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Chapter 671. I Missed You (3)

After being busy for around half the night, by the time they finished washing up and got into bed to rest, it was already past 1 a.m.

Inside the warm and comfortable bedroom, the sheer bed drapes were put down, and the lights were dimmed, leaving only a dim light from the wall lamp.

Outside, there was still a chilly shower pouring...

Xi Xiaye was obviously fond of the warm hug that she had been separated from for quite a while. Although she could vaguely hear the wind swaying gently outside, at the moment, she just felt filled with warmth.

In the dark, listening to his subtle and gentle breathing, she suddenly softly called out to him, "Mr. Mu?"

"Hmm?"

Her clear voice had just rung out when the arms around his waist tightened a little more.

"About Nannan..." she probed.

"Let's talk about it tomorrow. Rest early unless you're planning to do other things."

As he said this, his warm body inched in closer. Only God knew the amount of control he needed to tamp the surging warm blood in him down.

This little thing was getting in the way!

How long more did he have to suffer for?

At such times, Mu Yuchen would think that having one little thing was enough for the sake of his future welfare!

Of course, Missus Mu could never know such thoughts. Otherwise, she would definitely say he was...

Indeed, upon hearing Mr. Mu, Xi Xiaye did not continue. She glanced up at his tensed, handsome face, as she pursed her lips and smiled. Without saying anything, she only hugged him tight and gradually fell asleep...

When they woke up the next day, the rain was still pouring outside. Mu Yuchen considerately prepared breakfast before going upstairs to wake her up to wash up.

She had not rested well for quite a few days now, but last night, she slept soundly till the morning.

Xi Xiaye pulled her blanket away a little unwillingly as she was woken up. She half-opened her dazed eyes and looked at Mr. Mu who was preparing her outfit for her by the wardrobe. She did not say anything for a long time.

"Quickly wash up. It's almost 9 a.m. Have breakfast first and rest for today."

He brought over clothes for her to change, but when Xi Xiaye took a look, she immediately rolled her eyes. Then, she reflexively looked down at her baby bump, and Master Mu remembered she was...

He quickly chuckled apologetically. "I forgot..."

"I can't wear these clothes anymore now. Go get a few larger long blouses and a couple of windbreakers for me."

"Didn't Grandmother prepare maternity dresses for you?" he asked in puzzlement.

"I don't look good wearing those. It's usually okay to just wear those large blouses and windbreakers. Su Nan knitted a few long blouses for me too. They fit very well on me. Besides, I'm not used to wearing those clothes to work."

Xi Xiaye lifted a hand to fix her beautiful yet messy, long hair. She looked up at him standing by the bedside as she caressed her baby bump, asking softly, "Do you think I've become ugly?"

When she said this, Mu Yuchen lowered his head to plant a kiss on her forehead. With a chuckle, his tone contained a hint of reprimand. "Who said so? You only know how to think of this nonsense. As ugly as you may be, you'd still be prettier than Xi Shi [1]..."

"Are you sure?" Upon hearing that, a smile rippled on her bright and animated face.

Mu Yuchen did not answer and just patted her head. "Quickly get up and wash up. I'll prepare your clothes for you. Finish your breakfast, then we'll make a trip back to the Mu residence. At night, we'll have dinner at the Shen residence. I've already informed Grandmother and Grandpa."

She raised her eyebrows and looked a little shocked at him. Then, she could not help but snicker. "Mr. Mu, I suddenly realize that you have the potential to be a good husband."

"What do you mean by 'good husband'?" The man looked at her puzzledly.

She smiled sweetly, got up, and swiftly planted a kiss on his cheek. "I'm praising you right now!"

Before he could react, she already walked towards the bathroom. He watched as she vanished into the bathroom. Then, a faint smile flashed across his lips.

After the breakfast, the husband and wife rested for a while, then Mu Yuchen said he wanted to return to the Mu residence, so Xi Xiaye quickly went upstairs to get her things.

When he saw her bringing a huge bag into the car, he reached out to take it as he asked, "What's this?"

"Those accessories you brought back for me. I don't quite like these things, but this set looks like it suits Mother, so I'm bringing it for her. Two days ago, I told her that you bought it just for her, and she was quite thrilled to hear it. Then, she said that she hasn't been too caring towards you in recent years, so you and she aren't close..."

A light flashed in his deep eyes. He smiled faintly and looked at her as he dotingly patted her head and said in a deep voice, "Missus you're so considerate. Actually, you have the potential to be a good wife too."

"Actually, I think Mother is quite an easy person to talk to. While you weren't around, she's been very caring about me."

When he heard her say that, he suddenly remembered that he did call Zhuang Shurong, asking her to watch over her too.

To tell the truth, he had to admit that ever since he married her, his relationship with his family had become much more harmonious. He would really be as they say in the past, cold and distant. Even if they were his kin, he could not really talk much about his problems, but now it was a little different. Sometimes, he would even talk about business matters with Mu Tangchuan too.

"You're her daughter-in-law. Of course, she has to be concerned about you. If you both fell into a river, your Mr. Mu wouldn't need to choose who to save because she would've rescued you to shore."

He smiled calmly and reached out to help her buckle up, then he swiftly started the car.

"Your cold humor doesn't sound funny at all." She shot him a look and then reached out to start the radio which was going on about some news in the entertainment circle.

"Can you think of something to solve Su Nan's matter? I went to look for Gu Lingsha yesterday, but she doesn't seem to plan on letting go of Su Nan. I know Su Nan well. No matter what it is, she wouldn't have pushed Gu Lingsha down the stairs.'

Xi Xiaye's mind was still fixated on this matter.

"Mmm, I'll handle this matter. You just rest for a few days. Hand over your work next week. In the upcoming months, just rest well. Don't handle Gu Lingsha because it's about the past. If it were a coincidence, that'd be better, but if she has other thoughts, then she'd just be coming for me," Mu Yuchen said with a calm expression.

"Coming for you? Could it be about the car accident five years ago? She looks quite healthy and fine right now. There's no point to... Right, it sounds like we haven't heard about any traces of Qi Feng's tracks. Could he be dead? Does that means that only Gu Lingsha survived?"

She cocked her head at Mu Yuchen in puzzlement.

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Mu Yuchen smiled unaffectedly and remained calm as always. "If Qi Feng is dead, then everything that Qi Qiming does is still not meaningless. I know Qi Qiming well. He wouldn't have a fall out with Wang Qin without reason."

Xi Xiaye nodded. "You're right. The other day at Wang Qin's banquet, I could feel the tension between the two of them, even Qi Lei. I don't see how he can get his desired outcome. Qi Qiming's very cold to the two of them. Instead, he was very nice to Gu Lingsha. Even when it came to Su Nan's matter, Qi Qiming sent someone to handle it. That's why I'm feeling helpless."

Then, a faint hint of sadness colored the space between Xi Xiaye's eyebrows.

There was also the worrisome matter with Ruan Heng. He did not seem to be regaining consciousness soon. If he continued being like that, how was Su Nan going to manage?

When she thought about this, Xi Xiaye felt depressed and her head started to throb.

"Su Chen has already left a word. Things should be fine on Su Nan's end. Just let me handle this."

Some gloom gathered underneath Mu Yuchen's eyes and he did not look very pleased either, so Xi Xiaye knowingly stopped asking further.

When they returned to the Mu residence, it was just in time for lunch. Upon knowing that Mu Yuchen and Xi Xiaye were both coming over, Zhuang Shurong, who was also on break, had specially prepared a sumptuous lunch. However, Mu Tangshan was still at work and not home.

After lunch, Zhuang Shurong called Mu Yuchen over to the study room.

Mu Yuchen rarely talked to Zhuang Shurong one-on-one. When he knocked and opened the door to the study room, Zhuang Shurong was taking a document from the shelf to browse through. Upon seeing Mu Yuchen enter, she kept it away and put it on the table. As she took off her glasses, she pointed to the sofa across her. "Have a seat!"

Mu Yuchen nodded and then sat right down on the sofa. There was boiled water on the coffee table on the side. When he noticed it, he began to leisurely steep some tea.

Zhuang Shurong slowly walked over and sat across her.

"Has Father been busy recently?" Mu Yuchen asked first, then put the steeped tea before Zhuang Shurong.

Zhuang Shurong nodded and picked up the tea before she carefully took a sip. "It's going to be the yearend in a month. I've been quite busy with work recently. Quite a number of managers need to be promoted at the end of the year too, so he needs to spend some time looking over the applications. Sigh, every time it's this time of the year, he always needs to leave early and return late."

When Mu Yuchen saw the fatigue between Zhuang Shurong's eyes, he thought about it and said,

"Mother, if you're feeling tired, you can retire earlier too. You've been in bureaucracy for a few decades now. You must be tired of it now."

Zhuang Shurong smiled. "It's okay once you get used to it. I wouldn't know what to do if I retire so early. Your father probably still has chances of moving up, so I have to support him well. Ah Chen, a few days ago, I was talking to your father about you. All these years, we really have to thank you for your understanding." "Mother, you don't have to say these things. I understand. Glory World doesn't need the two of your help either. Just do what you do best. As for the other things, I can handle it."

Upon hearing that, Zhuang Shurong nodded and did not continue this topic anymore. She went on, "I've heard about Xiaye's friend. Xiaye's quite a meticulous person, so she didn't ask me about it. I'm sure you know that Gu Lingsha's returned to City Z too."

When Zhuang Shurong said this, her pair of sharp eyes were fixated on Mu Yuchen's handsome face. She tried hard to read something from his expression, yet after she looked for a long while, she did not see the slightest hint of emotion being revealed.

"I know that the incident has always been a thorn in your heart. Ah Chen, in these past five years, we have all been carrying this heavy baggage with us and were tormented by it. It isn't only you. I'm sad about Lingtian's misfortune too, but my heart hurts even more for you. You treat him like a brother. While they might not have treated you like one, you've been a good older brother. You were very caring and considerate which is a good thing, but have you ever thought about how even if you helped him with something, it might not have been beneficial?"

Zhuang Shurong sighed. She paused, then continued, "You've been sensible and reserved since you were young. You're very similar to your father. You never needed your father and me to worry about you. Compared to you, your father and I have put more thought about Lingtian and Lingshi. Instead, we neglected you. To a certain extent, as parents, your father and I have let you down. As for Lingtian..."

"Okay, Mother, don't talk about it anymore."

Mu Yuche could already guess what Zhuang Shurong was going to say. He could not help but cut her off. He trained his gaze on Zhuang Shurong. "With regards to all of Lingtian's past, let's not talk about it anymore. Even if he was wrong in many ways, he's gone now. I don't want to be petty about so many things. Whether or not you're willing to admit it, I do have to take some responsibility for that accident. I'd never push the blame away. I admit that it was I who told Ah Bao to chase them."

Zhuang Shurong could hear a hint of angst in Mu Yuchen's tone. His eyes dimmed. She silently looked at Mu Yuchen's gloomy expression for a moment, and then said, "Have you always known that Gu Lingsha is still alive?"

"Back then, when we didn't see her and Qi Feng's corpse, I've always had my suspicions. When Xiaye and I had our wedding, I found out that she's been staying in Los Angeles."

Mu Yuchen did not hide it. He knew that Zhuang Shurong had actually been very protective of him. At least, back then, when Mu Yinan had betrothed him to Gu Lingsha as children, she almost had a fall out with Mu Yinan. She firmly told Mu Yinan that her son would never be a sacrificial lamb for a marriage to connect two prestigious families!

For this, Mu Yuchen was thankful. If it were not for her iron fist protection, his fate would have probably ended with Gu Lingsha.

He could vaguely remember that when he was younger, Gu Lingsha seemed to always come over to stay for short periods of time in the Mu residence. While he was already in boarding school, in fact, he always did not like these little girls, so every time he heard that Gu Lingsha was staying over, he would mostly run over to Su Chen and Zhou Zimo's place. Instead, it was Lingtian who met her more often, thus it was no wonder they became good friends.

Zhuang Shurong nodded and set her cup aside. "When I went to the hospital for a checkup with Xiaye, I saw Gu Lingsha too. She hasn't changed much from years ago, but the feeling she gives me right now is that she was much shrewder. She's probably taken on a different mindset compared to years ago. Most importantly, she's Qi Qiming's assistant."

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When Zhuang Shurong said this, her expression was slightly solemn. She silently watched Mu Yuchen's handsome face and paused for a while. When he did not answer, she continued, "I won't say too much. I just hope that you will be more vigilant. I've never agreed for the two of you to be together. Right from the start, even though your father and I are in high positions, we're in a very sensitive situation. We can't give you anything. The only thing we can fight for you is that we hope for you to have a happy marriage."

"I watched Gu Lingsha grow up too. All these years, I could tell that you didn't have her on your mind, so I knew. Actually, back then when you agreed to marry her, I'd personally went looking for her, hoping that she could leave you because I could not see a hint of love in your eyes. Ah Chen, I'll never be afraid to admit the things that I've done. I know what kind of person my son is. If you're still blaming yourself for Lingtian's incident, then I'm afraid I can't run away from the responsibility either." When Zhuang Shurong finished, Mu Yuchen was stunned for a moment. He suddenly looked up at her, his depth-filled eyes suddenly filled with mixed complications. Then, he looked away and picked up the teapot before pouring some tea for Zhuang Shurong again as he said, "Why did you look for her? Since I've nodded and agreed to marry her, I have my own plans too."

"Because I think that she doesn't suit you, Ah Chen... Even though everyone should have their own love and no one can imitate anyone else, I still hope that you could be like your father and I. You are the combination of your father and me. I hope that you can be happy too. While Gu Lingsha is extremely shrewd, there's also the relationship with the Gu family too."

Zhuang Shurong sighed softly. "Back then, when I went to look for her, I struggled for a long time too, but my father didn't stop me."

"I clearly told her that even if she married into the Mu family, I wouldn't acknowledge her. In fact, I was firm on not having her work at Glory World Corporation. I've long noticed Gu Qihao is wildly ambitious. Otherwise, he wouldn't still let Gu Lingsha and Qi Feng have their unclear relationship while knowing that Gu Lingsha was your fiancèe."

Even though Zhuang Shurong was not a businesswoman, she was still someone who had hustled in the political scene for many years. Plus, with her position, she held extraordinary vigilance and was very careful doing all things. She could not afford the slightest mistake. This was how as a woman, she could hold such a high position and did not have a single scandal.

She had always been like this. As long as she realized something was odd, she would make a move first and not let it develop into a disaster. Even Mu Yuchen admired how firm and decisive she was in doing things.

"So, Ah Chen, I probably can't run from the responsibility of Gu Lingsha eloping before her marriage. When I went to look for her, Lingtian found out. You also know even though Lingtian has been calling me mother for all these years, he's not close to me. I even flung a cup of coffee onto Gu Lingsha's face, and Lingtian saw it all."

Upon hearing Zhuang Shurong, a puzzlement flashed in Mu Yuchen's eyes. He looked calmly at Zhuang Shurong and said in a gruff voice, "What are you trying to say by telling me all of this?"

Zhuang Shurong suddenly smiled. She lowered her head for a sip of tea, suddenly seeming relieved. "Ah Chen, don't you understand?"

"You're saying ... "

"Lingtian has liked Gu Lingsha for a long time. Tell me. How can I let a woman like her marry into the Mu family? Am I going to let you two brothers fall out with each other? Lingtian is already prejudiced against you, isn't he? I've been trying to guess why as the older brother, you've been protecting Lingtian while he... Then, I personally saw Gu Lingsha cry in front of him because of the marriage to you."

Zhuang Shurong's tone was filled with certainly as Mu Yuchen's gaze darkened and he stopped what he doing. "But Lingtian told me that he only saw Gu Lingsha as a sister and that he'd never had any other thoughts. That was why I agreed."

Zhuang Shurong did not respond this time. She only smiled.

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Not long after lunch, the husband and wife went looking for Shen Yue, but they did not go straight to the Shen residence. Instead, they agreed to Shen Yue's request and went to a golf course near the residence.

Shen Yue and Mu Yuchen decided on playing a few games of golf.

Xi Xiaye had never really played before. Usually, when she came looking for Shen Yue, it would just be to watch him play.

Unexpectedly, now she would watch Shen Yue and Mu Yuchen play rather jovially. Shen Yue was far more meticulous with Mu Yuchen than her as the granddaughter. When she thought about this, Xi Xiaye felt melancholic for some reason, but seeing them happy was worth it.

Xi Xiaye lay on the lounge chair leisurely as she turned to the side to watch the drizzle outside the French windows. Suddenly, the man's voice came into her ears. When she subconsciously turned to look, he had already walked over and swiftly sat down beside her while Shen Yue was already resting on the other side.

She reached out to take the golf club.

Xi Xiaye looked puzzled at the golf club in hand as she muttered, "I don't quite know how to play it yet..."

"Didn't I teach you before? Have you already forgotten all about it?" As he asked her softly, his tall and warm body had already leaned down to take away the golf club from her hand. "You can't play right now, but I'll teach you next time."

She nodded and then handed a glass of warm water to Shen Yue. "Grandpa, have some water."

"Okay."

Shen Yue drank two sips, and then looked at the couple. "I've carefully considered the South River project. Since the two of you recommend Qi Lei, then tell him to prepare the proposal in another two days. I want to meet him personally. If he really is as you say, then it's possible for us to work with him."

Upon hearing this, Xi Xiaye was shocked. She quickly looked at Mu Yuchen, knowing that he had recommended Qi Lei to Shen Yue.

"Ah Chen, I've taken a look at the materials you sent over. Qi Lei's background in construction is pretty solid. If Fuhua can maintain a long term working relationship with him, it's not a bad thing. It's good to have someone like Qi Lei on our side. You can set aside personal grudges and partner up for the benefit of all. Ah Chen, you did well."

Shen Yue acknowledged Mu Yuchen with recognition. The more he saw this grandson-in-law of his, the more he was satisfied.

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Mu Yuchen nodded humbly at Shen Yue's words. "Okay, I'll invite him tomorrow."

"Let's meet next weekend. Have him to come and play chess with me. Not many youngsters know how to play nowadays!"

Shen Yue took a towel from the waiter and wiped his face before grabbing his walking stick and standing up slowly. Then, he started ambling outside. "Let's go home. This rain isn't stopping anytime soon."

Mu Yuchen helped Xi Xiaye to get up and they followed right behind the elderly man.

The sky turned dark when they returned to the Shen residence. A strong wind was blowing outside, but it was warm inside the house.

The servants were about to prepare dinner, but Mu Yuchen and Xi Xiaye wanted to make dinner themselves, so the servants left the kitchen to them.

"Mr. Mu, sometimes I think Grandpa would feel lonely here, so I thought why don't we adopt a child from the orphanage? Having a child to stay with Grandpa could ease his loneliness. My parents are coming back soon, but they'll be teaching at University A, so they can only spend time with him on the weekends. With Grandpa's retirement coming up soon, he'll be staying at home alone, so..."

Xi Xiaye suddenly stopped what she was doing and gave him a look that was asking for permission.

"Have you told Grandpa about this already?" he asked.

She nodded as her eyes sparkled and she gazed downward at her belly. "I also hope our child can experience a fulfilling childhood just like you and Ah Mo. I think it'd be great, unlike me being an only child."

He laughed and then turned around to look at her. "Do it if you want to. I'll get people to research orphanages. Then, we'll head over and take a look if we find anyone suitable."

He was glad to comply! With just one child of theirs, it would be nice to have a playmate for their child.

He was heartbroken to see her suffer during her pregnancy. He also did not want her attention to be divided too much because he required attention too!

Xi Xiaye was overjoyed to receive his approval, and she nodded her head repeatedly.

He shook his head helplessly.

What an easily satisfied woman!

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The dinner was soon laid out. There was nothing extravagant, just some home-cooked dishes.

Shen Yue had a few drinks as he was really pleased. Just as Xi Xiaye was about to remind Mu Yuchen to stop as he needed to drive later, his phone started ringing. Mu Yuchen shot her a knowing glance and she quickly picked up the call.

"Master, Ms. Su Nan passed out in jail and is now on the way to Hospital T. What should we do?" It was Ah Mo's voice.

Xi Xiaye's face turned pale instantly. She frowned and all the worries inside her surfaced.

"What's wrong?" he asked when he noticed something was not right.

Xi Xiaye was not herself as she grabbed his sleeve and said frantically, "What should I do? Ah Mo just called and said Nannan passed out. She's being sent to Hospital T..."

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The two of them rushed straight to the hospital before they could finish dinner. Xi Xiaye called Ji Zitong over to help monitor Ruan Heng's condition. With him still in an unstable state right now, both the Ruan family and the Su family were a mess.

Su Nan's father tried to ease things by using his connections, but Gu Lingsha's side was toying with them. They said to wait for the police's verdict and wait until Gu Lingsha's condition became better, yet Su Nan still had to be arrested for the moment.

It was pitch dark outside when they just arrived at Hospital T. A heavy downpour was going on.

Ah Mo and the others went up to them as they just got out of the car.

"Master, Missus!"

"What's the situation?" Mu Yuchen asked as he walked into the hospital with Xi Xiaye.

"Doctor said she passed out from being overly anxious and exhausted. She cannot take on anymore shock or she'll definitely crumble," Ah Mo replied as he brought them into the elevator.

Su Nan had turned extremely skinny in just a few days. She appeared lifeless on the bed, and Xi Xiaye felt a chilling cold when she grabbed her hand.

Su Nan's mother's eyes were already red from all the crying.

Mu Yuchen stood aside without saying anything. Moments later, he turned around and left the room while Ah Mo followed him.

Outside Su Nan's room, Mu Yuchen asked Ah Mo with a serious expression, "What did the doctor say about Ruan Heng's condition?"

"Still the same. It all depends on his willpower or he might be asleep like this forever. It's not looking good," Ah Mo said as he handed an investigation report to Mu Yuchen. "Missus had me conduct an investigation on what happened. Both sides were at fault. It's hard to conclude Gu Lingsha's intentions."

Mu Yuchen flipped through it and his expression darkened. He threw the report onto the bench as a chill filled his tone of voice. "Get Ji Zitong to send your sister-in-law back to Maple Residence. Bring Gu Lingsha here to see me."

He stormed off along the corridor after he gave his orders, his cold figure leaving Ah Mo shuddering. After working for him for so many years, he knew that his Master was truly furious this time.

"Yes, Master, I'll get it done right away!" Ah Mo replied and quickly gestured to the bodyguards behind who came up to him. He quietly gave them orders before the two of them nodded and then went away.

Inside Su Nan's room, she was gradually waking up.

"Nannan, how do you feel?" Xi Xiaye held her hand and asked anxiously.

Su Nan struggled to move her body. She blinked and looked around before asking, "Xiaye? Where am I? Why am I here?" She was suffering from a terrible headache as she formed the words.

"You're in the hospital. You passed out. The police are still outside," Xi Xiaye answered with a concerned frown on her face.

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Su Nan's expression darkened while she lowered her head in silence.

"Your body is frail and you passed out due to exhaustion. Mu Yuchen talked to the police and they agreed to let you recover here. We'll deal with the other things later on. Don't worry about it. Ruan Heng is already in that condition and you definitely cannot crumble now. What would Xiao Chenxi do?" Xi Xiaye expressed her concern.

Su Nan took a deep breath and nodded. "I know. Thank you, Xiaye. I'm fine. It's really late now and there's a huge downpour outside. It must've been tiring for you to come over. I've thought things

through during the time I spent inside. I still have to live on. Being weak right now doesn't help. Don't worry. It's time for me to stop being emotional, I know."

Xi Xiaye patted her hand. "It's great that you can have that attitude. It's not the end of the world. Rest up and continue to wait for Ruan Heng to wake up after dealing with your issue. If Gu Lingsha insists on giving us trouble, we'll pursue the legal path. I've told Mu Yuchen to get you the best lawyer, so you'll be fine. Don't worry about it."

"Mmm, I believe in you! I'll put myself in your hands! It's cold outside. Being pregnant doesn't help either. You shouldn't visit this place so often. It's filled with germs which are harmful to you. I'm fine here. My parents are here with me! Besides, Lingshi comes and visits me every day. I'll let you know if something happens. It's time for you to go back now. Be careful on your way back."

Su Nan shot Xi Xiaye a glance of gratitude, but at the same time, she was chasing her away, asking her to leave.

Xi Xiaye was really worried about her in the past few days. Her face obviously showed she was exhausted, and Su Nan felt bad for it.

"That's right, Xiaye. You should head back and not force yourself. I'm here. I'll be sure to let you know if something happens." Su Nan's mother was grateful.

Ji Zitong, who had been keeping quiet this whole time, went up and whispered to Xi Xiaye, "Director Xi, Chairman Mu told me to send you back to Maple Residence. He'll make the arrangements here."

"What about him?" Xi Xiaye turned around and noticed Mu Yuchen was not there anymore.

"He had something important to take care of. Let's go back, Director Xi."

Xi Xiaye nodded quietly and bade farewell.

The night was getting late, and the rain was not stopping at all.

Inside a suite ward, Gu Lingsha was having her sweet dreams when there was a loud noise when the door was flung open.

Bang!

She instantly woke up shocked as she looked towards the door.

Two men in black suits were standing beside the door. Shocked, she quickly covered herself with a blanket and shuddered. She tried the suppress her fear and asked coldly, "Who are you guys? How dare you intrude my room?"

The two bodyguards ignored her. Soon after that, another person came in. Before Gu Lingsha could react, he was already right before her.

Ah Mo!

Gu Lingsha recognized him instantly! He had appeared as Xi Xiaye's bodyguard at Wang Qin's birthday banquet.

If Ah Mo was here causing a scene, was Mu Yuchen there?

Had Mu Yuchen returned?

Gu Lingsha's clenched her fists under the blanket, hiding the faint light in her eyes under her eyebrows as she looked at Ah Mo quietly.

Ah Mo was very close to Mu Lingtian before, so Gu Lingsha was no stranger to him. Especially after he became Mu Yuchen's assistant, Mu Yuchen sent him to deal with Gu Lingsha on many occasions.

To a certain extent, Ah Mo was very unhappy about Gu Lingsha.

"Long time no see, Ms. Gu! Master has put in a lot of effort trying to locate you all over the years. I didn't expect you to make an appearance on your own." Ah Mo walked closer and stopped at the end of the bed.

"It's you!" Gu Lingsha did her best to suppress her fear and put on a calm expression as she looked at Ah Mo with the help of the dim table lamp. "It seems like Mu Yuchen's returned, huh?"

"Aren't you basically asking for Master to meet you after you did all those things? Master has seen through all your tricks. I advise you to stop putting up an act."

Ah Mo did not have a good impression of Gu Lingsha at all. Lingtian would not have died if it was not for her, and Lingshi would not have turned out like this. He tried to be nice to her for Lingtian's sake, but ever since Lingtian's accident, he never had any positive thoughts about Gu Lingsha.

Gu Lingsha laughed when she heard Ah Mo. "I can see that you have quite a huge misunderstanding about me. I heard Mu Lingshi was disfigured. I thought you'd hate Mu Yuchen, but I didn't expect you to be so forgiving."

Ah Mo stared at Gu Lingshi like he was looking at an idiot. "Ms. Gu, your tricks might prove to be useful on Qi Lei, but if it weren't for you, Lingtian and Lingshi would've still been fine. Don't you think I should direct my hatred towards you instead?"

Gu Lingsha's expression was strained as she glanced at Ah Mo's cold face. After a while, she asked, "Did Mu Yuchen send you here?"

"If you already know, then please follow me. I'm sure you've longed to meet him. Master is angered due to your selfish and idiotic behavior, so I hope you can be smart for once. Master hates people threatening him like this," Ah Mo replied coldly.

Gu Lingsha smiled and leaned back, relaxed. "Oh? Really? What if I say I don't want to meet him at all?"

"That's not for you to decide!"

Ah Mo stopped trying to convince her. He signaled the bodyguards and the two swiftly went to the side of Gu Lingsha's bed. They forcefully pulled her out of the bed. Just as she was about to scream, Ah Mo interrupted, "Feel free to scream if you want the whole world to see what you look like now!"

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Gu Lingsha stopped the moment she heard Ah Mo. She looked at him coldly and said, "Let me down. I can walk on my own!"

Ah Mo shot her a cold glance before signaling the bodyguards again. They then released Gu Lingsha.

"Please go ahead!" Ah Mo said coldly before heading forward.

Gu Lingsha's expression turned cold as she glanced at Ah Mo. While the two bodyguards behind her did not move, she went forward with a cold smile on her face.

She did not think they would be able to just take her out of the hospital like this!

As expected, after turning the corner at the end of the corridor, Ah Mo walked towards the elevator, but two black figures blocked his path. There were two massive bodyguards before him! They stood there between Ah Mo and the elevator.

"Where do you think you're taking Ms. Gu to?" asked one of the bodyguards coldly.

"Move!" ordered Ah Mo as his expression turned cold.

The two bodyguards traded glances at each other before stepping forward.

"Don't make me repeat myself for the third time! Move!" Ah Mo frowned as he threw a cold glance at the two people before him.

"I'm sorry. You guys can't take her away unless CEO Qi gives his permission!" the bodyguards replied.

"Really? What if I insist on taking her?" Ah Mo put on a cold grin as he looked at the two of them. They moved in closer and was determined to stop Ah Mo.

Ah Mo's eyes turned icy as he moved forward swiftly. He swung his arm terrifyingly fast. Before the two of them could react, Ah Mo already had his claws firmly locked onto their shoulders!

They felt an intense and sharp pain coming from their shoulders, and their faces turned pale. Just as they wanted to attack Ah Mo, he punched them first. They yelled and backed off slightly.

"Can we go now?" Ah Mo glanced at them. "Go back and tell CEO Qi that Chairman Mu wants to see her. He can come if he dares to."

The two bodyguards behind Gu Lingsha moved forward and secured her. As her face darkened, she could only follow Ah Mo.

The heavy rain continued pouring as they arrived at the entrance of the hospital. She only donned a jacket on top of her outfit, so she shuddered as the cold wind blew while the anger within her grew stronger.

However, Ah Mo and the others did not feel a thing. They pushed Gu Lingsha into the car the moment it arrived. He went in and they left.

Gu Lingsha stared at Ah Mo who was sitting in the front passenger seat as she asked, "Where are we going?"

"You'll understand once we reach there," Ah Mo replied coldly.

"Didn't you work for him all these years? What right do you have to treat me like this? If it wasn't for Mu Lingshi and you chasing together with so many other bodyguards, the tragedy wouldn't have happened. You're partly responsible for Lingtian's death as well!"

Gu Lingsha let out a bitter laugh. "How funny! Each and every one of you are murderers, yet you guys assume the position of victims and blame everything onto me. What have you done for Lingtian all these years after his death? He probably never expected his life to end at the hands of his brothers!"

Ah Mo's expression turned furious as his expression darkened. He did not say a thing.

"Mu Yuchen is a coward. He always acts all high and mighty, yet he was the main cause of this tragedy. He's the cruelest one of all."

Gu Lingsha's voice sounded bitter and her eyes teared up, but she forced herself to not let the tears fall. She took a deep breath. "You're not worthy of being Lingtian's brother, even more so Mu Yuchen's."

Gu Lingsha then turned and looked out of the car window.

Ah Mo closed his eyes and calmed down as he suppressed the pain and sorrow deep down within. He suddenly felt sad. He was sad for his Master.

Master had never complained about giving out so much. Was there any time that he would not let Lingtian and Lingshi get the good stuff first?

Master was extremely strict with himself, yet he was very generous with the people close to him. If Zhuang Shurong and Wang Hui had not insisted on him going back, Master thought about staying in the army. The huge Glory World Corporation might have been handed down to Lingtian instead.

Master had always said that the experience in the army life was invaluable. Only Su Chen and the few others understood that what Master really wanted was a simple life. He never had a relaxed day ever since he took over Glory World.

Mu Lingtian had always been a smart person since he was a child. He possessed talents and interest in business and was always involved with Glory World's business after he graduated from high school.

Mu Tangchuan and Zhuang Shurong thought of him as their own son. Sometimes, they treated him even better than their own son. Ah Mo could not imagine it. Could an outsider be more important than his own brother?

She even said that the Master was not worthy of being Mu Lingtian's brother!

Ah Mo's heart was in agony for his Master.

Along the way, Ah Mo remained silent no matter what Gu Lingsha said. He harbored a sudden disgust towards her all because this woman had sullied his Master's pure image.

Roughly forty minutes later, the car came to a stop on the road beside the river.

Ah Mo left the car and opened the door beside Gu Lingsha. As the cold wind and rain gushed in, Gu Lingsha's body shivered but Ah Mo did not seem to care.

"We're here. Get down!"

Gu Lingsha shuddered once again as she wrapped her coat tighter around her. She quickly went under Ah Mo's umbrella as he turned around and moved forward. "Master is in the sheltered booth ahead. Follow me!"

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The lights by the river were very dim. Amidst the swaying wind and rain, the biting gale that whistled past was exceptionally chilly. Gu Lingsha pulled the coat around her tighter as she followed Ah Mo. They walked through the misty rain before they reached the booth very quickly.

At the staircase of the booth, a few black-suited bodyguards were standing there expressionlessly. She looked up and saw a dark figure standing by the guardrail, the hem of his windbreaker fluttering in the wind. His tall figure looked bleak and indifferent.

"Master, she's here." Ah Mo's deep voice was heard.

Mu Yuchen lifted a hand gently and nodded. Ah Mo knowingly waved the bodyguards aside.

Gu Lingsha looked up. Because she was cold, she was still shivering as she carefully protected her injured arm. She stared unmovingly at the stiff back. After a while, she slowly walked up the stairs. A complicated light flashed in her beautiful eyes, and her voice could not conceal the coldness in her voice. "It's you!"

"It's been a while." Mu Yuchen's lukewarm voice was heard unhurriedly.

"It has been a while! We haven't seen each other for five years, right?" Gu Lingsha walked a few steps to Mu Yuchen, then stopped and sneered. "It's been five years. I heard that you've been looking for me. Should I feel honored that you have been thinking of me?"

Mu Yuchen did not answer. He just stood frozen as he tapped the railings before him. Then, he looked down at the silver waves bobbing on the surface of the river while hostility gathered between his brows.

"Why aren't you saying anything? I don't think you told them to bring me here just for you to stand there!" Gu Lingsha's tone was a little aggressive, as she stared at Mu Yuchen.

He fell silent for a moment. Then, his deep voice suddenly came, but he did not turn to look at Gu Lingsha. "The past is between us. It's got nothing to do with anyone else. Don't drag others in. Su Nan didn't push you. You fell down the stairs yourself."

When Gu Lingsha heard his accusation, a cold smile flashed across her exquisitely beautiful face. "What? You just don't want me to go after Su Nan? Or does your heart hurt seeing Xi Xiaye all wan and sallow, and you can't bear it? How surprising that Mu Yuchen would have such a day too! I thought that you should at least be apologetic right now, or ask me about what happened years ago!"

Just as she wished, Mu Yuchen asked calmly, "Where's Qi Feng?"

Gu Lingsha sneered again with hatred in her beautiful eyes. "Gone! Like Lingtian, he's gone!"

"Is that so?" When Gu Lingsha said that, Mu Yuchen finally turned around slowly. His profound eyes looked exceptionally icy underneath the dim lights. Gu Lingsha could not help but be stunned at this sight. His noble and handsome face was apathetic as always. "All of this is your fault! Are you happy now?"

Mu Yuchen smiled with an indifferent expression. "So, this time you've come back for revenge? With Qi Qiming's help?"

"Huh, revenge? Do you know what you've done that makes me want revenge? Mu Yuchen, I've never met a more despicable and cruel person than you! The funny thing is, you don't seem to have reflected on those horrible things you did. I admit that I was wrong too, but you dare say that all you did was right? It was all caused by your indifference and cold-bloodedness!"

Gu Lingsha did not hide her pained expression. When she thought about Lingtian, Qi Feng, and her child that she was forced to give up on, she was torn with grief. The pain was suffocating.

"My fault? I was just agreeing to the Gu family's strong wishes, and fulfilling the promise of our marriage contract. Weren't you begging to join the Mu family then too?" Mu Yuchen smiled with disdain. Underneath the flickering lights, it made the cold smile on his face even more obvious. "I remember back then when you were with Qi Feng, I did let you two be together. It's not like I, Mu Yuchen, have to marry you. When I was still serving the army, I already told you two it very clearly."

As he said this, her expression stiffened slightly.

"I did give you two a chance, but you just didn't want it. You went away with Qi Feng while being my fiancèe. On account of the Mu and the Gu families' relationship, I could forgive you once, but you failed to appreciate my kindness. You had to ruin this relationship and put all the blame on me, so please ask yourself, is there anything as convenient as this?

"Since that is so, why did you agree to my father and were willing to stay, yet afterward you..."

Gu Lingsha's intense eyes fell onto Mu Yuchen. The rain made it chilly and her voice was broken by the cold wind, yet you could still hear the way she endured the struggle and pain from her tone.

"If I didn't agree to it, would Gu Qihao be willing to just let things go? Weren't you lot already intent on being connected to the Mu family by marriage?"

Mu Yuchen looked at Gu Lingsha disapprovingly. "If you're back to take revenge for these things, you can always come for me. Don't involve Xiaye or anyone else around her. Otherwise, you'll meet the consequences."

"And if I don't? You have your brother's blood on your hands, so what right do you have to say this to me? Don't forget that if it weren't for you, the tragedy wouldn't have happened! While you just lay all the fault on me and Qi Feng, you don't even know what happened! Huh, what a joke! What is there for me to say to someone as cruel as you? Since you can guess the reason for my return, I don't have to hide it either. I'll make you regret treating me that way years ago!" Gu Lingsha calmed down now, and she looked at Mu Yuchen with a disdainful smile.

"Are you?"

Mu Yuchen looked at her with interest, then gave Ah Mo a glance. Without him needing to make a sound, Ah Mo and the rest had already come up, and held her back without a word, dragging her down the stairs by the river...

Swoosh!

Gu Lingsha only felt herself freeze. The cold river water recklessly invaded all of her being, and she almost could not breathe. Struggling desperately, in that one instant, she almost felt herself inches away from death!

Pff!

"Cough cough!"

When the suffocation was about to drown her, the hand that pushed her down from above pulled her back up, and she vomited out a lot of water in a sorry state as she coughed uncontrollably. Her eyes were filled with the fear of death.

"Now, are you clear about who you're talking to?" Ah Mo's cold voice brushed past her ears, and Gu Lingsha quivered again.

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Her hurt wrist rippled with pain again, and Gu Lingsha almost want to cry out in pain, yet she held it back!

As painful as it was, she could handle it. This little sting was nothing to her. After going through such excruciating suffering, she had already trained for powerful endurance and strength.

"Kill me if you can. I'm not afraid of dying!" Gu Lingsha coughed in a dismal state. Her head of beautiful long hair was damp. Even though there was still a hint of fear in her eyes, she was unyielding.

"I didn't know that you were like this, Gu Lingsha, but if, as you say, I am a despicable person, how could I only have one trick up my sleeves? Obviously, I wouldn't kill you. After all, I am one who appreciates life too."

Mu Yuchen looked down at her. His eyes were filled with gloom. "But if I hand these things to the media, how do you think you'll end up? Or what would Qi Lei think of you? I'm afraid Wang Qin wouldn't let you off so easily, would she?"

Mu Yuchen smiled mysteriously and reached out to take the folder Ah Mo handed him. He took two photos out from inside and brought it to Gu Lingsha.

Taking them for a closer look, Gu Lingsha's expression immediately distorted and turned pale!

Those pictures were of her and Qi Qiming being intimate. Actually, those photos were not true. They were just taken from a unique angle, so it looked extremely real. Like the one before her, Qi Qiming was talking to her with his head tilted and one hand on her shoulder. It looked like the two of them were being affectionate.

"Nonsense! This isn't real! How dare you frame me? Where did you get these pictures! Where!?"

Gu Lingsha's expression sank. Her beautiful eyes were furious. Instantly, she tore those pictures to shreds and threw it at Mu Yuchen!

"I'm just beating someone at their own game, Miss Gu. Why are you so worried?"

On the side, Ah Mo held her down as he chuckled coldly and took the folder Mu Yuchen handed him. He was not gentle at all as he let go of Gu Lingsha.

"This is rubbish! Uncle Qi and I are innocent. How dare you recklessly smear our names!? Mu Yuchen, if you dare start rumors, I won't let go of you! I definitely won't!"

Gu Lingsha's eyes widened and were red as she looked at Mu Yuchen through gritted teeth!

If these pictures were leaked, forget about her reputation being destroyed. Even Qi Qiming would be affected, and everyone knew he was currently fighting to the death with Wang Qin now. He had finally gotten the upper hand. If these were to be leaked, Qi Kai's shares would probably be affected!

This man was straight up cruel!

He went big once he gunned for it!

Mu Yuchen did not care about Gu Lingsha's anger at all. He smiled with an apathetic expression, and elegantly fixed his slightly wrinkled sleeve. "Su Nan's innocent. You thought that Su Nan pushed you because you were dizzy. Those policemen saw it wrongly. Tomorrow, I want to see the police revoke the case. Otherwise, you know that I can do far worse than this. I believe that with Qi Qiming's capabilities, he can definitely pacify this without a sound."

"You're threatening me!" Gu Lingsha clenched her fists tightly as she said through gritted teeth.

Mu Yuchen turned away nonchalantly with a smile. "That's right. You can think so. Go and tell Qi Qiming, or perhaps that person that has been manipulating you in the dark so that they can play the game, and I would play with you, but they have to know the rules. If they don't, I can teach them a lesson!" he said, then slowly walked down the stairs. He looked at Gu Lingsha who had fallen on the

stairs with her fists clenched tightly. Smiling nonchalantly, he then walked past her while a black-suited bodyguard quickly went up with an umbrella.

Just as Mu Yuchen's figure was about to vanish in the rain, Gu Lingsha suddenly shouted at his back, "Mu Yuchen! Back then, was it your idea to let Lingtian stay?"

Mu Yuchen did not slow down. The one who answered indifferently her was Ah Mo instead. "What do you think? Do you think I was really willing to try marrying you for three months? Are you worthy?"

"What do you mean I'm not worthy?! Mu Lingmo, you're just a lowly orphan. If you can marry Mu Lingshi, why can't I be a proper heiress compared to you? It's best if you consider your words when you speak. The ironic thing is Mu Yuchen even spoke about rules! Do you understand them?"

Gu Lingsha could not handle such provocation. Even an outstanding man like Qi Feng idolized her. While Lingtian took extremely good care of her, here she was being loathed. The rage and dissatisfaction were clearly hard to stop.

"You'd better go back and discuss with Qi Qiming how to pacify this matter. Otherwise, I'm afraid that tomorrow you will see those unknown stories about you and Qi Qiming in all the papers and magazines..."

Ah Mo pretended he did not hear her as he grinned coldly and took a picture out from the folder before tossing it at Gu Lingsha. "We learned this from you. Master says he's honored that he had caught the essence and used it on you. Well, the effects should be great."

Then, Ah Mo followed Mu Yuchen.

Inside the cold booth, Gu Lingsha was left in a pathetic state. He picked up the picture that fell before her to study it. Then, her eyes instantly turned cold, and her pale face could not conceal a pained expression. The chill she felt all over was mixed with intense pain. She could not help but feel dazed.

She held her little face in anguish and the suffering that suppressed in her chest almost flooded out.

All these years, not only had she suffered the pain of loss, but she even had many nightmares. Every time she closed her eyes, she would see that scene of the badly mutilated body that flashed in her mind.

The instant the car had flown out, Mu Lingtian jumped to her and protected her with his body. Next, a splash of red sprinkled across her face...

Those broken scenes kept on getting interweaved in her mind. With that suffocating fear of a neardeath experience, she still had lingering fears. She would always be awoken by those nightmares at night. She would hear Mu Lingtian's painful cries in her nightmares, screaming for her to save him, and her poor child, and Wei Wei...

The more Gu Lingsha thought about it, the more she was afraid. She shrunk into a fetal position, engulfed by the hazy rain, and with the sound of the river lapping against the banks, she almost broke down!

All of this was Mu Yuchen's fault!

Why did she have to suffer from all of this pain? Why could he continue living peacefully and happily?

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When Mu Yuchen reached the car, several sources of light came from the quiet path ahead. The strong lights came closer as there was a loud screeching of brakes.

"Master!" Ah Mo came forward and stood before Mu Yuchen.

Mu Yuchen just looked at the cars as he squinted.

Soon, he could see the two black cars with the help of the dim street lamps. Ah Mo tensed up as he glanced back at the bodyguards. The four of them surrounded Mu Yuchen as they looked at the cars vigilantly.

The car lights were left switched on. Mu Yuchen waved and signaled Ah Mo who looked forward alertly before glancing back at him. "Master, it's dangerous!"

"It's alright." Mu Yuchen stepped forward and looked calmly at the person walking towards them.

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"Master, it's Qi Qiming!"

Ah Mo frowned the moment he saw who was coming. "They are here for Gu Lingsha!"

Mu Yuchen did not say anything. He just looked at Qi Qiming as he came closer. A smile spread across his face when Qi Qiming was roughly five steps away from him. "What a coincidence to see you here, CEO Qi. It's truly a pleasure."

Qi Qiming's eyes darkened. "Pleasure? I don't think so! Chairman Mu, you have the interest to stay out in the rain, huh? The hospital called me in the middle of the night, informing me that you took my people away without my permission. Isn't that a little rude? Ms. Gu is a VIP of the Qi family. I have to be responsible if anything happens to her."

"We're just old friends reuniting. How can you say that?"

Mu Yuchen smiled. "I can see that CEO Qi is concerned about Ms. Gu. Is there going to be any celebration in the Qi family? Please let me know if there is. No matter what, Qi Kai and Glory World are partners now. I'll definitely prepare a gift for you."

Mu Yuchen gave Qi Qiming an elegant nod, but before Qi Qiming could reply, he continued, "It's getting late. The scenery around here is great. Please help yourself, CEO Qi!"

He then went into the car. Ah Mo and the others hopped into the car swiftly as well.

Qi Qiming watched as the car drive away. He only realized the meaning of Mu Yuchen's words moments later. His expression darkened as he said coldly, "Cheeky brat! Go and take a look at Ms. Gu quickly!"

"Yes, CEO Qi!" the two bodyguards replied before walking towards the sheltered booth.

A while later, the two of them came back with a weak Gu Lingsha.

Gu Lingsha struggled out of their grip when she arrived before Qi Qiming. Although her outfit was completely drenched, it could not cover her stunning beauty.

"Lingsha, are you alright?" Qi Qiming looked at Gu Lingsha with concern.

Gu Lingsha shook her head as she put on a bitter smile. "I'm sorry, Uncle Qi. I've made you worried. I'm fine..."

Before she could finish her sentence, cold wind invaded her lungs and she started hacking profusely. Qi Qiming glanced at the bodyguard beside him, and the bodyguard quickly went into the car to grab a blanket and put over Gu Lingsha.

"I'll make sure Mu Yuchen pays for this! You haven't fully recovered yet. Get in the car now. I can't face your parents if you condition gets worse!" Qi Qiming's eyes looked concerned.

Gu Lingsha endured the surrounding cold and the pain on her shoulder. She took a deep breath and nodded. "Okay, thank you, Uncle Qi!" She then quickly boarded the car.

Qi Qiming ordered the chauffeur to increase the temperature of the air conditioning before they moved.

Qi Qiming turned towards Gu Lingsha and asked, "What did Mu Yuchen talk to you about?"

"Nothing much. Please don't worry about it. He just asked me about the car accident five years ago! Lingtian's death must've been a big impact on him. I heard he never gave up searching for Qi Feng and me! Moreover, I heard that he went abroad after that accident and only returned to City Z last year."

"I'm sure it's uncomfortable for him. I know he has been tracking me from a while ago. He found your tracks because of my carelessness. Otherwise, you wouldn't have been found so quickly." Qi Qiming blamed himself.

Gu Lingsha shook her head and gave Qi Qiming a grateful glance. "You don't have to blame yourself, Uncle Qi. I decided to come back anyway. It's all good now. By the way, how're Qi Feng and Wei Wei?"

"Things are pretty tough lately and I can't go to see them personally. I got a call yesterday. Wei Wei got admitted into the hospital again. I'm sure it'll be fine with Qi Feng by her side, but she asked for you when she woke up." Qi Qiming sighed.

Gu Lingsha's face turned pale as she seemed heartbroken. "It's all my fault. I'll find a way to go and see her again after her condition has stabilized."

Qi Qiming nodded as his expression looked grim. "It'll be fine with Xiao Feng there. It's a quiet place and I'm sure it'll help with the recovery. It's about time for Xiao Feng's checkup too. The chances of his recovery depend on this. Wang Qin has been keeping an eye on me, so I can't get away. It'll be extremely disadvantageous for Xiao Feng if she finds out about him. I'm afraid I'll be forced to stay in City Z for a while. You shouldn't take any reckless action as well. Mu Yuchen is keeping an eye on you, so be careful."

"I know. Don't worry, Uncle Qi! I hope there's a chance this time. Otherwise..." Gu Lingsha's eyes were filled with pain. "Otherwise, I really don't know what else to do! Qi Feng is a prideful person. It's been very difficult for him to get through all these years, and with Wei Wei's condition..."

"Alright, don't feel too sad about it. Mu Yuchen will taste suffering some day. Some day!" Qi Qiming patted Gu Lingsha on the shoulder and comforted her.

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Gu Lingsha took a deep breath and nodded as she suppressed the pain and bitterness deep inside her. She teared up slightly as she looked at the rain outside the car window.

"Every time I think about the pain and struggle both Wei Wei and Qi Feng are going through, I feel like a knife is slicing through my heart. It's horrible. Lingtian passed away. How can he live his happy life like this?"

Qi Qiming's expression darkened as he spoke in a heavy tone, "It's been tough for you guys over the years."

"Uncle Qi, forget about Su Nan. Let's leave her alone," Gu Lingsha said suddenly moments later.

"Leave her alone? Why? It's such a rare chance! You underestimated Xi Xiaye's place in Mu Yuchen's heart. He won't have it easy if we give his woman a hard time. Didn't you see that Mu Yuchen abandoned his work there and rushed back immediately?" Qi Qiming put on a cold smile.

"Uncle Qi, just who is this Xi Xiaye? How is she able to influence a cold person like Mu Yuchen this much? I thought Mu Yuchen would never lay his eyes on any woman! I found out from Yue Hai that Mu Yuchen put in a lot of effort for her. Take Qi Kai's subsidiary company, Yueying Culture Media company as an example. That's his work, isn't it?"

Gu Lingsha only knew Xi Xiaye was Mu Yuchen's wife. She thought she knew enough about her so-called ex-fiance!

No ordinary woman could move such a cold person's heart. His two best friends were similar to him as they never took women seriously. Only women like Mu Lingshi and Su Chen's sister, Su Yu, could pique their interest a little. That was why she disliked Su Chen and Zhou Zimo.

She had come into contact with Xi Xiaye the other day. Sure, she had an imposing manner, but so what? She was just another decoration!

"Don't look down on Xi Xiaye! That was my negligence. I should've at least told you about Mu Yuchen's condition in the past few years. Xi Xiaye is the daughter of City Z's ex-mayor. Her father is Xi Mushan, and her mother is a professor at University A. The CEO of Yueying, Xi Xinyi, is her sister from a different mother. The Xi family was still well and alive before she married Mu Yuchen. She's currently the Planning Director of Glory World. Mu Yinan recognized her ability, and she proved her mettle by getting to this position at such a young age."

Qi Qiming knew about Xi Xiaye from Yue Hai. He was not paying any attention to Xi Xiaye as all his focus was placed on Mu Yuchen!

"Although I've never dealt with her before, I can only say that she's not ordinary at all judging by how much attention Wang Qin is giving her lately. On the other hand, Mu Yuchen's attention towards her is really odd. Moreover, she's pregnant with his child now!" "I know, Uncle Qi. I'll keep an eye on her. Moreover, Lei seems to be concerned about her as well. I'm really worried Lei will turn on us for her sake. As for Aunt Wang, it looks like the misunderstanding between the two of you is getting worse. I'm really worried. Lei is a nice guy. He longed for your love too, Uncle Qi. If possible, I hope you can spare more time for him so that..."

"It's Wang Qin's fault, isn't it? Qi Lei has never thought of me as a father, so it's time for him to suffer! You don't have to worry about him. If he's at least half as understanding as Xiao Feng, it'll be easier for me! He's just like his mom, going against me about everything. Huh, what an unfilial child!"

Qi Qiming's expression darkened further when Qi Lei was brought up.

"Don't be angry, Uncle Qi. Qi Lei is still young. I'm sure he'll change one day. You have to treat Lei better so that Aunt Wang won't always be in conflict with you... Alright, we shouldn't talk about these things now! Please inform the police tomorrow that I remembered I fell off the staircase accidentally and that she didn't push me." Gu Lingsha quickly changed the topic when she noticed Qi Qiming was getting unhappy.

Qi Qiming frowned, but Gu Lingsha continued as he was about to say something, "Su Nan is in a really tough spot. Just think that you're acting as a kind deed for Wei Wei's sake. I pity her since her husband is in such a state after all."

Qi Qiming nodded. "I'll do as you wish then."

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The car drove past quickly in the night and arrived at Maple Residence a while later.

Mu Yuchen got out of the car and straightened his outfit a little before locking the car and heading into the house.

He saw that the lights in the living room were still on as he entered the house. It must be her.

As expected, the TV in the living room was still on and Xi Xiaye was switching channels with the remote control as she sat on the sofa. She turned her head over when she heard the sound of the door opening.

"You're back!"

When she was getting up, her hand slipped and she almost slipped back onto the sofa. He quickly rushed over and gave her a hand. His expression was strained as he scolded her, "Be careful! Stop being so clumsy when you're pregnant!"

There was some sweat on his forehead as Xi Xiaye laughed. "Don't worry. I'm not that weak! I heard that a lot of women in rural areas still work hard even when their due date is near."

"That's because they are healthy and hardly get sick, but how can you compare your frail body to theirs? You've become so skinny in just two months." Mu Yuchen stared at her and helped her to sit down. His frantic tone calmed down as he touched her little face.

She smacked his hand away before taking off his windbreaker for him. "I'm not that weak. It's fortunate enough that I'm still healthy. Where did you go? How did you get yourself all wet?"

"I just walked around. Did the little guy do anything to you today? Let me see..."