

Madam's 1671

Chapter 1671 - 1671 Sister Nian: I've Been Poor Recently, No Money!

Qiao Nian sat there lazily, her long legs crossed. Her dark eyes swept over Jiang Li's message, and the corners of her lips curled up as she smiled lazily and arrogantly.

She held her phone with both hands and replied to him.

[QN: She probably won't have the chance to bother me.]

This was because she had already blacklisted Tang Wanru's phone number and WeChat. Even if she wanted to find her, there was a high chance that she would not be able to.

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After all, she was Jiang Li's mother. Qiao Nian didn't go into details.

She sent another message to him.

[QN: Are you feeling better? Did my teacher go over to check on you regularly?]

Jiang Li had yet to reply to her when the person who didn't reply to the message called her directly.

Qiao Nian raised her eyebrows slightly, staring at the flashing video call on her phone. She propped her chin on her hand and placed the phone on the table, leaning against the cup. Then, she pressed the answer button.

The internet speed was quite fast.

The video flickered and quickly changed from a completely black screen to the backdrop of a bright and spacious hotel room. She estimated that it was at least a suite that was much better than hers.

The black leather sofa placed indicated that the person was rich!

She got up to get a bottle of water and then sat back down.

Qiao Nian could already see that the camera had been fixed. It was no longer swaying wildly. She could roughly see the situation on his side.

Gu San was also there.

However, he was talking to someone not far away.

Qiao Nian couldn't hear what they were talking about. From Gu San's frown, she could guess that it had something to do with why Ye Wangchuan had gone out this time. They were most likely discussing serious matters.

Standing opposite Gu San was a familiar face.

It was the man she had met a few times in Rhine. He exuded an aura that he was not to be trifled with, like a knife soaked in ice all year round. He was sharp and dangerous.

It gave off the same feeling as the group of people she had met in the hotel lobby!

She did not expect this person to be with him.

Qiao Nian raised her eyebrows slightly and retracted her gaze. She was already focused on the person who video-called her.

"Oh, why are you suddenly video-calling me?"

"I was busy just now. I just saw the WeChat message you sent me, so I called you..."

The young man couldn't hide the fatigue in his eyes, as if he had not rested well. A faint layer of green could be seen under his eyelids. He was too attractive, and the fatigue from not resting well did not affect his appearance. He was still eye-catching.

He paused and his thin lips curled up slightly, looking quite cheeky. "I'm checking up on you."

Qiao Nian was speechless.

"Just joking." He relaxed his eyebrows and placed his hand on the back of his head. He leaned lazily on the sofa and then chuckled, as if a smile was overflowing from his throat. "You're at the hotel?"

Flustered by his bewitchment, Qiao Nian casually unscrewed the cap of the bottle, rested her legs on the table, and hummed. "I just arrived."

He could roughly see the environment of her hotel through the video. "Why didn't you choose a better room?"

Qiao Nian raised her eyelids, her eyes wild and arrogant. She was quite calm. "I have no choice. I've been poor recently."

He was silent for two seconds before saying in a low, hoarse voice, "Send me your bank account."

He knew very well that Qiao Nian wasn't poor, but his expression was doting. "I'll transfer money to you."

Qiao Nian paused. She capped the bottle and placed it back on the table. Her eyes were wandering, and her face was arrogant and unrestrained. However, it was obvious that she was not at ease. "There's no need. I was just joking."

She was just joking. How could she really want his money?

Chapter 1672 - 1672 Do You Want to Meet Master Cheng and the Others?

"We came late. There were no more rooms, so we could only make do with it. Anyway, we won't stay for long. It's just a few days. We'll see when the time comes." She raised her eyebrows slightly and said in a clean and low voice, "I still have enough money. I'll ask you for more when I lack money in the future."

She knew that Ye Wangchuan should be quite rich.

He probably had around a hundred million. His wealth was almost unimaginable to ordinary people.

Of course, in the world of big shots, these were just basic traits.

"Elder Nie—"

Qiao Nian knew what he was going to ask. "He's in the room next to mine."

"Okay, that's good." He was slightly relieved.

As they spoke, Qiao Nian saw that Gu San had finished chatting with the familiar-looking man. Both of them were looking in their direction.

She wasn't into public displays of affection, so she coolly said, "I'll tell you more later. I'll hang up now."

Before Ye Wangchuan could say anything else...

Qiao Nian quickly hung up.

The phone screen went dark. He couldn't see the girl's exquisite and outstanding face anymore. He felt quite regretful as he slowly put away his phone.

Mo Dong waited at the side for a long time. When Ye Wangchuan finally finished the call, he immediately told him about the serious matter. "Master Wang, Mo Xi and the others have already checked into the hotel. When they find an opportunity, they will approach the president of the Independent Continent Chamber of Commerce Alliance to investigate."

The structure of the Independent Continent's forces was complicated. Apart from the three top forces, the Independent Continent also had hundreds of other forces of various sizes.

The major powers naturally formed their own factions.

In order to gain a foothold in the Independent Continent, the minor factions had also thought of a way to join forces and bring each other up.

Many associations and organizations were thus born.

For example, the Pharmaceutical Association, the Hacker Alliance, and the Chamber of Commerce Alliance were all organizations unique to the Independent Continent. It was precisely because they joined forces that they formed a medium-sized force.

This time, it was one of the forces that attacked the Ye family's goods.

The Chamber of Commerce Alliance!

Mo Dong was still puzzled as he mentioned this. "We've always been friendly with the Chamber of Commerce Alliance. There's no reason for them to do this. I don't understand why they want to touch our goods."

Previously, they had found out that someone had hired a group of desperadoes from the Independent Continent to hijack the Ye family's goods. After that, this source was cut off.

Yesterday, Master Wang came over and swiftly destroyed those small fries' nest. He directly captured their boss and found out that the mastermind was from the Chamber of Commerce Alliance.

Mo Xi and the others had brought a small team to investigate.

“Oh, right.” Mo Dong remembered another thing. “This time, all the major overseas factions have gathered at the Paradise Hotel. The delegations from various countries are there. The people from China are also there. Master Cheng and the others should be there, too. Master Wang, do you want to meet Master Cheng and the others?”

The Ninth Branch and Bright Gate belonged to two different organizations.

Everyone in Bright Gate knew about the Ninth Branch, but the Ninth Branch didn’t realize that Bright Gate was with them.

This time, Master Cheng of the Ninth Branch led a team to the Independent Continent. Master Wang happened to be here, so Mo Dong remembered to ask Master Wang if he wanted to meet him.

“Not for now.” His voice was low and hoarse. His gaze was still on his phone. “Master Cheng doesn’t know that I’m on the Independent Continent. It’s too troublesome to explain to him. Let’s wait for the right time!

“Our purpose for coming to the Independent Continent is not to meet anyone, but to find out where our goods are.”

Chapter 1673 - 1673 I Heard That He Also Invited the Illegal Zone’s Diamond Boss

“...I understand.”

Mo Dong responded in a muffled voice. He kept looking in the young man’s direction and only saw that he seemed to be transferring money to someone. He couldn’t see the person’s name.

However, even if he couldn’t see clearly, he knew who he was transferring the money to—Qiao Nian!

Master Wang’s girlfriend in Beijing.

He had clearly heard the girl crying to Master Wang that she was poor and that she didn't have money to stay in a good hotel.

Mo Dong frowned nonchalantly but did not say anything.

He had always thought that good men were ambitious. As for spoiling women, so be it.

However, women had to be sensible. It was fine if they made a fuss usually, but if the man was doing serious business outside, it would be insensible of them to be noisy.

He felt that Master Wang's girlfriend was not very sensible.

However, Mo Dong felt that it was not strange for her to do such a thing when he thought about her identity as a Qing University student.

"Master Cheng and the others will be staying in the Independent Continent for about a week. Mo Xi called me just now and said that he met Master Cheng and the others in the lobby, but Master Cheng doesn't know him. Master Cheng and the others came with more than ten people this time... Quite a lot. After the negotiations are over, they will probably attend some cocktail parties later. The Ji family is also holding a banquet this time. I heard that they have invited the illegal zone's diamond big shot. A lot of people will be going... With the Ji family's standards, Master Cheng and the others shouldn't be able to attend.

"Master Cheng and the others will probably go back after attending a few banquets held by ordinary families," Mo Dong said after thinking for a moment.

On the Independent Continent, even an ordinary family was out of reach of many forces.

So why was the Independent Continent detached from all continents?

It was because the forces there were too powerful.

For example, the Pharmaceutical Association was an existence that looked down on all heroes in Continent O. Even the royal family of Country M had to rely on them. In the Independent Continent, they were only mid-level.

This time, some overseas forces could participate in a few ordinary cocktail parties in the Independent Continent. It was an opportunity that others couldn't even dream of.

Ye Wangchuan's gaze deepened, but he didn't say anything. "Ask Mo Xi and the others to take care of Master Cheng. Help them if they need it."

Mo Dong nodded in understanding. "I know. I'll tell him."

Ye Wangchuan placed his hand on the back of the sofa, looking lazy and noble. Then, he turned his attention to the transfer page and keyed in nine digits.

He transferred the money to Qiao Nian's bank account.

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Ding!

On the other side.

Qiao Nian received a message from the bank notifying her that a total of nine digits had been transferred to her bank account.

Qiao Nian raised her eyebrows and counted. He was quite generous.

She did not return the money. Instead, she transferred it to the Pharmacy Association and sent a message to Zhong Yiliu, asking him to help develop a prescription suitable for children with natural leg diseases.

After doing this, Qiao Nian went down to eat.

She bumped into the scar-faced man she met in the lobby again in the elevator, but she didn't pay much attention to him. She lowered her cap to cover her face.

She did look at him overly much.

The other party observed her for a little while, but Qiao Nian couldn't be bothered to say anything. When she arrived, she stepped out of the elevator and went about her business.

Nie Mi and the others were very busy for the next two days.

Jiang Zongjin and the other scientific research professors had to participate in intensive negotiations. He was worried about Qiao Nian being alone in the hotel, but there was nothing he could do about it. He could only remind her not to run around. The security in the Independent Continent was too chaotic, and it was dangerous for her to go out alone.

Qiao Nian listened obediently. She didn't show annoyance no matter how much he nagged at her.

She looked very obedient.

Chapter 1674 - 1674 Treating the Hacker Alliance Database as a Backyard Every Day!

Jiang Zongjin was relieved. He had been working with Nie Mi and the others for the past two days. However, he would try his best to find time to eat with Qiao Nian at night after he was done with work.

Qiao Nian had also been very busy these past two days.

Her purpose in coming to the Independent Continent this time was to investigate the Ji family, but she realized that they were not so easy to investigate after coming here.

She did not dare to alert the enemy lest her identity was exposed.

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In these two days, she had only found some clues through the Independent Continent's Internet. These clues were clearly not enough to achieve her goal.

Moreover, through her investigation, she discovered that even in the Independent Continent, all information about Ji Qing had been wiped clean.

If not for the fact that she had the Ji family's lost family emblem, Qiao Nian would have suspected that Ji Qing had nothing to do with them.

However, the more it was deliberately erased, the more it meant that something fishy was going on!

Qiao Nian used her microcomputer to search for information about the Ji family for the nth time. What she could find was basically what she had found previously.

She leaned back in her chair and focused for a long time. Her phone rang while she was busy thinking.

Qiao Nian came back to her senses and picked it up.

She looked down and saw it was a call from Nie Mi.

She put the phone to her ear and said in a slightly hoarse voice, "Hello."

"Nian Nian, have you eaten? Come down. There's a cocktail party in the banquet hall on the first floor. I'll introduce a few people to you."

Qiao Nian's mind was still filled with thoughts about the Ji family and Ji Qing. She was a little distracted. "Yes?"

In a good mood, Nie Mi happily urged her to go down. "I'll introduce you to a few people from the Independent Continent. It'll be good for your future development. Your father and Master Cheng are also here. Come down quickly. I'll wait for you downstairs."

"Hello..." Nie Mi hung up before Qiao Nian could reject him.

She glanced at the data on the microcomputer that was only half-entered. She had no choice but to close the computer and change into a fresh set of clothes. Qiao Nian picked up the cap on the table and put it on. After making sure that it covered her eyes, she left the room unhurriedly and walked towards the first floor...

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Independent Continent, Hacker Alliance Headquarters.

A middle-aged man sat in front of a computer. A few computers were lined up in front of him. They were all supercomputers that were not available on the market.

At this moment, the data on the screens was constantly being updated.

"Here we go again!"

"What's happening again?" A man with cornrow hair leaned over to take a look.

The middle-aged man's tone was not very good. "Someone has been hacking into our database and stealing our information for the past two days. The other party came again today, and it was a one-time success. More than half of our new defense system has collapsed. Now, 'he' suddenly stopped attacking. I don't know what he's thinking."

"Who the f*ck is so bold as to attack our Hacker Alliance's system? Let me see." The man with cornrow hair snatched his seat.

With a slice of bread in his mouth, he looked indignant and wanted to fight back.

The middle-aged man didn't stop him.

It was mainly because the other party was too arrogant. Their Hacker Alliance had been in the Independent Continent for so long, but no one had ever treated them as their backyard!

His fingers flew over the keyboard.

Half an hour later, several computers flashed at the same time.

Ka!

All the screens went black.

At the same time, three words appeared on them—Don't court death.

"F*ck!" The man with bread in his mouth opened his mouth, causing the slice of bread to fall to the ground. He stared at the screen in front of him with his mouth agape. It took him a long time to find his voice. "So fierce? Who is this!"

He was so arrogant!

The other party was obviously skillful and arrogant!

Chapter 1675 - 1675 Hacker Alliance: Do You Have Manners?

The middle-aged man found a chair beside him and sat down. He crossed his arms and looked at his messy hair in anger and amusement. He said, "You only know how to be fierce now?"

The Chicken Nest Hair man had suffered a terrible blow and was speechless for a moment.

“Three days ago, I discovered that someone had hacked into our system and was looking for something in our database. I took countermeasures! In the end, it was similar to what happened this time. The other party also hacked my computer, but they didn’t do anything else. I think ‘he’ doesn’t have any ill intentions. He just wants to find something from us.”

The middle-aged man spoke generously.

In fact, he was also furious at the beginning.

It couldn’t be helped. They were the Hacker Alliance, but the other party didn’t take their computer defense system seriously. Shopping through their database was as easy as shopping in a supermarket.

Was that having manners?

What a slap in the face!

However, he had been slapped in the face for three consecutive days. He was already numb.

As expected, his face would not hurt anymore after being hit too many times.

“Boss—” The Chicken Nest Hair man was stunned.

What was this? This was called having no ill intentions? Boss’s temper had gradually improved recently!

The middle-aged man touched his nose and avoided his stunned gaze. He said expressionlessly, “Try restarting it.”

“Ah, oh oh oh.” The man with messy hair came back to his senses, turned off the power of the hacked computer, and started it again.

With a click, the computer did not get infected. It restarted smoothly.

At first, he thought that they were infected with a virus. Now that he saw the central computer that was fine, he could not recover for a long time.

“This... There’s no virus?”

Only then did the middle-aged man stand up and take his teapot. He sat down again and said leisurely, “No, I was worried about this at first. However, I realized that my worries were unnecessary over the past few days! The other party really didn’t have any intention of provoking us. He left a message saying ‘don’t court death’. The general meaning is that as long as we don’t try to check ‘his’ IP location, ‘he’ doesn’t intend to hack our system.”

The man with messy hair had an indescribable expression on his face. He turned to look at the computer in front of him, and it seemed to be fine on the clean and refreshing table...

Everything was so ‘harmonious’!

The corners of his mouth twitched, but he still felt suffocated.

They were the Independent Continent’s Hacker Alliance. Usually, they were the only ones who could hack other people’s computers. But they didn’t even have a chance to retaliate when someone else attacked and hammered them. They could still brew a cup of tea here and lament about other people’s skill level?

The middle-aged man glanced at him and could roughly tell what he was thinking. He poured him a cup of tea and pursed his lips, then his gaze landed on the computer. “The other party’s technique reminds me of someone.”

“Who?” The messy-haired man was indignant. His eyes lit up at this moment.

The middle-aged man did not answer immediately.

After a long time, he said, “You’ve heard of ‘him.’ Red Alliance’s Sun.”

The uncrowned king of hackers!

Their Hacker Alliance had been unable to become the number one hacker organization on the Independent Continent until now because they lacked this person.

This was how Sun did things. He was simple and direct. He didn't beat around the bush, but he would crush you with his strength.

"Sun?" The messy-haired man's eyes were filled with confusion. After a long time, he muttered, "Did he come to the Independent Continent?"

The middle-aged man did not say anything.

However, his gaze gradually darkened.

Chapter 1676 - 1676 Someone Is Deliberately Making Things Difficult

On the other side.

]Qiao Nian had just walked out of the elevator. She heard Nie Mi arguing with someone before she could meet up with him and the others.

"Why can't you let us in?"

"I'm so sorry."

"I'm not forcing you to apologize. You have to give us a reason for suddenly not letting us in. Otherwise, what will we think when so many of us are here?"

"Sorry."

"I told you, I don't want your apology. I just want to know why you stopped us outside! We have an invitation to your cocktail party, but you don't let us in or give us a reasonable explanation. Is this how you treat your guests in the Independent Continent?!"

Qiao Nian looked up slightly, surprised.

It was rare for Nie Mi to get so angry. He must have encountered something fierce.

The collar of her shirt was slightly open. With one hand in her pocket, she walked in the direction of the argument.

She immediately saw Master Cheng, Liang Conglin, and the others. Her father and a few old professors were also there.

Nie Mi was arguing with the doorman at the entrance of the banquet hall. He was so angry that his face was red and his neck veins were bulging. He looked furious.

She walked over and looked up slightly. "Dad, what's wrong?"

Jiang Zongjin turned around and saw Qiao Nian. He explained in a low voice, "Elder Nie brought us to attend the cocktail party. We took out the invitation card, but the doorman insisted on not letting us in. He also won't tell us the reason. Elder Nie was so angry that he started arguing with them. However, other than apologizing, the other party refused to give a reason..."

Qiao Nian instantly understood.

This situation was indeed infuriating.

Qiao Nian looked up and saw that the doorman's attitude was still the same. His apology was sincere, but he refused to let them in. "I'm very sorry."

Master Cheng walked over at this moment. He greeted Qiao Nian upon seeing her. Then, he said to Jiang Zongjin and the others, "I asked around. The other party vaguely revealed to me that we offended the Chamber of Commerce Alliance. The Chamber of Commerce Alliance deliberately prevented us from entering."

"How could they?" Liang Conglin understood the reason before he could finish the sentence. His expression immediately turned ashen. "Is it because of the chip?"

"I think so." Master Cheng nodded.

Liang Conglin immediately choked. "The Qi family was unreasonable and wanted to forcefully pin the plagiarism on us. We just defended ourselves. How can they pin all the blame on us?"

Master Cheng's expression was cold and solemn, and he was not in high spirits. "The Qi family is one of the Chamber of Commerce Alliance's members. They will definitely protect their own people. Even if the Qi family has already fallen, they still have to stand up for them. To put it bluntly, they are not deliberately making things difficult for us for the Qi family, but to regain face for their Chamber of Commerce Alliance!"

The Chamber of Commerce Alliance wasn't a particularly impressive force in the Independent Continent, but it was still mid-sized.

They were outsiders.

A powerful dragon could not suppress a local snake, let alone a group of scientific researchers like them!

In the Independent Continent's territory, there was nothing they could do if others wanted to make things difficult for them!

"Tell Elder Nie to come back! We won't be attending the cocktail party tonight," Master Cheng said calmly.

However, he knew very well that the Chamber of Commerce Alliance would not stop at this.

They would definitely cause trouble in the dark. He was afraid that the cocktail parties they were supposed to attend in the next few days would not let them in like today.

Chapter 1677 - 1677 Suddenly Letting Them in Now

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“Tell Elder Nie to come back. We’ll discuss the countermeasures when we return to the room. We’ll only make a fool of ourselves if we make a fuss now.”

Liang Conglin took a look around. Indeed, many people in the lobby were looking in their direction. He rubbed his temples and said, “I understand. I’ll call Elder Nie.”

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Qiao Nian listened from the side. She basically understood what was going on.

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She had never thought that the Qi family had joined the Independent Continent’s Chamber of Commerce Alliance. She did not expect that even though the Qi family was finished, the people from the Chamber of Commerce Alliance would still jump out to make their presence known.

She leaned against the wall and lazily bent her long legs. Her lips curled into a faint smile. With one hand in her pocket, she used her other hand to send a message to Slim Waist Control.

A few minutes later, Liang Conglin returned with Nie Mi.

Nie Mi’s expression was very bad. He pursed his lips tightly and did not say a word. Clearly, he was so angry that he could not speak.

Master Cheng patted his shoulder silently.

Then, he looked up and said to the others, including Qiao Nian, "Let's go back!"

Everyone was depressed. They were no longer as happy and relaxed as when they called Qiao Nian and asked her to come down to attend the cocktail party.

Just as everyone was about to walk towards the elevator...

Suddenly, a voice stopped them.

"Honored guests, please wait a moment!" The person who chased after them was the doorman who had stopped Nie Mi from entering.

The doorman seemed to have changed into a different person. After catching up, he faced everyone's respectful attitude. "I'm sorry, you can go in now."

"Huh?" Nie Mi was confused by his inconsistent attitude. He didn't understand what they were doing.

He subconsciously looked at Master Cheng. "Master Cheng, you think..."

Master Cheng didn't understand what was going on, either. They could suddenly enter now. Didn't they say that President Torre of the Chamber of Commerce Alliance had announced that he wouldn't let them in?

They all stood rooted to the ground.

Seeing this, the doorman hurriedly apologized to them. "Dear distinguished guests, I'm very sorry. I was rash just now. The cocktail party has already begun. Everyone, hurry up and go in!"

Master Cheng and Nie Mi looked at each other.

Master Cheng spoke first. "Let's... let's go in!"

With Nie Mi's fiery temper, if such a thing happened in the country, he would definitely not enter.

However, this was the Independent Continent, not Beijing.

He noticed the girl's expression out of the corner of his eye. Thinking of his motive for coming to the Independent Continent—introduce a few people to Qiao Nian.

He endured it and agreed. He said in a muffled voice, "Since it's like this, let's go in."

Everyone was confused. They followed the doorman back into the cocktail party.

Only Qiao Nian knew what was going on. She casually put her hands and phone back into her pocket and followed Nie Mi and the others without saying a word...

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The lights in the hall were bright and dazzling.

Men in suits and leather shoes were chatting. The women also looked fashionable.

Qiao Nian raised her eyebrows and glanced around. Realizing that it was no different from a cocktail party in Beijing, she lost interest and didn't look around anymore. She basically followed Nie Mi and the others, keeping a low profile.

On the other side of the banquet.

A middle-aged man was surrounded by many people. He was like the moon surrounded by stars. The middle-aged man took good care of himself. His blue eyes were a little gray upon a closer look. He looked like a smart and capable person.

Chapter 1678 - 1678 They Have Someone Backing Them Up, Face Slap

He was holding the cocktail he got from the waiter. He held the end of the glass and casually swirled it as he talked to someone.

Suddenly, he noticed Nie Mi and the others enter from the corner of his eye.

His expression suddenly turned cold. After barely chatting with the person who came over to strike up a conversation, he instructed someone to call the organizer of the cocktail party.

“President.”

Torre grunted in displeasure and stuck out his chin. He was impeccably dressed and his eyes hid his fierceness. “What’s going on? Didn’t I say not to let them in?”

Although the Qi family was useless, they were still a member of their Chamber of Commerce Alliance. But they were actually bullied by a research team from Qing University in the illegal zone.

This time, the research team even came to the Independent Continent.

Of course, he was not standing up for the Qi family. He was standing up for their Chamber of Commerce Alliance!

Today’s banquet was ordinary. It didn’t involve the few flourishing forces of the Independent Continent. As the president, he still had some face. Therefore, Torre was impolite and deliberately got someone to block the people from Qing University’s scientific research team from entering.

His original intention was for other people to see Nie Mi and the others as a joke and to know that their Chamber of Commerce Alliance was not to be trifled with.

Unexpectedly, everyone came in so quickly.

Wasn’t this a slap to his face?

Therefore, Torre's words were very impolite. He was unable to suppress his anger. "What do you mean?! You're not giving me face?"

Paradise Hotel had a strong background in the Independent Continent.

The person in charge smiled slightly. He looked respectful, but in fact, he was not sincere. He said, neither servile nor overbearing, "President Torre, of course, I'm not disrespecting you. It's just that they have someone backing them up. Aren't I in a difficult position too? Don't make things difficult for me anymore!"

"You say they have someone backing them up?" Torre hesitated, but he was still unhappy.

Who was so disrespectful to him?

The person in charge still had that respectful expression and was all smiles. "Yes, Mr. Nie and the others know the diamond big shot in the illegal zone, Q. The people from Q personally contacted me and asked us to let them in."

Torre looked surprised. "Q? You mean that Q?"

Q was inextricably linked to the Red Alliance and Tian Chen. Q wasn't afraid of him even with his power in the Independent Continent!

"Yes, you also know that the Ji family invited Q to the banquet this time. Although that person isn't sure if he will show his face, at least the other party is someone the Ji family wants to rope in. Since he has asked me, how can I refuse?"

The person in charge smiled harmlessly. "So, President Torre, don't be too calculative with Mr. Nie and the others. Harmony makes money!"

"But how do they know Q?" The middle-aged man still had doubts, but his expression showed that he was very afraid of Q and the Ji family.

Still, he couldn't take this lying down. "They touched my people and made such a scene. If I forget about it this time, then where will our Chamber of Commerce Alliance put our face!"

"Didn't you block them outside for so long just now? Mr. Nie and the others were already in a sorry state." The person in charge knew how to find a way out for him. "President Torre, why don't you forget about it for my sake! I'll treat you to a meal later and ask Mr. Nie and the others to apologize to you."

"Hmph." Torre snorted coldly, and his expression finally relaxed. "Forget about apologizing. I don't want to accept their apology!"

"A bunch of country bumpkins. I can't be bothered with them. Let's talk about it later!"

Chapter 1679 - 1679 There's an Auction Later That You Might Be Interested In

The Independent Continent's cocktail party was no different from the ones in Beijing.

It was an occasion for influential people to socialize.

Nie Mi and Master Cheng brought Qiao Nian around to get to know everyone. After a round, she changed three types of drinks in her wine glass.

Finally, Qiao Nian met the last person. Nie Mi brought her to meet Master Cheng and the others.

On the way back, Nie Mi placed the wine glass on the tray of a passing waiter. Then, he turned to the nonchalant girl and said, "Nian Nian, do you remember the people I introduced you to just now?"

Qiao Nian nodded casually. "Yes."

Seeing Nie Mi's serious expression, she fell silent for half a second before placing the glass on the waiter's tray. She clapped her hands and stuffed them into her pockets. "I remember."

“Mm. It’s good that you remember!” Nie Mi had always been at ease with her. His gaze was far-reaching. “Those people just now are all from the Independent Continent. They might be able to help you in the future. With them around, you can at least get in touch with the Independent Continent.”

Qiao Nian looked up, her dark eyes clear and bright. She didn’t say anything, tacitly acknowledging his good intentions. “I know.”

“I know you usually know more than me, but it’s not easy to form connections in the Independent Continent. With this opportunity, I still want to bring you to meet more people. If you have the chance to come into contact with this circle in the future, you won’t be unfamiliar with everyone...” Nie Mi rambled on.

Qiao Nian listened to him obediently.

Dressed in black and wearing a cap, she looked cold and cool. She was especially eye-catching at such a high-end cocktail party! Qiao Nian had lowered the brim of her cap, hiding half of her face in the shadows. Unfortunately, her aura was too eye-catching.

“Oh, yes.”

Halfway through, Nie Mi quickly walked back to Master Cheng, Jiang Zongjin, and the others. Seeming to have thought of something, he suddenly stopped in his tracks, turned to the girl beside him, and said, “There’s an auction later. You can see if there’s anything you want to buy.”

Qiao Nian had been bored to death ever since she entered the venue. She wasn’t interested in anything.

It was not until Nie Mi mentioned the auction that she became interested. She raised her eyebrows. “Auction?”

“Yes.” Nie Mi smiled. “This can be considered a specialty of the Independent Continent’s cocktail party! The latter half of the party will be an auction. The items auctioned are usually the collections of the organizers. Some good things will occasionally come out.”

“Mm-hm.”

“Don’t you like strange things? You can take a look later. There might be something you’re interested in!”

Qiao Nian didn’t know if there would be anything she was interested in, but Nie Mi’s sudden mention of the auction still piqued her interest.

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On the other side, almost at the same time.

A scar-faced man entered the cocktail party with an invitation letter in his hand. He did not go around trying to build connections like the others.

Instead, he found an inconspicuous corner and took a glass of water. He leaned against the wall and observed his surroundings.

“Brother Xi, that Torre is over there.” The companion he brought in was the first to spot his target and gestured with his chin.

“Don’t be so obvious. Be careful not to be discovered,” Mo Xi reminded him as he casually looked in the direction his companion was pointing at.

He didn’t see Torre.

Halfway through, he was attracted by a girl’s tall and slender back.

The other party’s aura was too unique.

He recognized her at a glance as the person he met in the lobby two days ago.

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"It's her?" Mo Xi was stunned. He then looked around and saw a group of elders dressed as professors nearby.

One of them was Master Cheng.

His furrowed brows relaxed again, and he no longer paid attention to Qiao Nian. He deliberately waited for the girl to pass by before secretly taking out his miniature phone and taking a photo of the man not far away, sending it to the group.

[Mo Xi: I saw Torre. He came to the Paradise Hotel to attend a cocktail party. He's very cautious and has quite a number of people with him.]

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[Mo Xi: Photo.jpg]

He lowered his head. Soon, someone in the group replied to him.

[Y: You don't have to do anything. Just keep an eye on him. See who he comes into contact with and remember those people.]

[Mo Xi: Okay, I understand!]

It was not good to keep playing with his phone in such a place. It was easy to be noticed.

Mo Xi didn't keep looking down and sending messages.

After he sent the photo he had just taken, he knew what he should and shouldn't do next. He knew what to do and stopped playing with his phone.

However, Mo Xi hesitated again when he caught a glimpse of the girl with Master Cheng from the corner of his eye. He hesitated about whether to tell Master Wang and the others that Master Cheng and the others were also there.

However, he did not have time to hesitate for long. The lights dimmed, and it was now too late for him to take a photo. He was attracted by the auction stage that rose in the middle.

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“The auction has begun.”

Nie Mi spoke to the girl with familiarity after the lights dimmed.

They were all focused on the auction stage in the middle. Everyone’s attention was basically attracted by the auction stage.

Qiao Nian raised her cap and looked over.

Soon, the auctioneer went up, followed by a high-tech robot delivering the first item.

A precious herb.

The people below bid sparsely. They did not seem to be interested in such a conventional auction item.

On the other hand, Liang Conglin was quite interested. He waited for the bidding to end before shouting, “No. 015, 680,000 yuan.”

From the beginning, Qiao Nian had noticed that there was a number on everyone’s invitation.

At that time, she did not know the meaning behind it.

It was not until Liang Conglin shouted that she understood its use. It should be something the organizers used to differentiate the guests' identities.

The first auctioned item was a medicinal ingredient, a type of Chinese medicine.

Although it was very precious, the majority of the people did not believe in Chinese medicine. Naturally, they did not believe in the medicinal herbs that were used in Chinese Medicine. They thought that it was just some random plant.

Liang Conglin's bidding was not low.

As soon as he shouted 680,000 yuan, the few people who had bid previously fell silent. Clearly, they felt that it was not worth it to spend hundreds of thousands to buy Chinese medicine.

Qiao Nian watched as the auctioneer on stage raised his hammer, preparing to announce the success of the auction.

However, a repulsive voice sounded at this moment.

"001, 700,000."

The other party's voice was low and hoarse. It sounded disgusting and subconsciously dangerous.

Liang Conglin frowned.

The number was related to the customer's identity. Number 001's identity was definitely not simple.

He hesitated for a moment, and in the blink of an eye, the auction was successful.

The meat Ganoderma he thought highly of had been taken away by the other party.

Although Liang Conglin felt a little regretful, he did not think too much about it. He thought that it was a coincidence.