

Loving 681

Chapter 681. Father's Prenatal Education (2)

He took off his wet windbreaker as she wished. Then, he closed in and his hand caressed her baby bump. He could feel the faint warmth through her skin. Stroking the bump, he chuckled. "This little thing is luckier than I am."

When Xi Xiaye heard his comment, she immediately glanced at him puzzledly with her brows raised. She waited for him to explain, yet he only gave her a meaningful look.

Perhaps because it could feel its father's warmth, the little fella in Xi Xiaye suddenly moved, and the father-to-be could very obviously feel the movements. His handsome eyebrows went up as he looked delightedly at her. A dazzling smile flashed on his face as he gushed, "It moved!"

Xi Xiaye rolled her eyes and set aside his windbreaker. Then, he gently covered the back of his hands. "It has been doing that for a while. It can now hear your voice and feel your movements. You've been absent for two months, so it probably can't recognize you now."

"How could it not? Haven't I been by its side a few months ago? It can't be that forgetful. Let me take a look..."

"You have to speak to it. That way, it can recognize your voice," Xi Xiaye reminded.

Mu Yuchen stared at the baby bump for a long while, and then looked up at her. He did not say anything for a long while.

"Hurry. I've been going to these maternity stores and I see other fathers-to-be all eager, unlike you at all. From tonight onwards, you have to read stories and sing songs to it... Look, I've already bought storybooks!"

When Xi Xiaye finished, Mu Yuchen was stunned!

Storytelling was fine. No problem!

But singing...

He glanced at the so-called storybook she handed him. They were "1001 Arabian Nights", "Aladdin" and so on.

His child would not want to listen to such silly stories!

He took them and then tossed them aside. Then, he leaned down and gently tapped Xiaye's belly, speaking seriously, "Baby, I'm your father. I haven't seen you for more than two months now, and I miss you. It's my fault for neglecting you and letting you suffer from your mother with low EQ using such stories to torment your ears. From now on, with me around, you don't have to listen to your mother. Just listen to Father... because Father is a good person."

Master Mu had just finished when he suddenly felt a cold aura from behind him. He subconsciously glanced up at Xi Xiaye and realized that she was glaring at him. He silently thought about it for a while, then continued with his head lowered as he caressed the belly again. Helplessly, he continued, "Your mother's pretty good too. When I wasn't home, listen to her."

When the little thing in the belly got all excited, they would react even more when they felt its movement. Right then, it was causing quite a ruckus. Mu Yuchen could seem to see it reaching out with a little fist through that loose sleeping gown. It was probably baring fangs and brandishing claws from the inside.

Xi Xiaye pulled his hand away and shielded her belly. "I suddenly wish for this one to be a baby boy. He'll be close to me, so at least, when you bully me, he'll protect me. If it's a daughter, then she'll definitely obey you more."

"What foolish thoughts do you have? When have I ever bullied you? Missus, when the child is born, we have to be more democratic. It's pretty good being their friend too. You shouldn't be too clingy to the child. I'm worried that you'll spoil it, especially if it's a boy. Got it?"

Master Mu was clearly hinting, 'Missus, your focus should still be on me. The baby's just secondary.'

Of course, he would not say that. He would never.

“I don’t want to. How do you know I’d spoil them? I want to gain experience and lessons, raising our child to be a gentle and cultivated, wise person. In fact, he must be close to us as parents. Apart from being blood-related, we should be a mentor and a friend that he or she can talk to and have heart-to-heart chats with.”

As Xi Xiaye spoke, her tone turned gentle. She tugged at Mu Yuchen’s hand. “So, I hope you will do the same too.”

He smiled and slid up to pat her head before pulling her into his embrace as he softly said, “Your wish is obviously my command, but I must state that you should just leave the child’s education to me. Your thoughts should be more focused on me. The relationship between us as parents is the most important to the child’s growth.”

She blinked her dazzling eyes and looked up from his embrace, as she asked gently, “Well, then, Mr. Mu, do you think we’re happy right now?”

He smiled without a word and lowered his head to give her a soft peck on the lips before carrying her steadily and walking towards the stairs. “What do you think?”

She smiled and put her arms around his shoulders. After some thought, she then said evenly, “My happiness began with a certain someone...”

He paused and gazed down, his eyes locked on her bright and loving face. He grinned evilly. “Who’s that certain someone you’re referring to?”

“Who do you think?” Xi Xiaye raised her brows and smiled faintly at him.

Joy flashed across Mu Yuchen’s handsome face. He hugged her tightly and chuckled. “Who else could it be but me?”

“Mr. Mu, this time you’ve misunderstood. I’m talking about the little thing inside me.”

“Really?”

“Mm-hmm!”

“Aah!”

With the sound of a cry, then came the sound of the door closing.

They returned to the room and messed around for a bit before Mu Yuchen went to shower while Xi Xiaye fulfilled her potential of being a good wife and prepared his sleeping robe for him. She put away the clothes that he had taken off and tossed them onto the chair.

When Mu Yuchen got out of the shower, Xi Xiaye was not in the bedroom anymore. His clothes were set aside on the rack by the door. He swiftly put them on and then walked to the study room.

Indeed, inside the study room, Xi Xiaye was tidying the desk. When she saw him come in, she said, “The stuff that I’ve been working on here is quite complex. I might need a little more time to arrange everything. Help me write my appicate for maternity leave. It’d be good for the Planning Department to be prepared in advance.”

“I’m worried that you’d be too busy rushing for the year-end. Just let me know if there’s anything else undone. You can just let me know any details that I’ve missed out. You’ve been working hard. The quarterly meeting concluded rather well. I should add your name in for an award at the end of this year.”

He chuckled, and then reached out to take the book in her hand before putting it back onto the shelf.

“What award? I’m afraid I’d be super pregnant by then. It won’t be convenient for me to be there in person. But if it isn’t valuable, I won’t accept it!”

Chapter 682. Disappointed (1)

Early the next morning, Mu Yuchen and Xi Xiaye were just as how they were before he left. They woke up together, and after a simple breakfast, the husband and wife made their way to the office.

When Mu Yuchen personally walked Xi Xiaye to her office, the staff in the Planning Department saw the Chairman accompanying her. They were very excited for a long time. They barely caught a glimpse of their Chairman Mu, so it was rare for someone like him to be at their department in person.

However, all of that was thanks to their Director Xi who allowed them to have the honor of witnessing their Prince Charming in action.

“You’re only allowed to work for an hour. Arrange the matters, then come upstairs. I’ll tell Li Si to get you.” Mu Yuchen helped her to her chair, and then put her handbag onto the table.

“It’s fine. You go up too. There are many things piled up on your desk. I’ll have to make a trip to VP Zhang Lan. Let’s meet at noon.”

Xi Xiaye pushed him away. She felt like this man was treating her like a fragile ceramic doll right then.

He lifted a hand to fix her slightly messy hair as he asked, “What do you want to eat for lunch? I’ll get them to prepare it for you.”

When Xi Xiaye heard his question, she thought about it quietly and turned to look at the misty drizzle outside her window. She touched her belly and suddenly turned to look at him pitifully. “I want to eat hot pot, the one I brought you to the other time. I haven’t been there in so long.”

“We’ll go over after we leave work earlier at noon. Is Ms. Ji not coming to work today?”

“She’s been working hard for many days in a row, and you’re back anyway, so I told her to rest well for two days. She hasn’t been in a great mood these past two days. I heard something happened at home. She seemed anxious.”

Mu Yuchen nodded. “Let her rest for two days then. Okay, I’ll go up first. Just call me if there’s anything.”

Xi Xiaye nodded obediently, then Mu Yuchen planted a kiss on her forehead before leaving her office.

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“Master, we received news from the police station. Gu Lingsha has decided not to look into the matter anymore. She said she fell down the stairs herself, and that it had nothing to do with Miss Su Nan.”

Mu Yuchen had just walked into his office and sat down at his desk when Li Si carefully came over to report the latest piece of news.

Mu Yuchen leisurely stroked the cufflink on his sleeve as he nodded calmly. “Contact the people in Hospital T. Get them to see if there’s any way we can get Ruan Heng to regain consciousness. If it really can’t be done, get them to try contacting other hospitals around or hospitals abroad. As long as we can get Ruan Heng to regain consciousness, I’ll do my best to satisfy any condition.”

Li Si nodded. He hesitated for a moment, then said, “Master, Master Qi from Qi Kai has also been paying attention to Mr. Ruan’s condition. He’s been running around the hospital. I heard that he even personally met with the Vice President of Hospital T, hoping that he can find a way to help Mr. Ruan. In fact, I heard that he personally persuaded Gu Lingsha not to go after Miss Su Nan.”

Mu Yuchen reached out to take a document from the side. He asked as he browsed through it, “Has he been visiting Gu Lingsha often at the hospital?”

Li Si shook his head. “I heard Ah Mo say that he doesn’t go often. He just told his assistant, Yang Sheng, to watch over her. Instead, he did visit Mr. Ruan a few times.”

“Help me ask him out. Get him to make a trip to my office.” One could not read any expression on Mu Yuchen’s face as he just calmly said this. With his gaze lowered, he began to read through the document in his hand.

“Got it, Master! Right, Master, Ah Mo told me to hand you this. He wants me to ask you about how we should handle it.”

As Li Si said this, he handed the folder over, Mu Yuchen just looked up at him for a glance. He thought about it momentarily and then replied nonchalantly, “Give it all to Gu Lingsha. Tell her that I hope this will be the only time.”

“Yes, Master! I’ll go right away!” Li Si responded, then quickly retreated.

When Yang Sheng knocked on Qi Lei’s office, Qi Lei was focused on working on a proposal.

“Master Qi, last night, Chairman Mu got Ah Mo to take Miss Gu away from the hospital,” said Yang Sheng carefully as he walked to Qi Lei’s side.

At that moment, Qi Lei was sketching on a blueprint with a ruler in his hand. When he heard Yang Sheng, he paused and then continued what he was doing. He drew a straight line on the blueprint as he asked, “Old friends catching up?”

Yang Sheng shook his head. “Master Qi, it’s probably about Miss Su Nan’s matter. This morning, I heard that the whole incident was a misunderstanding. Now, it’s said that it was Miss Gu who fell by herself. Also, last night, Miss Gu returned to the hospital in CEO Qi’s car, and CEO Qi has even especially arranged for two bodyguards to ensure her safety now.”

“Mu Yuchen? He’s back?” Qi Lei finally stopped what he was doing and looked up at Yang Sheng in shock.

“Yes, last night, he returned to City Z. Earlier, his assistant, Li Si, even called to make an appointment with you. Chairman Mu’s wondering whether you’re free to make a trip to Glory World tomorrow. He has some things to talk to you about.”

Qi Lei nodded. “Just tell him okay. Wasn’t the old man having dinner at the Qi residence to entertain his gang of scoundrels? How did he know Mu Yuchen went looking for Shasha?”

“Master Qi, didn’t you forget that CEO Qi arranged two bodyguards for Miss Gu?” Yang Sheng reminded.

Qi Lei’s handsome brows suddenly furrowed into a knot while he pondered for a while. Then, he said calmly, “Since when did Shasha become so close to the old man? Didn’t my mother make you think of ways to spy on the old man’s office phone or get a copy of his handphone chip? Did we find out anything?”

“Master Qi, it isn’t easy. If CEO Qi isn’t in the office, he doesn’t permit anyone to enter, and this is on top of Master Qi’s vigilance. Our people can’t get close to him at all. Recently, Yue Hai has even been speaking rudely to VP Wang. It looks like they are really disregarding VP Wang more and more. Master Qi, you might as well save Glory World as your bargaining chip. If you can get the Fuhua project, then that would be fantastic, especially if CEO Shen personally appoints you to be in charge.”

Concern rose within Qi Lei. Based on the current situation, Wang Qin was at a disadvantage. One could have foretold that from the banquet then. They had hardly made it with Glory World when Qi Qiming brought the Gu family out. Given the relationship between the Gus and the Qis, advancing mutually would be a guarantee.

Both were of equal importance. He really did not know what Qi Qiming was up to!

Chapter 683. Disappointed (2)

Qi Lei could not help but feel troubled. He lifted a hand to massage the fatigued space between his brows as his eyes dimmed a little. After a while, he nodded and said in a deep voice, “Got it. You go out first. Right, remember to send a bouquet of violets to Shasha.”

“Master Qi, aren’t you going to visit Miss Gu today? She asked about you this morning,” Yang Sheng asked softly.

Qi Lei lowered his gaze to hide the faint loneliness in his eyes. “No, I’m a little busy these few days. Tell her to take care.”

“Yes, Master Qi! Master Qi, today is Master Yi’s birthday. Do you want to...”

“No, just help me prepare a gift and send it over. Next time, don’t trouble me with these little things. You can go out now!”

Without waiting for Yang Sheng to finish, Qi Lei suddenly flipped out frustratedly and tossed the pencil in his hand aside. He shot Yang Sheng a cold glare, causing the latter to tremble slightly in fright. He quickly bowed and left the office swiftly.

Yet, Yang Sheng was puzzled.

Did Master Qi not used to like these lively occasions? Why did he suddenly notice that Master Qi seemed to be acting differently in these past few months? He rarely stepped foot in all those pleasure-seeking, bustling places anymore. Now, apart from going to work and going home, he rarely went elsewhere. Otherwise, he would be at the city library. He really did not know when Master Qi had begun to be so serious and hardworking.

However, VP Wang was proud to see him like this.

After Yang Sheng left, Qi Lei took a deep breath and controlled the emotions that were about to flood from his chest. He smiled a little self-mockingly and was about to pick up his pencil to continue the unfinished work when unexpectedly, his phone buzzed.

He picked it up. The call had just gone through when a cold voice came from the other end. "Come to my office."

Before Qi Lei could answer, the other end had already hung up.

Qi Lei's gaze was gloomy as he stared at the phone that had already returned a busy signal. He smiled coldly and nonchalantly tossed the phone back before he continued to pick up the pencil and got to work again as if he did not receive that call.

Nonetheless, a short while later, Qi Qiming's secretary personally came to get him. "Second Master Qi, CEO Qi would like to make a trip to his office."

Her cold voice was just like Qi Qiming's and lacked the slightest hint of warmth at all.

Qi Lei then went coldly.

When he pushed the door open to enter, Qi Qiming was sitting at his desk, watching the swimming fishes in the tank with his back facing him.

"What do you need me for, CEO Qi?"

Qi Lei stopped before the desk with a demonic smile pasted on his handsome face, he looked to Qi Qiming, his tone was light, that smile still had a frivolous tone to it.

Qi Qiming frowned as unhappiness flashed in his eyes. He said with a deep voice, "I heard that you've been getting along quite well with Glory World's Director Xi, haven't you?"

The corner of Qi Lei's lips immediately curled up as he laughed softly. "You have to be careful with your words. If someone else heard it, that wouldn't do you any good. After all, she is the wife of Glory World's Chairman. What you mean by getting along quite well is just a transactional interaction. You should say that I have business dealings with the couple, and now they are friends that I can eat and drink with."

As Qi Lei said this, he walked to sit down leisurely on the sofa and then shouted for his secretary outside to bring him a cup of coffee.

Upon hearing that, Qi Qiming's gaze darkened and he said coldly, "Don't you understand what kind of relationship the Mu family has with us Qis? Your brother's mishap is all because of Mu Yuchen. You have to remember that..."

"Enough, old man, you don't have to use these incidents. The mishap happened to Qi Feng and not to me. Every debt has its debtor. If you want to take revenge, then you can go look for Mu Yuchen yourself. What does it have to do with me?"

Before Qi Qiming could finish, Qi Lei had already carelessly cut him off. "These grudges only involve you all. I'm just an outsider, and I don't want to be a weapon that you can use. I can't do it. It's best if you don't waste your time on me."

"What are you saying, you unfilial son? Try saying it again!" Qi Qiming's entire face had clouded over by now. When he was at the receiving end of such disrespectful behavior, he was furious!

Still, Qi Lei ignored his fury and sneered. "You've said these things a thousand times and they're still the same. Even if you're not sick of it, I am. I never hoped for anything from you. The Qi family's prospects are tremendous. If you really don't like me, you can just make up an excuse to kick me out. Why do we have to loathe each other? Don't look at me all indignantly. I know that you hate my mother and me

too. You're really such a bastard! Since you hate my mother so much, you shouldn't have slept with her. If you hadn't slept with her, then you wouldn't have had me. Now, we wouldn't have been in such a mess either. I heard you even called my mother cheap. I'm sure after that you were cursing yourself for being even cheaper, right?"

"Shut up, you unfilial son!"

Before Qi Lei could finish, Qi Qiming had already flung a glass at him. His face was twisted in disgust.

Qi Lei smacked the glass that flew towards him away. With a crash, the glass shattered all over the floor. The demonic smile on his face grew wider. "Are you that ashamed of being angry? If you're a man, then you should own up to your actions. I must've destroyed the ancestral tombs in my last life to have a father like you, and that's how I ended up being reincarnated here. I know that Qi Feng isn't dead. Since you support Qi Feng so much, I've got no opinion. I just hope that you won't drag me into all of your problems. Can you fulfill this one request?"

Qi Lei did not care about Qi Qiming's darkened expression. Instead, he looked up and stared at him. "I just want to work quietly and comfortably live life. This shouldn't be too tough a request, should it? And my mother's just a woman who's been married to you for decades now. She's never asked you about all your affairs outside, and she's never humiliated you. I just don't understand it. As her husband, can't you just yield sometimes? Would it really kill you?"

His words made Qi Qiming's dangerous expression even more tensed. He was about to say something when Qi Lei had already gotten up with waning interest.

"Okay, I don't want to talk about these things anymore. If you really want to leave Qi Kai for Qi Feng, then do it. I won't fight for it. Just don't make life hard for my mother anymore. She's just a woman who hasn't had it easy. She's never enjoyed much since she married you. I hope that you can let her go. It's fine if you divorce her too. If you're worried, I can write a letter of guarantee to give up on my right to the inheritance. Next time, if it's nothing urgent, don't keep asking me to come up here. I really don't like your space."

He glanced at Qi Qiming without a care although his face still had that faint, charming smile of his.

Chapter 684. Hatred

Qi Qiming's expression was terrible. His pupils dilated as he glared at the cheeky Qi Lei. Just as he was about to say something, Qi Lei shrugged and turned towards the door to walk out.

Qi Qiming stood up and just watched as Qi Lei disappear outside the door. His gaze was complicated. However, disgust filled his eyes suddenly when he thought about Wang Qin, and his expression turned cold again.

When Qi Lei walked out, he saw Wang Qin standing aside calmly. A faint light flashed past in her eyes. She seemed worked up, a little smug, and slightly irritated altogether. There were a lot of mixed feelings within her, so she was not sure what to say at the moment.

Qi Lei just took a short pause before continuing to move forward again.

She turned towards Qi Lei and called out to him, "Xiao Lei!"

Qi Lei did not reply or stop. He marched into the elevator and took a deep breath as the door closed. Then, he slowly closed his eyes.

Startled, Wang Qin's eyes darkened as she took a deep breath. Moments later, she returned to her usual self before entering Qi Qiming's office.

Inside the office, Qi Qiming was gazing at the door quietly. His eyes darkened when he saw Wang Qin enter, and he sat down.

"Why did you ask Xiao Lei to see you?" Wang Qin stood before Qi Qiming's table and asked while giving him a cold stare.

Qi Qiming just glanced at her before turning his back to her. "What now? As CEO of Qi Kai, can't I ask a subordinate to report the company's progress to me? Don't forget. Do you think you would have had a son without me?"

Qi Qiming's voice sounded annoyed, making Wang Qin's expression shadow quickly. "Qi Qiming, you're such a bastard!"

Instead of getting angry, Qi Qiming started laughing. He turned his chair around and studied Wang Qin who wore a cold expression. Standing up, he stared at her over the table. "Did you make him give me that speech? Give up on inheriting Qi Kai? Do you think I'm stupid? You're such a greedy, self-absorbed woman. You were giving me such a hard time at the meeting two days ago. Do you think I'll believe two of you now?"

Wang Qin cackled as her tone turned sarcastic. "It doesn't matter if you believe me or not, but I know you won't just let it slide. Qi Feng will never be able to take over Qi Kai as long as I'm alive! I would rather destroy everything than let you bastards enjoy it!"

Qi Qiming clenched his fists as veins popped up on his forehead. He walked over towards her. In response, she took a step back but he was quicker as he grabbed her jaw and ruthlessly said, "Repeat what you said just now!"

Wang Qin did not cower even though her jaw was in pain. "I'll say it as many times as you want. I'll never allow you bastards to enjoy these while my son loses everything. Kill me if you can!"

Qi Qiming let out a cold laugh and nodded. "Great, just great! Wang Qin, I almost forgot that you've never taken me seriously, you evil woman! I'll see what you can do now! Witch!"

Before Wang Qin could react, he grabbed her collar and dragged her inside the resting lounge by the side.

Wang Qin's face turned pale as her eyes were filled with anger. "Qi Qiming! What are you doing? If you do that again I'm going to kill— Ah!"

Her scream drowned inside the room along with the sound of something falling over.

An hour later, on the sofa inside the resting room, Wang Qin was lying down while panting. Her clothes and hair were a mess. Qi Qiming shot her a distant glance as he picked up his clothes.

Pa!

As Qi Qiming was buttoning his shirt, Wang Qin slapped his face! She sat up and glared at his face in disgust. “Qi Qiming, you disgust me!”

Qi Qiming’s eyes darkened as he touched his cheek. He instantly returned a slap to Wang Qin, and her face swelled up. The hatred in Wang Qin’s eyes grew even stronger.

“Why didn’t you say anything just now!? You dirty witch! Do you think I don’t know that you were involved in the accident back then? Otherwise, how could Qi Lei have gotten away with it? You’re even on good terms with Glory World now! Did you plan it with Mu Yuchen? You just want to kill them in order for your son to take over Qi Kai?” Qi Qiming grabbed her jaw and demanded.

“Qi Qiming, don’t accuse me! The incident has been proven to be just an accident. The case files are at the police station! You can go and check them. I have nothing to do with it!” Wang Qin clenched her teeth.

“Didn’t you marry into the Qi family these past decades for the sake of our inheritance? Hmph!”

“I’ve never hidden my intentions of getting the Qi family’s inheritance! But those rightfully belong to Xiao Lei! Qi Feng is just an illegitimate child! Even your father said that. You’re just bullying us! Who does Qi Feng think he is? What right does he have to take Xiao Lei’s possessions? You treated him as your son, but isn’t my son yours as well? What did I do wrong to deserve this?”

Wang Qin released her anger as she grabbed Qi Qiming’s collar. Her eyes were filled with hatred and pain.

“Do you want to know what you did wrong? You were wrong to marry me! I’m the one who’s in control, yet you try to control me? Witch! Who do you think you are? Qi Lei is unlucky to have you as his mother! The wife of the CEO of Qi Kai? You’re not worthy!”

“Qi Qiming, one day, I’ll make you surrender to me! Let me go!” Wang Qin struggled as she tried to push Qi Qiming, who was still on top of her, away.

Chapter 685. Consensus (1)

Xi Xiaye only found out about Su Nan's condition near the evening. She guessed it was the work of her man when Su Nan called her and told her about it.

"Xiaye, I'm really lucky this time. You don't have to worry about me. The hospital organized a team of specialists for Ruan Heng to undergo a checkup. From what they told me, they'll be contacting the hospitals abroad if he's still unconscious after some time. The medical technology abroad could be more advanced and maybe they can help Ruan Heng regain consciousness!"

Su Nan's tone of voice became cheerful once again and she did not sound as lifeless as before. Xi Xiaye was pleased for her as she nodded. "Mmm, that's great. I'm sure Ruan Heng will wake up. You have to take care of yourself and Xiao Chenxi. Ruan Heng's parents have been pretty exhausted lately. Don't make them worry too much."

"Mmm, I know, Xiaye! I'm really grateful for you! Please thank Master Mu for me as well. I know he has done a lot for us. Thank you so much!"

Su Nan sobbed, "I was too reckless and lost control. I finally understand it after this incident. Xiaye, you're stronger and braver than me. I should view you as my role model! People will only grow after going through hardships. I think I've never faced a challenge this tough before. I think this might be a test for me."

Xi Xiaye had a smile on her face when she heard Su Nan's words. "Nannan, your awareness is amazing. Just be more careful in the future."

"Mmm, I got it. You'll see a brand new me!"

"I'll be looking forward to it." Xi Xiaye smiled as she glanced at her phone before hanging up on the call.

"Who called? Why do you look so happy?"

When Xi Xiaye just hung up, the office door opened and the man walked in.

Xi Xiaye's smile grew wider when she saw that familiar figure of his. She enjoyed his scent as she gazed at him for a long while. Eventually, her voice reached him. "About Su Nan and Ruan Heng... You did something, didn't you?"

Her voice sounded like she was almost sure. She extended her cold hand and grabbed his when he stopped beside her.

Mu Yuchen smiled without saying anything. Then, he helped her to keep the files on the table away.

"I know that there's nothing my Mr. Mu can't do." Xi Xiaye chuckled and then left a kiss on his cheek.

Mu Yuchen raised his eyebrows as he turned around to look at her. His gaze was fixated on her lips, his intention as clear as the sky.

Xi Xiaye turned her head around and smiled, avoiding his gaze.

"Is that all I get for my hard work?" he teased.

"What else... Mmm!" As she turned around and was about to say something else, he closed in.

Startled, she then soon gave in.

He wanted to enjoy this moment longer, but there was the sound of footsteps outside the door!

When Assistant Xiao Mei came in with a bunch of documents, she stopped and was shocked to see them in the middle of being intimate!

Chairman Mu and Director Xi...

She even saw Chairman Mu's hand inside Director Xi's clothes...

Her eyes widened as she spun around. The two of them separated from each other. Director Xi was frantically fixing her messy outfit while Chairman Mu helped her before looking toward the door with a frown!

Xiao Mei panicked. "I'm sorry, Chairman Mu! I didn't see or hear anything. I did knock on the door!"

Xi Xiaye coughed and glared at him. She pushed him away and looked at Xiao Mei guiltily. "What's the matter?"

"Director Xi, these are the samples from Qi Kai. There are also two documents that require your signature. Please take a look!" Xiao Mei carefully handed the documents over.

Xi Xiaye took a deep breath and was about to grab them when the man swiftly took them and said, "You can leave first. Close the door."

"Yes, Chairman Mu!" Xiao Mei was too afraid to say anything else, so she quickly bowed and closed the door after she left.

Xi Xiaye turned around and frowned at him after the door was closed. "I noticed that you hardly care about maintaining your image lately."

Mu Yuchen seemed indifferent as he grabbed her and sat down on the chair before pulling her onto his lap. "So what if people see us? There's nothing wrong with me being nice to my wife. They should be complimenting me as a good role model husband."

He was getting more and more shameless. How did she not notice this before?

Xi Xiaye rolled her eyes at him before taking the documents back from him. While she flipped through them, Mu Yuchen came closer and took a glance.

"Are you done with work? It's not time to get off work yet."

She glanced at him. It was winter right now and the sky would usually turn dark at around 5 p.m. However, it was not even 5 p.m. and the sky was already dark. In addition to the rain, it looked like it was late at night.

“Mmm, I finished early today. I’ll bring you for a haircut. Weren’t you complaining that your nutrients aren’t keeping up yesterday?”

He grabbed her pen. After looking through the document and checking for errors, he swiftly signed it at the bottom. His strong and powerful strokes made Xi Xiaye’s eyes brighten, and he noticed her reactions. “Do you want to learn?”

She shook her head. “There are things I would like to just appreciate. I might not appreciate it anymore after learning it. Alright, I’ll take a look at the documents from Qi Kai. Qi Lei called me before and said these materials are important. There’s a need for multiple comparisons.”

“He’s quite wholehearted about this project.”

Mu Yuchen smiled and closed the document. “We’ll look at it tonight. Pack your things and let’s go home. I’ll make you a delicious dinner later.”

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Xi Xiaye gave it some thought before nodding. Then, she stood up slowly and started packing her stuff. “Okay, I had hotpot for lunch, so let’s eat something simple for dinner. Grandmother is moving over in two days. Let’s see if she needs anything.”

Mu Yuchen grabbed the briefcase she handed him. “We don’t lack anything at home, so don’t worry about it. You won’t feel lonely anymore after she moves over. How’s the handover of work coming along?”

“It’ll be done this Friday. There are just some small matters left. Luckily, Vice President Zhang Lan has been working on the South River project all along. I’d have a hard time dealing with it alone. Vice President Liu is working hard on Movie City. Several capable personnel was transferred externally. We should promote some people at the end of the year,” Xi Xiaye reminded.

The company would usually promote a batch of people every two years, but having undergone a lot of expansions recently, many people were transferred externally and the issue of insufficient manpower started to arise in the headquarters.

“I’ve informed the HR Department about it. You can offer some recommendations if you find anyone suitable. Given the scale of our company, we won’t focus on expansion. Instead, we’ll stabilize the market we have right now. We can leave this to them. At the same time, I can spend more time with you.”

Mu Yuchen held the briefcase with one hand and grabbed her waist with the other as they walked out.

The two of them went shopping at the supermarket after getting a trim at a salon nearby the Grand Waves Villa area. The sky turned dark when they returned to Maple Residence. However, the whole Grand Waves Villa area was shrouded in bright light, making it look dreamy amidst the rain.

When Mu Yuchen and Xi Xiaye arrived home, they noticed two pairs of leather shoes on the shoe rack much to their surprise.

Sis Wang came over and took the bags from Mu Yuchen as she said, “Master, Missus, Master Su Chen just came over with a lot of stuff. Master Qi came over as well. They came in together and are now working inside the kitchen. They are actually cooking dinner together!”

“Qi Lei is here as well?” Xi Xiaye raised her eyebrows in surprise as she glanced at him.

Su Chen’s appearance was not odd since she had seen his huge Land Rover parked outside. He must have arrived not too long ago, but why was Qi Lei there? And the two of them cooking? Xi Xiaye did not know when the two of them had become this close!

Mu Yuchen shot her a gentle glance before he lowered his head and whispered beside her ear, “I’ll tell you about it tonight. Have a seat first. I’ll go and take a look. Sis Wang!”

“Yes, Master!”

Sis Wang quickly helped Xi Xiaye toward the sofa. She then told a servant to prepare some warm water for Xi Xiaye to wash her hands.

When he arrived at the entrance of the kitchen, he could hear the rattling of the kitchen utensils and the tap water running.

Mu Yuchen went inside to see Su Chen casually stir-frying something while Qi Lei was focused on washing vegetables. Two of them were chatting with each other.

“Your assistant came to my department to look for the security camera footage. You seem pretty concerned about Gu Lingsha. I didn’t expect you to get worked up over one single woman with your reputation as a Casanova on the streets, Master Qi.”

Su Chen glanced at Qi Lei. “Sometimes, I really don’t know what Ah Chen is thinking. Why would he befriend you? I heard you hold a grudge against him because of Lingtian and that woman. Is that true?”

“Even Mu Yuchen doesn’t talk to me about this. Master Su is pretty concerned about Mu Yuchen, huh?” Qi Lei let out a cold laugh and shot a glance at Su Chen.

Su Chen put on a cold smile. “Of course, I’m concerned about my brother. I have a good grasp of your personality. Don’t even think that you can talk it over. I won’t say anything since it’s Ah Chen’s decision, but I just want to give you a piece of friendly advice. Ah Chen is genuine about being friends with you. However, if you were to try something funny, I will eliminate you before he even notices it! If you’re not affected by the conflict between the Mus and the Qis, I suggest that you not get involved at all.”

Qi Lei always knew that Mu Yuchen, Su Chen, and Zhou Zimo were very close to each other, and they were all important figures in City Z. Nonetheless, he did not expect Su Chen to be so protective of Mu Yuchen. Moreover Su Chen was not a person to be messed with because the Su family was very influential in the political scene, and of course, the Mu family was very powerful as well!

Qi Lei was glad that he did not make Mu Yuchen an enemy.

“I’m no busybody. I have my reasons of being here. I’m sure Master Su wouldn’t accuse me without any reason.”

“Just a preventive measure. There’s nothing to be anxious about.” Su Chen smiled. As he was about to say something else, the door behind him opened, and the two of them turned around to notice Mu Yuchen coming in.

“You’re back!” Su Chen greeted him before continued to work on his cooking. “I heard from the police the issue is solved now, but Gu Lingsha is serious business. Just one move and she made you come back from thousands of miles away. You need to be more careful. Are Xiaye’s friends alright?”

Mu Yuchen glanced at Qi Lei and nodded his head. “They are fine. Why are you guys here?”

“I got a call from Zimo and found out you rushed back here. I just came back not too long ago as well, so I decided to visit and see how things are going.” Su Chen then handed the plated food to Mu Yuchen before throwing Qi Lei a sharp glance. “I brought some wild game over to enjoy. I unexpectedly met him at the supermarket, so we both came together.”

Qi Lei put the washed potatoes on the chopping board as he replied, “Yang Sheng told me you wanted to see me tomorrow. I just came tonight since I had time. I’m leaving City Z tomorrow and will only be back several days later. I hope you don’t mind me joining in for dinner again.”

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When Qi Lei mentioned that, Mu Yuchen immediately remembered what he had told Li Si that morning.

“That’s fine. The samples you sent over are here too. We’ll look at them later,” said Mu Yuchen, and then put the plate of food that Su Chen handed him aside. After he unbuttoned his sleeves to roll them up, he began to help Su Chen chop the ingredients while some chicken soup was brewing on the stove on the side.

Qi Lei stood aside since he was not needed and watched the two buddies worked together skillfully. He could not help but sigh to himself. He did not expect that these two men would be so skilled at cooking. When he first found out that Mu Yuchen could cook, he was very shocked, and now seeing Su Chen just as talented, even though he was a steadfast man on the outside...

Qi Lei watched them for quite a while. In the end, he just shrugged, and quietly left the kitchen.

In the living room, Xi Xiaye was watching the TV on the sofa. When she saw Qi Lei come over, she looked at him, and pondered for a moment, but did not say anything. Then, she turned to the TV screen again.

Qi Lei lowered his gaze and fell silent for a while before saying softly, "I'm sorry about what happened to Miss Su Nan."

While he was saying this, he did not look up at her. Instead, he just quietly accepted the water that Sis Wang handed him and took a sip.

"Those incidents had nothing to do with you. Someone is responsible for every grievance. You don't have to apologize to me. The ones who hurt are Su Nan and Ruan Heng... I hope that you can tell Miss Gu to think before she speaks to avoid implicating others."

As Xi Xiaye said this, she turned to look at him. She thought about it, then continued, "I know that you've been worrying about Ruan Heng these past few days too. Thank you."

Qi Lei suddenly smiled as his grip on the glass tightened. "When have you become so courteous? Besides, this is all I can do."

He suddenly looked up and met Xi Xiaye's calm gaze with a sigh. "What? Aren't you curious about my relationship with Shasha?"

Upon hearing this, Xi Xiaye raised her brows, puzzled. "What relationship? Isn't she the person you like?"

Qi Lei lowered his head to take a sip. There was dullness in between his brows, and his gaze suddenly became a little vague as if he was trying to chase a very distant memory. He sighed softly, "You girls like flowers, don't you? Especially girls who're eight or nine years old..."

"Hmm?" Xi Xiaye looked at Qi Lei in confusion. She did not quite understand what he meant.

"When I was 10, a boy accidentally ruined some violets that a little girl wanted to give her mother. The little girl cried very sadly, but she did not blame the little boy. She even apologized to the little boy for

the violet petals that had stained his white shirt. After that, they became friends. They studied together and grew up together. The little boy said he would protect that little girl forever, but it was only when they grew up that he understood how could they have known the meaning of forever?"

Qi Lei smiled a little bitterly as his expression started to turn dazed. "We always thought that tomorrow, the day after tomorrow, or even the day after that, forever would take a long time. I longed for us to be childhood sweethearts, yet I never took the leading role. I always thought that those memories I kept deep in my heart would be pure and unadulterated, yet I forgot that many things change with time. I don't want to go into this too deep. I'm worried that I won't be able to hold on to even the slightest sliver of beautiful memory in the end."

Xi Xiaye could see the sorrow that could not be hidden between his brows. She thought about it, then said calmly, "My memory's very messed up too, but the past is now just the past. How are you sure that you wouldn't live a fuller life in the future? Just like I am right now, I think that the past is actually not that important anymore. Mr. Mu has said some things to me, and I'm willing to share it with you."

When Qi Lei heard her say that, he fixed his eyes on her. Upon seeing the faint smile that surfaced on her face, he could not help but feel deeply affected. His handsome face relaxed while a faint curve appeared in the corner of his lips as he waited for her to continue.

"We can't control the past and the future. The only thing we can control is the present, this day and this age." Xi Xiaye's calm tone slowly reached his ears. Upon hearing that, Qi Lei could not help but be stunned.

He fell silent for a moment, then laughed. "Why do I feel like you've made Mu Yuchen into someone to admire? Are those words for mutual encouragement?"

When she saw the overflowing interest in Qi Lei's eyes, Xi Xiaye's lips suddenly curled up as she softly asked, "He does have the qualities for me to admire him. Think about it, Master Qi. As husband and wife, apart from the so-called mutual respect and mutual assistance in humble circumstances, what's more important?"

Qi Lei raised his handsome brows and pondered about it quite seriously for a while before he shrugged and gestured at Xi Xiaye. "May Missus Mu bestow her knowledge upon us!"

Xi Xiaye bent over to pour herself a glass of water. However, Qi Lei was quicker. He swiftly poured her a glass and then handed it to her very chivalrously. Unlike his frivolousness from before, right now he displayed the manner of a graceful son of a prestigious family.

“Thank you,” Xi Xiaye said courteously as she accepted it and took a sip before continuing, “Many women hope for their future husband to be a good friend, a mentor, like a father and an older brother. He could, at the same time, be many characters. This is probably what most women seek, and vice versa, yet how do meet such a person? Regardless of whether we do, the first thing we should do is to break our own complacency.”

“Break our own complacency?” Qi Lei muttered softly.

Xi Xiaye nodded gently. Her gaze toward Qi Lei was clear and bright, yet her tone held poignance. “Mu Yuchen did once tell me that he could see shadows of himself from the past. He and I have very similar headspace, yet as I think about it, I also see my past self in you. Master Qi, do you realize that we actually have very similar experiences?”

When Xi Xiaye said this, Qi Lei was suddenly a little stunned. He looked up quietly at her, and suddenly did not know what to say. Meanwhile, Xi Xiaye continued, “Mu Yuchen and I feel the same about you. We reached a consensus. It is because of that that we can sympathize. He and I share the same thoughts. He said that he actually admires you. I’m very happy that we can have the same opinions, and we hope that apart from being business partners, you can be very good friends with us.”

Her calm and peaceful tone was filled with sincerity. Qi Lei could not help but feel touched and warm.

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Especially after that squabble with Qi Qiming that morning, the fact that he could hear these words right now moved him.

Qi Lei did not think he was someone who could be easily touched. Had Xi Xiaye’s words today came from someone else, he might not think of it as anything, but since it was her who said these things to him personally, he did not feel doubtful at all. Instead, he could not help but feel something surge inside him.

“Of course, apart from hoping that we can be friends, whether it’s from the perspective of a business partner or as a friend, we hope that you can redeem yourself. We have to walk outside to face the sun.

Fate is like that too. Back then, I was silly. I thought that if I worked harder, I'd be able to salvage some things. In the end, I realized that I'd never actually gotten anything, so there was no so-called 'loss'. Master Qi, you're a smart person. I'm sure you don't need me to spell out the rest," said Xi Xiaye softly as she looked at him calmly.

Qi Lei lowered his gaze, pondering it momentarily, and then nodded. "I know about your past too, and I know all those things you did for Han Yifeng. Sadly, Han Yifeng wasn't lucky enough. The fact that you can honestly tell me about these things means that you must've gotten over it personally, but I heard that he was so sad that he left City Z. When he left, he even brought Xi Xinyi's son away with him. Xi Xinyi almost broke down. She frequently gets angry at the office, and many people aren't go against her. Before Han Yifeng left, he probably went to look for you, didn't he?"

"He did, and he apologized to me sincerely. Back then, I thought it was a little disappointing too. Someone that I had once put unlimited hope on to had, in the end, become another friend. Sometimes, you can't help but lament about life. It is just so. But I hope he's doing well." Xi Xiaye surprisingly dissected the past.

"I'm grateful that he was still clear-headed in the end for not going against me with Xi Xinyi. This means that he does still have a moral compass within him and that he didn't lose his true self. He firmly left with the child, wanting to give the child an innocent future, a brand new beginning. Just because of this alone, I should let go of everything, forgive him, and respect him," Xi Xiaye spoke very calmly. When she said this, she did not reveal any emotions either. The light in her eyes was as calm as water.

Qi Lei's heart could not help but pause. After a while, he lamented, "Xiaye, every time after I speak to you and your husband, I find myself much more cheered up. You're as big-hearted as the sea. In terms of manner and generosity, I probably can't compare to you."

He thought that the indescribable appeal about her was probably this. Indifferent as the breeze, as calm as water, cold on the outside, warm in the heart.

"You don't have to be humble. Mu Yuchen's told me that you're actually very smart. You just don't want to fight for it. But just because you don't fight for it, that doesn't mean things will be at peace, such as Xi Xinyi and me... I'm grateful that fate has been on my side. If all of my misfortunes from before were meant to exchange for the simple happiness I have today, I suddenly feel like all those have actually become insignificant."

When he heard Xi Xiaye, Qi Lei immediately smiled. He suddenly looked at her in amusement. “I suddenly find that you can’t stray far from talking about Mu Yuchen. Is he that great?”

Upon hearing that, Xi Xiaye instantly raised her brows and said like she was unaware, “Do I?”

Qi Lei smiled and nodded. “Of course, you do!”

Xi Xiaye smiled and then lowered her gaze, yet there was a sly light in her eyes. “Well, then I guess I do.”

“Do what?”

Before Xi Xiaye finished, a gentle voice suddenly came. She subconsciously turned, and the man already leaned down to plant a kiss on her forehead before straightening to look at Qi Lei across them.

Xi Xiaye reached out to gently remove the tie that he had simply pulled away as she laughed. “Nothing. I was just telling Master Qi that he should fully show off his personal charm and find a good woman.”

When Qi Lei heard that, he immediately rolled his eyes. “I’m still very young. I won’t fall into the cemetery of love so soon.”

Mu Yuchen glanced nonchalantly at him, and then scorned annoyingly, “You can try finding one, but you won’t find someone comparable to my wife.”

“Pfft, only Mu Yuchen’s wife is the national goddess now, huh? I’ve been irritated by you for a while now. I don’t see you being more handsome than me! What trick do you know about how to pick up girls?”

Qi Lei was extremely miserable. When he mentioned these tricks, he was confident that Mu Yuchen definitely could not compare to him. Most girls liked men such as him who knew when to come and when to leave and had thoughts to share, not cold ones like Mu Yuchen.

After he said that, he found it a little inappropriate, so he turned to look at Xi Xiaye apologetically. "Xiaye, I'm not saying anything about you! If I said you were very beautiful and charming, I'm afraid that your man will be shameless."

Xi Xiaye pursed her lips into a smile and glanced at Mu Yuchen. She turned to whisper in his ear, "Look, it's not just me who thinks that about you. You should really reflect on it tonight."

"When do I even have time to reflect?"

"Why not?"

"Didn't we say we were doing prenatal education for the baby?"

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The atmosphere in the villa became rather lively.

However, as long as people like Qi Lei and Su Chen were around, it would not be quiet. Besides, Mu Yuchen's cold humor only added to the atmosphere.

The meal was soon ready, and then the few of them sat around at the table.

"Xiaye, go bring a few bottles of good wine from the cellar. I know that Ah Chen brought back quite a lot of good quality whiskey from abroad. They will go in vain if they don't accompany this dish."

Su Chen loved alcohol, and he was quite a good drinker too. This time, going over to taste some good alcohol was one of his intentions.

"Quality whiskey? Is there a year? Xiaye, bring a few bottles over. I'll bring two bottles back! I've been quite liking this flavor recently!"

When Su Chen said that, Qi Lei immediately waved at Xi Xiaye without any reservations, treating the place as if it were his home.

Upon hearing that, Xi Xiaye paused. There was a hint of a smile contained in her lips as she looked at Mu Yuchen. Meanwhile, he calmly helped her walk over and chivalrously pulled open the chair for her before ordering Sis Wang, "Sis Wang, please bring the four bottles on the second level of the shelf over."

Mu Yuchen kept a lot of good alcohol in his personal cellar. However, after he married Xi Xiaye, he rarely drank, especially when she got pregnant. Even if he did drink sometimes, it would be with Su Chen and the rest, or when he was socializing for business.

"Okay, Master Mu!" Sis Wang respectfully responded, and then went to get the wine.

By the time the wine was brought up, the few of them had begun feasting. They were all quite casually chatting, much to the surprise of Wang Hui who had rushed over!

Chapter 689. Long Live Elder!

Wang Hui stood there by the door while the butler beside her carried two huge luggage bags.

Xi Xiaye had a few more months of pregnancy to go, so it was time for Wang Hui to come over and take care of her. She had already informed Xi Xiaye about her intention a few days ago when Mu Yuchen got back. All the company matters would be passed to him while she rested at ease. Xi Xiaye agreed to that too.

That was why Wang Hui immediately packed up her things to stay at Maple Residence. Sis Wang had previously packed a lot of things as well.

However, she was not quite sure of the current situation. While Su Chen being there was not odd, why was this Qi Lei there too?

Previously, Qi Lei and Xi Xiaye had some scandals that made it to the papers. In fact, Wang Hui had some impression of Qi Lei from before, so she could immediately recognize him!

Could it be as the newspaper had said?

Had Qi Lei and Ah Chen become good friends?

Nonsense!

Wang Hui did not believe that!

She did not forget the effect of the incident from five years ago had on them. The relationship between the Mus and the Qis were tense. Qi Lei caused quite a lot of trouble for Mu Yuchen back then too. Even though they had never interacted face-to-face, Wang Hui's impression of him was not positive at all!

"Grandmother? Why did you rush over so late?" Xi Xiaye spoke up first. She glanced at Mu Yuchen who remained calm before subconsciously getting up.

"Grandma Mu, long time no see. Wow, you look younger now!" greeted Su Chen after he stopped what he was doing.

"Sis Wang, please prepare a set of cutlery for Grandmother." Mu Yuchen got up to pull open the chair at the seat beside him.

"I see that it's quite lively here. Su Chen, I just called your family earlier. Your Elder was nagging about when you'd be home. They were thinking about introducing a girl to you, yet you came back without a sound or a word! You're quite capable now, aren't you?!"

Wang Hui handed the bags in her hand to the servants that came up to her. As she walked over, she ordered the butler to bring the things to the room.

However, she did not sit at the chair that Mu Yuchen had pulled open for her. Instead, she sat on the chair beside Qi Lei, her sharp eyes fixated on the latter. Even Qi Lei could not help but shudder at that manner. He subconsciously shivered in trepidation!

He knew that the Mu family's Elder Madam had been in the army and had an extraordinary presence. Years ago, the Elder of the Mu family was famous for being a player in City Z. After that, he fell into this woman's hands, and her iron fist was ruthless, so Qi Lei immediately became on guard.

Judging by those pair of sharp and narrowed eyes, Qi Lei could tell that Wang Hui had a strong fighting spirit. He could not help but sigh to himself. As he was about to say something, Wang Hui spoke up first. With that insincere smile on her face, Qi Lei was nerve-wracked at this sight.

"Isn't this Master Qi? What brings you here?"

Qi Lei tensed up. He quickly got up and forced a laugh. "Just the northern wind. All hail Elder Madam Mu!" That demonic smile lingered on his handsome face as usual. Then, he even subconsciously did a bow!

That very accurate gesture of salutation with his smile looked discordant. Xi Xiaye could not help but giggle out loud.

Wang Hui's graying brows raised as she looked at Qi Lei in shock. Then, she asked amusedly, "What did you just say?"

"The great Elder Madam Mu, I, Qi Lei, bow to you!" Qi Lei said with a playful smile.

Wang Hui was about to say something when Mu Yuchen suddenly said, "Master Qi is my guest. It's already quite late. Grandmother, why did you rush over? Have you had dinner?"

When she heard Mu Yuchen, Wang Hui then turned to him, meeting his deep and unfathomable gaze. Moments after she seemed to have understood something, she eased off a little and said, "Never mind. I fought with your grandfather. I was annoyed, so I rushed out of the house."

As Wang Hui said this, she took the cutlery Sis Wang handed her.

"Grandmother Mu, you fought with Grandfather Mu again?"

Su Chen looked at Wang Hui in amusement. He knew that this pair of elders from the Mu family seemed to have been fighting their whole lives, but from the way they were, they seemed to be more loving the more they fought.

Wang Hui waved her hand and said gloomily, "Your Grandfather Mu's too egoistic. The dish he made was clearly not appetizing. It's far too different from restaurant standards. I made a comment, and he became angry. What kind of person does that? Why can't he be criticized? I was commenting because I think highly of him. If he can't do it, then he can't. What's he so angry about?!"

Upon hearing that, Su Chen laughed, and then looked pitifully at Mu Yuchen.

It was these petty things again, but he could already predict what was going to happen after this!

Indeed, just as Su Chen had this thought, the phone on the coffee table by the sofa suddenly buzzed.

Sis Wang went to pick it up. It was from the Mu residence.

"Master, it's the Elder! He's telling you to answer it."

When Sis Wang finished, Mu Yuchen had already taken the napkin from the side and elegantly wiped his mouth before reaching his hand out to her.

"Grandfather, it's me." Mu Yuchen's deep voice was heard.

"Your grandmother went to you, didn't she?" Mu Yinan's voice came, and Mu Yuchen could clearly hear that it contained unhappiness.

"Mmm, she just arrived and is having dinner. Have you had dinner, Grandfather?"

Mu Yinan scoffed at this. Clearly, he was still angry. "Tell your grandmother that I've pulled out all of her marigolds on the balcony! Pulled them all out! And don't think that I will be feeding that parrot for her.

Also, I won't be going home to sleep tonight either. I'm going to the hot springs with CEO Meng, the one with s!**. There are s!**. I'll be there the whole night!"

Elder Chairman Mu emphasized those last few words for effect. In fact, he said it very loudly too, so not only did Xi Xiaye hear it clearly from the side, but even Qi Lei and Su Chen heard him!

Qi Lei spat out a mouthful of alcohol when he heard it!

He choked a bit and coughed profusely for a while before flashing Mu Yuchen a thumbs-up. He could not help but laugh. "Amazing! Elder Mu is awe-inspiring and truly valiant!"

Su Chen already convulsed with laughter as he shouted at Mu Yuchen, "Hahaha... Grandfather Mu, don't forget to bring me along! Grandfather Mu, let's be bros!"

Wang Hui's aged face instantly became as dark as the bottom of a pot. She gripped her chopsticks tightly and said through gritted teeth, "How dare he?! Rebellious now!"

Then, Wang Hui slammed her chopsticks onto the table. Even Xi Xiaye was frightened by her stern manner, but in the end, she could not help but purse her lips. It was tough to hold back her laughter!

Chapter 690. News (1)

While Xi Xiaye knew that Wang Hui and Mu Yinan often argued, their squabbles were usually not very serious. However, this time it seemed like Mu Yinan was really incensed.

This old lady had even run away from him. How could Mu Yinan take it?

In the past, Mu Yinan was always the one to apologize first, but now it seemed that something triggered him to even say words like "s!**".

"Grandfather, Grandmother will be staying over at Maple Residence tonight. Come over tomorrow if you need anything, and you know the consequences if you actually do that very well." Mu Yuchen was very calm, not revealing any emotions.

“Why shouldn’t it be your grandmother coming back? I’m not going over. No! She’s too arrogant. How could she be so inconsiderate? Is Su Chen with you right now?” Mu Yinan scoffed unhappily.

Mu Yuchen nodded. “Mm-hmm, he brought some wild game over.”

“Leave some for me. I’ll head over tomorrow morning. Remember to leave some for me, and don’t tell your grandmother that I called. That’s all! Bye!” Mu Yinan hung up before Mu Yuchen could reply.

Mu Yuchen frowned as he glanced at Wang Hui whose expression had turned into a storm.

Su Chen and Qi Lei were still laughing, especially the latter since this was the first time stumbling across something so interesting about the former Chairman Mu. He only knew that they were a role model couple. They really were precious!

The old Chairman Mu must have had his hands full with Wang Hui at home!

“Alright, Grandmother. I’m sure Grandfather is just joking. He won’t do it, so don’t be angry.” Xi Xiaye quickly offered some words of comfort since Wang Hui was getting angry.

“He’s provoking me! Your grandfather’s temper is getting worse and worse. I can’t stand him anymore! He gets angry so easily. If I get sick somehow, it will be his fault!” Wang Hui took a deep breath and glanced at them. Fortunately, she was still able to control her temper.

Su Chen tried to say something as well. The only most indifferent about the whole situation was Mu Yuchen. He casually put some food on Xi Xiaye’s plate and picked out the fish bones as if nothing happened just now. He was totally unfazed.

“Grandmother, the fact that Grandfather called means he cares.” Xi Xiaye closed in and whispered, “You should listen to Grandfather too.”

“How can I just let him be? You cannot let Ah Chen be like that as well. If you treat him too well, he’ll only make it worse.”

Xi Xiaye gave Mu Yuchen a mischievous smile.

That was how Wang Hui finally moved into Maple Residence. Anyway, they were well-prepared for it since she planned to move in before.

After dinner, Wang Hui dragged Xi Xiaye to chat in the living room while Mu Yuchen, Su Chen, and Qi Lei went into the study room.

Inside the huge and comfortable study room, Mu Yuchen was sitting on the sofa as Su Chen sat beside him and prepared some tea while Qi Lei sat opposite them.

“This tea is pretty fragrant.”

Su Chen liked tea. Since he knew a thing or two about them, he commented on it after taking a sip. Then, he handed Qi Lei and Mu Yuchen a cup each as well.

“My friend gave it to me. Take some back with you later.”

Su Chen waved. “It’s fine. I have too much tea at home. Pu’er tea isn’t my favorite. I prefer green tea. By the way, about Gu Lingsha...”

Su Chen suddenly stopped and looked at Qi Lei who was quietly enjoying his tea and was not really showing any expression. He then continued, “What’s with Gu Lingsha? I got a call from Li Si. I thought something happened to Xi Xiaye.”

Mu Yuchen looked down at his teacup, not replying Su Chen. Instead, Qi Lei threw Mu Yuchen a doubtful glance before looking at Su Chen again.

Since Mu Yuchen did not say anything, Su Chen hissed at Qi Lei, “You, say something!”

Qi Lei shrugged. “Say what? I’m not involved. I have no idea what happened. Why don’t you ask Xiaye about it? I’m sure she knows about it very well.”

“Don’t act dumb. Everyone knows that you were helping Gu Lingsha out when it happened. Why is Gu Lingsha back? Why didn’t she stay abroad and returned instead?”

Similar to Ah Mo, Su Chen was stunned when he found out that Gu Lingsha had returned to City Z, so his vigilance heightened.

“Is she really back for revenge? But how did we not find anything about Qi Feng at all? Is Qi Feng really dead?”

“Qi Feng is alive. That’s one thing I can be sure of!”

Qi Lei gave a firm reply, “I tested that old man this morning. All the signs point towards the fact that my father knows Qi Feng’s whereabouts. Moreover, I asked Shasha about it before as well. She told me she forgot what happened after she woke up. However, knowing Shasha, I think she’s hiding something from me.”

“Can’t you think of a way to get it out of her?” Su Chen stared at Qi Lei. “Or can’t you?”

Qi Lei shrugged his shoulders innocently without replying.

“Say something. Don’t be dumb right now!” Su Chen glanced at Mu Yuchen and said.

“I’ve seen Gu Lingsha,” Mu Yuchen casually said, “I know why she’s back. I tracked everyone she came into contact with, and Ah Mo found some of her secret call logs which I’m still investigating. I got several numbers, but I’m not sure if they are related to Qi Feng. We might have missed out on a lot in five years.”

“While the amount of work to be done is aplenty, it’s the most reliable method. Think of a way to find out where those numbers come from.”