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Zhuang Shurong thought about it for a moment, then nodded ruefully. "Yes, but I think our son's more excellent than you!"

"As excellent as he may be, I'm still his old man!" Mu Tangchuan shot her an unhappy glance, then looked down at Mu Xiaocheng who flopped about in his arms. "Time passes so quickly. In the blink of an eye, we've all grown old. I understand how you feel. Just do as you see fits then. They plan on promoting you with a transfer, but if you don't want to leave City Z, then there won't be a chance to get promoted. There are trade-offs. I won't interfere with your decision, so you decide for yourself."

"What do you think?" Zhuang Shurong asked.

Mu Tangchuan paused, then said, "You have always had outstanding results. Many people at the provincial government department recommend you. There were probably people from the municipal committee who went to talk to you already. The disciplinary inspection department has probably done the reviews, so it's a very good opportunity for you."

"But I don't want to be transferred from here."

"If that's the case, then you'll have to give up on this opportunity."

"Mmm, that's all I can do. I'm worried about how things are right now too."

"Ah Rong, you've calmed down a lot these past few years," Mu Tangchuan said with a faint joy that could not be hidden in his tone.

Mu Tangchuan and Zhuang Shurong had been married for more than 30 years now. At first, it felt like they had married to combine their forces on the political scene, and there were not many feelings, to begin with. They just felt like they matched each other, and the two were quite compatible, so they planned to just spend the rest of their lives together.

Unexpectedly, after they got married, their relationship was actually great. Zhuang Shurong was very competitive and would even be stubborn sometimes. She often had differing opinions from Mu Tangchuan, but he was tolerant and rarely bickered with her. "Why? Do you think you've been tortured all these years?" Zhuang Shurong obviously understood what he was implying. "Am I that kind of person? What kind of capable man would be petty with his own woman?" "You're clever with your words!" 1"How else could I have survived until now?" At a certain airport in New York, USA. After a long flight of more than 10 hours, Xi Xiaye felt exhausted. Even though she had fallen asleep for a while on the flight, she was still quite worn out. She had not flown for so many hours in a long while. The last time she had done so was for their wedding last year. Xi Xiaye was technically traveling secretly, so apart from the two bodyguards with her, she did not bring anyone else along.

Late-night New York was charming. This world-famous bustling city could not compare to City Z but, once Xi Xiaye landed, she could feel a stifling sensation in the air, and she did not like this feeling.

"CEO Xi, the car's ready outside," one of the bodyguards said respectfully.

Xi Xiaye nodded gently and calmly responded, "Go straight to Chairman Mu's hotel."
"Yes, CEO Xi."
Then, Xi Xiaye walked ahead.
She had just stepped out of the airport when a cold breeze came from in front. It was fall in October. While fall was not very cold in City Z, it was much colder in New York. In fact, it had been raining for the past two days, so the temperature was quite low. Xi Xiaye was only wearing a black dress that she had on when she left City Z, so she was freezing when she stepped out.
Xi Xiaye could not help but shudder as she got into the car quickly. Then, the car slowly drove towards their destination.
It was close to midnight now, but the flourishing New York was still exceptionally lively.
Xi Xiaye had previously asked Li Si which hotel Mu Yuchen was staying at, so they did not delay their journey. When they reached the hotel, the gloomy air had another layer of moisture to it.
It was not raining heavily, but when you stood long enough, it was enough to wet your head and shoulders.
When the car drove past the hotel lobby, Xi Xiaye suddenly said, "Let's just park here."
"Yes, CEO Xi."
The car quickly stopped on the side.
Xi Xiaye hastily pulled the door open to get down while the bodyguard quickly went over with an umbrella.

Xi Xiaye lifted a hand to reject him since it was only a few steps. She did not need to be so pampered, but the cold winds that attacked her made her shiver. When she saw that the bodyguards were only wearing a shirt, she said, "I'll go over. The two of you go arrange other things."

Then, she walked ahead.

Many people moved in and out of the hotel that towered into the clouds.

Xi Xiaye stood at the staircase at the entrance and looked at the tall building that she could barely see the top of. Suddenly, she stopped walking as she felt a wave of emotions rise within her. Right now, it was hard to explain the anticipation and nervousness she felt.

She had to admit that there was a longing that gathered in her heart. It was the Mid-Autumn Festival today, but you could not see the bright moon here, with this weather...

When Xi Xiaye looked up at that dreary sky, her beautiful face broadened with a smile. She was about to walk in when suddenly a familiar voice came from behind.

"Master, the people tonight were clearly targetting Master Mo. Ah Bo has checked. They had some conflicts with Master Mo before and suffered under Master Mo's subordinates. This time, they're trying to seize this opportunity and they won't let it go!"

His anxious voice contained some anger, but Xi Xiaye could hear it very clearly!

Who else could it be but Li Si?

When Xi Xiaye heard him, she could not help but be stunned. Then, she suddenly turned around and slowly looked up.

What greeted her sight was a flash of white...

Mu Yuchen wore a dark tailored suit with a black windbreaker on his shoulders. He was walking towards the hotel while his bodyguard in black held up an umbrella behind him and Li Si carried a heavy briefcase beside him.

At this moment, Mu Yuchen's handsome face remained still. It seemed to have an added layer of intensity compared to his usual self. He seemed to look thinner too.

He passed the dim streetlights and quickly reached the staircase. Li Si and the rest followed closely behind. The row of them all looked like they had a lot on their mind.

Xi Xiaye stood quietly where she was and did not immediately make a sound until Li Si's surprised cry cut through the horizon.

"Missus! Why are you here?" His shocked voice exploded like a sudden clap of thunder in the stifling air. Instantly, Mu Yuchen subconsciously stopped walking and quickly looked up.

1Xi Xiaye's slender figure trembled slightly in the rustling cold wind. She looked travel-worn and her hair fell on her chest messily while her clear eyes were filled with a mistiness...

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When he saw the travel-worn and slightly miserable looking figure appear before him, Mu Yuchen was obviously quite surprised as well.

His profound eyes froze a little, and moments after that, there was a faint joy from the depths of his eyes. He did not need to ask anything more.

Because he knew what day it was, he kept calling her earlier, but her phone was switched off, so he had felt uneasy with worry. He did not expect her to suddenly appear before him...

If she had only come over for him, he would feel overjoyed.

Some things that he had been holding back felt an urge to be expressed right that very moment. After a momentary shock, his handsome face instantly became warm as the wind and a faint curve appeared on his tightly pursed lips as he happily stretched out both hands.

Just as he spread his arms, Xi Xiaye immediately dove head-in to his embrace. She brought a slight trembling chill with her, and her thin arms hugged him tightly.

It felt quite surreal like it was a dream. Mu Yuchen was stunned too, then he calmed down and hugged her slightly cold and trembling body. His lowered voice was raspy and sounded like he was reproaching her, "Why are you here? It's so cold. Don't you know how to put on more clothes? Why didn't you give me a heads-up?"

However, his tone was a tender one and had a hint of helplessness.

Xi Xiaye shrunk slightly and absorbed all the warmth from his chest. Her hands that circled around his waist tightened while her voice came from his embrace difficultly. "I kind of missed you, so I came...I wanted to give you a surprise..."

Upon hearing that, he chuckled and lowered his head to plant a kiss on her forehead. He said raspily, "You know how to let actions show your feelings now, Missus. You're getting more and more aware."

"I came from miles and miles away, but you don't seem very touched!" She looked up from his embrace at him. You could see the hidden bitterness in her eyes.

"You'll know how touched I am." He looked at her meaningfully and then took off his windbreaker to put it on her shoulders.

Xi Xiaye blushed at that gaze of his. She did not continue talking and only silently looked down for a while. "I'm cold and hungry now, Mr. Mu."

He then chuckled and held down the surge of emotions in his chest. "This is your true glutton showing, let's go."

Then, he put his arm around her shoulders and walked into the hotel...

Inside Mu Yuchen's suite—

Bam!
The door was quickly opened.
Li Si and the rest quietly put the documents away.
"Bring some supper over and some clothes for her to change into," Mu Yuchen ordered.
"Yes, Master!" Li Si answered, then retreated knowingly.
Bam!
The door was closed, then Xi Xiaye looked up at the man before her. She met his tender gaze, and the fireworks in his heart found a gap to be released. She could not care less about being reserved as she immediately put her arms on his shoulders and looked at him quietly, her intentions clear
"I haven't recovered from my cold yet"
They had been married for almost two years now, so they shared chemistry. Mu Yuchen obviously knew what she was thinking about.
"Don't you miss me?" While she glanced at him shyly, Mu Yuchen could obviously feel her arms trembling slightly around his shoulders. He was about to say something but did not want to. She spoke up again, "Whether or not you miss me, the sons and I miss you."
Then, she tiptoed and her soft, cool lips accurately caught his thin, indifferent lips.
He could not hold himself back as he breathed in deeply and his breath started to quicken. With the last sliver of willpower in him, he said in a raspy voice, "Didn't you say you were hungry?"

Her long hair interweaved on her chest like seaweed while her beautiful face was colored with a faint blush. Immediately, he felt...

He took a deep breath, and with considerable willpower, he carefully pulled her out of his arms. He quickly got out of bed, picked up the clothes from the floor, and casually put them over his shoulders before gently patting the blanket that he pulled open back down. Then, he walked to the bathroom.

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After about half an hour, he changed into a set of clean clothes and walked out of the bedroom all energized. At this moment, Li Si and the rest had already been waiting for a long time outside the suite.

"Good morning, Master!" Mu Yuchen had just opened the door when Li Si greeted him respectfully with two big bags of things in hand. Behind him was an attendant wheeling the dining cart with their breakfast.

"Master, these are the clothes prepared for Missus. The hotel attendants have prepared a few more. Is Missus awake yet?"

Last night, they had prepared supper, but when he sent it over, the Master had told him to go back and rest. He knew what went down, so he left knowingly.

"She's still asleep. Put the things aside first. Let's rest for a day today," Mu Yuchen sat down leisurely on the sofa and said calmly, his voice still very raspy.

Li Si nodded. He knew that the Master was being considerate about Missus. That would be good too since the Master had not rested well for quite a few days now. With Missus around, he would probably take it easier and would not work himself to the bone.

"Got it, Master! Have breakfast first. I'll get you your medicine."

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Mu Yuchen nodded as he picked up the magazine before him and began to flip through it.

"How are things on Zimo's end?" his lowered voice spoke. "He's still slowly recovering. They've done a check-up this morning. He's too severely wounded, so he needs to rest for a while more. With his current situation, the police daren't do anything to him. Right, Master, Elder Zhou called this morning," Li si said as he quickly handed Mu Yuchen the medicine. The attendant left after getting the breakfast ready. Mu Yuchen quietly took the medicine and swallowed it. "I'll call him back later." "Master, do you think Elder Zhou heard something? After all, walls have ears. If we can find out about Qi Feng and the rest, they might know something about us here too. In fact, I think that there's something strange about the incident this time. The way it has played out doesn't seem like a simple framing. An ordinary person would need a reason to do this." Li Si said as his expression turned solemn again, "Master Mo himself hasn't noticed which one was the mole." "He trusts his judgment too much. Filter through all those people and look into their background in detail again. Don't let go of any clues and note down any suspicious situations," Mu Yuchen thought for a moment, then swiftly ordered. "Yes, Master!" Li Si responded, "Oh right, Master, on City Z's end, Qi Kai doesn't seem to be doing too well. Xi Xinyi called. She wants to know what your plans are..." Xi Xinyi? When it came to the incident this time, both she and Qi Lei had been outstanding.

As Mu Yuchen thought about it, his eyes flickered, then he fell silent for a moment. "Where's Han Yifeng right now?"

"He's still in Boston. His new company's expanding there. This year, he's been running around Boston and San Francisco, but, Master, I heard Ah Bo mention that Han Yifeng will be coming to New York in the next few days. There's a discussion for a new product and the meeting location should be nearby."

Li Si knew about Han Yifeng's situation like the back of his hand because of this chesspiece, Xi Xinyi. The Master had put in a lot of thought, and now that Xi Xinyi did technically do her part well, she probably wanted to get something from him.

Han Yifeng was coming to New York?

Mu Yuchen suddenly fell silent and his dark eyes turned still too. He slowly leaned back against the sofa and seemed to ponder for a long while before he said, "Confirm his travel itinerary and try to arrange for me to meet him."

Unless Xi Xinyi could turn over a new leaf, Mu Yuchen did not mind helping her succeed. After all, she had been a useful chess piece. That also meant that on Xi Mushan's end...

When he thought of this, mixed emotions glimmered in Mu Yuchen's eyes. He did not know whether doing so was right or wrong. He should find a chance to explain all of these to Xiaye.

Obviously, Mu Yuchen's words surprised Li Si.

Li Si knew very well that his Master had not quite liked Han Yifeng, especially because the Missus had once liked him, but he had hurt Missus for Xi Xinyi. Based just on this alone, it was enough to categorize Han Yifeng as trash.

1However, the fact that the Master could let all of this go and wanted to meet Han Yifeng gave a very clear message!

"Master, do you want to consider this more? Missus is here. If Han Ylfeng sees her...he hasn't quite given up on her..." Li Si probed. He actually did not like Han Ylfeng. In fact, every time this name was mentioned, he would be filled with wary and vigilance.

However, when Li Si said that, Mu Yuchen immediately frowned and looked unhappily at him. He asked in a low voice, "Do you think that there's any part of me that can't compare to Han Yifeng?"

1His cold tone made Li Si shudder, so the latter quickly replied, "Master, you're better than Han Yifeng in everything! Han Yifeng's not as handsome as you. He doesn't have your charisma. He's not even worthy of being compared to your finger!"

1When he said that, Mu Yuchen's dismal gaze calmed down a little. He cleared his throat and quietly lowered his head, falling silent...

No matter what, every time Han Yifeng was brought up, his Master would still be unhappy.

Li Si could not help but cry over the fact that his Master would be jealous of something so old.

"I never even saw Han Yifeng as competition. Whether it's taste, charisma, or upbringing, he only suits a woman like Xi Xinyi. Don't put your Missus in the same class as someone like him."

1His temper came without a warning and his tone was harsh. Even the air was filled with faint jealousy.

"Yes, Master! I got it. I will remember! I'll make the arrangements. Don't worry, Master! On this earth, only you are suited for Missus. Look how cute the Little Master is. Only a child that Master and Missus gave birth to can...ah—" Li Si's heart tensed as he quickly answered. He wanted to give more praises, yet unexpectedly, as Mu Yuchen kept listening, his expression changed and in the next second, the magazine flew out of his hand and stopped Li Si's upcoming words.

1Shocked, Li Si shut up.

At this moment, Master Mu suddenly thought that perhaps putting Han Yifeng and Xi Xinyi together would be best. That way, he would be certain that Han Yifeng would not have the time to miss his woman since Han Yifeng seemed to have called Xi Xiaye before this.

He was a man too, and he knew very well what an action like that meant.

Flowers, calling her...all of that signified that Han Yifeng's outwardly cold but deeply passionate heart was sprouting for XI Xiaye again!

Forget about staying friends even if not lovers. Why did Mu Yuchen not stay friends with the women who liked him?

Now, as he thought about that, he seemed to have neglected Second Master Qi who has always been thinking of Xi Xiaye too!

1"Well, Master, can you guarantee that you'll persuade Han Yifeng to accept Xi Xinyi again?" Li Si asked with puzzlement.

Upon hearing that, Mu Yuchen smiled coldly. "I only promised Xi Xinyi a chance. I didn't promise her that Han Yifeng would take her back."

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Xi Xiaye woke up from a drowsy slumber. When she opened her eyes and saw the unfamiliar scene, she was momentarily confused.

Afterward, her misty eyes became clear again.

Scenes from last night flashed past her mind, and her face could not help but flush scarlet. After a while, she struggled to get up and soon noticed the clothes prepared for her on the side...

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Mu Yuchen did not go out that day. After Li Si left, he went to the study desk and took the documents from the table that Li Si had arranged. He turned around in his chair and faced the window before him before silently flipping through them.

The weather in New York was not that great that day as it was a rainy day. For it to be a rainy day during this season made it quite cold outside. Water droplets gathered at the glass windows, and when you looked out through the French window, the sky seemed gloomy.

Nevertheless, this did not affect the warmth of the room. The world seemed to suddenly quieten down, so you could occasionally hear pages being flipped or a light cough.

Mu Yuchen was fully focused. When a faint and familiar smell reached his nose and before he could react, a pair of small hands had already gently covered his eyes, so all the scenery was hidden by this pair of fair hands.

Then, the person did not say anything.

After a while, he reached up to hold those hands, then pull her into his arms while his soft voice said raspily and sensitively, "Awake?"

Xi Xiaye went along and sat on his lap. She brushed her slightly wet hair and looked at him with bright, starry eyes. "Are you still down with the cold? Has it gone on for a while?"

"Almost recovered. It's just that my throat's still hoarse. Are you hungry? Have something to eat," he responded with a hoarse voice while his handsome face brimmed with a smile.

"I'm alright, not too hungry."

"Didn't you say you were hungry last night?" He chuckled and squinted at her. His eyes were filled with a meaningful light and his gaze fell onto her fair collarbones...

When she saw his gaze, she felt her face go hot, and then she shot him an embarrassed glance. She pulled up her clothes by her shoulders to cut off his burning gaze. Unexpectedly, he only smiled and said, "What? Do you know how to be shy now? Last night, I didn't see you..."

"So much to say, hmm? You weren't shy either!"

Before he could finish, she already seemed annoyed. Her shame was turning into anger now.

He suddenly lowered his head, but he smiled without a word as his fingers very familiarly combed through her long hair.

When Xi Xiaye saw that he kept quiet, she asked softly, "What are you looking at?" Her gaze went to the document in his hand.

Mu Yuchen wanted to keep it away, but he was too late. Xi Xiaye shot him a suspicious look. "What document is that? Why are you being so mysterious? Won't you let me take a look?"

As she said that, Mu Yuchen immediately handed the document to her. He said in a low, raspy voice, "Of course not. I don't have any secrets from you. I just didn't want you to worry too much, but since you want to take a look, then have it."

Xi Xiaye pursed her lips and smiled gladly. Then, she pushed his hands away gently. "I don't want to look then. I trust that as long as you're good, we're good. I don't care about anything else."

"It's fine. Take a look. I came over this time for this too, and right now it's getting quite sticky. Otherwise, I wouldn't have been stuck here for so long," Mu Yuchen sighed and said.

Upon hearing that, Xi Xiaye was stunned. She was not too clear about the actual situation, but she vaguely knew that something had happened to Zhou Zimo over here. She rarely saw him looking this downcast. Now that she thought about it, the situation must be a tough one to handle.

She thought about it for a moment, then Xi Xiaye looked through the document, the more she read it, the heavier her expression looked. Towards the end, her brows were furrowed into a knot...

"How did this happen? Did he sustain such severe injuries? How is he now?" Xi Xiaye could not help but worry as she asked.

No wonder after her conversation with Su Chen that night, Su Chen looked worried too. He was about to curse at Mu Yuchen and Zhou Zimo.

However, right now, why did Zhou Zimo's incident seem so familiar?

She remembered that because of Gu Lingsha's drug use, she was still detained at the police station and had not been released till now. Qi Kai and the Hui Gu Corporation were affected, and their stocks fell tremendously. Now, Qi Kai was a mess.

As she thought about it, the incident seemed eerily similar to Zhou Zimo's situation.

Xi Xiaye seemed to have some thoughts. She was afraid that after knowing about the problem over here, he decided to copy it and use the same method.

Had that incident been arranged by Mu Yuchen?

Su Chen had said that at the time he only called the police over and that everything else had been arranged otherwise...

When she thought about that, Xi Xiaye's gaze suddenly froze and she stared at Mu Yuchen.

"He's conscious now. His injuries are quite severe, so he needs to stay hospitalized for observation. Otherwise, he might need to be brought straight back to the police station to be detained, and that's why before that, I need to find some strong evidence to prove his innocence," Mu Yuchen explained, the gloom in his tone evident.

Xi Xiaye paused for a while as she could not help but worry. "But if the evidence is really conclusive, I'm afraid this won't be resolved so easily. You haven't told the Zhou family people about this, have you?"

Xi Xiaye could imagine that if the Elder from the Zhou family found out about this, he would just faint from anger!

"Elder Zhou's not been in the pink of health lately, so we'll try not to mention it to him if it can be resolved. Besides, it's a good thing to keep this a secret from them. Their statuses don't make them suitable to handle this issue. This was also what Zimo was worried about."

Elder Zhou was someone who was in the military field while the Zhou family was also important in the political field and the entire family did things with extreme caution. If they knew what happened to Zhou Zimo, it would not be a good thing.

"But the truth will come out eventually..." Xi Xiaye hesitated.

"We'll take it one step at a time. Right now, the situation's not that adverse. When Zimo's recovered a little more, it'll be better for us to act." Mu Yuchen's composure returned.

Xi Xiaye breathed in and nodded. "Mmm, that's the only way. Right, there's one more thing I wanted to ask you..." she hesitated but finally could not help but ask.

"Mmm? What is it?" Mu Yuchen answered, relaxed. His long fingers were casually fixing her beautiful long hair as he said in a lowered voice, "It seems like your hair's gotten longer recently. You'll need to get it cut later on. Otherwise, it'll just be hard for you to manage."

"I don't look good with short hair, Mr. Mu."

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She turned around, her bright starry eyes meeting his and he subconsciously reached to touch her head.

Upon hearing that, Mu Yuchen only laughed softly, his sensitive voice coming through. "You're not competing with those showy young girls anyway. You're married, and you're now the mother of two children, so why do you care about those things for? You just do whatever makes you feel comfortable. Only I have the right to the ownership anyway, and I think you look nice no matter what," he domineeringly and seriously announced his right to his property.

1"Is that so?" She then laughed gently, breathed in, and continued, "Okay, I don't want to talk about this anymore. Let's continue what we were talking about earlier. You arranged for Gu Lingsha's incident, didn't you?"

When he heard that, he was stunned and a mix of emotions bubbled in his eyes as he looked at her. He slowly lowered his gaze and responded without denying it, "Isn't the answer quite obvious? I admit that it's not the best of methods, but I didn't have any other good ideas then. When Qi Lei called me, you don't know how I..."

"Okay, that's enough—" When she saw that his eyes were unusually dark, she cut him off and stopped his oncoming words with her hand.

Her gentle little face only flashed with a tender smile as she held his head and planted a kiss on his cool lips while watching him. "So what if it wasn't the best? I like that you were unscrupulous for me. If it were me, I would've done the same for you, Mr. Mu."

He paused, and moments after that, he smiled gladly. With a long arm, he hugged her tightly. "Missus, am I that important to you now?"

She immediately nodded hard, her bright eyes filled with warmth and sincerity. "Yes, very important!"

"How important? Can I take the first spot now?" he continued to ask.

"What about me? Where do I stand in your heart?"

"Apart from number one, no other spot can fit you," he answered frankly

When Xi Xiaye heard that, she could not help but feel a sourness in her heart. Some of her suppressed emotions would always be so easily riled up by him. She suddenly hugged him by the shoulders.

"Me too, Mr. Mu. For you, I sometimes wish I can give you all that I have. Even if I have to lose all my family's fortune, as long as you're happy, I will. When I want to help you, I always feel so useless. When it comes to these things, I don't know what I can do."

She knew that his persevering heart was long worn out, but apart from guarding quietly by his side, it seemed like there was not much else she could do. She was too limited in power. Even if she wanted to help with many things, it did not mean she could.

When she said that, it surprised Master Mu. He squinted and stared at her for a long while, then his handsome face blushed as he cleared his throat and lowered his gaze. He could not help but chuckle and reply softly, "Missus Mu, your love is expressed so clearly. It makes your husband feel a bit at a loss."

"Are you pretending to be all serious again?!" Xi Xiaye refuted with a glare.

He caught her hand that came at him, then he said with a lowered voice, "Okay, I told you before that I don't need you to do anything. Just stay by my side. You don't seem to be doing too well without me around. You've become thinner, and this part here wasn't that large, to begin with. Aren't you worried?" His longer fingers gently pinched her waist, and lastly, his gaze fell on her chest.

1She turned her face to the side and responded unhappily, "If you don't like it, then you're allowed to go look for bigger buns—"

"But I like your size, Missus!" Mu Yuchen immediately expressed his loyalty.

"I find that you're becoming more and more vulgar with age, Mr. Mu." She frowned and squinted at him.

At the sight of her tensed up little face, he laughed softly. "Your Mr. Mu is getting old now, and more vulgar."

"Forget it. I'll find you a younger one."

"What a heartless woman! Didn't you just say that you were willing to give me your all!?"

"I just said that to curry your favor...ah—"
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The husband and wife messed around for a bit before Mu Yuchen dragged Xi Xiaye down for lunch, then the couple finally calmed down.

"On City Z's end, Gu Qiwu and Qi Feng probably aren't doing well. Gu Lingsha's still detained at the police station, but I heard that Qi Feng's working hard at the city hall. I'm not sure if they can get Gu Lingsha out soon enough. Also, Detective Zhang hasn't gotten back with any news. There's been no news whatsoever for a while now. I tried to contact him a few days ago, but his phone was switched off," Xi Xiaye said as she opened her mouth to eat the steak that Mu Yuchen fed her.

"Did Doris do anything?" Mu Yuchen took a bite too as he looked up to ask her.

Xi Xiaye thought about it, then shook her head. "No, ever since she got the divorce from Gu Qiwu, she doesn't seem to be doing much, but because of the divorce and Gu Lingsha's incident, the Hui Gu Corporation was affected badly. I think Gu Qiwu's quite stressed out. As for Doris, I think she might just be waiting and watching. If they have internal strife right now, they'll be done for," Xi Xiaye quite straightforwardly pointed out her thoughts.

Mu Yuchen nodded and stuffed another piece of cut-up steak into her mouth.

"She's quite smart," he said, and then a sneer flashed across his face.

"Mr. Mu, you couldn't find any clues over here about that incident?" When Xi Xiaye saw Mu Yuchen's gloomy gaze, she suddenly thought about Mu Lingtian's incident.

Mu Yuchen knew what she was thinking about and the curve on his lips widened. "There's nothing this watertight. I trust my gut feeling."

"But Doris...I feel like she's too rational, and she's good at covering up too. Otherwise, if she had really done those things, she wouldn't have been able to do it so cleanly. Furthermore, by now, so much time has passed..."

"No need to be so pessimistic. I feel like we're getting closer to the truth and this is now a key time."

Xi Xiaye slowly swallowed her food. "Why don't you investigate the people that Doris had close interactions with back then?"

"Ah Bao and the rest have been doing this. Otherwise, why do you think I'd trust my gut feeling so much?" Mu Yuchen smiled and said.

Upon hearing this, Xi Xiaye had a thought and she quickly asked, "Do you have a lead?"

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He just smiled as his eyes exuded a mysterious charm. He did not deny it.

"Ah Bo found something very interesting during his investigation. Although there's still a need for verification, these hints confirmed my suspicion."

Interesting things?

Xi Xiaye frowned, but she could not figure it out. She took a sip of her juice and then said, "Well, you should still be careful. Just like you said, Doris isn't an easy opponent. I'm not sure what she'll do if she finds out.

"Regarding Zhou Zimo's matter...is there anything that I can help with? You've been staying here for so long that our son's been looking everywhere for you before he goes to sleep every night." She looked at him.

"I'll leave things over there to you. Our sons..." Mu Yuchen lowered his head and took a deep breath, "7imo can't handle it alone here. I have to look after him."

Xi Xiaye nodded. "Don't worry. I don't mean it that way. I understand Zhou Zimo and you are good friends, so it only makes sense for you to help him out..."

Xi Xiaye did not continue because she understood that while Mu Yuchen truly loved her, he was also a loyal friend. Su Chen and Zhou Zimo definitely had an important place in his heart, and it was probably the same in reverse.

Otherwise, Su Chen would not have been so angry.

Xi Xiaye gave it some thought before saying, "Mr. Mu, I support everything that you do without a doubt."

Mu Yuchen's expression was gentle as he just sliced up the steak quietly...

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Compared to the heartwarming scene here, a storm was brewing over City Z.

The long national day holidays arrived right after the Mid-Autumn Festival, so it should be a relaxing time, but there were some people who were strained.

Qi Kai was not doing well, and City B was not doing any better either. Although the market was closed during this long holiday, they could expect what would happen when the market reopened. The drop in their share prices would be shocking.

Gu Lingsha was still locked up in the police station, so Qi Feng sent a lawyer there to keep an eye on things. The police could not get anything out from Gu Lingsha, so all they could do was just supervise her.

The weather was getting cold as autumn arrived, especially during such a windy and cloudy day.

Qi Feng's mood was similar to the weather. When Morrison helped him into the police station, his expression was calm.
"Master, Missus is right inside. Her emotions are a little unstable" Morrison suddenly stopped as they arrived at the door.
Qi Feng glanced at the door before him. "Open it."
Morrison then opened the door as ordered.
Only Gu Lingsha was inside the interrogation room. She was grabbing her hair as her whole body was curled up.
She looked towards the door when she heard noises.
Her black hair was totally messed up while her pretty little face was pale and she seemed exhausted. It was obvious that her past few days had been horrible.
"Ah Feng, you're here!"
She stood up immediately the moment she saw Qi Feng and her eyes widened as she looked at him. Her gaze was filled with helplessness.
"Why are you only here now? Why did you just come?!"
Dumbfounded, Qi Feng took a deep breath and glanced at Morrison who quickly moved him closer towards Gu Lingsha so that he was stopped right opposite her.
"Leave us for now," Qi Feng looked at Gu Lingsha as he spoke to Morrison.

Morrison glanced through the interrogation room before whispering to Qi Feng, "Master, there are no security cameras here."

Qi Feng nodded and Morrison quickly left the room.

"Ah Feng!" Gu Lingsha calmed down a little after she heard the sound of the door closing. She called out to him again before speaking up angrily, "I really didn't take drugs. Those aren't mine! It must be that witch Xi Xiaye who framed me. Just look at how confident she seemed that night. She must have planned this!"

Gu Lingsha kept thinking about it these past few days. She realized that it was not a coincidence, so she came to the conclusion that Xi Xiaye had framed her!

Moreover, Xi Xiaye was the only one who could have gotten close to her that night. Who else could have hated her so much to frame her like this?

Gu Lingsha's hatred towards Xi Xiaye only grew every day, especially in the past few days. Qi Feng did not visit her at all and only got lawyers to see her. Although she had been asked to calm down and refrain from speaking too much, Doris still sent someone over to check up on her, but Gu Qiwu was nowhere to be seen at all!

"Framing...you'll need to prove that you're being framed. The police found those stuff in your bag and your blood samples proved that as well. Shasha, how can you prove that Xi Xiaye framed you?"

While Qi Feng was worried about Gu Lingsha, her unreasonable release of anger annoyed him.

"It's her! It must be her! Who else would've done that except her? Do you think there's someone else? Didn't you see how cheeky she was acting that night? She probably planned it all along! Ah Feng, you told me that you'd take revenge for me. How did things turn out like this? Xi Xiaye is fine, yet I'm stuck here..." Gu Lingsha's angry tone was filled with suspicion.

Chapter 1217. Fall Out Once Again! (3)

No matter how hard she tried to stay composed, she could not hide her frustration when she saw Qi Feng's calm manner.

How could he act so indifferently as her husband after all that she had gone through!?

1Especially now that she voiced out her complaints, he was actually unhappy with her. Gu Lingsha's patience was reaching its peak.

"Shasha, what happened to your sound mind?" Qi Feng frowned as he looked at Gu Lingsha who seemed a little frightening at the moment. "I know it's been tough for you here. Everyone's trying to get you out. However, I hope you can think about the consequences before you speak. If you don't have any evidence to prove that Xi Xiaye did it, you shouldn't have accused her! Otherwise, you'll be the one who suffers instead of her!"

Qi Feng was not wrong at all. If anyone knew about it, Mu Yuchen might use it against them. He might really get Gu Lingsha into trouble and sue her for defamation. He could even make her issue a formal apology towards Xi Xiaye in public, and things might get worse!

A detail-oriented person like Mu Yuchen was extremely terrifying! He would not let go of anything that he could use as a weapon.

While Qi Feng figured all this out, Gu Lingsha did not understand his thoughts at all, and her expression was horrible the moment she heard his words. She stared at him coldly and said, "That's enough, Qi Feng! You keep speaking of evidence, but you're just trying to defend Xi Xiaye! Did you think I wouldn't notice how much fun the two of you were having that night? Evidence? What's the evidence? My words are evidence! Are you unhappy that I speak of her like this? Who knows? You might have been the one who warned her about what might happen. And she tried to pretend to be wary, didn't she?"

Gu Lingsha slammed the table as she stood up, glaring at Qi Feng from above and sounding furious. "Even an idiot would know she did this. How could you still be defending her?"

"Gu Lingsha, I've told you that there's nothing between Xi Xiaye and me. Suit yourself if you insist that there's something going on between us! If you're so sure that it's Xi Xiaye, she came in late and never left the room after she came in, so how did she do it?"

Qi Feng was getting infuriated by Gu Lingsha. His expression darkened as he looked straight at her. "How could she get close to you and even commit those acts right under everyone's noses?"

Gu Lingsha was stunned, but instead of reflecting, her anger rose. "Qi Feng! I don't understand what benefits she gave you. Why do you keep trying to defend her?! Does she have to do it herself? Even I can figure this out. How can you defend her like it's nothing?! Do you really think that I'm an idiot? Why aren't you talking now? Are you speechless?"

Her emotions were getting out of control and tears started welling up in her eyes.

"I'm trapped in here, and you didn't even come to see me. When you're finally here, you start defending Xi Xiaye from the get-go! Qi Feng, don't forget about the conflict between Mu Yuchen and you. Xi Xiaye is his woman and Mu Yuchen loves her very much! Shouldn't you be making her suffer in order to teach Mu Yuchen a lesson? You've changed! Ah Feng, you've changed!" Gu Lingsha shrieked.

Qi Feng's expression darkened as he could not stand her anymore.

"That's enough, Gu Lingsha! Don't make this worse than it already is! What should I do to have you trust me? Xi Xiaye and I don't have the kind of relationship you're imagining. I wouldn't get close to her if not for revenge," Qi Feng raised his voice slightly, "Your emotions have been fluctuating lately. You should rest at home if you're able to get out of here safely. You ought to see a psychiatrist!"

"Are you hinting that something's wrong with my brain? Are you?" Gu Lingsha was enraged!

"I just think you need to calm down. Your sudden changes baffle me. I think you're under too much pressure and it's causing you to be stressed out. You need to calm down. Calm down! Just stay with Weiwei for some time!" Qi Feng's cold reply was mixed with disappointment.

"I don't want that! Do you think that I'm annoying now? Do you?! Now that you've almost taken over Qi Kai, you want me to get lost?" Gu Lingsha was really worked up as she stared at him!

While Doris's words flashed in her mind again, all the anxieties and fears within her gushed up all at once!

Qi Feng did not expect Gu Lingsha to think this way!

Since when did her trust towards him become so weak?

It shattered with just a little poke!

Qi Feng had a wry smile on his face. "Taken over Qi Kai? Gu Lingsha, you probably don't know, but because of you, both Qi Kai and the Hui Gu Corporation's shares are suffering terribly. We are on the verge of facing bankruptcy! Why can't you think of the consequences, you idiot? Do you think that matter was just a simple act by Xi Xiaye?"

Chapter 1218. Fall Out Once Again! (4)

Qi Feng could not take the pressure anymore and started lashing out at her. He felt exhausted. Besides the conflict with Mu Yuchen and Qi Kai's matter, what really made him stressed out was actually Gu Lingsha.

Qi Feng did not realize when he started losing patience towards Gu Lingsha.

Gu Lingsha had changed drastically since long ago. She was no longer understanding. Instead, she was getting more and more suspicious and anxious about him. She would complain the moment she ran into some issue and would act up like this when he did something she disliked.

1The company was in a mess because of her. Gu Lingsha probably had no idea how much effort he put in to solve the issues. He thought she would be able to listen to him calmly, but not only was she not understanding at all, but she also started blaming him and criticizing him...

Qi Feng was tired. Gu Lingsha was not the only one suffering from this incident, was she?

He had it rough too, but did he complain at all?

Just having to face her parents, Gu Qiwu and Doris, was enough to traumatize him.

However, Gu Lingsha did not care at all. Her heart was filled with hatred and she could not listen to anything else. She did not want an explanation from Qi Feng at all because the more she heard, the more she doubted him.

She felt odd about Qi Feng's attitude towards her recently. She found Qi Feng to be fairly trustworthy before, but that thought of hers was being challenged, especially after this incident!

"Qi Feng, I'm the one getting hurt here! You'll never know how it feels to be trapped here! You mentioned that something is odd here. What about Xi Xiaye then? I asked why she's totally fine. I didn't even know what you were trying to do. Only Morrison and you knew about the plan. Could Xi Xiaye have predicted what might've happened then? Otherwise, why didn't I see anything that I wanted to? You're disappointed? I'm even more disappointed in you?" Gu Lingsha's anger was reaching its peak and she looked at Qi Feng with a dissatisfied expression.

"You need to keep calm. It might not be a bad thing for you to stay inside. I think you need to stay calm. Your complaints are getting hard to bear, and it's not going to solve any issues!" Enraged, Qi Feng's voice was filled with anger.

"Keep calm? I'm calm! You're the one who needs to clear your mind. I'm just voicing out my doubts, yet you're already quick to defend that witch Xi Xiaye. Do you think I'm a fool? Why are you becoming like Qi Lei? Why is everyone defending her? Even my daughter is being influenced! Qi Feng, don't think that I'm a fool. You're trying to lay a path for Xi Xiaye and making Weiwei like her. Are you trying to kick me out and bring her into the Qi family? Say something!"

1Qi Feng's expression had gotten worse. "Gu Lingsha, just what nonsense are you going on about?! How many times do I need to explain that there's nothing between Xi Xiaye and me?! Stop doubting us!"

"Nothing? If there's nothing then why did you send her flowers? And why would she send you some back? Why would she give an umbrella to Weiwei? Also, why didn't I see the lesson you said you were going to teach her this time? The two of you even traded glances many times over the course of the dinner. Do you think that I'm blind? At least, give me some solid reasons!"

Gu Lingsha obviously did not believe him. In this current situation, no woman could probably face this calmly.

"You're being unreasonable!" Qi Feng did know not what to say anymore because explaining to Gu Lingsha right now was like reasoning with a mad person!

"Sure, I'm unreasonable, alright! Qi Feng, I've always been a straightforward person. If you abandon me for some other woman one day, you know what I'm capable of! I'll be sure to show that woman a lesson, and you'll regret it for the rest of your life! You hear me!" Gu Lingsha felt a strain on her chest as she stared at him coldly.

"That's enough! Shut up, Gu Lingsha! You'd better shut up before there's any proof. Simply doubting everything doesn't help, and you're even trying to threaten me now! You know what I hate the most!" Qi Feng raised his voice as he could not suppress his anger anymore.

"Have you forgotten what you said to me before? You said that you'd bear with me and protect me no matter what I do. Are those all empty words now? I bet my whole life onto you, and this is how you treat me?" Gu Lingsha was almost exploding and fire nearly burned her eyes!

Qi Feng clenched his teeth as he looked at the ferocious-looking Gu Lingsha. With anger and helplessness mixed together in his heart, he knew that it was not a good time to talk, so he took a deep breath and suppressed his anger.

"I don't want to argue with you right now. I'm just stating the truth. I hope you can calm down. I'll try my best to get you out of here, but you should really stop talking about that nonsense again. I don't think you're that stupid!" Qi Feng's eyes were cold. Before waiting for Gu Lingsha's reply, he turned around and moved towards the door.

"Morrison!"

However, before Morrison could answer, there was a loud noise.

Thump!

Thud!

Gu Lingsha flipped the table over as her furious voice echoed in the room, "Getting impatient with me, aren't you?! What do you mean by 'you'll try'? Morrison said the exact same thing last time! Or was your plan just to make me stay here?"

"I want to leave here! Right now! Do you hear me?!" Chapter 1219. Fall Out Once Again! (5) Her large movements made Qi Feng halt his movements. His body froze a little as he turned around. The table was flipped over and Gu Lingsha looked like she had lost her mind... He felt helpless and exhausted while his patience was reaching its end. "Shasha, you've changed a lot. I've never forgotten about our promise. At least, I'll still honor the promise. Otherwise, don't blame me for being heartless. You've really been challenging my patience lately. Do not push me." Qi Feng then looked away. Someone from the outside came in after hearing all the ruckus. It was Morrison and two officers. The officers frowned when they saw the mess inside. "Master, what happened?" Morrison asked carefully as he glanced at Gu Lingsha. "Let's go." Qi Feng did not answer the question. "Qi Feng!" Gu Lingsha yelled his name when he acted coldly. As if he did not hear anything, he continued to move forward. Morrison did not ask further questions and quickly followed him. "Don't go away, Qi Feng! We're not done here!" Gu Lingsha tried to follow him, but the officers stopped her.

Qi Feng soon vanished out of the door, and Gu Lingsha started crying uncontrollably... On the way back to the Qi residence, Qi Feng was silent the whole trip. His expression was grim and his eyes were filled with complexity. Morrison was observing Qi Feng from the rearview mirror. After a while, he said, "Master, Missus probably got locked up for too long and became a little too worked up. Don't worry about it. We just need to keep calm in order to solve the issue." "Morrison, what do you think about this incident? Just tell me the first thing that comes to your mind," Qi Feng said quietly as he pinched the space between his eyebrows. Morrison gave it some thought. "From what we know right now, it's not just a random coincidence. Master, our people called just now and said they saw someone at the plaza nearby. I'm sure you'll be interested in him." "Who?" Qi Feng raised his head and looked straight at him. Morrison put on a mysterious smile as he said coldly, "Su Chen! Mu Yuchen's good brother! I don't believe his appearance was just a coincidence! Someone saw him in the parking lot!" "Moreover, he also met Xi Xiaye after that! I think the incident must be related to him!" Morrison's smile grew colder. Qi Feng squinted his eyes. "So, do you mean that Su Chen is the one behind this?" "I don't know, but it shouldn't be that far off! With Mu Yuchen out of City Z at the moment, he might be

controlling things behind the scene too. We also can't rule out the possibility that Xi Xiaye asked Su Chen

for help."

"Can we find something out from the police?" Qi Feng asked.

Morrison shook his head. "They keep their mouths really tightly, so I can't get anything from them. It doesn't seem like it'll work. I can only check who was present at that time. However, I think that even Mu Yuchen can't be the one doing this. It's more possible that Xi Xiaye is behind this."

Morrison gave Xi Xiaye some credit as he still remembered that she had given Gu Lingsha some trouble before! Moreover, judging from Xi Xiaye's reaction the other day, she seemed indifferent and confident.

Morrison was inclined to think that Xi Xiaye was pushing the blame towards Mu Yuchen, but Qi Feng was not in total agreement with that line of thought.

Qi Feng laughed coldly a while later. "If that's true, she'd be a formidable foe. No wonder Mu Yuchen isn't interested in Shasha!" His heart sank a little.

1Xi Xiaye and Gu Lingsha were not comparable at all!

What good could plain beauty do?

Gu Lingsha totally lost her cool when faced with such a situation. Besides not helping, she was making things worse!

"Master, I'm sure Missus has her good points. I guess this incident really scared her and made her lose her cool!"

"You don't have to defend her. I know her better than anyone else. She's overly sensitive. You've seen how she treated me over these years. She takes action whenever any woman gets close to me. She still acted calmly, so I just let her do whatever she wanted, but Xi Xiaye was different. Mu Yuchen wasn't an easy opponent as well."

"Master, did we overestimate Mu Yuchen?" Morrison frowned as he asked.

"Overestimate him?" Qi Feng laughed coldly...

"I'm more afraid of underestimating him, he always pulls off big moves, just like how he destroyed Yueying Culture Media Company, I'm worried that we might fall into the same trap as well."

Qi Feng sighed.

"It won't happen as long as we're alert! Mu Yuchen is probably facing a mess right now. I doubt he has any time to deal with us at the moment!"

1"Let's not talk about him anymore, and don't tell anyone what we talked about today. Now, find a way to schedule a meeting with Doris. I have something to discuss with her," Qi Feng took a deep breath and said quietly.

"Doris? Master, she seems to be very concerned over Missus. In comparison, Gu Qiwu was pretty cold. Could he be giving up on Missus and prioritizing Mu Lingshi right now? I heard he's very inclined towards her!"

Gu Qiwu and Doris's actions were obvious to see.

"You should find a way to let Doris know that." Qi Feng put on a cold smile

Chapter 1220. Gentle Like Water (1)

The cold rain continued on for two days, not showing any signs of stopping in the evening the next day.

Mu Yuchen had been busy after lunch. When Xi Xiaye was beside him, she only saw him taking phone calls and looking through document after document. There were also two blonde lawyers who dropped by in the evening.

He spoke with them in fluent English. Xi Xiaye listened and somewhat figured that he wanted to save Zhou Zimo no matter what the cost was.

Xi Xiaye could not help at all, except for staying by his side and serving them some snacks.

The sky turned dark as time passed.

It was pretty boring for Xi Xiaye to stay in the room for two days. She stayed in the bedroom most of the time iso that she would not bother their conversation.

The night scene in New York was beautiful despite such weather.

As Xi Xiaye opened the window, a cool breeze brushed past her along with the fragrance of some unknown flowers...

She was missing her son, but it did not seem like a good time to call Zhuang Shurong right now. She just looked at the photos they sent over to kill time.

"What's wrong? Thinking about our son?"

1As Xi Xiaye was in deep thought, a hand appeared on her waist and embraced her from behind. Suddenly, a large hand grabbed her phone.

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"He looks a bit bigger now after not seeing him for a few days," he said gently beside her ear.

She chuckled and looked at him. "You can tell he got bigger from just that? You don't seem all concerned about them at all."

"Nonsense. Are you saying that I don't care? Didn't I always ask about them whenever I called you? There should still be some difference in treatment between the children and the children's mother. Shouldn't you be happy that I care about you more?" he said as a matter-of-factly.

Although his sons were cute, he would never tell her that she was the most important person to him. He probably prioritized himself after her too. After all, she was the one who gave his life meaning.

"Am I really that great? Do I have the potential to be a luscious woman then?" Her smile was brilliant.

"Luscious? Aside from needing to be drop-dead gorgeous, one would also need to make a man lust for them, using all kinds of tricks to keep a man's heart. How many of those do you have?" He grinned.

"Are you saying that I'm too plain?" She raised her eyebrows.

"You're not someone like that, but you're great. I've started to feel that I've been closer to the sun ever since I met you." Mu Yuchen smiled.

Her heart turned all soft as she turned around and looked deeply into his eyes. "Me too...Mr. Mu, you're...the best person to me in the world...You're so great that I feel like I own the whole world every time I think of you."

Mu Yuchen smiled. "Of course, I've told you that there's nothing but benefits when you married me, and I'll keep my end of the promise."

"Who knows?! I'm almost 30 now. Will you still treat me the same when I get old and ugly? What if my body goes out of shape after I give birth to a daughter? Every time I attend banquets or dinners, many men like to bring their young female secretaries along instead of their own partners..." She frowned and voiced out her concerns.

He put her phone away and patted her head. "What are you thinking about? You banned female secretaries around me, didn't you? Moreover, I don't like being around those women. What a big loss for me!"

"Big loss?" She was surprised.

"You know that I'm always stingy towards other women. Not only do I not send any gifts, but I also won't even treat them to a meal. I doubt women will like a man like me."

She chuckled after hearing his humorous remark! "Were you actually thinking of splitting the bill with me the first time we met?"

He smiled quietly and his arm tightened around her waist.

"You haven't answered my question!" She was looking forward to hearing his answer.

Women were auditory creatures. They would insist on hearing something being said directly.

"I kind of feel that I'm getting a beer belly lately. Are you going to abandon me because of that?" He asked her before waiting for her reply, "And didn't you say that you weren't going to have any more children?"

"But I'd still like a daughter. We already have two sons! It'd be perfect if we had a daughter!" Xi Xiaye frowned as she said.

Mu Yuchen's eyes darkened. "What if you get another son again? Even if you're not tired of them, I am!"

"It's not like we can't afford it, so why are you so against it? However, it does seem weird. Xiao Cheng is getting bigger, and we haven't been taking any precautions. Then, why..."

"Your body is frail. The doctor says you need to eat more in order to be fit for pregnancy!" he quickly interrupted her sentence.

"Really?" Xi Xiaye rubbed her belly and said, "Then, I'll have to rest well. You'd better refrain from drinking and smoking. I want to have a beautiful girl..."

"Why don't we adopt a daughter too? We should stop..."

Knowing her, she would be devastated to find out the truth about her body.

After her last delivery, the doctor had said that the chances of her getting pregnant again would be minimal. It was nothing to him as he only wanted one son, but she thought differently.

"No way!"
"Let's just leave this to nature. Xiaye, aren't you worried about whether I can stand restraining myself?"
"I'm really going to be 30 years old soon after another year. Can't you think of something else aside from those things?"
Mu Yuchen raised his eyebrows!
She was giving him a lesson instead. Who else was he doing this for? Who else had given him so much trouble before!?