

Mr Han 1121

Chapter 1121: Exposed

Lu Man still did not know that the four of them were making up a wretched version of the truth with their delusions.

Her hand was still being held by Zheng Yuan while Pan Xue and Han Leilei came over too, curious.

Pan Xue spoke her mind softly, "Why was Young Master Han so stingy as to give you such a thin wedding ring?"

Though Zheng Yuan and Han Leilei did not think Han Zhuoli was being miserly, they were curious as to why the wedding band was so thin.

"That's not right. I remember seeing Young Master Han's Weibo, and the marriage cert pictures he posted showed you wearing a magnificent ring," Zheng Yuan said.

Lu Man clarified in a low voice, "This is a combination ring where the top part can be removed. It'd be too noticeable if I wore such a big ring to school. Zhuoli especially had this ring custom-made with that in mind so I could wear this small one to school without drawing attention."

Han Leilei snorted. "Look at how they're looking at you."

Surprised, Lu Man realized she'd been caught up with answering Zheng Yuan and her friends' questions the moment she came and did not notice her other classmates. Hearing Han Leilei's words made her notice that the other students seemed to be looking at her.

Lu Man turned to look, but they shifted their gazes away immediately when she looked over suddenly, all pretending as if they were not watching her.

But Lu Man still caught the ridicule in their eyes.

Lu Man was curious as to why they were looking at her that way.

Han Leilei explained, "They're laughing at your small wedding ring."

Then she turned to Zheng Yuan and poked her. "You too. You could've been quieter, but now everyone knows Lu Man's married."

Zheng Yuan clasped her hands together. "Sorry, sorry, I didn't think that..."

Lu Man said nonchalantly, "It doesn't matter. I wear it for people to know that I'm married. There's nothing to hide."

Han Leilei pursed her lips. "They're looking at your insignificant ring and probably gossiping behind our backs about whether you've broken up with your original boyfriend and found a poor sod to marry."

Han Leilei actually got it correct.

Lu Man laughed. She did not care about what others think.

"Gosh!" Pan Xue looked at her phone, startled.

Han Leilei said helplessly, "Speak softer."

Pan Xue quickly covered her mouth and, seeing that the people around them had looked over, said softly, "No idea where the source is, but the Internet has caught wind that Han Zhuoli's wife is Wang Juhuai's daughter."

"Isn't that too far-fetched?" Zheng Yuan said. "How did Wang Juhuai suddenly have a daughter? Isn't it well-known that Wang Juhuai never had a kid?"

"I don't know. The Internet says anything nowadays. Some say that Wang Juhuai actually had a child but never announced it, some say she's Wang Juhuai's illegitimate child, and others say she's Wang Juhuai's stepdaughter. There are all types of guesses," Pan Xue said.

Han Leilei frowned. "So what does this have to do with Wang Juhuai? Lu Man and Wang Juhuai don't have any relations at all."

Looking at Lu Man's dark countenance, Zheng Yuan asked, "How's the matter going to be clarified?"

"No need," Lu Man said darkly. "This is true."

"What?" The three of them were stunned. "You... You... how..."

Lu Man?

Wang Juhuai?

They're connected somehow?

"He's my stepfather," Lu Man said. "But not many know that he married my mom. I only started calling him Dad yesterday, so how did the person who exposed this find out so quickly? But what surprises me most is that this person clearly know it's me."

Chapter 1122: Found

It was the last point that made Lu Man afraid.

It would be alright even if her marriage to Han Zhouli was exposed.

But what made her afraid was the question of how the informant knew about it when she and Han Zhouli had told no one but their closest family.

Her three friends were not on the same wavelength as Lu Man.

They were still deep in shock over the news of Wang Juhuai being Lu Man's stepfather and had yet to recover.

"My gosh." Pan Xue sighed in a daze.

Lu Man's now beyond impressive. First, having a hubby who controlled half of the entertainment industry was spectacular enough. It was enough to ensure Lu Man would be undefeated with no rivals within the local entertainment industry.

Then came an internationally-renowned artiste as a stepfather.

Wang Juhuai enjoyed a global status!

Even they had to sigh at how lucky Lu Man was!

It was as if all good things happened to her.

“Lu Man, you’re really impressive,” Zheng Yuan said. “You’re so lucky. You must’ve done many good things in your past life for you to enjoy a good fortune in this life.”

Lu Man smiled bitterly. “Maybe I’ve suffered so much in my past life that it’s like I’ve endured all the hardships meant for a few lifetimes. So I better have good fortune in this life.”

“Let’s see who’ll dare say you don’t have powerful connections from now on!” Han Leilei said.

Those who had opposed Lu Man always said that she had no strong backers nor powerful connections, so she wasn’t well-established in the entertainment industry.

Who could guess that her husband was Han Zhuoli and her stepfather was Wang Juhuai?!

Among those in the entertainment industry, who else had stronger backers and more powerful connections than Lu Man?

Lu Man’s heart was not on this, though, and she said, “I’ll go and make a call, see whether we can check who did this.”

She then got up and left the classroom, found somewhere secluded, and called Han Zhuoli.

“Are you busy now?” Lu Man asked as the call got through.

Han Zhuoli looked at the files cluttering up his table. Though he’d cleared most of the important work, him going on a honeymoon for a week had inevitably allowed some work to be accumulated.

“It’s not that bad. What is it?” Han Zhuoli asked.

Lu Man originally wanted to contact Da Xiong but decided that this matter would be better left unsaid to outsiders upon second thoughts.

“There’s a leak on the Net saying that your wife is Wang Juhuai’s daughter.” Lu Man told Han Zhuoli everything about the exposure.

Even without Lu Man saying much, Han Zhuoli immediately knew where the catch was.

“I understand. I’ll check it,” Han Zhuoli said.

After hanging up, Han Zhuoli immediately got a call from Wang Juhuai.

“Have you seen the news on the Internet?” Wang Juhuai asked straight away.

Han Zhuoli never thought that Wang Juhuai would be so concerned about Lu Man’s affairs. It was what a real father would have done for his own daughter.

“Man Man just called and told me,” Han Zhuoli said. “Rest assured, I’ll send someone to check.”

“So annoying! If anyone had the right to announce it, it was you two! What’s the deal with leaking such information?” Wang Juhuai fumed. “The person harbors ill intentions!”

Han Zhuoli’s face darkened. It was exactly his thoughts as well.

“When you’ve got the answer, tell me immediately. I want to know who’s against Man Man,” Wang Juhuai said.

“Alright.”

Han Zhuoli hung up and immediately handed the matter to Zheng Tianming.

When it was nearing noon, Zheng Tianming came to report. “Young Master Han, the informant for the leak has been found.”

Chapter 1123: What’s Wrong with Him?

“Who was it?” Han Zhuoli said darkly.

“It was Mr. Han Dongping,” Zheng Tianming said.

He was puzzled too when he got this answer.

What was Han Dongping thinking?!

What was there to be gained by betraying his own family?

Han Zhuoli’s anger was clearly visible in his silence. “He spoke about Lu Man too?”

“That, he didn’t.” Zheng Tianming felt that Han Dongping at least still had some sense in him. “What he exposed was purely the surface meaning—that your wife is Mr. Wang’s daughter. But as to who his daughter is, the informant didn’t know. That is to say, Han Dongping didn’t really divulge anything, just that one sentence.”

“I get it.” Han Zhuoli grew even more silent.

But no matter who looked at him now, they would clearly see his rage.

The more silent he was, the angrier he was.

Zheng Tianming knew that his job was done.

He left the office.

Han Zhuoli reclined on his chair, pinching the bridge of his nose.

He thought it was someone who didn’t like Lu Man and wanted to harm her.

But after they checked, the culprit turned out to be someone from the Han Family.

It was his own family, yet he was harming Lu Man. Han Zhuoli was so furious, he could explode.

Calming himself down, Han Zhuoli picked up his phone and hesitated before dialing Lu Man’s number.

Thank goodness her lesson hadn’t started yet.

Lu Man left the classroom with her phone the moment it rang.

She walked some distance before picking up.

“The informant has been found,” Han Zhuoli said.

Hearing Han Zhuoli’s weird tone, Lu Man thought for a moment and had a hunch. “It’s Uncle?”

Han Zhuoli was helpless. This girl was smart as always.

“It’s him. But what he leaked was exactly what the Internet said, about my wife being Wang Juhuai’s daughter, but nothing about who she really is.” Finally, some news that could be a relief for them.

“Father-in-law called too to show his own concern.”

Lu Man was stunned for a moment after hearing this form of address all of a sudden.

She recovered after a few seconds, realizing that the “father-in-law” Han Zhuoli referred to was Wang Juhuai.

It couldn’t be Lu Qiyuan anyway.

Lu Man smiled after hearing his address. “Does Dad know you’re calling him this?”

Han Zhuoli thought for a moment. It seemed he didn’t address him as such over the phone just now.

“Not yet. I’ll find a chance to tell him.”

Lu Man reckoned Wang Juhuai would have a scare.

Seeing that it was almost time, Lu Man said, “I have to go for class.”

She did not ask how Han Zhuoli would settle the matter. He would never let her suffer.

Because of her trust in him, she did not even have to ask.

“Okay.” It was as if they were born to complete each other.

Lu Man never asked and Han Zhuoli never told.

But they knew each other’s thoughts without the need to open their mouths.

Upon hanging up, Lu Man hurried back to class.

And Han Zhuoli did as promised, calling Wang Juhuai.

While waiting for Wang Juhuai to pick up, Han Zhuoli thought about what Lu Man said.

“Zhuoli.” Right at this time, Wang Juhuai picked up.

As Han Zhuoli was thinking about what Lu Man had said, he blurted out, “Dad.”

Wang Juhuai’s hand shook and he nearly dropped his phone.

Han Zhuoli’s sudden surprise shocked him, who had not mentally prepared himself at all.

It was so sudden—what’s wrong with him?!

Chapter 1124: His Cabbage Was Eaten by the Pig!

As he was used to hearing Han Zhuoli calling him Uncle, the sudden change in address left him feeling uncomfortable.

But upon thinking that Lu Man was now calling him “Dad,” he realized that he really was Han Zhuoli’s father-in-law now.

Nothing wrong with Han Zhuoli calling him “Dad” like Lu Man did!

He couldn’t be calling that joker Lu Qiyuan “father-in-law,” right?

Having gotten his thoughts straightened out, Wang Juhuai became unaffected and calmly accepted Han Zhuoli calling him “Dad” before saying, “You found the informant?”

Currently, Han Zhuoli felt less confident towards Wang Juhuai than towards Lu Man.

Because he knew Lu Man would not blame him.

But Wang Juhuai was Lu Man’s elder. He would support her and not let her suffer.

For the first time ever, Han Zhuoli felt the stress of dealing with his senior. “It’s Han Dongping.”

Because of what Han Dongping did, Han Zhuoli did not bother calling him “Uncle” any longer.

Wang Juhuai was furious. Thankfully, Xia Qingwei was in class and did not know of this matter yet.

She did not let Wang Juhuai send her to school this time since he’d hired a chauffeur for her and need not do so himself anymore.

Wang Juhuai had expressed his wish to drive her, but Xia Qingwei had replied with, “What’s the chauffeur for?”

She dismissed Wang Juhuai just like this.

Hence, Xia Qingwei was not at home right now.

Meanwhile, Wang Juhuai was livid. “What’s wrong with Han Dongping?!”

Wang Juhuai breathed heavily. “Zhuoli, don’t blame me for having issues with him. In my eyes, your family is your family and Han Dongping is Han Dongping. I won’t tolerate him just because he’s a part of the Han Family. I view him as a separate entity from the Han Family.”

Hearing this, Han Zhuoli was relieved.

Him separating Han Dongping from other members of the Han Family meant that he would not be biased against the others just because of Han Dongping’s stupidity.

“Is Han Dongping at his office now?” Wang Juhuai suddenly asked.

“You’re going over?” Han Zhuoli immediately understood Wang Juhuai’s intention.

“He’s trying to harm my daughter. As a father, I have to stand up for her,” Wang Juhuai said. “Before that, he looked down on Lu Man for having no strong supporters, so I went to back her up. But now he’s using her, and if I don’t say anything, he’ll think Lu Man is easy to pick on!”

Han Zhuoli knew that Wang Juhuai was blaming him slightly when he said this.

“We’ll meet at his office.” Han Zhuoli hung up, took his coat off the coat-hanger, grabbed his keys, and went out of the office.

“You’re headed out, CEO?” Zheng Tianming was surprised.

“Cancel all my appointments before noon. Everything remains for the afternoon,” Han Zhuoli said hurriedly and left the company.

Han Zhuoli arrived before Wang Juhuai did.

He breathed a sigh of relief. Lucky he arrived first or Wang Juhuai would have been unhappy again.

Lu Man might have started calling him father only yesterday, but Wang Juhuai had quickly settled into the roles of “father” and “father-in-law.”

Han Zhuoli waited by the entrance of Han Dongping’s company. He would not enter when Wang Juhuai was not yet here.

Wang Juhuai arrived shortly after.

Seeing Wang Juhuai getting off the car with a dark expression, Han Zhuoli quickly went up and called out, “Dad.”

Wang Juhuai: “...”

Strange though it may be, he’d adapted quickly to Lu Man calling him Dad.

But why was he weirded out by Han Zhuoli switching to calling him Dad after calling him Uncle for years?

At this time, Wang Juhuai still did not understand that he had a “his cabbage was eaten by the pig” mentality!

Chapter 1125: Slightly Too Ugly

No matter which man called him “Dad,” he would feel uncomfortable.

Wang Juhuai truly saw Lu Man as his daughter.

“Let’s go.” Wang Juhuai was still angry and gave Han Zhuoli some attitude.

Even if he’d said he saw Han Dongping as separate from the Han Family, Han Dongping was still a part of the Han Family.

Because Lu Man was with Han Zhuoli, Han Dongping could create trouble for her.

Both of them reached the outside of Han Dongping’s office. Though Han Dongping’s secretary did not recognize Wang Juhuai, he knew Han Zhuoli.

“Young Master Han!” Liu Shangke stood up upon seeing Han Zhuoli.

“We’re here to see your CEO Han,” Han Zhuoli said.

“Yes,” Liu Shangke hastily said. “CEO Han’s in his office right now and there are no other visitors. Please wait for a moment.”

Though Liu Shangke did not know Wang Juhuai, he still nodded politely at him to show his respect before knocking on Han Dongping’s door.

He knocked thrice and opened the door.

Liu Shangke stood by the doorway and said, “CEO Han, Young Master Han is here.”

Han Dongping raised his head and saw Han Zhuoli and Wang Juhuai standing by the door.

Both strode in without waiting for Han Dongping to say anything.

Thoughts flew through Han Dongping’s head as he laughed and said, “Mr. Wang, Zhuoli, why are you here together?”

Liu Shangke smartly retreated out of the office and closed the door.

Wang Juhuai sneered, “Mr. Han, I thought you already knew how important Lu Man is to me that time at the Municipal Dinner.”

But it seemed now that if he did not spell it out, Han Dongping would not understand.

“Qingwei and Lu Man are people who want to remain low-key. I’m the one who’s afraid that she’ll be aggrieved over her in-laws, that people would think Lu Man has no strong support, and that was why I insisted on letting everyone see Qingwei and know who she is. I wanted to bring Lu Man as well, but she didn’t go as she thought it inappropriate. But that doesn’t mean that anyone can bully her,” Wang Juhuai said contemptuously.

Han Dongping’s expression was one of surprise. “Oh? Who bullied her? How dare he! She’s a daughter-in-law of the Han Family too, so who dares to bully her?! Mr. Wang, rest assured, Lu Man wouldn’t suffer within the Han Family.”

This was a completely different tune from back then.

Wang Juhuai coldly spilled about the leak in the early afternoon. “Don’t tell me this has nothing to do with you? The fact that I came today means that I knew who did it. First, you thought Lu Man had no strong support and was dissatisfied with her—you thought that she’s inadequate for the Han Family. Now that she has enough status to be in this family, you’re using her. You wanted nothing more than to let people know that my daughter is a daughter-in-law of the Han Family, that I have extremely close relations with the Han Family. This is so that any movies produced by the Han Corporation would get my help more easily.”

As such, any related partnerships and investments would be more advantageous for the Han Corporation.

Moreover, his time in Hollywood had allowed him to accumulate plenty of connections.

With him as the bridge, any partnerships between the Han Corporation and Hollywood's companies or actors would only benefit the Han Corporation.

Han Dongping really did everything for the sake of the Han Family.

"You didn't even need to do this. Zhuoli's my son-in-law, I'll naturally help him with all my power. I won't hesitate as long as he's good to Lu Man." Wang Juhuai looked at Han Dongping mockingly. "But it's ugly for you to be so impatient."

Han Dongping's face grew purple. "What proof do you have to say that it's me who'd done it? Anyway, there's nothing shameful even if this was exposed!"

Wang Juhuai did not even bother with his blusterings, only saying, "Lu Man and Zhuoli's business is their own."

Chapter 1126: Support

"What they want to do, how they want to do it, and even when they want to announce it are all completely up to them. As the elders who have the most direct relationship with them and who are also the closest to them, Zhuoli's parents have said nothing. Qingwei and I are also not interfering with them, which means that no one else should try to step in either!"

Han Dongping was extremely furious. He was polite to Wang Juhuai, but Wang Juhuai completely didn't care about him at all.

"Mr. Han," Wang Juhuai said, "this is the last time. This time, you plotted against Lu Man. You thought that because of Lu Man, I would work with you, right?"

Han Dongping did indeed had such intentions.

Dai Yiran had even dug a hole so deep for her father that he had lost his position. Hence, Han Dongping couldn't rely on her anymore. Thankfully, there was still Wang Juhuai.

Even though Wang Juhuai was a musician, his connections ran far and wide. All sorts of socialites from politics or the finance industry had relations with him.

Therefore, Han Dongping still had hope that Wang Juhuai could help him bridge some connections or pull some strings.

"Rest assured, if this matter were to leak out, don't even dream about me helping you for the rest of your life," Wang Juhuai said coldly.

Han Dongping didn't mind at all. He had thought this through very thoroughly. Wang Juhuai already had a good relationship with Han Xijin. Now, they had even become in-laws, and so, naturally, he would be on their side.

However, it was enough to just let others know that Wang Juhuai's daughter had married Han Zhuoli.

With this news around, there would be many people who would start looking for him to work together in the future.

That was why Han Dongping only let other people leak out the news about Wang Juhuai's daughter but did not leak out the information about Lu Man.

After all, to be very honest, he definitely didn't want to help create yet another surge of popularity for Lu Man.

If other people found out that Lu Man was Wang Juhuai's daughter, wouldn't Lu Man be like a fish in water in the entertainment industry from now on?

People were bound to find out about Han Zhuoli's and Wang Juhuai's relationships. She could still have a smooth-sailing career in the entertainment industry. Lu Man also couldn't possibly hide it forever as that wouldn't be beneficial for her either.

However, Han Dongping just didn't want to be the one who gave her a helping hand.

Han Zhuoli looked at Han Dongping's expression and suddenly burst into a light laughter. "Uncle, could it be that you're thinking, even if my father-in-law doesn't help you, it would be alright since the outside world already knows his relationship with the Han Family? Hence, even without him saying anything, there would still be people who would look for you?"

Han Dongping's face turned cold. He had never seen someone who would keep helping an outsider like that!

Who exactly was a family member to him?!

Why did he keep helping someone else who had a different family name from him?!

Han Zhuoli turned towards Wang Juhuai and said, "Dad, if you explained to a few friends of yours whom you're closer to, would it be very troublesome?"

"How could that possibly be troublesome?" Wang Juhuai immediately said. "The Internet is so convenient right now too. I don't have to call them one by one either, I just have to inform them all at once in the group chat. From there, one will spread to ten, ten will spread to a hundred, and soon, the news could easily spread."

At that instant, Han Dongping's face instantly turned black.

"You two!" Han Dongping originally wanted to gain some advantage from this, yet who knew that not only would he not be able to do so, he would even lose out?!

Wang Juhuai warned Han Dongping coldly, "Stop plotting against Lu Man! She is no longer a child with no one supporting her back!"

Who knows whether Han Dongping had any regrets?

In the past, he looked down on Lu Man's family for not being powerful enough. She had only Xia Qingwei and did not have anyone supporting her. She was clearly not compatible with Han Zhuoli.

However, Lu Man had support now, but he could no longer bully her.

Even if there were any benefits, it would also go only to Han Zhuoli. It had nothing to do with Han Dongping.

Wang Juhuai was sick of seeing Han Dongping. If he had to take another look, it would even be annoying to him.

“That’s all that I have to say. Although I may not have much ability, I do have enough strength to support Lu Man’s back. In the future, stop having any ill intentions towards her!” Wang Juhuai said and left with Han Zhuoli.

Chapter 1127: Uninvited Guest

Han Dongping shouted angrily at Han Zhuoli’s back, “You’re despicable for siding with outsiders!”

Han Zhuoli and Wang Juhuai exited Han Dongping’s office and left in their own cars.

Wang Juhuai thought that since he was already out, he might as well pick Xia Qingwei up too.

He glanced at the time. Xia Qingwei’s class had not ended yet. He should still be able to make it.

Just in case, he still sent a text message to Xia Qingwei to tell her that he was going to fetch her.

Han Zhuoli sent Lu Man a message as well, telling her that the issue had been resolved and even explaining in detail about Wang Juhuai’s effort.

Han Zhuoli didn’t say much during this incident because he intentionally wanted to give this opportunity to Wang Juhuai.

Even though Lu Man had started calling Wang Juhuai “Dad,” he was only just her stepfather. Hence, they were still a little distant from each other. They couldn’t become as close as an actual biological father-daughter pair in such a short period of time.

Wang Juhuai stood up for her at the first opportunity so that he could let Lu Man know that he was her father. During important moments, he would really stand up for her.

Since Wang Juhuai had the intention to, Han Zhuoli naturally wanted to help him. He couldn’t let Wang Juhuai’s heartfelt thoughts down.

Therefore, when Lu Man saw the message that Han Zhuoli sent, she really couldn’t wait and wanted her class to end as soon as possible.

After much effort, she managed to make it through the entire class. Then, Lu Man instantly gave Wang Juhuai a call.

Wang Juhuai was still driving, so he placed his phone on the phone stand.

He pressed the button on the steering wheel that was connected to the phone and answered the call while wearing his Bluetooth earpiece. “Man Man?”

“Dad, Zhuoli told me about everything. Thank you so much.” How could Lu Man not feel moved?

In both her lifetimes, this was the first time that she was protected by a father figure.

It’s just a small piece of leaked-out news. Honestly, it’s an issue that could barely scratch her.

However, Wang Juhuai stood up for her immediately to protect her. Such tender, loving care and protection made her entire heart feel warm and fuzzy.

“You’re already calling me Dad, why do you still have to thank me? Isn’t it right of me to protect you, especially when you are being bullied by others like this?” Wang Juhuai glared. “Don’t treat me like an outsider again next time.”

“Okay!” Lu Man nodded. “What would you like to eat? I’ll head over with Zhuoli again tonight and I’ll personally cook some dishes just for you to show my fealty.”

“Hahahahaha!” Wang Juhuai was elated. He finally had a daughter who would be filial to him too. “I’m not picky, I like eating anything. Just prepare your best dish.”

“Every dish is my best dish.” Lu Man laughed. “Alright, then, I’ll prepare everything accordingly.”

“Sure, sure, sure,” Wang Juhuai replied.

“Are you driving right now?” Lu Man heard honking noises through her phone.

“Yes. I’m right on my way to fetch your mom,” Wang Juhuai said.

“Alright, I’ll hang up, then. Please drive safely,” Lu Man hurriedly said.

After hanging up the phone, Wang Juhuai was overjoyed.

His daughter was like a thoughtful and warm cotton blanket, and she was so considerate and caring too.

On the other hand, Xia Qingwei had just ended class. As she walked out of the classroom, she took a look at her handphone and saw the message that Wang Juhuai had sent.

That man was still insisting on picking her up.

Xia Qingwei didn’t know whether to laugh or to cry and thought, What was the point of hiring that chauffeur even?

Xia Qingwei replied to Wang Juhuai, “Alright, I just ended my lessons, you don’t have to rush.”

As she started walking out, students and children walked past her too. As their paths crossed, they would say politely, “See you again, Teacher!”

Xia Qingwei smiled and bade them goodbye one by one.

Just as she was bading the students goodbye, she noticed a person ahead of her from the corner of her eye.

Xia Qingwei didn’t mind it either and decided to turn away.

Her attention was on the children.

Suddenly, that person ahead called, “Xia Qingwei.”

Chapter 1128: Lin Jinshu

Xia Qingwei froze for a moment. After a long while, she finally turned around.

Just a few steps ahead of her stood a woman.

She was wearing a pair of gray baggy long pants that almost touched the ground and a classic light brown woolen coat with a belt tied tightly around her waist. It was classy yet exquisite.

Still, time had passed and, after all these years, there were more wrinkles on both of their faces. They both didn't look as dewy and youthful as they used to when they were younger.

However, Xia Qingwei could instantly recognize the other person.

She was the woman who made her life turn 180 degrees, the woman who let her and Wang Juhuai waste 20 precious years together, the woman who made them miss their best moments together.

Lin Jinshu!

Unlike the wave of long hair that she had when she was younger, the present Lin Jinshu had short hair. It was suited to her current style and outfit, which was clean and precise, bringing out the wit and acuity that she could only have at this age.

Xia Qingwei's entire body tightened.

After so many years, she'd thought that she had finally let go of this woman, Lin Jinshu.

Nothing was more important to her now than being with Wang Juhuai. She could care less about other matters and people.

However, upon her seeing this woman once again, the memories from 20 years ago flooded her mind once again.

The woman who almost ruined her entire life was standing right before her. Seeing her again, Xia Qingwei realized that she still hated this woman to her guts!

Xia Qingwei really wanted to ask Lin Jinshu, how did she still have the cheek to stand here and face her?

"Wang Juhuai came back to look for you?" Lin Jinshu asked coldly.

Of course she came back to chase after Wang Juhuai.

Whenever Wang Juhuai came back to China during the Chinese New Year period, Lin Jinshu would be worried that Wang Juhuai would reunite with Xia Qingwei.

However, all these years, Wang Juhuai had never gone looking for Xia Qingwei. Hence, Lin Jinshu had thought that this time too, Wang Juhuai wouldn't go looking for Xia Qingwei either.

However, even a long time after the Chinese New Year had passed, Wang Juhuai still hadn't gone back.

She started to get flustered.

Not long ago, she had heard that Wang Juhuai had fired his helper in America while Butler Wei Zhong came back to China to continue working for him.

From the looks of it, it seemed like he wasn't ever going back again.

Even then, Lin Jinshu still didn't know that Wang Juhuai had already gotten married to Xia Qingwei.

It was not until a few days ago that she heard about this piece of news.

From the start, when Wang Juhuai brought Xia Qingwei to the Municipal Dinner, he already had no intention of keeping it a secret.

Since someone had already found out, the news would naturally spread.

Even if Wang Juhuai never intentionally planned to make it known publicly.

However, among those people's own social circles, one would spread the news to another, and then another. Hence, naturally, it spread to the social circles of the Chinese immigrants, and then over to those living in America.

Moreover, as an internationally-renowned musician, Wang Juhuai was already receiving a lot of attention.

Among the top ten highest-grossing films, three of them had their scores composed by Wang Juhuai. How crazy was that?

Someone like that suddenly wanted to stay in China and not return to America. Those filmmakers in Hollywood were also very afraid!

What if Wang Juhuai returned to China and helped their film industry instead?

Was he not going to play with them anymore?

Hence, naturally, they would closely follow any news about Wang Juhuai.

Therefore, as the news spread and spread, Lin Jinshu naturally found out too.

However, she refused to believe it. She thought that this was just a rumor.

Even so, Lin Jinshu was still a little worried.

It was at that point that Wang Qianyun came looking for her, wishing to ask her for help. She wanted Lin Jinshu to give her some ideas about how she could separate Han Zhuoli and Lu Man.

Wang Qianyun had resigned from her job and was unemployed. She planned to return to China and start her career here, and at the same time, she could work on separating Han Zhuoli and Lu Man.

Hence, Lin Jinshu seized this opportunity and came back with Wang Qianyun too.

Filled with anger, Xia Qingwei thought that she would explode. However, when she finally spoke, she was strangely calm. "Juhuai and I were originally already together. If it wasn't for you, we would have gotten married and had children a long time ago. Those few years when you were married to Juhuai were years that you have stolen."

Chapter 1129: Classic Innocent Lily

Lin Jinshu squinted at the woman before her.

Xia Qingwei's change surprised her. Even though 20 years had passed, it still surprised her how much a person could change.

She knew that Xia Qingwei had a tough time after getting married, and she even got divorced rather early on.

Since she got together with Wang Juhuai, Lin Jinshu had never given up on following up on Xia Qingwei's life.

She'd followed Wang Juhuai to America, but she still hired a private investigator to find out everything about Xia Qingwei. Every six months, she would receive information from the private investigator about Xia Qingwei.

Wang Juhuai didn't even know about what had been happening to Xia Qingwei, but Lin Jinshu knew it all.

She knew that Xia Qingwei had had a difficult life. She'd helped her husband's career rise from zero to hero. To follow that man along only to suffer was already something very difficult, yet after she finally managed to overcome that, she was shoved aside by another woman.

When Lin Jinshu found out, she had smiled.

Wasn't that what Xia Qingwei always do?

She was always helping other people build up their husbands.

That was the case for Wang Juhuai, and for Lu Qiyuan as well.

Wang Juhuai ultimately became Lin Jinshu's man while Lu Qiyuan became Xia Qingwei's younger sister's man.

She had never seen anyone so generously and selflessly give their own men away, haha!

Lin Jinshu also knew that Xia Qingwei was very poor after she got divorced and that she almost lost her life because of how serious her illness was.

However, she never told Wang Juhuai.

The more miserable Xia Qingwei was, the happier Lin Jinshu was.

Originally, when Xia Qingwei and Wang Juhuai were together, Wang Juhuai didn't spare a second glance to any other woman other than her. However, in the end, didn't he still get married to Lin Jinshu?

Xia Qingwei got nothing.

Xia Qingwei was a loser!

Even now, she was still a loser.

Before Lin Jinshu returned, she had let Xia Qingwei take the empty spot.

Now that she's back, Xia Qingwei shouldn't even think about winning.

Lin Jinshu judged Xia Qingwei. Right now, she was much more cool-headed than before. Her face was calm, and it was difficult to see what she was thinking about.

She was no longer the same silly little girl who wore her heart on her sleeve.

After so many years, Lin Jinshu had thought that because of how difficult her life had been, Xia Qingwei would be like those other women whose lives had been so tough and, hence, had dissatisfaction written all over their faces.

Wrinkles filled their faces, and their entire figure looked worn and gruff. They couldn't make anyone feel excited.

However, Xia Qingwei was really fortunate. She was like those women who spent tons of money on maintaining a good complexion. Even after she'd suffered through so much, those difficult times surprisingly didn't leave any marks on her face.

Her calm yet elegant face made her seem as if she had been living comfortably and had never been through anything difficult.

She was dressed comfortably and to her own liking, unlike Lin Jinshu's own exquisite style, yet she looked like a fresh and artistic woman.

Lin Jinshu's face turned solemn. Didn't Wang Juhuai get attracted to this look of Xia Qingwei?

To Lin Jinshu, Xia Qingwei was a classic innocent lily but was actually a hypocritical bitch!

"Xia Qingwei, you still have the cheek to say that to me?" Lin Jinshu asked coldly.

From Lin Jinshu's expression, it was as if Xia Qingwei had done something so incorrigible.

"Wang Juhuai is my husband! You're with him right now, yet you still dare to behave so arrogantly in front of me?" Lin Jinshu said coldly.

"You two have been divorced for ten years already. If you hadn't played tricks and cheated both of us back then, you wouldn't have even stood a chance of getting married to him," Xia Qingwei said.

Lin Jinshu's face turned dark. She forced her surprise down.

She didn't expect that Wang Juhuai would have even told Xia Qingwei all of that. It looked like Wang Juhuai genuinely really wanted to get together with Xia Qingwei again and was afraid that she would misunderstand anything.

Haha!

For so many years, Wang Juhuai had never checked on Xia Qingwei. Yet after so long, right now, he still couldn't hold back and got back together with her again.

Chapter 1130: Did I Make You Unhappy?

These two people sure had really deep feelings for each other!

"How did you know that the two of us are divorced? Did he say so? And you are willing to believe what he says?" Lin Jinshu laughed coldly.

Xia Qingwei didn't move a single eyebrow. How could she believe anything Lin Jinshu says?

"Back then, I was so cheated by you. Right now, should I not believe Juhuai and believe you instead?" Xia Qingwei said coldly. "I'm already married to Juhuai. We have already gotten our marriage certificate. If you two haven't gotten divorced, he would be committing the crime of double marriage. You can go ahead and sue him."

After she finished speaking, Xia Qingwei walked away, her face cold.

Lin Jinshu froze on the spot. She surprisingly couldn't react to it immediately.

After a while, she finally turned around, but Xia Qingwei had already walked into the lift.

Regardless of whether she could catch up, Lin Jinshu still ran after her.

What did Xia Qingwei say?

She was already married to Wang Juhuai?!

That rumor was actually true!

Lin Jinshu felt that she was going to go crazy!

For ten years, there was never a moment where she wasn't thinking of a way to get back together with Wang Juhuai. She had used up all of her ideas.

Even kneeling before him and begging him didn't work!

Wang Juhuai had even sold their original home and moved to another place.

He didn't even want the memories of living together with her!

He also even hired security guards to guard the perimeters of his mansion, and he refused to let her get anywhere close.

Eventually, she didn't even have any way of meeting Wang Juhuai!

Yet right now, after one big circle, Wang Juhuai was surprisingly with Xia Qingwei again, and they had even gotten married!

Lin Jinshu clutched her chest. She was in so much pain and felt so much hatred.

She entered the next lift and headed down one floor. In her high heels, she walked swiftly and quickly.

Just as she rushed to the entrance, she saw that Xia Qingwei was already standing beside Wang Juhuai.

While looking from afar, she realized that this was surprisingly her rare and hard-to-see-for opportunity to finally meet Wang Juhuai.

What a joke!

As his ex-wife, she couldn't even meet him!

Wang Juhuai hadn't changed at all. He was still gentlemanly and graceful. After shedding away his youthfulness from when he was younger, he had become more mature, more charming.

Right now, Wang Juhuai completely couldn't look at anyone, not even her. In his eyes, there was only Xia Qingwei. He smiled warmly at Xia Qingwei, as if he wanted to love Xia Qingwei to her bones.

Lin Jinshu couldn't understand it. Even if Wang Juhuai wanted to get remarried, with his credentials, he could find any young and beautiful woman, but why did he go back to find Xia Qingwei, that old woman?!

Even if she was his first love, how could he still be thinking of her?!

What was so great about Xia Qingwei for Wang Juhuai to still keep thinking of her for the past few decades?!

She still remembered that, back then, after Wang Juhuai found out the truth about her lying to him, he looked like he was in so much pain, as if he just wanted to die there and then.

He became like a wilted and dead tree. He used all sorts of methods, even those methods that he never would have cared to use in the past, just so he could divorce her.

After that, he drowned himself in alcohol every single day. His eyes were always bloodshot all day long. There was never a moment where he was sober. Yet, he wouldn't stop repeating Xia Qingwei's name over and over again, crying and laughing over and over again like a madman.

This continued for a few months. He almost lost his life in all the alcohol.

After he was hospitalized and barely escaped death, he finally sobered up.

At that moment, Lin Jinshu finally realized the depth of Wang Juhuai's feelings for Xia Qingwei.

And when Wang Juhuai saw that Xia Qingwei's face was dark and that she looked like she was lost in her thoughts, he instantly became worried. "What happened? Are you feeling unwell? Or is it... did I make you unhappy?"

Wang Juhuai dug deep and thought really hard. "Do you not want me to pick you up? I'll listen to you next time."

"No," Xia Qingwei hurriedly said. "Don't overthink."

She was naturally feeling unhappy because of Lin Jinshu.