

Madam's 2131

Chapter 2131 - 2131 I'll Find Out

He didn't even look at Ji Ziyin. Staring in the direction Qiao Nian and Zhou Zhou left, his face darkened and he said expressionlessly, "Why did you ask her about Wednesday's meal just now? Is something important happening on Wednesday?"

Ji Ziyin fiddled with the hair by her ear and pursed her lips, as if in a difficult position. "I... Actually, Wednesday isn't a special day."

Gu Hengbo looked at her.

Ji Ziyin took a deep breath and decided not to hide anything anymore. She looked straight into his eyes. "I heard that Xie Tingyun has chosen an heir and wants to acknowledge that person as her goddaughter. She chose Wednesday to hold a filiation banquet at the Intercontinental Hotel and introduce the heir she chose to everyone."

Gu Hengbo's expression became unnatural the moment he heard Xie Tingyun's name.

Ji Ziyin could tell that he was very concerned about this news.

She increased her weight. "...It's said that the dean will also be attending."

Not everyone could invite Feng Yu.

Ji Hongyuan had once tried to invite Feng Yu to dinner on her behalf, but he was rejected on the spot.

This time, she had long confirmed that Feng Yu would attend Xie Tingyun's filiation banquet.

All the major forces in the independent continent had their attention on the banquet.

"You said the dean is going?" Gu Hengbo's heart was a mess after Ji Ziyin nodded. He frowned for a moment before letting go. "...You suspect that the person Xie Tingyun chose is a newcomer to the research institute this year?"

He seemed to disdain mentioning Qiao Nian's name, using "newcomer" to replace it.

Ji Ziyin's eyes flickered and the corners of her lips curled up. However, she controlled herself, so it was difficult for others to tell.magic

She nodded and said sincerely, "I heard that the person Xie Tingyun wants to acknowledge is surnamed Qiao, so I suspect it's her."

She immediately added, "But Teacher, I only suspect her. I don't have evidence."

Gu Hengbo understood why Ji Ziyin had stopped Qiao Nian and asked her where she was eating on Wednesday.

His expression was dark and his emotions couldn't be guessed.

No matter how anxious Ji Ziyin was, she couldn't continue at this time. She could only suppress her nervousness.

Gu Hengbo lowered his head and pondered for a moment. Then, he placed his hands behind his back and walked forward.

Ji Ziyin had no choice but to follow him. Just as she caught up to him, she heard him speak to her in a low voice.

"I'll find out."

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Wednesday arrived in the blink of an eye.

Qiao Nian's days in the laboratory became much better after Feng Yu went to look for her.

At least, Xie Xinyao and the others were afraid and didn't openly target her like before.

However, they continued to do cheap tricks.

For example, when she walked past them, she could always see Xie Xinyao gathered with a few people around her. Every time she passed by, Xie Xinyao would pull a long face, as if someone owed her millions.

However, Qiao Nian didn't care about this.

She just wanted Xie Xinyao not to look for trouble.

Nan Tianyi called early in the morning.

Qiao Nian had applied for leave from Shi Fu as she wanted to sleep in, but she was woken up by his call.

Angry, she got out of bed and reached for her cell phone in her half-asleep state. "Hello, Uncle Nan."

The girl's voice was obviously hoarse. Anyone could tell that she wasn't up yet.

Nan Tianyi said in embarrassment, "Nian Nian, did I wake you up?"

"Hmm?"

Qiao Nian was a little confused and couldn't think straight.

Chapter 2132 - 2132 Sister Nian Estimated Two or Three Tables

Lifting the blanket and getting out of bed, she walked into the bathroom in her slippers, turned on the tap with one hand, and splashed cold water on her face.

Qiao Nian finally sobered up a little when the cold water hit her face.

Turning off the tap and glancing at the sleepy person in the mirror, she took a deep breath and adjusted her breathing. Then, she turned around and walked out. Her tone was much lighter now as she said, "It's fine. I also set the alarm clock at this time."

Qiao Nian wasn't lying.

She had indeed set the alarm at this time.

However, it was for an hour later.

Nan Tianyi had called too early and forcefully got her out of bed an hour earlier.

Qiao Nian walked to the desk and pulled out a chair to sit down. Then, she lowered her eyes and asked casually, "Uncle Nan, why are you looking for me?"

Nan Tianyi was embarrassed by her question. He coughed softly to hide his embarrassment and smiled. "I was worried that you would forget about coming to the Intercontinental for lunch, so I called you in advance to remind you. I didn't expect you to still be asleep..."

Qiao Nian guessed that he was looking for her because of this, so she nodded and said calmly, "I remember. Don't worry."

Nan Tianyi said a few more things before Xie Tingyun could be heard calling out to him.

Nan Tianyi stopped talking and just reminded her carefully, "Nian Nian, there are many guests today. Remember to tell me before you come. I'll go out and pick you up."

"Okay," Qiao Nian replied. She looked at the time. It wasn't even nine o'clock. There were still three hours before lunch.

She estimated the time of departure and then said, "I'll go over at about 10:30, okay?"

"10:30? Huh? Then, it'll be almost 11 o'clock when you get to the hotel?" Nan Tianyi calculated the time and said readily, "Sure. You can probably arrive at the hotel before 11:30. Come half an hour early. Your Auntie Xie wants to introduce you to a few friends."

Xie Tingyun's friends had to be famous figures in the independent continent. This could be considered a handover of connections.

Qiao Nian pressed her temples and didn't reject Nan Tianyi and Xie Tingyun's good intentions. She nodded. "I know."

"Your Aunt Xie is calling me. I'll go over first." Nan Tianyi smiled and said, "Nian Nian, remember to call me if you need anything."

"Okay."

Qiao Nian hung up and then looked down at her phone.

Zhou Zhou had sent her a message early in the morning to ask if she had set off.

Feng Yu had also sent her a message last night. One in the morning, he asked her if she wanted to wear a formal suit tomorrow.

Then, there was Shen Qingfeng's message... His intention was the same. He mainly wanted to ask her what to give her on Old Madam Shen's behalf.

Qiao Nian didn't invite many people.

Other than Ye Wangchuan, Qin Si, and Gu San, she invited a few people from the research institute who she had a good relationship with.

The three people from Team 10: Shen Qingfeng, Xu Yi, and Xue Zhu.

Shen Qingfeng had asked her out on Old Madam Shen's behalf before. The Old Madam had taken the initiative to express her concern a few times, so Qiao Nian asked Shen Qingfeng to bring Old Madam Shen over for the meal.

Therefore, she invited a total of seven or eight people.

She didn't know how many people Xie Tingyun and Nan Tianyi had invited.

However, Xie Tingyun had told her that this would be a small banquet. She only invited some close friends.

Qiao Nian didn't go to the Intercontinental Hotel. She still didn't know about the situation.

According to Xie Tingyun, not many people would be attending today.

Only about two or three tables worth of people.

Chapter 2133 - 2133 Back Then, the Old Madam's 70th Birthday Din Not Seem So Important

Qiao Nian looked at the time and then went to take a shower.

Anyway, she and Nan Tianyi had agreed to meet at 11:30. It was only 9:50 now. After taking a shower, she could look at the detailed information about the experiment Shi Fu had entrusted her. She would leave at around 11:00. The timing was just right.

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At the Shen Family.

Old Madam Shen woke up early in the morning, changed her clothes, and did her hair. Many people came in and out of the house.

Father and Mother Shen were not invited. They were a little dumbfounded when they saw how much Old Madam Shen valued this afternoon's lunch.

Back then, the old lady's 70th birthday did not seem to be so important.

They saw the old lady take out a set of jade jewelry and put it on with their own eyes. She even nagged at Shen Qingfeng, "What do you think? Miss Qiao won't think that I'm flashy, right?"

Shen Qingfeng accompanied the old lady helplessly. Hearing this, he pressed her shoulder from behind and comforted her with a smile. "Grandma, she won't. Qiao Nian doesn't care about trifles. She won't care about these things."

"She doesn't care. That's because she has a good upbringing."

His Grandma was always on Qiao Nian's side. Shen Qingfeng was speechless.

"Miss Qiao kindly invited an old woman like me to broaden my horizons. We can't embarrass her." Old Madam Shen looked at herself in the mirror and thought for a moment before taking off the complicated jade jewelry. Only a necklace with jade beads was left on her neck. It was very appropriate and solemn. "Alright, I'll go with this. Qingfeng, what about you? Are you ready?"

Shen Qingfeng looked down at his clothes and then looked at his Grandma innocently. "Can't I wear this?"

Old Madam Shen saw that he was dressed in casual home clothes. He was gentle and refined and looked pretty good.

She had wanted to ask him to change into a formal suit, but thinking of Qiao Nian's personality from Shen Qingfeng's account, she decided not to.

"You can wear this." Then, she impatiently asked Father Shen, "Is the gift I asked you to prepare for Miss Qiao ready?"

Father Shen's heart thumped. "Mom, are you sure you want to give the Shen Family's assets to that Miss Qiao? Isn't it too extravagant to be given away to an outsider?"

The gift that Old Madam Shen prepared this time was not an ordinary item. It was an industrial chain of the Shen Family in the independent continent. magic

This was much more practical than diamonds and gold.

She was too generous.

Father Shen was very confused. "Our family spent a lot of effort to build this industrial chain, and you're giving it away just like this?"

"Just do as I say." Old Madam Shen still had her dignity. Her hair was silver, but her eyes were extremely sharp. She smiled with a gentle expression. "I'm doing this to pave the way for the Shen Family and Qingfeng. It's fine if you don't understand. Just do as I say."

Father Shen was used to listening to Old Madam Shen's arrangements. Although he had thousands of questions in his heart, he still followed her order obediently.

After a while, he handed a box to Old Madam Shen.

Old Madam Shen did not waste any time. She looked at the time and said to Shen Qingfeng, "Qingfeng, let's go an hour early."

“Miss Qiao invited us. We should go a little earlier in order to show our respect. Perhaps we can help out.”

Chapter 2134 - 2134 Damn, Will Xie Xinyao Eat Here Too?

Shen Qingfeng nodded and stopped asking. “Alright, I’ll make the arrangements.”

He sent a message to Xu Yi and Xue Zhu asking if they had set off. Then, he went to look for the chauffeur and instructed him to prepare to set off...

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Half an hour later.

The Intercontinental Hotel was overcrowded.

Many rare luxury cars were parked outside.

Xu Yi and Xue Zhu arrived at the hotel almost at the same time. Seeing the scene outside, they looked at each other and almost did not recover from their shock.

“The person I saw just now is the dean, right? The dean is also here...” Xue Zhu couldn’t close her mouth, so shocked she was.

Xu Yi also looked at the people coming in and out of the hotel. For the first time, a helpless expression appeared on his handsome face. “I also saw the person in charge of the Level 3 laboratory, Team Leader Zhou.”

“I know that Team Leader Zhou has a good relationship with Qiao Nian.” Xue Zhu was not surprised by this. She knew more people than Xu Yi. The corners of her mouth twitched when she saw Nan Tianyi greeting the guests at the entrance. “It’s not strange for the Dean and Team Leader Zhou to come, but the problem is that I also saw people from the Ji family, the Nan family, the Pharmacy Association, the Chamber of Commerce Alliance, the Hacker Alliance...”

She mentioned several factions in a row, covering almost half of the famous factions in the independent continent.

Xue Zhu's face tensed up. Her facial muscles were a little weak after so much shock. She said to Xu Yi expressionlessly, "These people are all important figures. They're all leaders."

A sapphire blue sports car arrived as they talked. magic

The chauffeur opened the back door, and a pair of exquisitely dressed mother and daughter alighted. The two of them were dressed brightly and eye-catching.

Recognizing one of them, Xue Zhu immediately said, "Xie Xinyao?"

Xu Yi was stunned.

Xue Zhu was even more certain that she had not seen wrongly. She pointed ahead for Xu Yi to see. "Look, is that Xie Xinyao?"

Xie Xinyao was quite easy to recognize.

She was tall and rather charismatic. She could be considered the sort of beauty at first glance.

Xu Yi was stunned as he recognized the other party as Xie Xinyao.

Xue Zhu's hand dropped and she muttered to herself, "F*ck, Xie Xinyao is eating here too? Will we bump into her later? That's too disgusting!"

However, Xu Yi had a strong feeling and asked her, "Do you think we'll have lunch with her at noon?"

“What?” At first, Xue Zhu suspected that she had heard wrongly. Then, she scratched her head, looking confused. “You’re saying that we’ll eat with her? That’s impossible, right? Qiao Nian isn’t on good terms with her. You know how she targets us in the laboratory every day.”

Xu Yi silently turned his gaze back to Xie Xinyao and recalled the rumor that had been spreading in the research institute recently.

“Why are there so many people in the Intercontinental Hotel today? At first, I thought that the dean and Team Leader Zhou were called over by Qiao Nian. Now that I see Xie Xinyao, I’m not sure anymore. What big event do you think the Intercontinental Hotel is holding today? More than half of the independent continent forces are here to support them.”

After Xue Zhu finished speaking, she thought for a moment and said, “Let’s keep a low profile and not provoke these people. We can’t afford to provoke any of them.”

“Mm,” Xu Yi replied.

As soon as he finished speaking, the cell phone in his pocket rang.

Xue Zhu asked, “Has Senior Shen arrived?”

Xu Yi took out his cell phone and looked down. It was indeed a call from Shen Qingfeng.

Chapter 2135 - 2135 Sister Nian's "Simple Meal"

He picked it up.

Shen Qingfeng’s voice came from the other end of the call. “Xu Yi, have you arrived?”

“We just got here.”magic

“Is Xue Zhu with you?” Shen Qingfeng did not forget to ask Xue Zhu.

Xu Yi looked at Xue Zhu and nodded. Realizing that Shen Qingfeng could not see him, he said in a low voice, "She's with me."

"Where are you?"

Xu Yi looked around and told him the location.

Shen Qingfeng came to look for them not long after.

As soon as Xue Zhu saw Shen Qingfeng, she immediately mentioned to him the people she had seen entering the hotel. She smacked her lips and sighed. "... I wonder what day it is today. So many people came to the Intercontinental Hotel."

Shen Qingfeng looked at her in surprise and then asked after a moment, "You don't know?"

Xue Zhu was stunned. "Know what?"

Did she miss something?

Seeing that she really did not know, Shen Qingfeng rubbed his temples and explained, "They all came to attend Qiao Nian's filiation banquet."

Xue Zhu was confused.

She was completely stunned by Shen Qingfeng's words.

Xu Yi was slightly better. He forced herself to calm down and then said, "Qiao Nian told us that it's just a simple meal. What did you just say... a filiation banquet?"

"Mm."

Shen Qingfeng had known them for three to four years, and the three of them had always had a good relationship. He did not hide it from them. He briefly explained it to Xu Yi and Xue Zhu, then touched the bridge of his nose and said helplessly, "I reckon she herself did not know that the banquet would be so grand. She even invited my grandma. Grandma..."

There were some family matters that Shen Qingfeng could not say much about. He swallowed what he was about to say. "Let's go in first. Otherwise, it will be even more difficult for us to greet them when there are more and more people later."

They were all marginal figures in the research institute, and they could not even touch the edge of the independent continent. Usually, they could not even touch the edge of Ji Ziyin's circle, let alone come into contact with the banquet that Feng Yu, Ji Lingfeng, and the others attended.

Xue Zhu was completely dumbfounded.

It was as if she was stepping on cotton. She walked as if she was floating as she followed Shen Qingfeng into the hotel.

A few times she wanted to call Qiao Nian and ask. However, she gave up when she touched the edge of her cell phone.

She had known Qiao Nian for a few months and knew a little about her personality.

Qiao Nian had told her and Xu Yi that it was just a simple meal. Perhaps she really did not treat today's lunch as a big deal.

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In the house.

"Miss Qiao, are we setting off?" Gu San packed his things and happened to see Qiao Nian coming downstairs. He quickly put down his work and asked her.

Qiao Nian was still wearing casual clothes and looked very carefree as she came downstairs.

Gu San immediately went out to get the car.

Qin Si was playing games. Seeing that Qiao Nian had come down, he also logged out of the game. He put his phone aside with a smile and greeted the girl, "Sister Qiao, good morning."

"Good morning."

Qiao Nian pulled out a chair and sat down. Seeing that Ye Wangchuan was also looking at his cell phone, she turned her head and asked him, "Today..."

"Huh?" The man looked back at her in a dignified and lazy manner.

Qiao Nian swallowed what she was about to say. "Nothing."

Ye Wangchuan was wearing a windbreaker today with a thin black sweater inside. The collar of the sweater was high. It might look weird if an ordinary person wore such a turtleneck sweater. However, he had the aura of a cold young master.

Chapter 2136 - 2136 Oh, Didn't She Come Earlier?

Qiao Nian picked up the glass of water beside her and took a sip. She lowered her eyes and vaguely felt that a certain someone was dressed exceptionally ostentatiously today.

But she wasn't sure if she was being paranoid.

At this moment, Gu San entered and said, "Master Wang, Miss Qiao, we can set off now."

Qin Si stretched and walked to Qiao Nian's side, interrupting the girl's thoughts with a smile. "Sister Qiao, let's go~"

Qiao Nian stopped thinking about it. She placed the cup on the table and put her hands in her pockets. She only brought her cell phone and said to the two of them, "Let's go."

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Intercontinental Hotel.

Xie Tingyun called for Feng Yu and Zhou Zhou to sit down. She returned and asked Nan Tianyi, "Tianyi, are Nian Nian and the others not here yet?"

Nan Tianyi raised his wristwatch to look at the time and comforted her. "I arranged to meet her at 11:30. She'll probably be here soon."

"By the way, have you arranged for Nian Nian's friends at the research institute?" Xie Tingyun nodded and quickly asked as she thought of Xu Yi and the others.

Nan Tianyi's heart ached as he held her shoulder. A helpless expression appeared on his handsome face. "Don't worry, I've already arranged everything."

"Where did you arrange for them to sit?" Xie Tingyun glared at him and asked worriedly.

Nan Tianyi knew that she was worried that he had not arranged for Qiao Nian's friends, so he pointed to a table. "Oh, I arranged for them to sit at the same table as their dean. Team Leader Zhou and Ji Nan are also at that table. Ji Nan will take care of them."

Logically speaking, Feng Yu should sit at the main table.

However, he liked to keep a low profile.

Xie Tingyun understood Feng Yu's character and very considerately arranged for him to sit next to the main table.

Even if Feng Yu did not sit at the main table, his table was no different from the main table.magic

Generally speaking, with people of Feng Yu's level, they had to arrange for them to sit together. Whether it was Xu Yi, Xue Zhu, Shen Qingfeng, or Old Madam Shen, they were not qualified to share a table with Feng Yu.

Nan Tianyi and Xie Tingyun's thoughts were the same!

Today was Qiao Nian's banquet. She was one of the main characters today.

Qiao Nian's friends were all called over by her.

Even if Xu Yi and the others were only marginal figures of the independent continent, they were still very important.

There was nothing wrong with the main guest sitting at the main table.

Xie Tingyun finally relaxed. She smiled and patted the back of Nan Tianyi's hand, then said gently, "That's good. I was just afraid that you didn't arrange for them."

At this moment, Mother Xie and Xie Xinyao walked over.

Mother Xie greeted her warmly upon seeing her, "Tingyun."

Xie Xinyao also appeared natural and unrestrained. She greeted Xie Tingyun politely, "Aunt, have you been feeling better recently?"

Xie Xinyao had been sent to Xie Tingyun's side by her mother when she was young. Xie Tingyun was quite familiar with her. Hearing her question, she smiled and said gently, "My health is much better."

Madam Xie looked around and asked, "Tingyun, is the person you mentioned not here yet?"

She couldn't even be bothered to use the word "goddaughter".

Mother Xie clearly did not take an outsider like Qiao Nian seriously.

Nan Tianyi frowned. Because Mother Xie was Xie Tingyun's sister, he did not flare up. He only said, "She's on her way. She'll be here soon."

"Oh." Madam Xie combed her hair. She looked at them with a dignified expression and smiled. "She didn't come early?"

Chapter 2137 - 2137 Mother Xie Wants to Sit at Feng Yu's Table

Nan Tianyi's smile froze for a moment. His face was tense as he frowned and stopped talking.

Mother Xie could tell that he seemed a little angry. She immediately covered her mouth and smiled, as if she did not do it on purpose. "Aiya, I thought she would come early for such a big matter. Don't take it to heart. I don't mean anything else. I'm just asking."

Nan Tianyi looked worriedly in Xie Tingyun's direction.

As expected, his wife was frowning.

He felt suffocated and wished he could chase Madam Xie and Xie Xinyao away. However, the two of them were considered Xie Tingyun's family. He could not embarrass her.

Nan Tianyi could only suppress the anger in his heart and change the topic with a fake smile. "She'll be here soon. Xinyao, let's go. I'll lead you to your seat."

Mother Xie could tell that he was very protective of his goddaughter, who had yet to appear, and the dissatisfaction in her heart deepened.

She blocked Xie Xinyao's way without a trace and said with a smile, "Tianyi, I heard that Elder Feng is here today?"

Nan Tianyi knew that Madam Xie was talking about Feng Yu, so he nodded and said indifferently, "Elder Feng has come to congratulate Tingyun."

Mother Xie rolled her eyes and immediately grabbed Xie Xinyao's hand. "Xinyao is from the research institute. Why don't we sit at Elder Feng's table?"

Nan Tianyi saw through her intentions and rejected her indifferently, "I'm sorry, Elder Feng's table is already full. I'll arrange for you to sit at another table, one of the main tables."

Mother Xie did not expect him to reject her. She immediately frowned. "What a coincidence. It's full?"

Nan Tianyi raised his chin slightly. His face was as steady and handsome even though he was over 40 years old. He had the charm of a mature man.

His tiger eyes were bright as he looked at Mother Xie and Xie Xinyao. He said directly, "Nian Nian called a few friends over. They're also from the research institute. Tingyun and I arranged for them to sit at Elder Feng's table. That table is already full."

Nian Nian, research institute...

Xie Xinyao's heart skipped a beat. She originally disdained acting like her mother, asking to sit at the same table as Feng Yu. At this moment, her eyebrows moved slightly and she immediately asked, "Uncle, could the Nian Nian you're talking about be..." magic

Nan Tianyi was about to speak when Qiao Nian and company arrived.

As soon as she arrived, she greeted Xie Tingyun and Nan Tianyi. "Auntie Xie, Uncle Nan."

She had already seen Xie Xinyao.

However, she was not interested in her and did not take her seriously.

After greeting Nan Tianyi and Xie Tingyun, Qiao Nian introduced Ye Wangchuan and Qin Si to them.

“Auntie Xie, this is my friend, Ye Wangchuan.”

She was wearing a baseball cap and was as cold as ever. However, her tone was quite polite.

Qiao Nian pointed to the other two. After a pause, she introduced, “This is Qin Si and Gu San.”

This was the first time Qin Si and Gu San had seen Xie Tingyun and Nan Tianyi. On the way, Ye Wangchuan explained how impressive and awesome Xie Tingyun was.

The two of them respected Xie Tingyun very much and greeted her politely, “Hello, Auntie Xie. I’m Qin Si, Sister Qiao’s friend.”

Gu San also greeted Xie Tingyun and Nan Tianyi respectfully and introduced himself politely.

Ye Wangchuan was the last to speak. “Hello, Auntie Xie. I’m Ye Wangchuan. You can call me Xiao Ye.”

He had outstanding looks and an extraordinary aura. He was also dressed especially handsomely today. He was simply here to recruit the masses.

Chapter 2138 - 2138 You Want Sister Nian to Be Xie Xinyao's Assistant? Dream On

Indeed.

Xie Xinyao frowned and stared at him for a long time.

She suddenly remembered the off-road vehicle she saw outside the Mountain Sea Pavilion and the man inside the vehicle.

Could this Ye Wangchuan be Qiao Nian's... boyfriend?

Xie Xinyao grew frustrated as this thought passed through her mind. She felt like she was being suppressed everywhere, making her unable to breathe.

Her expression became visibly ugly the moment she saw Qiao Nian. Anyone with eyes could tell that she harbored deep hostility towards her.

"It's you?"

Xie Xinyao's tone was cold as she rushed towards the girl.

Xie Tingyun was still talking to Ye Wangchuan and the others. Hearing this, she immediately frowned and said warningly, "Xinyao, what are you doing?"

Nan Tianyi also pulled a long face. He could no longer hide his dissatisfaction.

Mother Xie reacted quickly and immediately stood in front of Xie Xinyao. She looked dignified and elegant as she sized up Qiao Nian. A trace of disdain and contempt quickly flashed across her eyes before an intimate smile appeared on her face. "Is this the goddaughter you mentioned?"

She reached out towards Qiao Nian. "Your name is Nian Nian?"

Qiao Nian dodged her hand without a trace. Her eyes showed frustration, but because of Xie Tingyun, she still gave her face and replied, "Qiao Nian."

"Qiao Nian?" At first, Mother Xie was a little embarrassed and angry. She felt that Qiao Nian had taken advantage of their Xie family and was too arrogant.

At this moment, she seemed to have thought of something. Coupled with her daughter's reaction, she realized something. "You're the newcomer who entered the research institute this year."

These words were filled with malice.

Qiao Nian pressed the brim of her cap, ignoring her magic

The smiles on Qin Si and Gu San's faces faded.

Qiao Nian's godmother's relative was a little annoying.

The atmosphere was heavy.

Mother Xie was someone who had seen the world. She quickly realized that her emotions were too exposed, and everyone noticed her attitude.

She was not embarrassed. Instead, she quickly adjusted her mood and smiled. "I heard from Xinyao that you're quite talented. Our Xie family needs a talented person to help Xinyao in the future. Otherwise, I won't be at ease if she's alone in the research institute."

She was saying that Qiao Nian would only be Xie Xinyao's assistant in the future and would always be suppressed by her.

She even emphasized that everything in the Xie family belonged to Xie Xinyao. Xie Xinyao was the legitimate heir of the Xie family.

Qiao Nian was quite impatient. Her eyes were cold and dark, but she still endured it and did not retaliate.

She could hear the warning in the meaning between the lines.

However, she had agreed to Xie Tingyun and Nan Tianyi's proposal not because she had any ulterior motives for the Xie family.

She had never thought of taking advantage of them.

If she had known that these people from the Xie family would have such a huge reaction, she might not have agreed so easily back then.

“Sister-in-law, if you’re not here to eat, why don’t I get Tianyi to send you back?” Xie Tingyun looked weak, but her tone was unyielding at this moment. She did not even give Mother Xie any face.

Mother Xie’s expression froze. She was a little embarrassed. However, she had been exposed to big scenes before. She tightened her shawl around her neck and smiled. “How could that be? Of course, I came today to eat sincerely. I even prepared a gift for Nian Nian.”

After saying that, she pulled out the box containing the brooch.

Chapter 2139 - 2139 Each Present Is More Expensive Than The Last

Old Madam Shen appeared at this moment.

She recognized the girl with outstanding charisma in the crowd at a glance. Coupled with the appearance of Qiao Nian that her grandson usually described to her, she immediately walked over and said intimately, “Miss Qiao, you’re Miss Qiao, right?”

The Shen Family was only a small force in the independent continent, but Old Madam Shen was quite famous when she was young.

Otherwise, Old Madam Shen would not have invited Ji Hongyuan to her birthday banquet.

Sure enough, Mother Xie recognized her. She frowned and paused, not knowing why Old Madam Shen was looking for Qiao Nian.

“You are?” Qiao Nian had never seen Old Madam Shen before, so she did not know how to react for a moment.

Old Madam Shen was much more polite than Mother Xie. She smiled lovingly as she said, "I'm Shen Qingfeng's grandma. You can call me Grandma Shen."

Shen Qingfeng's grandma?

Qiao Nian remembered it.

Previously, when she was at loggerheads with the Ji family, Old Madam Shen specially asked Shen Qingfeng to call her and say that she could contact the Shen Family anytime if she needed anything.

Qiao Nian greeted her politely after she came back to her senses.

The old lady immediately beamed. After exchanging pleasantries, she immediately said, "By the way, Miss Qiao, I've prepared a gift for you. Congratulations on acknowledging a good godmother. Also, congratulations on entering the Level 8 laboratory."

Then, she handed the gift she prepared to Qiao Nian.

Qiao Nian did not open it.

The old lady smiled and said, "This is a diamond enterprise of the Shen Family. It's just a small business. We're not expanding it or allowing it to reach its potential by keeping it in our hands, so I'll give it to you as a gift. Miss Qiao, you can manage it yourself or give it to anyone you want in the future."

The Shen Family could be considered to have started out from this diamond enterprise.

Otherwise, Old Madam Shen would not care so much about the identity of the diamond big boss in the illegal district. She had only recognized Qiao Nian's hidden identity after asking around.

Many big families were envious of the Shen Family's diamond enterprise.

Old Madam Shen actually gave the business to a young girl?

Was the old lady muddle-headed from her old age?

Mother Xie was shocked.

She could not understand why Old Madam Shen was so generous.

Even if Qiao Nian entered the research institute and the Level 8 laboratory, she was just an ordinary person.

Old Madam Shen's attitude did not seem like she was treating an ordinary person.

A few other people came to give their presents after Old Madam Shen.

Zhou Zhou casually gave Qiao Nian a patent. Feng Yu gave her a book, but she did not know what it was about. magic

Then, there was the Ji family.

Surprisingly, they did not deliberately make things difficult for her this time. They even gave Qiao Nian a jade stone. From the color, it seemed to be pretty expensive.

Several families also came forward to present their gifts.

They were doing this on Xie Tingyun's account. The gifts were considerably valuable.

Qiao Nian received many gifts in the blink of an eye.

Mother Xie and Xie Xinyao stood rooted to the ground, feeling even more reserved and awkward.

Fortunately, after sending the gifts...

Nan Tianyi noticed them and said, "Is this for Nian Nian? Give it to me."

A little embarrassed, Mother Xie handed the item to Nan Tianyi and was about to speak when Ye Wangchuan, who had been standing beside Qiao Nian silently, suddenly said elegantly, "Uncle Nan, why don't you open it? I'm very curious about this gift."

"This one?" Nan Tianyi was an important person in the independent continent. Qiao Nian had introduced Ye Wangchuan to him before. He also privately investigated him.

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Therefore, Nan Tianyi knew Ye Wangchuan's background.

Ye Wangchuan was the one behind the Bright Gate.

They were not to be trifled with in the independent continent.

He was quite a dangerous person.

However, Nan Tianyi had observed the other party before. Seeing that the other party did not treat Qiao Nian badly, he pretended not to know and never mentioned it. magic

At this moment, when Ye Wangchuan mentioned Mother Xie's gift, he already had an idea about his intention.

He hesitated for a moment before opening the box.

A brooch was revealed.

Although the diamond was small, it had a unique design.

Nan Tianyi took a look and could tell that Mother Xie and the Xie family did not take Qiao Nian seriously, but he did not say anything.

“This brooch is quite beautiful,” Ye Wangchuan said suddenly after seeing the brooch. He stared at Mother Xie with his deep eyes. “Is it from SEVEN?”

SEVEN was a high-end brand that had been very popular in the independent continent recently. It was not particularly embarrassing for Mother Xie to give someone something of this brand.

However, Mother Xie had an ominous feeling and replied awkwardly, “Yes, I think this brooch is quite suitable for Nian Nian.”

Qiao Nian raised her eyebrows and glanced at the brooch without saying anything.

However, Ye Wangchuan picked it up and lowered his head to play with it for a while. Suddenly, he said, “Auntie Xie, I remember that SEVEN has an independent anti-counterfeit code...”

Everyone looked at him.

Xie Tingyun’s expression darkened. She looked at Xie Xinyao and Mother Xie in disbelief.

Madam Xie’s reaction was huge. Angry, she sternly said, “You mean I gave her a fake good? Who do you think our Xie family is? We won’t go to the extent of giving fake things.”

Qiao Nian also looked at the man in surprise. She could tell at a glance that the brooch was really from SEVEN.

It should not be fake.

However, she believed that Ye Wangchuan was not a person who did things without reason.

Since he mentioned the brand of this brooch, there was definitely a deeper meaning.

Indeed.

The handsome man only smiled slightly, but his eyes seemed to be able to see through people's hearts. He showed the brooch to Nan Tianyi. "I didn't say that this brooch is fake. I mean, other than the anti-counterfeit code that everyone knows, there's another detail.

"The clasps of all their items are waxed to ensure that every piece is worn for the first time by the customer who receives it."

Madam Xie's expression whitened a little. She was a little embarrassed.

"Say no more."

How could Ye Wangchuan stop short of exposing her in front of Xie Tingyun and Nan Tianyi? "This brooch is indeed very beautiful, but it's second-hand. The wax seal on the clasp of this brooch is already gone. Someone must have tried it and decided that it wasn't suitable for them."

Feng Yu and the rest were not there, but Old Madam Shen had something to tell Qiao Nian, so she did not leave.

Hearing this, the old lady's eyes turned wise as she smiled and interrupted, as if she was just teasing Mother Xie, "I remember that the Xie family doesn't lack money. There's no need to give a second-hand gift, right? Could it be..."

She knew her limits and did not finish her sentence.

Qin Si also smiled. Much more ostentatious, he said to Qiao Nian casually, "Sister Qiao, I remember that SEVEN is under Aunt Yuan, right? You're one of the three shareholders. Isn't this your brand?"