jiang Yu would behave in such an underhanded way.

Shi Jingzheng was taken aback by the hooligans' arrival as well. He turned to Jiang Yu in shock. "What're you doing? Are you mad? Why did you get these people here?"

Jiang Yu shot daggers at Shi Jingzheng. "You're such a coward. Don't tell me you want Huancheng to fall into Shi Nuan's hand? We have so many people here today. There's no need to be scared of them."

She did not think that Shi Nuan and Shen Shixiu could outmatch them, especially when they were greater in numbers.

Jiang Yu had pried around and knew that Shi Nuan came here alone today. Fu Chengyan was caught up in something else and wasn't able to attend the reading of the will. That was why she dared to make such a bold move.

"Shi Nuan, the most sensible action for you right now is to hand over the shares. Otherwise, it's hard to say what will happen to you later!"

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Chapter 512 Uncle Shixiu

"Mrs. Shi, do you really think that I will yield under your threats?" Shi Nuan glowered at Jiang Yu and Shi Jingzheng. Then, she said, "Mr. Shi, Mrs. Shi is not in her right mind now. I hope you're not the same."

Shi Jingzheng furrowed his brows at Shi Nuan. Jiang Yu gave his hand a jerk and said, "Zheng, are you still going to be indecisive now that we've come to this? Shi Nuan is here to destroy our family. She will not leave until our home is ruined!"

Shi Jingzheng frowned. "Just hand over the shares. Jiang Yu and I will spare you for the sake of our past familial relationship, otherwise…"

"What if I refuse?" Shi Nuan's gaze turned cold. She glared at Shi Jingzheng and Jiang Yu unblinkingly. "Granddad left these to me. There's no chance I'm giving them to you guys!"

"Don't beg for mercy then!"

Jiang Yu shot the hooligans a look and the group dashed over.

However, before they could make a move, they were immediately stopped by another group of skilled men.

Soon, the ruckus was contained before it could erupt into something bigger. Jiang Hu's chilly gaze swept across the hooligans on the ground. Then, he walked over and greeted, "Mrs. Fu, are you all right?"

"I'm fine. You're so quick." Shi Nuan laughed. She had not even called for help yet and Jiang Hu had already brought the men in.

Jiang Hu rubbed the back of his head sheepishly when he heard Shi Nuan's compliments. "Mr. Fu, I'm really flattered. Mr. Fu will skin me if you get hurt." With that, Jiang Hu turned to the group of hooligans and exclaimed, "You guys have some guts. How dare you try to harm Mrs. Fu?"

"We're sorry! We won't do it ever again!"

Jiang Yu landed a few ferocious kicks on the leader of the hooligans before he turned around and looked at Shi Jingzheng and Jiang Yu menacingly. "Which one of you wanted to bully Mrs. Fu just now?"

Jiang Hu was muscular and tall. When he walked toward Jiang Yu and clenched his fist, the latter almost fell to the ground as her limbs weakened out of fear.

Jiang Hu looked at Jiang Yu, who was now sitting on the ground, with utmost contempt as if he couldn't be bothered to spare her an extra glance. "You need to face my fists first if you want to lay your finger at Mrs. Fu."

"Jiang Hu, where's Yan?" Shi Nuan called out.

"Mr. Fu has an urgent matter to attend to. He asked me to pick you up and take you home," Jiang Hu said and walked to Shi Nuan's side like a tamed lion. "Mrs. Fu, do you need anything else?"

"It's okay. Send these people to the police," Shi Nuan said while looking at the hooligans on the ground.

"No problem. Mrs. Fu, do you want me to send you home now?"

Shi Nuan cast a sideways glance at Shen Shixiu. "Uncle Shixiu, do you have time now?"

Shen Shixiu squinted his eyes and nodded. "Yes, of course."

Jiang Hu immediately turned to Shen Shixiu defensively and asked, "Mrs. Fu, isn't he..."

"It's okay, he's my uncle, Shi Yu." Shi Nuan chuckled lightly and continued, "Jiang Hu, I will just catch up with Uncle Shixiu for a moment."

"All right. I will be on guard." Jiang Hu's only mission at the moment was to protect Shi Nuan at all times and made sure no harm came to her.

Shi Nuan found it quite amusing and comical to see a brawny guy like Jiang Hu constantly in a state of nervousness.

"Uncle Shixiu, should we find a place to talk?"

"Sure." Shen Shixiu nodded.

The place was decided by Shi Nuan. It was not far from the Shi residence. Back then, Shi Nuan often went there when she was a child. At that time, she and Shi Yu were still studying. Shi Yu was in junior high while she was still a primary school student.

She always asked Shi Yu to carry her on his back at that time. This persisted for several years until she eventually grew up and Shi Yu left the Shi family.

It did feel like a dream when Shi Nuan reminisced about the old days. "So you're Shi Yu, why didn't you admit it at first?"

"Admit about what? It's not necessary." Shen Shixiu smiled at Shi Nuan.

"Why not? You're my uncle!" Shi Nuan blurted out before she paused and smiled bitterly. "No, you're Shen Shixiu, not Shi Yu. I just don't understand why you came to the Shi family when you're actually one of the Shen family?"

Shen Shixiu squinted his eyes, and his pensive gaze fell on Shi Nuan. "Do you really want to know?"

Shi Nuan shook her head at first, but it turned to a nod in the next moment. "Yes."

She did not think it was merely a coincidence. There must be some secret Shen Shixiu was hiding from her.

Shen Shixiu glanced at Shi Nuan deeply. "To repay a favor."

"Favor? Whose favor was that that needed you to come all the way to Jiang City from the capital and away from home for these many years?

Shen Shixiu merely smiled at Shi Nuan resignedly. "It's to repay my savior, and it's related to your mother."

Shi Nuan's expression stilled, and her smile froze at her lips.

"Your mother saved my mother's life back then, do you know that?"

Shi Nuan nodded. "Yes." Su Huaibei told her about the story before and Fu Chengyan had looked into the incident as well. There was nothing out of the ordinary between Shu Qing and Shen Feng. Hence, Shen Qianan was her sister too.

"What does that have to do with you coming to the Shi residence?"

"My father did something wrong back then and felt guilty toward your mother. He would like to atone for his wrongdoing. Shen Qianan was left in the Shen family but you were being sent to the Jiang family and eventually ended up in the Shi family. My mother felt worried about you and always sent people to visit you. Seeing that you were having a hard time here, she asked me to come over and look after you."

Shi Nuan looked at Shen Shixiu in astonishment. "T-This is incredible!"

Seeing this, Shen Shixiu also smiled. "It's hard to believe, isn't it? In fact, I couldn't believe it too at first. It was actually my mother's decision. I didn't know about the real relationship between my father and Shu Qing back then, so I didn't come here willingly."

Shi Nuan suddenly recalled that Shen Shixiu was not really fond of her when they first met.

"Do you still have any doubts?"

Shi Nuan shook her head. "No."

"In this case, let's talk about Huancheng shares first. As far as I know, most of Huancheng's shares are now in Fu Chengyan's hand, so Huancheng's largest shareholder is Fu Chengyan, not Shi Jingzheng."

"How do you know?" Shi Nuan looked at Shen Shixiu in surprise.

Shen Shixiu raised an eyebrow. "Secrets can't be buried forever, Nuan."

Shi Nuan pursed her lips. "What do you mean?"

"I had no interest in meddling with the Shi family's business. As for why Old Mr. Shi insisted on giving me the shares, I'm pretty sure he just didn't want me to completely remove myself from all the trouble!" Shen Shixiu had been a son of Shi Yunsheng for several years, naturally, he knew what was in the old man's mind.

Since Shi Yunsheng did not want Shi Jingzheng to inherit Huancheng, he had no choice but to give it to Shi Nuan. Then, Shi Yunsheng was worried that Shi Nuan would not be able to handle the company even with Fu Chengyan's help. That was why he left a five percent share for Shen Shixiu so that he would jump in to help when needed.

Shen Shixiu had to applaud Shi Yunsheng's practical and strategic move. Any smart man would know Huancheng was nothing more than an empty shell now and did not have much value.

If Fu Chengyan made his move, he would be bound to fill up this big hole. Generally, a businessman would tend to avoid meddling in a business like this. However, Shi Yunsheng took advantage of Shi Nuan's soft spot and forced Fu Chengyan to take over this mess.

"But... This is Granddad's hard work." Shi Nuan knew that it would be a bottomless pit. These shares might look valuable, but in reality, they were worthless as the company was deeply tangled in embezzlement. If Fu Chengyan made a move, he would suffer a loss.

Shi Jingzheng and the others failed to see the underlying problem and thought that the shares were priceless.

Shen Shixiu let out a small smile. "Nuan, you're too kind."

Shi Nuan smiled resignedly. "This is not kindness, this is just what I should do. Granddad was so kind to me. I can't just walk away now when Huancheng is in trouble."

Shen Shixiu furrowed his brows. "Do you know that the stock market in Z Nation experienced volatility recently? Not only the capital and Sheen City was affected by the wave, but it has also impacted Jiang City as well. There might be a storm coming soon."

Shi Nuan was flabbergasted. She frowned. "Why are you telling me this?"

"The recent incidents were not merely a coincidence. Please be careful. Ask Fu Chengyan to be careful too."

Shen Shixiu tapped his slender fingers on the table and continued, "You can come and find me at Jiang City if you need anything. I will be staying there for the time being."

"All right."

Shi Nuan had been very preoccupied after she came back. She started to feel uncertain when she thought of what happened recently in the Shi family and what Shen Shixiu had told her.

It was not until Fu Chengyan was finally back at home that Shi Nuan's mind was at ease.

"Yan."

"Did you meet Shen Shixiu today?"

Fu Chengyan took off his coat. Seeing that Shi Nuan was deep in thought, he asked, "What did he tell you?"

"He's Shi Yu, Granddad's adopted son."

However, Fu Chengyan did not seem to be surprised by the revelation. Shi Nuan looked at Fu Chengyan incredulously. "Why are you not surprised at all?"

Fu Chengyan smiled. "Why should I be surprised?"

"But..." Shi Nuan heaved a sigh. "All right then. Did you already know that Shen Shixiu was actually Shi Yu early on?"

Fu Chengyan merely quirked up his brows and said nothing to deny it. Shi Nuan sighed again. "So you already knew about it. Why didn't you tell me?"

"What's the point? He didn't want you to know." Fu Chengyan wrapped his arms around Shi Nuan and gestured for her to sit down. Then, he started to massage her shoulder.

Ning Xin, who had just come downstairs, broke into a smile upon seeing Fu Chengyan and Shi Nuan. "You two are so sweet!"

"Aunt Ning, you're awake." Shi Nuan patted off Fu Chengyan's hands and got up.

Ning Xin nodded. "What're you guys talking about?"

"Nothing!" Shi Nuan shook her head and helped Ning Xin to sit down. "Where's Uncle Heng? I haven't seen him around these few days."

"Oh, he went to Summerbank for a gathering. He thought of bringing me together, but you know how frail my body is. That's why I didn't go with him." Ning Xin reached her hand out and patted Shi Nuan's hand, then said, "I've heard from your sister about Old Mr. Shi, my condolences!"

"No problem, Aunt Ning." Shi Nuan nodded.

Seeing that Shi Nuan was all right, Ning Xin turned to Fu Chengyan. "Old Mrs. Yun of the Yun family is holding a birthday banquet a few days later. Why don't you and Nuan attend the banquet?"

"The Yun family?" Fu Chengyan frowned.

Ning Xin nodded, "Yes, it was always your father who went there. Since your father and Uncle Heng are not around now, and Dad is old, I guess it's your turn to go now."

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Fu Chengyan nodded, giving his consent silently. However, Shi Nuan noticed the subtly unwilling expression on his face. Her eyes rounded as she asked, "The Yun family? Which one do you mean?"

Fu Chengyan's dark gaze fell on her. He raised his eyebrow, and she instantly understood what he meant. "You mean Yun Shen?"

He then nodded while responding flatly, "Who else would it be? There's only one Yun family in all of Jiang City."

"I thought the Fu clan was not close to the Yun family!" Shi Nuan said as she clicked her tongue. That was because she rarely heard about the Yun family from Fu Chengyan even though she had been with him for a long time. If not for Jiang Yu, who had her eyes on Yun Shen all the time because she wanted to matchmake Shi Nuan and Yun Shen, Shi Nuan would have no impression of the Yun family at all.

Upon listening to all that, Ning Xin smiled. "It's only understandable that you don't know. After all, we aren't that close with the Yun family. It's just that it has something to do with the last generations of the two families, so we somehow share the same bloodline. Regardless, you don't have to be too concerned about it."

Shi Nuan nodded. It looks like both families don't have a really close relationship. Nonetheless, since it's Old Mrs. Yun's birthday, as the younger generation, it's only right that we visit out of respect.

She went upstairs, she hesitated for a while before eventually asking Fu Chengyan, "Why have you never talked about the Yun family with me?"

"Do you want to know about them?" questioned Fu Chengyan in return.

"When have you become so interested in gossip?" He removed his jacket and looked at Shi Nuan. Despite teasing her, he still gave a brief explanation about what happened between the last generations of the two families. "Although we don't interact much with the Yun family, we're more or less related to Old Mrs. Yun."

"What does that mean?" Shi Nuan felt suspicious.

"Old Mrs. Yun was once a member of the Fu clan."

That shocked Shi Nuan, who quickly asked, "A member of the Fu clan? Do you mean Old Mrs. Yun was once a member of our family?"

Fu Chengyan shook his head at her question. "Not at all!"

"Then, why did you say she's a member of the Fu clan just now? What does that mean?" Shi Nuan became even more perplexed.

"Old Mrs. Yun's name is Jiang Jingyun. She married my granduncle when she was younger, but my granduncle passed away at a young age. The Fu clan's elders did not wish for her to be a widow, so they allowed her to look for another suitable man and get married again."

It was then that realization dawned on Shi Nuan. "She married Yun Shen's grandfather!"

"That's right." Fu Chengyan nodded.

He continued, "Although she got remarried, she was still in contact with the Fu clan. As you know, my grandpa used to visit the Yun family a lot before. My dad and Uncle Heng did the same. However, as time went by, the two families grew apart. Not to mention, Old Mr. Yun passed a few years ago, making the two families more distant."

Shi Nuan finally understood the entire situation. When Old Master Yun was still alive, there was a reason for the two families to keep in contact. However, after he departed this world, the families no longer felt inclined to maintain ties with each other.

"Still, we should attend Old Mrs. Yun's upcoming birthday," said Fu Chengyan.

Shi Nuan frowned. Even though what he said was right, she felt slightly reluctant to attend Old Mrs. Yun's birthday banquet.

Fu Chengyan could tell that Shi Nuan was upset from her bitter expression.

"All we have to do is show up for a while. I know you don't like banquets, but please," Fu Chengyan consoled, knowing that the latter did not want to see Yun Shen, but he did not say it outrightly.

Knowing that the decision had gotten made, Shi Nuan did not argue anymore. She relented, "All right."

The day of Old Mrs. Yun's birthday soon arrived. Shi Nuan did not have to worry about it too much as the birthday presents were all prepared by Ning Xin. After all, the latter was thoughtful and would unquestionably prepare decently thought out gifts.

The birthday banquet took place in a massive residence owned by the Yun family. Shi Nuan and Fu Chengyan were not the hosts, so they did not have to go there early. Guests crowded the mansion in swarms by the time the couple arrived. Nonetheless, the lively atmosphere froze as soon as Fu Chengyan and Shi Nuan arrived.

Everyone recognized Fu Chengyan at once. The guests were all businessmen, and Old Mrs. Yun's birthday only served as a gimmick. The most important part of the banquet was to foster ties with other affluent figures who would help their business. When they saw Fu Chengyan, they approached him to try to gain his favor. However, once they caught sight of the woman beside him, they became stunned.

It was rare to meet Fu Chengyan face-to-face. Thus, today's banquet was considered a lucky encounter to have seen him, even if it was at one glance. He rarely attended such public events, and it was shocking to see a woman by his side.

While everyone tried guessing where Shi Nuan's background was, some of the guests noticed that she only wore a pair of flats and had simple make-up. She did not dress very extravagantly. She was a stunning woman. Yet, her presence seemed less presentable and noticeable than the other wealthy women in the banquet, who got wholly dressed up with intention.

None of them knew who the woman next to Fu Chengyan was. Moreover, he was an outstanding man who was always the center of attention in the crowd. Now that he had a woman that seemed so ordinary as his companion, everyone felt perplexed.

Shi Nuan could feel the guests scrutinizing her. She maintained a faint smile on her face, her arm holding onto Fu Chengyan's as she refrained from doing anything reckless.

"Are you nervous?" Fu Chengyan asked while lowering his gaze onto Shi Nuan.

Shi Nuan lifted her head. Beaming, she winked at Fu Chengyan with eyes that glinted cunningly. "Not at all! We're not the main characters today. Why should I be nervous?"

Fu Chengyan smiled at her words. "Good. We'll only stay for a short while and leave right after meeting Old Mrs. Yun."

"Okay!" replied an eager Shi Nuan.

After all, she never liked attending such elaborate banquets. She was sick of the fake smiles that people wore here. Moreover, some guests stared closely at Shi Nuan, making her feel uncomfortable.

The more daring ones among the guests came to Fu Chengyan and tried to engage with him. "Mr. Fu, I didn't think I'd see you here!"

Fu Chengyan only nodded coldly at them.

"Mr. Fu, I'm Zhang Zhi from Pengcheng Group. This man is Zhuo Jing," Zhang Zhi introduced himself and his friend. Then, his eyes shifted to Shi Nuan, who stood beside Fu Chengyan. He flashed a polite smile. "Mr. Fu, won't you introduce this lady here to us? Is she your secretary?"

"She's my wife!" Fu Chengyan cut him off abruptly. Zhang Zhi was so shocked that he desperately wished to take back the words that blurted out of his mouth. He widened his eyes at Shi Nuan in disbelief and astonishment. "U-Um, Mr. Fu, did you say that she's your wife?" Zhang Zhi thought he might have misheard.

Fu Chengyan's face darkened. "Does she not look like my wife?"

"O-Of course not! Mr. Fu, your wife is so pretty and gorgeous. At one glance, I can tell that she lives a great life at home!" Zhang Zhi replied hastily. However, just as he finished his words, Fu Chengyan's face turned grim at once. It was as if the air froze at once.

Shi Nuan's lips curled upwards. Looking at Fu Chengyan's expression, she knew that he felt irritated by Zhang Zhi's bold assumptions.

"Step aside! You're so stupid! I think Mrs. Fu is absolutely fetching. The more I look at her, the prettier she seems. Her beauty only grows on others." Zhang Zhi's wife knocked him hard and looked at Shi Nuan. She explained, "Mrs. Fu, my husband is not a good talker. Please don't put his words at your heart."

"It's okay." Shi Nuan gave a polite chuckle.

Zhang Zhi's wife then stared at Shi Nuan's stomach. "By the way, Mrs. Fu, are you pregnant?"

Shi Nuan nodded with a faint smile. "Yes. Mrs. Zhang, you're really observant."

She did not wish to put the couple in a difficult situation. On top of that, she was not the host of the banquet. If she made a fuss there, the conflict would become rather hard to deal with later. Shi Nuan tugged silently at Fu Chengyan's sleeve. The latter turned his gaze away from the curious couple to glance at her meaningfully. Then, he smiled. "Good eye, Mrs. Zhang. I see your husband is lucky to have a sharp-witted wife like you."

"I-I-Indeed..." Zhang Zhi stuttered continuously with an awkward expression on his face.

He knew that he had misspoken earlier. Nonetheless, he could tell Shi Nuan was not an easy woman from how she suppressed Fu Chengyan's anger with only a few words.

The curious couple's questions were only a slight distraction from the event. At that point, Shi Nuan felt bored, so she held Fu Chengyan's hand and walked toward the dessert section.

Before they came to the banquet, Shi Nuan had eaten some food to ease her hunger. Nonetheless, ever since getting pregnant, her appetite grew. Apart from the period of morning sickness Shi Nuan experienced earlier on, she felt happy with anything she ate and was not picky with food at all.

She had previously asked Yu Qing about her sudden changes in appetite. According to Yu Qing, those were normal. It only showed that Shi Nuan had a healthy body, or maybe Shi Nuan was lucky because the twin babies in her womb were obediently eating and not resisting food.

Within a short while, Shi Nuan finished two plates of desserts. When she wanted to continue eating, Fu Chengyan stopped her. He looked at Shi Nuan's belly resignedly and shook his head. "Are you really going to eat more?"

It was then that Shi Nuan burped all of a sudden. She covered her mouth inelegantly and chuckled. "Oh no, I've over-eaten without realizing it."

Mocking giggles came from a corner of the banquet. Shi Nuan was stunned for a while. Then, she turned to see Yun Shen leaning against a wall in the corner not far away. Her gaze unexpectedly met his dark eyes that stared at her with curiosity.

That stunned Shi Nuan again as she could not help letting out a series of burps.

Fu Chengyan frowned. He quickly picked up a glass of juice beside him and passed it to Shi Nuan. As he tapped her back lightly, he glared sideways. His sharp vision caught Yun Shen's gaze, which looked playful and devilish.

Fu Chengyan's furious look did not faze Yun Shen, whose lips curled up into a mischievous smirk.

That only made the former's eyes darken. Yun Shen grinned as his gaze fell onto Shi Nuan again. After a while, he finally looked away.

Shi Nuan came back to her senses too. She took a deep breath fiercely and snapped, "What a bad omen! Has Yun Shen lost his marbles?"

Her voice was low, but Yun Shen had a keen hearing. Standing afar, the latter heard her dissatisfied tone as she complained about him.

He raised his eyebrow. Oh? Things are getting more interesting. With both hands in his pockets, he winked at Shi Nuan, sparking a look of disgust from her. "What a playboy!"

Fu Chengyan shifted his gaze away from Yun Shen. Surprisingly, he smiled while commenting, "It looks like you hate him, huh?"

Shi Nuan pouted. "I don't hate him. I merely dislike the guy."

Upon listening to her answer, Fu Chengyan's grin only widened. "Nonetheless, among all the members of the Yun family, he's the only one worth befriending."

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Chapter 514 The Chilling Man

"Why would you say that?" Shi Nuan stared at Fu Chengyan in confusion. In her mind, Yun Shen was nothing but a rich, spoiled brat. Fu Chengyan's lips curled into a smirk. "You'll find out soon enough."

"I see." Shi Nuan had little interest in Yun Shen. She was not bothered by what kind of person he was. As long as Yun Shen doesn't get in my way, I don't really care what he is like.

On the other hand, Yun Shen, who was standing at the side, was bemused by Shi Nuan's indifferent attitude toward him. I was the one who saved you back then. What a heartless woman! "What are you looking at?"

Suddenly, a man walked over to Yun Shen's side. The well-groomed man had an extraordinary appearance. Under careful observation, one could spot the similarities between him and Yun Shen. Nevertheless, the latter looked devilish, whereas the man had a look of righteousness.

"Just a wild kitten." Yun Shen smirked and asked, "Jing, why did you come out?"

Yun Jing was Yun Shen's elder brother from another mother. Both of them did not have any rift on the surface.

However, Yun Jing disapproved of Yun Shen's ways of doing things. Following the latter's gaze, his line of vision soon landed on Shi Nuan. Yun Jing could not help but stare at her intensely.

Seeing that, Yun Shen broke into a mischievous grin. "Jing, do you find her interesting too?"

Yun Jing had retracted his gaze by then. "How many times have I told you? Don't get too close with people from the Fu clan, especially Fu Chengyan!" he snapped.

"Why are you afraid of him?" Yun Shen raised his eyebrows. He was not at all intimidated nor did he have high regard for Fu Chengyan. Still, his gaze moved from Fu Chengyan and eventually fell on Shi Nuan once more. "Jing, what do you think of that wild kitten?"

Frowning, Yun Jing exclaimed, "Yun Shen, don't say I didn't warn you!"

"Fine. You're so boring!" Hands tucked in his pockets, Yun Shen pursed his lips in annoyance. As he turned to leave, he arched an eyebrow at Shi Nuan. Yun Jing decided to stop lecturing due to Yun Shen's words. However, his piercing gaze never moved away from Shi Nuan.

His burning gaze was even more blatant than Yun Shen just now. Raising her head, Shi Nuan met Yun Jing's gaze. She could not help but feel surprised.

Shi Nuan had never met Yun Jing before. Nevertheless, she noticed some familiarity from his keen eyes that had been staring at her all this while. This sense of déjà vu was odd for her. It was as if Yun Jing could see through her.

Sensing Shi Nuan's peculiar expression, Fu Chengyan gazed down at her and asked, "What's wrong?"

Shaking her head, Shi Nuan withdrew her gaze. "When can we leave?" She made no attempts to conceal her dislike of that place.

Fu Chengyan nodded and said, "We'll leave soon." As he said that, Yun Jing approached them. His searing gaze had finally moved away from Shi Nuan. "It's been a while, Mr. Fu," he greeted.

Nodding slightly, Fu Chengyan looked inquisitively at Yun Jing. "Indeed, Master Yun!"

Yun Jing nodded in return before asking, "Who is this?"

"She's my wife, Shi Nuan!" Fu Chengyan introduced before looking at Shi Nuan. "May, this is Yun Jing, the eldest son of the Yun family."

"Nice to meet you, Master Yun." Shi Nuan smiled and stretched out her hand.

Even though she did not express it, Shi Nuan murmured inwardly.

I didn't expect this man to be the young master of the Yun family. Does it mean that he is Yun Shen's elder brother? Why was he looking at me like that just now?

Despite her doubts, Shi Nuan did not dare make her thoughts known.

Smirking, Yun Jing reached out to shake Shi Nuan's hand and immediately withdrew it. "Mr. Fu, I hope you'll forgive me for the lack of hospitality."

"You're too kind, Master Yun." Fu Chengyan was obviously not well-acquainted with Yun Jing as their conversation ended abruptly.

The real protagonist of this birthday banquet for Jiang Jingyun was actually Yun Jing. He was basically in charge of the Yun family and their business. Even though both Yun Mu and Yun Shen were also part of the family, the firstborn tended to end up as the most favored child.

Jiang Jingyun intended to introduce everyone to the future head of the Yun family. As a result, Yun Jing was the busiest person at this banquet.

Yun Jing left immediately after greeting Fu Chengyan. Only then did Shi Nuan tug at the latter's sleeve before confessing, "I don't like him."

"Huh? Then tell me, which person from the Yun family do you like?" Fu Chengyan arched his brows, feeling amused by her remark.

Shi Nuan pouted. "I'm dead serious!" Despite his noble appearance, she felt that Yun Jing was a dangerous man for some inexplicable reason.

Still, Fu Chengyan had a point. Even though I find Yun Shen quite disagreeable, I dislike Yun Jing even more. I can't pinpoint the reason why, but I just don't like him at all.

"It's fine if you don't like him. It's not worth befriending the Yun family anyway." Fu Chengyan smiled lightly.

"All right."

It was normal for people to mingle with each other during the banquet. Even though Shi Nuan and Fu Chengyan preferred not to socialize with the guests, there would always be people who came to greet them. The process was tedious and time-consuming for them.

Holding Shi Nuan's hand, Fu Chengyan brought her to congratulate Jiang Jingyun on her birthday. She was in good spirits despite her age. Supported by Yun Jing, Jiang Jingyun stared at Fu Chengyan, who was holding Shi Nuan's hand carefully. She asked, "You're Yan, Fu Sheng's son?"

"Great-aunt!" Fu Chengyan answered Jiang Jingyun's question enthusiastically by addressing his elder appropriately.

Jiang Jingyun flashed a kind smile at him. "Oh. This is amazing. You're all grown up now. And this is..." Her gaze fell on Shi Nuan. She could not help glancing up and down at the latter. Suddenly, Jiang Jingyun's eyes widened in surprise. "Jing, isn't she-"

"Grandma, this is Mr. Fu's wife, Ms. Shi Nuan." Yun Jing cut her off abruptly.

Jiang Jingyun's expression froze, but she nodded in response. "Oh! So, you're Yan's wife? Come here quickly and let me take a closer look at you."

Frowning, Shi Nuan glanced at Fu Chengyan. Seeing his approval, she walked over to Jiang Jingyun with a bright smile. "Happy birthday to you, Old Mrs. Yun! May you be blessed with good health and live a long life."

"Oho. This child has a sweet tongue!" Jiang Jingyun reached out and touched the back of Shi Nuan's hands. While smiling, her sharp eyes were staring at Shi Nuan intently. "She's a pretty girl. Yan, you're blessed to have her as your wife," the old lady added.

Shi Nuan was embarrassed by Jiang Jingyun's enthusiasm. Nevertheless, Shi Nuan decided to stay quiet given it was the latter's birthday.

"Grandma, you're scaring her." Smiling helplessly, Yun Jing reached out to draw Jiang Jingyun's hand back. His long fingers inadvertently touched Shi Nuan, which caused her to recoil.

Shi Nuan looked at Yun Jing uneasily. However, he appeared unfazed with a smile on his face. While comforting Jiang Jingyun, he looked at Shi Nuan. "Mrs. Fu, I hope you won't mind. My grandma seems very fond of you."

"Haha." At a loss for words, Shi Nuan laughed dryly in response. She retreated to Fu Chengyan's side.

Fu Chengyan's bright eyes moved away from Yun Jing silently. He instantly pulled Shi Nuan into his embrace as though to assert his dominance in front of everyone.

Resignedly, Shi Nuan tugged on Fu Chengyan's sleeve. "Let's go."

"Okay." Fu Chengyan nodded and asked Zhou Zheng to bring the gifts before saying goodbye to Jiang Jingyun. Hearing that Fu Chengyan and Shi Nuan were leaving, Jiang Jingyun seemed unwilling to let them go. "Are you leaving so soon?"

"May isn't feeling well, so we'll take our leave now. We'll pay you a visit next time."

Upon hearing that, Jiang Jingyun decided not to keep pestering Fu Chengyan. Suddenly, she took off the bracelet from her wrist and grabbed Shi Nuan's hands. "Although this is the first time I've met you, I like you very much. I don't have anything else to give you. So, please accept this jade bracelet." "H-How can I possibly accept such a precious gift?" Shi Nuan was overwhelmed by the offering. Hence, she wanted to reject it. On the other hand, Yun Jing raised his brows slightly and grinned. "Mrs. Fu, you should accept the bracelet since my grandma personally gave it to you. She isn't someone who likes to give things away easily. I guess she's very fond of you!"

At that moment, Shi Nuan could not come up with an excuse to decline Yun Jing.

A glint flashed across Fu Chengyan's dark eyes as he reached out to accept the bracelet. He put it on Shi Nuan's wrist and said, "We shall accept the gift then. Thank you!"

Parting her lips, Shi Nuan wanted to say something. Nevertheless, Fu Chengyan interjected, "It's getting late. We'll be leaving now."

With that, Fu Chengyan led Shi Nuan through the guests before leaving the Yun residence.

Shi Nuan heaved a sigh of relief after coming out of the Yun residence. "Yan, the Yun family is really weird."

"How so?" Fu Chengyan laughed at her comment.

"I don't know how to describe it. Why does Old Mrs. Yun like me?" Shi Nuan could not fathom the reason. She felt uneasy with Jiang Jingyun and Yun Jing's utterances.

Peering at the jade bracelet on her wrist, Shi Nuan asked, "Why would she give me this?"

Fu Chengyan's eyes suddenly darkened. "This is something from the Fu clan."

"The Fu clan? How can you tell?" Shi Nuan smacked her lips in surprise.

"My grandma also had one back then. They look exactly the same." Fu Chengyan's gaze fell on Shi Nuan's hand. "This is considered a family heirloom of the Fu clan. My great-grandma gave it to my grandma and my great-aunt. After Grandma passed away, the bracelet was given to Aunt Ning. Great-aunt didn't return this to the Fu clan after she got remarried. I didn't expect her to give it to you today."

Judging by Fu Chengyan's explanation, the bracelet was a meaningful gift.

Shi Nuan clicked her tongue and asked, "Well, should I return this to Grandpa?"

"There's no need for that. Since it's given to you, you should wear it," Fu Chengyan said. Anyway, this bracelet belongs to the Fu clan. Even if we return it to Grandpa, he'll probably hand it to Shi Nuan. It will be a waste of time.

"All right." Shi Nuan nodded. However, her heart felt heavy after accepting the bracelet. "Yan, don't you think Old Mrs. Yun and Yun Jing are a bit strange?"

Fu Chengyan narrowed his eyes. "What's wrong with them?"

"Old Mrs. Yun seems to know me. The same goes for Yun Jing," Shi Nuan elucidated. She was perplexed by the way Yun Jing had been staring at her. Besides, Yun Jing's hand was as cold as ice when I accidentally touched him just now. It gave me a chill for some reason.

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Chapter 515 The Past Between Jiang Jingyun And The Fu Clan

After Shi Nuan said that, Fu Chengyan could not help but furrow his brows. Yun Jing and Old Mrs. Yun were indeed behaving a little strangely. I thought Yun Shen seemed evil, but the others from the Yun family acted even more abnormally than him.

When Shi Nuan saw the look on Fu Chengyan's face, she knew her husband was keeping tabs on his mind. "Never mind them. After all, we don't have much interaction with the Yun family."

Fu Chengyan nodded. "Let's get in the car."

When they returned, Ning Xin was surprised that they were home early. "I thought young people like you would spend more time socializing."

"There were too many people. Yan was concerned that I'd get tired, so we came home early." Shi Nuan held Ning Xin's hands and asked, "Aunt Ning, why haven't you gone to sleep yet?"

"I was worried about you, so I waited here," replied Ning Xin as her gaze fell on Shi Nuan's hand. "What is this?"

Shi Nuan quirked her lips and pointed at the bracelet. "Old Mrs. Yun insisted on giving this to me and said it was a gift. Aunt Ning, Yan told me you also have one. Is that true?"

"Yes, it's true!" Ning Xin nodded and continued, "Actually, your grandma gave it to me. She said it was a pair of bracelets. After your great-uncle passed away, your great-aunt married another person and took the bracelet with her. I never thought that she would give it to you today." Ning Xin was quite surprised. She was not familiar with Jiang Jingyun. When she married into the Fu clan, Jiang Jingyun had remarried many years ago. Thus, it was natural for Ning Xin not to know the character of Jiang Jingyun. Fu Heng's mother told Ning Xin regarding the matter. However, as it was already in the past, no one mentioned it anymore.

Looking at Fu Chengyan, Ning Xin found the answer in his eyes. Then, she nodded. "It originally belonged to the Fu clan. Since she has given it to you, keep it."

Fu Zhengyun came downstairs right after Ning Xin finished her words. When he saw the jade bracelet on Shi Nuan's wrist, his expression changed slightly.

"Grandpa, what's wrong?"

Shi Nuan noticed the strange look on Fu Zhengyun's face. So, she parted her lips and asked, "Is it because of this bracelet?"

Fu Zhengyun shook his head. "It's nothing. Since she has given it to you, just take it." Then, he glanced at Fu Chengyan and said, "Yan, come with me to the study."

Shi Nuan felt Fu Zhengyun was going to say something, but since he refused to elaborate, she would not ask any further. Yet, Shi Nuan could not help but look at Fu Chengyan when Fu Zhengyun called the latter. Her husband patted her hands and said, "Keep Aunt Ning company and chat with her. If you're really tired, go to the room and sleep."

"Okay!"

Following Fu Zhengyun to the study, Fu Chengyan saw the solemn expression on the former's face. "Grandpa, are you concerned because of the bracelet?"

Fu Zhengyun's expression was indeed somber. He sighed after hearing Fu Chengyan's question. "It's fine. However, I feel that she has some hidden intentions by returning the bracelet suddenly."

"Grandpa, what do you mean?" Fu Chengyan furrowed his brows and continued, "Is it due to something else that happened back then?"

Fu Zhengyun raised his head and looked at Fu Chengyan inquisitively. After a while, he smiled. "How was your trip to the Yun family today?"

"It looks like Yun Jing will be the head of the Yun family for sure," replied Fu Chengyan. However, Fu Zhengyun abruptly raised his head and asked, "Is it confirmed?" Fu Chengyan did not understand the look on Fu Zhengyun's face. "Probably, because Old Mrs. Yun said so. Moreover, Yun Jing is the first child of the family. It will be him naturally. Since when you cared about the affairs of the Yun family?"

For some reason, Fu Zhengyun heaved a sigh. "Did you meet the third child of the Yun family?"

Fu Chengyan smiled. "Yes."

"I think he can handle the Yun family instead," commented Fu Zhengyun.

Hearing that, Fu Chengyan raised his brows, and his eyes lit up. The smile on his face became inscrutable.

Looking at Fu Chengyan's expression, Fu Zhengyun thought his grandson had the same idea as he did. "Do you also think Yun Shen is a good candidate?"

"Among the three heirs in the Yun family, Yun Shen has the best qualities of a leader indeed, and he is smart. Nevertheless, his identity is a bit awkward. That's why he was not selected to be the candidate from the beginning. Grandpa, are you trying to interfere in the Yun family's matter?"

Hearing that, Fu Zhengyun creased his brows and commented, "There is one thing that I am unaware of at first. I think you should keep an eye out about it."

'Grandpa, what is it?"

"Your great-aunt had a misunderstanding with the Fu clan before getting remarried back then." Fu Zhengyun shook his head and shut his eyes briefly before adding, "Your great-uncle, he... his accident was not an accident!"

A sharp look flashed through Fu Chengyan's eyes. He asked, "Grandpa, what do you want to tell me?"

"It's not a big deal. A woman like her will not cause any trouble. Yet, when I saw the bracelet on Nuan's wrist, for some reason I was reminded of the situation when she left that year. She was discontented."

Fu Zhengyun seemed unwilling to recall the things back then. He only remembered them when he saw the bracelet on Shi Nuan's wrist.

"If she had a misunderstanding with the Fu clan, why would she maintain relations with us?" queried Fu Chengyan because he recalled that Fu Zhengyun even let Fu Sheng and Fu Heng visit the Yun family every year. Fu Chengyan was not convinced that was his grandpa's style of handling affairs. "She came to visit us herself. After being remarried for two years, she visited the Fu clan with the newborn baby and her new husband. She said she had no family members in her maiden family, and the Fu clan would be her maiden family since then."

Fu Chengyan's eyes flickered with an intense glint. "What did you say?"

Fu Zhengyun moved his lips and explained, "She was really in love with your greatuncle back in those days, but she remarried three months after his death." Fu Zhengyun scratched his head before saying, "I thought she was still young. Your great-grandpa was in charge of the Fu clan at that time. Our family was not as wealthy as it is now, so we naturally would not let her become a widow at such young age and stay in our family forever. Plus, she had no children back then. Your great-grandpa decided to keep her as his goddaughter. That's why she still kept in contact with us."

However, Fu Chengyan frowned tightly. "How did great-uncle die back then?"

"It was an accident. The fuel tank leaked. After your great-uncle got your great-aunt out of the car, he could not make it out and died because the car blew up."

"Did great-aunt think it was you who did that?"

Fu Zhengyun lifted his head and stared into Fu Chengyan's earnest eyes. He then shook his head bitterly. "Do you think it was me?"

Fu Chengyan raised his brows and remarked, "It might be possible."

"You bastard!" Fu Zhengyun grabbed the inkstone and was about to hurl it at Fu Chengyan. However, Fu Zhengyun looked at the pair of earnest eyes staring back at him and could not bring himself to do that. Hence, he sat back tiredly and shook his head. "Looks like I've left a bad impression on you."

Then, Fu Zhengyun stated, "That's right, your great-grandpa was considering the successor of the family business of the Fu clan. Your great-uncle and I truly had a competitive relationship in business. However, our family always reserved the seat of power for the capable. We competed fairly and made a deal back then. Whoever had the best abilities would get the place of the head of the Fu clan. I didn't have to murder my blood-related sibling just to get the position."

At that, Fu Chengyan nodded in response. "I will remember the things you said today, Grandpa."

"All right, you may leave now." Fu Zhengyun gestured at Fu Chengyan and said, "Go accompany Nuan!"

After sending Fu Chengyan off, Fu Zhengyun fell deep in thought.

Back then, when Jiang Jingyun left the Fu residence, her ferocious gaze was still fresh in Fu Zhengyun's mind. However, Jiang Jingyun brought her husband and kid to visit them later. She seemed to have become a different person, and she got close to the Fu clan.

Since she was remarried, she had no relationship with the Fu clan anymore. Therefore, Fu Zhengyun did not care much about that. Yet, once he saw the bracelet that day, Fu Zhengyun began to feel unsettled.

"What's on your mind?" asked Shi Nuan.

She went into the bedroom and saw Fu Chengyan sitting on the couch. It was rare that he looked so serious when thinking about something.

Fu Chengyan looked up and saw Shi Nuan walking over. He waved his hand to beckon her over. "Have you finished chatting with Aunt Ning?"

Shi Nuan nodded and replied, "Yes!" She walked over and sat beside Fu Chengyan. He took advantage of holding her in his arms and squeezed her fingerbones. He looked absent-minded as he did that idly.

Shi Nuan rarely saw Fu Chengyan behave that way. She could not help but stand up before placing her hand on Fu Chengyan's forehead. She extended her hand and smoothened his furrowed brows.

Fu Chengyan put his hand on Shi Nuan's and moved it away before asking, "What's wrong?"

"I should be the one asking you that question. Why are you so lost in thoughts? What are you thinking about?"

Fu Chengyan only shook his head. "It's nothing. Just something about work."

"Sure." Shi Nuan gave him a nod. "Oh, Aunt Ning told me about the Yun family just now. She said the old lady from the Yun family doesn't like the Fu clan."

Hearing Shi Nuan's words, Fu Chengyan raised his brows. "Did Aunt Ning tell you that?"

Nodding, Shi Nuan answered, "She told me to try to avoid contact with the Yun family in the future. Aunt Ning did not say anything else, but she talked about her few visits to the Yun family. She went with Uncle Heng back then. Yun Jing's father seemed to dislike them, and they rarely went over after Aunt Ning started to not feel too well."

"Yun Jing's father?" Wasn't that the child born after Jiang Jingyun married into the Yun family the second year? Old Master Yun seemed to adore the child very much, but he

did not pass the position of the head of the Yun family and Yun Group to the child in the end.

A thought suddenly flashed across his mind, and Fu Chengyan stood up abruptly.

Shi Nuan was startled by his action. "What's going on?"

Fu Chengyan returned to his senses and gently shook his head. "Nothing. Are you tired? I'll fill the bathtub for you. You should get some rest after taking a bath."

"Okay." Although Shi Nuan felt that Fu Chengyan's expression was weird, she did not comment on that. "I'll do it myself."

"No, wait here." Fu Chengyan got up and filled the bathtub for Shi Nuan. After she went into the bathroom, Fu Chengyan narrowed his eyes and quickly took out his phone to give Zhou Zheng a call. "Investigate Yun Min at once."

"Yun Min? Mr. Fu, are you referring to the one from the Yun family? Yun Jing's father?" Zhou Zheng was a little curious.

"Yes, that's him. Also, dig up some information about Yun Jing as well," ordered Fu Chengyan.

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Chapter 516 The Shareholders Meeting

After Shi Yunsheng's sudden death, Shi Nuan and Shi Yu were the biggest beneficiaries of Huancheng according to Shi Yunsheng's will. Before that, Shi Yunsheng had entrusted a lawyer, Zhang Quan, to do equity certificates on behalf of Shi Nuan and Shi Yu, evidencing their ownership of Huancheng's equity. Then, not long after that was Huancheng's shareholders' meeting.

Huancheng's employees knew nothing about Shi Yunsheng's decision at that moment. It just so happened that that day was also the company's shareholders' meeting. Meanwhile, Shi Nuan and Shen Shixiu got to know this information a day before the meeting.

According to Zhang Quan, Shi Nuan and Shen Shixiu had to be present on that day. Meanwhile, Shen Shixiu's equity ownership changes had nothing to do with Zhang Quan. Therefore, Shi Nuan and Shen Shixiu had to deal with this issue.

Fu Chengyan was occupied with work and did not attend the meeting. However, he had instructed Zhou Zheng to follow and take care of Shi Nuan. Fu Chengyan was not worried about it because of Zhou Zheng's accompaniment. Also, he was not perturbed that Shi Nuan would be at a disadvantage with Shen Shixiu by her side.

Shi Nuan had slept early lately but got up late because of her pregnancy. However, she woke up earlier than usual as she had to attend a shareholders' meeting later that day. For that, Zhou Zheng was already waiting downstairs, but he could not urge his employer and the employer's wife. Hence, he could only sit straight under the watchful eye of Fu Zhengyun.

Fu Zhengyun knew Zhou Zheng for sure. Noticing that Fu Chengyan's key aide was always at Shi Nuan's disposal, Fu Zhengyun realized that Shi Nuan was important to Fu Chengyan. Although Fu Zhengyun no longer objected to Fu Chengyan and Shi Nuan being together, he still did not want to see Fu Chengyan dote on Shi Nuan too much. He rubbed his temples as a pang of pain hit his head when he thought of this. Why is he so devoted as if he is his wife's slave?

Compared to the mood upstairs, the atmosphere downstairs was gloomy and tense.

Shi Nuan's head bobbed about when she brushed her teeth with her eyes closed. Standing aside, Fu Chengyan looked at her worriedly and reached out his hand to support Shi Nuan. He was troubled by the thought that she might fall head on to the sink while brushing her teeth.

Then, he reached out his hand and supported her head before saying, "Are you that tired? Why don't you stay home and not go to the meeting today?"

"No!" Shi Nuan shook her head and rejected his suggestion without a second thought. At that instant, she opened her eyes and continued, "I'm the biggest shareholder of Huancheng now, so I must attend the shareholders' meeting today. It's inappropriate for me to be absent. Plus, Huancheng is Granddad's blood, sweat, and tears. I can't bear to see his efforts go down the drain."

"All right. You should be more careful then. Oh, well. Why don't you call Zhang Quan and ask him to postpone the meeting to later in the afternoon?" Fu Chengyan suggested helplessly.

"Hmm, it's fine. I think they will be dissatisfied with the sudden change of schedule. Well, I believe they already dislike me now anyway." Shi Nuan shook her head and continued, "It's okay. I'm not a kid anymore, and I can deal with it by myself. Moreover, haven't you already asked Zhou Zheng to come with me?"

Shi Nuan spoke inaudibly while brushing her teeth. After her voice fell, she rinsed her mouth and spat out the water from her mouth. While there were some foam bubbles at the corner of her mouth, she turned around and glanced at Fu Chengyan.

Seeing this, Fu Chengyan froze at that moment. Then, he reached out his hand and used his rough finger to rub the corner of her mouth, wiping away the bubbles. Helpless, he said dotingly, "All right. Clean your face now. You're running late."

"Okay!"

After gargling her mouth, Shi Nuan grabbed a towel and cleaned her face. Fu Chengyan had already wetted the towel before passing it to her.

Shi Nuan grinned and prodded Fu Chengyan in his chin with her head. "I love you so much, Yan!"

Fu Chengyan smiled and had a few more intimate moments with Shi Nuan before going downstairs with her hand in his.

Zhou Zheng had already waited for them downstairs for more than an hour. He kept eyeing his watch, wondering if they had already woken up or not. At that moment, he heard the noise of the footsteps ringing out from upstairs. Then, he stood upright and greeted, "Good morning, Mr. Fu and Mrs. Fu!"

Fu Chengyan nodded and said, "I'll leave May to you. You can settle the company work later, and ask me if you're unsure about anything." Despite this, he trusted that Zhou Zheng was a capable man. He was only comforting Shi Nuan and trying to ease her nervousness.

In reality, Shi Nuan was quite anxious too. After hearing Fu Chengyan's words, she felt more at ease. Later, she heard him saying, "Will Shen Shixiu attend the meeting today too?"

Startled, Shi Nuan nodded in response. "I think so. Granddad has left some shares for him. Although he said he doesn't want them, he still needs to join the meeting as he's now one of the shareholders of Huancheng."

Fu Chengyan nodded in agreement. "All right. Don't worry too much since he'll be there."

"Yeah." Shi Nuan pursed her lips and continued, "Hmm, I think you're more worried than I am." After finishing her sentence, she stood on tiptoes and planted a kiss on Fu Chengyan's cheek. "All right! I'll be leaving now."

"Okay." Fu Chengyan narrowed his eyes and looked at Zhou Zheng before saying, "Take care of Mrs. Fu."

"Yes, sure."

"Wait a minute!" Fu Zhengyun's voice rang out from the door of the kitchen. After that, Fu Zhengyun instructed the chef to bring out some snacks and said, "Alas! How can you disregard the baby in your belly? You're pregnant, so you must have breakfast first. Quick, give her the food so that she can eat it on the way there." Although Fu Zhengyun sounded stern and angry, Shi Nuan knew he cared for her. Thinking of this, she beamed and responded sweetly, "Thank you, Grandpa. You know best."

Fu Zhengyun harrumphed and said in annoyance, "You've got everything in your hand already, haven't you? Huancheng is nothing compared to a subsidiary company under Shengyuan Group. Its value is not even worth your effort! Why do they want to trouble you by asking you to go personally?"

It seemed to Fu Zhengyun that it was pointless for Shi Nuan to attend the meeting.

"I'll be back soon, Grandpa. I'll come home later."

"All right. Go ahead then."

Shi Nuan made her way out after she bade goodbye to Fu Zhengyun.

Zhou Zheng was the chauffeur, and Shi Nuan sat in the back seat. After witnessing the scene earlier in the house, Zhou Zheng could not help but heave a long sigh and exclaim, "You're blessed, Mrs. Fu!"

Shi Nuan smiled. "Yeah, you're right."

She shared the same feeling as he did. "Do you want to have some, Zhou Zheng?"

"No, it's fine, Mrs. Fu. I've already eaten. Enjoy your breakfast."

"Okay." Shi Nuan nodded and savored her food.

Ever since Shi Nuan was pregnant, it was not surprising that her appetite had increased much. After all, she had to feed her two babies too. However, it startled Zhou Zheng to see that she ate a lot since she did not have any morning sickness symptoms.

After finishing her food, Shi Nuan could not help but burp involuntarily. Seeing this, Zhou Zheng immediately handed a glass of soy milk to her and said, "Here you go, Mrs. Fu."

Shi Nuan took the glass and said, "Thank you." Her phone rang after she took a sip of the soy milk. It was a call from Shen Shixiu.

Recalling that Shen Shixiu would be there in the meeting, Shi Nuan picked up the call. "Hi."

After knowing that Shen Shixiu was also Shi Yu, Shi Nuan felt there was a slight change in their relationship. For that, she did not know how to address Shen Shixiu. Hence, she avoided calling his name.

"It's me, Nuan!"

Shen Shixiu's words put Shi Nuan into a light trance. He sounds calm and unperturbed by what had happened. It seems like I'm the one who's overthinking the situation. "Yeah, anything?"

"You can just call me Shixiu, Nuan." Shen Shixiu knew that Shi Nuan still felt uneasy about his new identity. He continued, "The Shi family has got nothing to do with me, anyway. So, you don't need to worry about this."

Shi Nuan clicked her tongue. It's not as easy as he said. Well, since Shen Shixiu had already decided, I'll just do as he says. Then, she called out, "Shixiu!"

Shen Shixiu smiled and said, "You and Qianan are sisters, so you can call me that."

Shi Nuan pursed her lips and did not know what to say.

Although Shen Qianan was a child from the Shen family, she was Shen Shixiu's sister for many years. Therefore, it was appropriate for Shen Qianan to address him intimately. Well, who am I to Shen Shixiu, though? At that moment, she felt that it was an intricate network of relationships that was very confusing.

"All right, Shixiu."

"I'll go to Huancheng today. What about you?"

"Yes, I'm on the way." While she was speaking, she glanced at Zhou Zheng subconsciously. Sensing her gaze, he replied, "We'll be at Huancheng in about half an hour, Mrs. Fu."

Shi Nuan nodded and heard Zhou Zheng continue, "You won't be late for the meeting."

"Okay." Shi Nuan nodded and asked, "Where are you now, Shixiu?"

"Oh, me? I'll be there around half an hour too." Shen Shixiu said with a smile, "Well if that's the case, see you at Huancheng!"

Shen Shixiu hung up the phone and intently fixed his gaze at the car not far from him. Then, he pointed at it. Seeing this, Jiang Zhan was confused by Shen Shixiu's behavior.

Why does Mr. Shen want to do this unnecessary action? He's already at the Fu residence's door. Jiang Zhan could only muse to himself, of course. He did not dare to say that in front of Shen Shixiu.

Shen Shixiu lowered his eyes and looked at the share transfer agreement beside him. At that moment, he fell into deep thought. "Are all the shareholders of Huancheng going to be there for the meeting today?" Shen Shixiu asked.

Jiang Zhan straightened his body upon hearing Shen Shixiu's question. "Yes, Mr. Shen. The shareholders are interested to know who the main shareholder of the company is. At the same time, they seem to have some objections against it. Therefore, they will be there to find out more insider info. Most of them have picked sides with Shi Jingzheng, and some remain calm and unmoved by the situation. Of course, those who are sitting on the fence are looking for the best opportunity. To be honest, Huancheng is nothing but a shell company. I don't think you need to involve yourself in these troubled waters."

Jiang Zhan thought there was no need for Shen Shixiu to interfere in this matter.

The only explanation Shen Shixiu wanted to do that was for the sake of Shi Nuan.

The duration Jiang Zhan had worked for Shen Shixiu was not very long, but it was not too short either. Jiang Zhan had never seen Shen Shixiu put effort into any trivial or useless matters before. Moreover, even the person from Sheen City could not move and attract Shen Shixiu too.

Shen Shixiu raised his head and stared at Jiang Zhan sagaciously upon hearing the latter's question. Sensing that, he could not help but shiver in fear. I guess I've crossed the line. Thinking of the possibility, Jiang Zhan ended the conversation.

Shen Shixiu finally reached half an hour later. He was punctual.

After Shi Nuan reached, she saw Shen Shixiu's car pull over nearby. Shen Shixiu pushed open the car door and noticed Shi Nuan's car at that instant. Then, he strode toward her. Shi Nuan then lowered the window and opened the vehicle door after seeing Shen Shixiu walking toward her. "Hi, Shixiu!"

"Hey, Nuan!" Shen Shixiu nodded and looked at Shi Nuan dotingly. After a while, he averted his eyes and glanced at Zhou Zheng. "Hi, Mr. Zhou."

"Oh, you're here, Mr. Shen." Zhou Zheng was familiar with Shen Shixiu. After all, he had investigated the latter before. However, he was guarded against Shen Shixiu again after noticing how gentle and warm the latter looked at Shi Nuan.

Shen Shixiu smiled and gazed meaningfully at Shi Nuan before saying, "Yeah."

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Chapter 517 Shi Nuan The Main Shareholder

The hair on Zhou Zheng's back stood on end upon seeing Shen Shixiu tenderly looking at Shi Nuan. The way he looked at Shen Shixiu was extremely hostile as if he was

going to fight with the latter in no time. Even Shi Nuan could sense the menacing aura emanating from Zhou Zheng.

At that moment, Shi Nuan held her forehead in exasperation. Feeling embarrassed by Zhou Zheng's behavior, she flashed a look at Shen Shixiu and noticed that he was smiling at her. Wow! Is he trying to provoke and incite Zhou Zheng? Shi Nuan could not help but click her tongue in annoyance. Is he doing it on purpose?

Then, she looked at Zhou Zheng, who was on the verge of exploding. Seeing this, she found it amusing.

At that moment, all Zhou Zheng was thinking was that he needed to protect his employer's wife. I'm responsible for taking care of Mrs. Fu since Mr. Fu is not here.

"Let's go. It's almost time."

Shen Shixiu was not interested in picking a fight with Fu Chengyan's assistant. He could not care less about those puny matters.

Shi Nuan nodded in agreement. Then, she followed Shen Shixiu and asked, "What's on your mind, Shixiu?"

Shen Shixiu knew Shi Nuan was the main shareholder of Huancheng. He turned around and looked at her side profile.

I can tell that Fu Chengyan is treating her well. It seemed like she's gained weight after her pregnancy when I first saw her. Hmm, I think she must be living a good life now. Thinking of this, Shen Shixiu felt a gaze on him. Helpless, he shook his head quietly and paused before glancing at Shi Nuan. "What's wrong with your assistant?"

Hearing his complaint, Shi Nuan could not help but let out chuckles. "It's fine. Don't mind him, Shixiu."

Shen Shixiu nodded slightly in response. "Huancheng is a shell company now. However, I think not many of them know about this. Didn't Fu Chengyan tell you anything about it before you came?"

Shen Shixiu believed that Fu Chengyan was a reliable and responsible man, so the former thought the latter must have already told Shi Nuan. Plus, it was not that easy to make the other shareholders leave, even though Huancheng had become a shell company. Hence, Shen Shixiu had prepared himself before he came. Also, he believed that Fu Chengyan was capable enough to have done something about it and would never let Shi Nuan face the issue and the shareholders alone.

Shi Nuan smiled faintly after hearing Shen Shixiu's words. "Yan is busy today, but he's asked his assistant to come with me. I believe Zhou Zheng doesn't deserve to work with Yan anymore if he can't handle this trivial matter."

Shen Shixiu nodded in understanding. "Right."

Hearing that his name had been mentioned, Zhou Zheng had an inkling that it was nothing good, although he could not hear what Shen Shixiu and Shi Nuan were saying.

Meanwhile, Jiang Zhan, following Shen Shixiu, leaned closer to Zhou Zheng and said, "Hmm, are you holding some hostile thoughts against Mr. Shen, Zhou Zheng?"

Zhou Zheng sneered coldly at Jiang Zhan. He maintained an unfriendly temperament against Shen Shixiu and his assistant. "No, I wouldn't dare."

Jiang Zhan laughed. "You don't have to act like this, Zhou Zheng. Mr. Shen is an upright man."

Haha!

After Shi Nuan and Shen Shixiu arrived at Huancheng, it created a commotion as the two strangers stepped into the building together.

It was mainly because the chairman of the company had just passed away. Plus, it was the shareholders' meeting. Seeing them walking in together, the employees of Huancheng were in a state of turmoil. They could not help but feel worried about the future of the company. It appeared serene and peaceful on the surface. However, it was a severe issue for Huancheng. Moreover, the senior executives heard something, but they were only guessing and could not be sure of it.

Hence, everyone wanted to grab this opportunity and attend the shareholders' meeting to know the current situation of Huancheng and see what its future held.

Every shareholder had arrived and taken their seats in the conference room. There were only two empty seats. It piqued their curiosity upon seeing this, and they could not help but start gossiping about the identity of the two shareholders.

The ones who sided with Shi Jingzheng already knew who the remaining ones were. On the other hand, those sitting on the fence had zero ideas.

The conference room was not quiet. It was full of discussion noises instead. However, it went silent after a while.

The door of the conference room was pushed open at that moment. Zhou Zheng and Jiang Zhan led the way, and the ones who appeared after that were Shi Nuan and Shen Shixiu.

The crowd was startled upon seeing Shi Nuan. Then, the room was abuzz with comments. "Isn't she Old Mr. Shi's granddaughter?"

"Pfft! What granddaughter?"

"Yeah! She's not Old Mr. Shi's granddaughter at all. She's not even a member of the Shi family!"

'Then, what is she doing here?"

"Oh, who's the man beside her?"

"Yeah, right! Who is he? He looks familiar..."

'Isn't he Shi Yu?"

"No, it can't be Shi Yu! He's Shen Shixiu, isn't he? He's Shen Shixiu!"

When Shi Nuan and Shen Shixiu entered the conference room, everyone's attention fell on them. Meanwhile, Shi Jingzheng, sitting at one side, clenched his armrest tightly. His expression went dark upon seeing them.

He had never expected Shi Nuan and Shen Shixiu to attend the shareholders' meeting. What's wrong with Zhang Quan?

While Shi Jingzheng was deep in his thought, Zhang Quan entered the room. He was slightly astonished to see Shi Nuan and Shen Shixiu had already arrived. Then, he asked, "Why didn't the two of you tell me that you're here? I thought you haven't arrived."

Shi Nuan smiled. "Hi, Mr. Zhang."

Zhang Quan nodded in response. "All right. Please take a seat."

Shi Nuan and Shen Shixiu glanced around the room and noticed the two empty seats at the far end of the room. Shi Nuan stood there and raised her eyebrow at Zhang Quan.

The opened his briefcase helplessly and said, "Well, I'm the lawyer whom the chairman of Huancheng, Shi Yunsheng, hired. I've already read and explained Shi Yunsheng's will a few days earlier at the Shi residence. Now, I'll be doing what Old Mr. Shi had entrusted me to do in the shareholders' meeting today."

Zhang Quan took out the documents and the share transfer agreement from his briefcase. Then, he continued, "The chairman of Huancheng, Old Mr. Shi, had transferred five percent of his shares to Shi Yu, who is also Shen Shixiu, the man standing beside me. The rest of Old Mr. Shi's shares belong to the lady beside me, Su

Nuan. From now on, Ms. Su Nuan will be the main shareholder of Huancheng. According to the previous chairman's will, Su Nuan will be the new chairman of Huancheng because she holds the largest amount of shares in this company. Is there any question you would like to ask?"

"I disagree!"

A man sitting beside Shi Jingzheng jolted up from his seat. Then, he shot icy daggers at Shi Nuan and Zhang Quan before saying, "I think you're mistaken, Mr. Zhang. S-Su Nuan is not a part of the Shi family. How can Old Master Shi hand his shares over to an outsider?"

"Yeah, he's right!"

The others in the room agreed one after another upon hearing this. "Something seems fishy here! Shi Jingzheng, the General Manager of Huancheng, is the biological son of Old Mr. Shi. How can he not get any shares?"

More and more questions flooded in. Zhang Quan adjusted his glasses and said calmly, "You can verify it if you don't trust what's written on the previous chairman's will. I'm not afraid of anything. Furthermore, I can present the evidence to you if you've got any queries."

After his voice fell, he looked at his assistant, who stood behind him. Sensing his gaze, the assistant quickly asked, "Is there any DVD player or projector here?" The assistant held a USB drive and continued, "Old Mr. Shi had recorded the evidence and the discussion between Mr. Zhang and himself in it before his passing. You can watch it if you have got doubts."

After the assistant found a DVD player, he played it in the conference room. Everyone watched it silently. At that moment, Old Master Shi's face appeared instantly on the screen. He looked energetic at that time. In other words, he had already set up his will a long time ago.

Old Master Shi looked conscious and alert in the video. Zhang Quan even interrupted Old Master Shi a few times while the latter was writing his will. Zhang Quan was doing this because he wanted Old Master Shi to verify his decision. In the recording, Old Master Shi insisted that he wanted to transfer his shares to Shi Nuan and Shen Shixiu. He stated his decision without hesitation.

Toward the end of the video, Old Master Shi could not care less about his mansions and savings, wanting to transfer the ownership of his properties to his sons and daughters-in-law. Although Shi Nuan was not there when Shi Yunsheng wrote his will, he said some words as if he was talking to Shi Nuan. "I think I'll no longer be here when you see my will, Nuan. This is what I can give you as a form of protection. Also, I want you to do one last thing for me. Save Huancheng no matter what!" Tears flowed down Shi Nuan's face when she finished watching the recording. Shi Yunsheng looked energetic at that time. She was sure that he had recorded it a long time ago. In other words, it meant that he already perceived Huancheng's losses due to embezzlement. Had Old Mr. Shi already prepared for it at that time? He wouldn't be doing it if it weren't the case.

Zhang Quan turned around and was somewhat moved by Shi Nuan's crying. "Deepest condolences, Ms. Su."

Shi Nuan said faintly, "Did Granddad set up his will a long time ago? When did he write it? Why don't I know anything about this?"

"He did that roughly half a year ago. Old Master Shi looked for me and made the decision to write his will. Initially, Mr. Shen was not a part of Old Master Shi's will. Two months ago, Old Mr. Shi looked for me again and asked me to revise the will, ordering me to transfer the five percent of his shares to Mr. Shen."

Zhang Quan knew Shen Shixiu, and he understood why Shi Yunsheng did this.

Although Huancheng was a relatively small-scale business, Shi Yunsheng was still a visionary and calculative man. If Shen Shixiu could manage Huancheng earlier before Shi Jingzheng's control, Huancheng would not end up in a mess.

Shen Shixiu closed his eyes, recalling the time when he met up with Shi Yunsheng.

Had he already planned to drag me into these troubled waters since the last time we met? How did he know I would interfere in this issue? Is it because of Shi Nuan?

Amused, Shen Shixiu's gaze fell on Shi Nuan.

Haha! How calculative and wily Old Master Shi is!

Startled, Shi Nuan looked at Shen Shixiu and saw he was smiling. Embarrassed, she said, "Shixiu, I didn't know Granddad..."

"It's fine. I owe Old Master Shi a debt of gratitude. I'll be more than happy to help out if Huancheng faces anything."

Hearing his words, Shi Nuan believed that Shen Shixiu would not simply make a rash move. "Thank you, Shixiu!"

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Chapter 518 The Dominance Of Shi Nuan
When everyone heard this along with the recording that Shi Yunsheng had left behind, they instantly came to a realization. The crowd started to look at Shi Nuan and Shen Shixiu differently. When they looked at Shi Jingzheng, they couldn't help but feel perplexed. Why would Old Master Shi say that in the video? He even requested for Shi Nuan to save Huancheng. What could that mean?

Shi Jingzheng noticed that everyone had gone silent. He was already upset before, but when she saw Shi Nuan and Shen Shixiu, he felt even angrier. With a hard slap to the table, he yelled, "This video isn't necessarily real just because you guys claim it is. Shi Nuan and Shi Yu have teamed together to plot against the Shi family's inheritance. I am Shi Yunsheng's son, why would he not leave any shares for me, and instead allocate them to two strangers? Don't you guys find this suspicious at all?"

Initially, Shi Jingzheng thought that Shi Nuan would be smart and voluntarily return the shares. Hence, Shi Jingzheng didn't want to be petty about it. However, from the looks of it, Shi Nuan had no intention of giving it up at all.

Shi Jingzheng could not understand what went on in his father's mind. Not only that, he had never expected Shi Yunsheng to go out of his way to record a video to prohibit them from taking any of the inheritance.

Shi Nuan was going to be the main shareholder in Huancheng. Thinking of this, Shi Jingzheng simply could not bring himself to accept it.

The few shareholders that were closer to Shi Jingzheng nodded alongside him. "Yes, that's right. Shi Jingzheng is Shi Yunsheng's son. Old Master Shi must have gone mad. How could he not give his shares to his own son and granddaughter, and instead pass them on to some strangers?"

"Yes! We all have our doubts about this will. We don't recognize Su Nuan as our Chairman!"

Shi Nuan narrowed her eyes and smiled as she stared at Shi Jingzheng. She wasn't that worried considering the fact that Shi Yunsheng had given her the shares himself. After all, she wasn't breaking any laws, and she trusted Fu Chengyan. Since he asked her to come, that could only mean that he had already prepared for everything.

Shen Shixiu looked at Shi Nuan's confident expression. Seemingly satisfied with her attitude, he smiled.

Shen Shixiu decided not to speak anymore. He found an empty seat and sat down. With a slight tap on the table, he said, "Nuan, you're pregnant. Why don't you take a seat?"

"Yes, Mrs. Fu. Please, sit down. If you wear yourself out too much, I'll get a big scolding from Mr. Fu when we go home."

Hearing this, everyone's attention moved from Shi Nuan and Shen Shixiu toward Zhou Zheng.

Although Zhou Zheng was just an assistant, his name was very hard to miss. Especially because he was someone who was often beside Fu Chengyan. When everyone heard him mention the name "Mr. Fu," their eyes couldn't help but light up.

The only person who dared to bear that name in Jiang City was none other than Fu Chengyan himself. Everyone wondered if this man was Fu Chengyan's assistant Zhou Zheng. Since Zhou Zheng had referred to Shi Nuan as "Mrs. Fu," didn't that imply that she was Fu Chengyan's wife?

Instantly, everyone's gazes toward Shi Nuan started to become different.

In Jiang City, Fu Chengyan's name was like a pass that could get you a lot of benefits.

Shi Nuan sat down calmly and nodded. "Zhou Zheng, since Mr. Shi is opposed to the Chairman's will, I hope you can help clear up any confusion."

Zhou Zheng nodded and smiled. "Mrs. Fu, you just take it easy. I can handle the rest!"

Then, he raised his head and swept a glance over the crowd. He narrowed his eyes and smiled. "Hello, everyone. Perhaps you might not know me. My name is Zhou Zheng. Today, I'm here as Ms. Su Nuan's personal assistant. If anyone has any questions, I will answer them all for you."

These words alone solidified the speculation that everyone had about Shi Nuan.

"Mr. Zhou, does that mean Su Nuan is..."

"Yes, she is the wife of Mr. Fu." Zhou Zheng smiled faintly. "More accurately, she is the wife of the future head of the Fu clan."

The audience's expressions changed drastically. They looked toward Shi Nuan with some doubt, but mostly with admiration and flattery.

After all, she was Fu Chengyan's wife. Everyone in Jiang City knew who Fu Chengyan was. He was to be the future owner of Shengyuan Group, as well as the head of the Fu clan. If any of them could become friends with Fu Chengyan, their future possibilities would be endless.

Everyone couldn't help but look toward Shi Jingzheng. Curiously, they wondered what resources he had to back him up since he wanted to go against Shi Nuan.

Even Shi Jingzheng's friends thought it was weird. First of all, they had always thought that Shi Nuan was an orphan. Then, Shi Nuan had chosen to reveal her identity. What's

more, Shi Yu was also Shen Shixiu. They were all perplexed as to why Shi Jingzheng could mess up the good resources that he had been given.

Everyone wondered if they should continue to side with Shi Jingzheng in this battle against Shi Nuan. Shi Nuan was part of the Su family now. Although there were a lot of Su families in Jiang City, there was only one, in particular, that was considered well respected.

"Excuse me for being nosy, but how is Ms. Su Nuan related to the Su family in Jiang City?"

Shi Nuan smirked. "Su Huaibei is my father, and Su Shaoqing is my brother." At that moment, Shi Nuan did not mind using their names. Since they made such a powerful impact, it seemed like a shame to keep their names hidden.

The crowd inhaled sharply. They were shocked that Shi Jingzheng would keep something so important from them.

If all this was true, that would mean that Shi Nuan had no reason to even bother competing with Shi Jingzheng over Huancheng. After all, the Fu Clan and the Su family were both very well-established families in Jiang City. The Shen family in the capital was no exception either.

When Shen Shixiu heard all this, he chuckled. It seemed like his work here had already been done for him.

Shi Nuan was smart. She had purposely chosen such timing to reveal her identity and allow the other shareholders to consider it amongst themselves.

Initially, Shen Shixiu was still worried that she would not be able to hold her own against that sly group of people. Now, he could see that he had been worried for nothing.

Meanwhile, Zhou Zheng breathed a sigh of relief as well. He had always known that Shi Nuan had her wits about her. After witnessing it for himself, he felt like she was truly very formidable and domineering.

Zhou Zheng cleared his throat before saying, "I'm sure everyone is curious as to why Old Mr. Shi would pass down Huancheng to Mrs. Fu."

He was right. This was the question on everyone's minds.

Logically speaking, no matter her identity, or how much he favored her, Shi Nuan was still someone outside of the family. Why had he allowed her to inherit the company, and not Shi Jingzheng?

Zhou Zheng smirked as he looked around the room. "I think there's something you all need to see. All this while, I know all of you have played a more hands-off role in the company. Despite being shareholders of Huancheng, you only get together at big meetings like this. What about usual days? Do you know about the day-to-day management of Huancheng? What about the different industries that Huancheng is involved in? Are you aware of the profits and losses of each season?"

Everyone turned solemn when they heard Zhou Zheng's words. "We have seen the data of course. However, there's just so much to go through. We get a headache from looking at it. When it comes to this, Zheng is better at it. Hence, we usually just wait for the year-end bonuses. Indeed, we don't know the company's ins and outs in detail."

"Oh?" Zhou Zheng raised an eyebrow. "In that case, let me ask you this. How do you think the company is performing this year?"

Faced with this question, everyone was confused. To be honest, Shi Jingzheng rarely revealed much to them about this.

At the same time, Shi Jingzheng was starting to get nervous in his seat. The big projects from last year are still...

He felt a headache wash over him. Especially when he saw Zhou Zheng's bright, calculative eyes, he felt even more pressured.

Zhou Zheng was supposed to be nothing more than a meager assistant. Yet, at this moment, Shi Jingzheng felt like he was being suffocated by the former's tremendous aura.

"Right, Mr. Shi. Everyone is quite unsure about what Mr. Zhou has just mentioned. Technically, we should be getting a report on all this every month. Furthermore..." said one of the shareholders. "Weren't our bonuses lesser this year?"

"Right? Mr. Shi said that the company was investing in some big project, so that's why our cash flow is tighter for now. It's supposed to only be temporary, so..."

The more he listened to everyone's comments, the more anxious Shi Jingzheng was getting. He never expected Zhou Zheng to have such a thorough understanding of Huancheng. All the other shareholders could see the panic on his face. "Mr. Shi, please give us an explanation!"

"Yes. Even though we're not major shareholders, we are still a big reason that Huancheng managed to keep things together when it was in trouble."

"Look, the thing is..."

Before Shi Jingzheng could say more, the door to the conference room suddenly swung open.

Jiang Yu stormed in with several burly men behind her. "Let's see who dares to stir up trouble now!"

As she spoke, she looked over at Shi Nuan. She went over and yelled, "You b*tch! I can't believe you had the nerve to come. Everyone, this is the woman that basically killed Old Master Shi and took our inheritance for herself. Now, she's even trying to snatch Huancheng away from us. Never have I met such a vile woman!"

"What did you say?"

Shi Nuan narrowed her eyes and raised an eyebrow. Her expression was filled with disbelief. "Mrs. Shi, I think you should be very careful with your choice of words."

"Look, Shi Nuan is threatening me. I raised her for years. You ungrateful wench. How could you kill off Old Master Shi just so you could get Huancheng? How horrible!"

Shi Nuan looked over at Jiang Yu coldly. "Mrs. Shi, it's a shame you never pursued an acting career with your skills. You should consider joining the entertainment industry along with Shi Wei."

"You..." Jiang Yu's expression fell drastically, especially when she heard Shi Nuan mention Shi Wei's name. "You evil woman. You were the one that harmed Wei!" Jiang Yu bared her fangs and stared at Shi Nuan angrily. "Not only did you push Wei to her death, but you also did the same thing to Old Master Shi. Don't think I don't know what happened. You're the one that released all those rumors about Wei. You're the worst."

Shi Nuan frowned. "I'm not here to talk about Shi Wei." Turning her attention back to everyone else, she said, "Isn't this meeting only open to Huancheng's shareholders?"

"Yes!"

"Mr. Shi, I don't think your wife is a shareholder, is she?" Shi Nuan smirked. "Please ask her and her men to leave Huancheng at once."

"What right do you have? Who do you think you are? Let me tell you. Huancheng belongs to my husband. Zheng, ask security to kick her out right now. What are you guys all standing there for?"

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Chapter 519 Huancheng Is An Empty Shell

Jiang Yu was not in the mood to care right now. All she knew was something that belonged to them was about to be usurped by this outsider, Shi Nuan. In the first place, she never liked Shi Nuan. Hence, in a situation like this, she jumped at the chance to go against her.

There was no way Jiang Yu was going to leave as per Shi Nuan's request. She pointed toward Shi Nuan and scolded, "You ungrateful traitor. Huancheng belongs to the Shi family. Who do you think you are? Do you really think you can get me to leave? I am Zheng's wife. I..."

Shi Nuan turned to look coldly at Shi Jingzheng. Her gaze was icy and hardened. Upon meeting her gaze, Shi Jingzheng was honestly taken aback by her domineering aura.

Shi Nuan smiled curtly. "Mr. Shi, is this a rule for members of the Shi family? Or is anyone allowed to come into Huancheng now?"

To be honest, Shi Nuan didn't have much of an issue with Shi Jingzheng. She had wanted to be civil with him at least for the sake of Shi Yunsheng. However, it was clear that they didn't hold an ounce of respect for her. Since it was so, Shi Nuan didn't see why she had to do the same for them. Maintaining her cold expression, she said, "Mr. Shi, if you can't bear to set aside your ego, I can be the bad guy in your stead. Zhou Zheng..." She looked toward Zhou Zheng, who immediately nodded his head. He took his phone out and made a call. Seconds later, a group of men came in. They were all dressed very neatly. Clearly, they had been very well-trained.

"Mrs. Fu."

Jiang Hu came in and stood beside Shi Nuan. "Who dares to disrespect you?"

She smiled. "No one has disrespected me. Although I will have to trouble you to escort this group of people who have nothing to do with Huancheng out!"

Jiang Hu looked around the room. He instantly understood the situation. With a single glance, the burly men that Jiang Yu had brought with her were instantly subdued. They left obediently.

Jiang Yu was no stranger to Jiang Hu. She could feel herself trembling from fear, but at the same time she didn't want to give in. "Hold on. Shi Nuan, what right do you have? You said I don't belong here, but what about these people? Do they have a right to be here?"

"Of course they do. Mrs. Shi, don't you know that I am now the largest shareholder of Huancheng? Once I become Chairman, these people will all be my assistants and bodyguards. They are here to protect me and ensure my safety. Don't you think they should be here?" Shi Nuan had always been a head taller than Jiang Yu. Even in flats, she was much taller than Jiang Yu when they stood face to face.

Looking down at Jiang Yu, it felt very belittling to the latter.

Since Jiang Yu was not her biological mother, and she treated her so poorly, Shi Nuan saw no reason why she had to be tolerant of her behavior any longer. After all, not everyone in this world would learn to be gratuitous. Even if Shi Nuan was kind to her, Jiang Yu would not necessarily appreciate it.

Thus, she decided it was better to just let go of her feelings for Jiang Yu, and go headto-head with her. "Jiang Hu, please show Mrs. Shi the way out."

"I'd like to see you try!" Jiang Yu yelled back. "Shi Nuan, I won't let you get your way. I will expose all your motives here today. The Shi family has raised you for over twenty years. I can't believe this is how you plan to repay us. You schemed and harmed Wei. Have all these years of her suffering not been enough for you? To take her down, you colluded with Fu Chengyan to sign her management contract. Then, you conspired against her in secret just to get Old Master Shi's shares. You even went so far as to anger him to death at the hospital!"

"What did you just say? I dare you to say it again!" Shi Nuan never thought that Jiang Yu would be so bold to say all this. How could she blame Shi Yunsheng's death on me?

Shi Nuan gripped her fists tightly. She thought that Jiang Yu just hated her because of Jiang Yuan. All this while, Shi Nuan had treated Jiang Yu's criticisms as nothing more than words of emotion that she said to make herself feel better.

However, she never expected Jiang Yu to accuse her of scheming and even killing people. If she did not stand up for herself this time, Jiang Yu would possibly get much worse.

"Jiang Yu, since you're Granddad's adopted daughter and my step-aunt, I will try my best to be civil with you. However, if you insist on being rude to me, I will not be afraid to hold back either."

"Are you guys hearing this? Now that Shi Nuan has newfound power, she has become so arrogant. She won't stop until she sees the entire Shi family being run to the ground. She's already gotten rid of Old Master Shi. I swear she's going to kill us all!"

Right now, Jiang Yu was yelling at the top of her lungs like some madwoman in the conference room.

Although everyone understood the situation, there were still a few that were confused and chose to believe in Jiang Yu's words. "Mrs. Shi has a point!"

"Indeed. Old Master Shi was doing perfectly fine. Why would he suddenly just pass away?"

"Not only that, who in their right mind would leave their inheritance to an outsider instead of their own children? Something is clearly up."

Shi Nuan looked around the table. The shareholders were all just looking to jump to whichever side they felt would benefit them most. She looked back to Shi Jingzheng and realized he was glaring back at her. "Shi Nuan, I feel like I've treated you fairly well all these years. My father even more so. Tell me, why did you have to push him to the edge?"

"Mr. Shi, have you lost your mind along with your wife?" Shi Nuan raised her eyebrows. Gripping her bag, she took a deep breath. Subconsciously, she looked at Shen Shixiu. He also had his brows knitted, but he didn't shoot her any glances.

Oddly enough, Shi Nuan didn't feel anxious. She found a seat before taking a look at Zhou Zheng. He nodded in response. "Mrs. Shi, since you refuse to leave, perhaps it would be better if you stayed. There's actually something I want to show you. In fact, your timing is impeccable. Now, we won't have to explain it twice."

"Shi Nuan, what kind of game are you playing?" Jiang Yu couldn't tell what Shi Nuan was trying to do.

Any normal person would not be able to bear being bombarded with accusations and questions like these. However, Shi Nuan remained calm as ever. In fact, she didn't even bother arguing with Jiang Yu. She didn't seem to care at all.

"There's no game being played here. Mrs. Shi, just calm down. There is no need to be so loud. Mrs. Fu is pregnant. If she gets too stressed out, it might affect the baby. If that happens, I will hold you all accountable!"

Zhou Zheng had spoken with a tone of warning. Hearing this, no one dared to talk back against him. Either way, the shareholders could tell that Shi Nuan had come prepared. Not to mention, they really wanted to know what was going on with Huancheng.

To be honest, they all sort of knew that Huancheng would fall to two very different fates in the hands of either Shi Jingzheng or Shi Nuan.

No matter how capable Shi Jingzheng was, he definitely did not have the strong support that Shi Nuan had behind her. However, if they decided to intervene, then it would be a different story.

Seeing that everyone had finally settled down, Shi Nuan gestured for Zhou Zheng to begin.

Zhou Zheng straightened the tie around his neck. In no hurry, he took out a stack of documents. "Everyone, take a look at this. This is the overall condition of how Huancheng has been doing. Our time is limited today, so I won't be able to go through each and every document in detail. However, I'm sure you are all smart enough to understand what's going on after taking a look at the documents."

A copy of the documents was passed down to each shareholder. Shi Jingzheng was given one too. The moment he saw the first page, his expression turned ugly. With shaky hands, he flipped through the pages. The more he read, the faster his heart started to pound.

Throwing the document down, his face was pale. However, he suppressed his fear and slammed his hand down on the conference table. "What is the meaning of all this? Did you fabricate this thinking we would fall for your tricks?"

"Are you sure it's fabricated?" In contrast to Shi Jingzheng's attitude, Zhou Zheng appeared much more at ease. He stared at Shi Jingzheng coldly, "Mr. Shi, this document is based on factual data. For example, let's take a look at this first page. Three years ago, Huancheng had supposedly invested one hundred million into a project in Fairlake. However, where have the profits gone?"

"Nonsense. This is Huancheng's internal data. How did you get your hands on this? You've stolen company secrets!"

"Stolen?" Zhou Zheng could see that Shi Jingzheng was getting desperate. Growing confident, he continued, "Mr. Zhang, as the largest shareholder of Huancheng, do you think there's any need for Ms. Su Nuan to steal anything?"

"Not at all." Zhang Quan shook his head. Staring Shi Jingzheng in the eye, "Mr. Shi, what you're doing right now is an act of slander."

"[..."

"Hah! Shi Jingzheng, is all this real?" One of the shareholders that had remained neutral all this while stood up abruptly. "Mr. Shi, even though we are not big shareholders, Huancheng doesn't just belong to the Shi family. So, what's going on? All these years, Huancheng has been losing money. Now, it's nothing but an empty shell. How long were you planning on hiding all this from us?"

"That's..."

"He's right. If the data shown here is correct, that would mean that Huancheng has been consistently operating at a loss. Does that mean all the money we've previously invested has been completely wasted?"

The shareholders all started to voice out their questions. As soon as one person spoke, the others would chime in.

All these years, Shi Jingzheng had been trying to expand Huancheng by investing money outside of the company. In his efforts to secure bigger deals, he had missed out on the fact that Huancheng had been sucked dry. He had never expected any of this.

"You've got some nerve, Shi Jingzheng. It turns out the Shi family has been treating us all as fools for years!"

"Indeed. Huancheng is totally wiped out now. What will we do about the company's debts?"

"Everyone, this is what I want to talk about next." Zhou Zheng took out another set of documents and passed them down the table. "Take a good look. This document showcases Huancheng's finance accounts, as well as the comings and goings of its' cashflow."

Shi Jingzheng staggered backward into his seat. His face was completely drained of color.

Jiang Yu had no idea what was going on, but when she saw Shi Jingzheng's expression, she knew that it couldn't be anything good.

Hence, she decided to target Shi Nuan yet again. Even now, she still felt like everything was Shi Nuan's fault. "It's all your fault! You're the one who made Huancheng fall!"

Shi Nuan laughed mockingly. "Mrs. Shi, did you leave your brain at home? Do you understand a single thing we're even saying? Today is my first day in Huancheng.

How can I be the cause of its' downfall? Why don't you ask the fellow shareholders around this table what Mr. Shi has done? Ask them if they want me, the future Chairman of Huancheng to save this company, or Mr. Shi to do it instead!"

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Everyone fell silent at Shi Nuan's words. Although her words sounded like a warning, they had to admit that what she said was very reasonable. Huancheng ended up in this state when it was in Shi Jingzheng's hands. If he continued to manage Huancheng, it would remain the same as before, or perhaps even worse.

Huancheng's deficit was already bad enough, and the other shareholders did not have any real power. The company might have to declare bankruptcy at any moment. However, the situation would definitely be different if Shi Nuan took over.

Shi Nuan had the Fu clan, the Su family, and the Shen family behind her. If any of them made a move, Huancheng would be able to escape their crisis and might go even further beyond. In any case, it would not be a wasted effort.

Smart people knew how to choose the best for themselves. Furthermore, it seemed that Old Master Shi had planned for this beforehand, which was why he stated in his will to who his shares would be transferred. They had to admit that he really had foresight.

When Shi Nuan saw everyone fall silent, she had a vague understanding in her heart. She raised her eyes as a smile curled on her lips, and just so happened to meet Shen Shixiu's smiling eyes again.

He looked at her, his eyes closely examining and slightly cheerful. Shi Nuan turned away and looked at Zhou Zheng. "Zhou Zheng."

With that, Zhou Zheng continued. "There's another matter, but it doesn't have anything much to do with Huancheng's shareholders' meeting. However, since Mrs. Shi is here, this will save me a separate trip to go to you."

"What are you planning to do?"

Jiang Yu did not know exactly what Zhou Zheng meant, but her heart stuttered. She was completely helpless now and could only look at the latter warily.

"Nothing. I just want to show you something, Mrs. Shi." Zhou Zheng chuckled. "I will need to borrow the DVD player and projector for a while more."

As he spoke, he took out another USB drive from his briefcase. "Guess what's in here, Mrs. Shi."

"How would I know what that is?" Jiang Yu snapped at him. She did not like anyone who was related to Shi Nuan.

Zhou Zheng looked at Jiang Yu's behavior and raised his brows, chuckling. "Of course, it has something to do with what you said earlier, Mrs. Shi." He kept the others in suspense while inserting the USB drive.

Soon, a video was projected on the screen. It was a scene in a hospital. Just when everyone wondered what that video was, Jiang Yu suddenly stiffened and went pale. She rushed up to try and unplug the USB drive. "Don't try to play your little tricks here. This has nothing to do with today's shareholders' meeting!" As soon as Jiang Yu moved, Jiang Hu was a step quicker than her and stopped her. Jiang Yu wanted to resist, but Jiang Hu pinned her down to the conference table easily.

Jiang Yu's arm was pinned behind her back, but her face was still looking in the direction of the large screen.

A figure suddenly appeared in that originally empty place. The person was short and very thin.

The video quality on the monitor was not very crisp, but it was enough for people to tell who the person was. It was Shi Wei, the eldest daughter of the Shi family.

What was she doing sneaking around the hospital?

Soon, the picture cut to a ward instead. Everyone saw it and saw that it was Shi Yunsheng's ward.

What was Shi Wei doing in Shi Yunsheng's ward?

They soon found out. Although there was no audio in the video, they could see that Shi Wei seemed to have said something. Then, Shi Yunsheng began to grow agitated. After a long time passed, Shi Wei left the ward, and Shi Yunsheng started to feel uncomfortable. It was not long before his breath stopped.

"Oh, God!"

Shi Jingzheng was also shocked. He never expected it to be Shi Wei.

Shi Nuan did not know about this video either, so when she saw it, she clenched her fists. "It was Shi Wei. She made Granddad so angry he was hospitalized, and then she made him so angry that he passed away?"

"Mrs. Fu, please continue watching." Zhou Zheng motioned for Shi Nuan not to get agitated. Her body was shaking with anger. She was absolutely furious.

Even Shen Shixiu, who was sitting beside her, felt that. He reached out to hold her hand and shook his head slightly.

When Shi Nuan felt the warmth coming from the back of her hand, she raised her head to see Shen Shixiu looking at her. Her gaze was a little complicated, and her eyes reddened as well. "Uncle Shixiu!"

In Shi Nuan's heart, Shen Shixiu was Shi Yu at that moment. He was the Shi Yu she loved to cling to when she was a child. Currently, Shi Nuan was at her most vulnerable state. She did not care about anything else.

Shen Shixiu sighed. "People can't come back from the dead."

"But Granddad didn't die a natural death. It was premeditated; it was murder!" Shi Nuan could not help but lose control.

Jiang Yu was provoked by Shi Nuan's words and tried to get up, but Jiang Hu pinned her down fiercely so that she could not move a muscle. He said, "Behave!"

"No, Wei didn't kill anyone. It was that damn old man who..."

"What did you say?" Shi Jingzheng suddenly snapped back to his senses, especially after he heard Jiang Yu's remarks and saw the scene on the video.

He grabbed Jiang Yu's neck. "You knew about this already, didn't you? You knew that Wei angered Dad to death?"

Jiang Yu coughed. "Zheng, let go of me. You… Wei didn't do it on purpose. Her anger just got the better of her. She was angry that he was biased. Zheng, you…"

"You're shameless!" Shi Jingzheng slapped her across the face. "She was angry, so she killed him? He was my dad! He was my biological dad!" Although Shi Jingzheng was disgraceful himself, he was nowhere near that shameless.

I never thought that Father died not because of an illness, but because my very own daughter angered him to death. How am I supposed to accept this?

"There's no rush, Mr. Shi. There's still more to come."

Then, the image cut to another place. Shi Wei walked to a dark corner and seemed to be meeting someone. However, that person was very cautious, so his face was not captured by the camera. They could only vaguely tell that it was a tall man.

In the video, Shi Wei seemed to be saying something to the man. After talking for a while, she turned around with a ruthless smile on her face. There was no panic or fear to speak of. No one could tell that she had just killed a person.

Thus, the excuses Jiang Yu used earlier were not valid.

Then, the video transitioned to a different scene again. It was back at Old Master Shi's ward. This time, the person who came in was Jiang Yu. She seemed to be observing something. After a long time, she left after seemingly confirming something. Although there was panic in her expression, there was no fear or guilt.

Shi Nuan clenched her fists. So, Granddad's death was really caused by Shi Wei, and Jiang Yu covered up for her? There was that mysterious man too.

"No, that's impossible. This is all fake. Shi Nuan, what are you up to? How could you make a fake video in order to frame us? You'll be struck by lightning!"

"Me? Struck by lightning?" Shi Nuan stood up. At that moment, she no longer had any feelings for Jiang Yu. "You all killed Granddad. How dare you push that crime to others with such impunity? When you went to his ward that night to see him, didn't you feel guilty? Didn't you feel scared? Did you not have nightmares when you sleep at night? You murderers!"

Shi Nuan's eyes reddened. She only came to Huancheng that day for the shareholders' meeting. Prior to that, she had no idea that something like that actually happened.

She clenched her fists, feeling her emotions spiral out of control.

"Nuan!" Shen Shixiu stood up and put his hands on Shi Nuan's shoulders. "Calm down."

Shi Nuan's body trembled. She could not hold back anymore and threw her arms around Shen Shixiu, hugging him. "Uncle Shixiu."

When I encountered any problems when I was young, it was always Uncle Shixiu who took care of me and helped me solve them. I still remember when I was a child and acted spoiled around him. He would call me Nuan helplessly.

Now, when she was at her weakest, Shen Shixiu was her anchor.

Zhou Zheng and Jiang Hu were stunned to see Shi Nuan and Shen Shixiu like this. Zhou Zheng had a calm temperament, but Jiang Hu did not.

I can't stand to see Madam running into another man's embrace. Even though Mr. Fu isn't around, we're still here.

Jiang Hu rolled up his sleeves and was just about to go over, but Zhou Zheng stopped him and shook his head lightly.

Shen Shixiu reached out to pat Shi Nuan's back, saying gently, "Nuan, you're an adult now. You have to learn to bear it, okay?"

Shi Nuan cried for a while, so she felt much better then. She pushed him away and nodded. "Yeah," she responded. However, she still felt upset.

Granddad was such a good person. What are Shi Wei and Jiang Yu's hearts made of? If it's just because they wanted to get those things, they could've spoken to me or Granddad. He wouldn't refuse to give it to them. However, they still chose such a method. "Jiang Yu, what Shi Wei did was murder, and you're an accomplice. I'm calling the cops!" As soon as Shi Nuan said that, Jiang Yu seemed to go crazy. "No, Wei didn't mean to do this. She... It was you! It was your fault. If you hadn't caused Wei to be unable to get a foothold in the entertainment industry, if you hadn't caused Wei to... to..." Jiang Yu could not complete her sentence. "If not for a jinx like you, how would my Wei turn out like this?"

"Oh? Is that so?" Zhou Zheng said coldly. "Mrs. Shi, do you still think that your daughter was framed by Madam? In that case, please look at this!"

Zhou Zheng continued to play the video. The image on the screen was of Shi Wei.

It was photos and videos of Shi Wei going in and out of major entertainment establishments. There were also videos of her going to Court Martins and places rich people went to when they wanted to play friskier. Then, there were photos and videos of Shi Wei going to the hospital because she was injured after going to Court Martins.

Shi Wei had gone to all these places alone. In other words, she reaped what she sowed.

"No, that's all fake. How can they be true? You really did everything you could just to frame Wei. You..."

"Jiang Yu, even now, you still think that we were at fault, and not Shi Wei?" Shi Nuan yelled at Jiang Yu. "You're hopeless. Look closely. Shi Wei went to all those places by herself. No one forced her to go. If you don't believe us, you can go to the police and ask them to check if it's true or not."