Mr Han 1311

Chapter 1311: I am Just So Lucky

"In winning this award, aside from thanking my parents, I also want to thank Directors Sun Yiwu and Ji Cheng to whom I am indebted. Without them, I wouldn't have acted in such good films. I also want to thank the teachers from the National Film Academy for their support and thank Principal Liu. As I am a student of the National Film Academy, whenever dubious criticisms of me surface on the Internet, the school will always be the first to stand up for its students. I am proud to be a student of the National Film Academy, and proud that I made the right choice back then."

Principal Liu was watching the live-stream in front of the screen. The huge smile on his face was forming pleats.

He even told his wife delightedly, "See, Lu Man really gives me face. I didn't make the wrong choice to support her after all!"

"Yes, yes yes!" Mrs. Liu smiled as she answered him.

Meanwhile, Principal Zhang was in a bad mood.

It was fine if his school had lost Lu Man, but Lu Man ended up doing better and better!

She was only in her second year of university now and had already won the Best Newcomer Award from the film festival.

This was an outright insult to him, mocking him that he had made the wrong choice back then!

Lu Man thanked many people and did not leave out a single person who had helped her before.

At last, she said, "And the person I want to thank the very most... is my husband, Han Zhuoli."

Of course it's her husband!

Even if everyone had guessed it in their heart, hearing Lu Man say it out loud like this still made them draw their breaths and freeze in shock.

"He wanted to protect me and not let people think that I achieved my accomplishments because of him, so he always held back and never announced our relationship publicly. He always thinks of me. Even up until just now, I know he was still weighing the pros and cons of our relationship going public. I also know that once we went public, the rumors around me will certainly not fall short. But I am not afraid. He treats me so well. I want to let the whole world know that. Marrying him gave me so much. At the same time, I want to be able to shoulder the pressure that comes with this.

"Furthermore, the accomplishments that I now have indeed cannot be separated from him. It is only with his support that I can strive forward without limits. There was a netizen who once said, 'I wonder who's the lucky girl who became Han Zhuoli's wife?'" Lu Man smiled widely and blissfully.

It was so obvious. It was something that could not be faked.

One look and everyone knew that she felt really blissful.

"So I can tell you now, to be able to be his wife, I am just so lucky." Lu Man held the award and bowed to the audience before slowly walking off the stage.

Han Zhuoli and Lu Man suddenly announced that they were actually husband and wife. This sudden turn of events also threw the organizers off guard.

Luckily, the director reacted fast. Such explosive news would surely not be missed out.

Usually, most acceptance speeches had a time limit.

However, this time, the director had already given the crew a heads up not to disrupt Lu Man no matter how long she took to speak.

Even so, Lu Man still managed to finish her speech within the allotted time limit.

The director immediately spoke to the emcee through the earphones, "Don't proceed to the next segment for now. Get off the stage to interview Han Zhuoli and Lu Man!"

The two emcees immediately understood the director's wishes.

Such explosive news surely needed some discussion around it to amp up the popularity and hype about the awards ceremony.

They finally got such a good opportunity to do so and would surely not let it go.

The two emcees were both very experienced.

The male emcee, Fang Jialin, had the reputation of being the top emcee for controlling show situations in the country; meanwhile, Xiao Wei was the top female emcee from Dong Hua Station.

At this moment, both of them had extremely great chemistry.

Chapter 1312: Afraid That People Won't Ask

Xiao Wei remained on stage, ready to throw Fang Jialin a punchline if he needed it.

Fang Jialin had high EQ and could react quickly in different situations, so he was in charge of going down personally to ask questions.

However, even Fang Jialin could not help but feel nervous when faced with Han Zhuoli.

"Young Master Han, my apologies, I am coming over to disturb you and Lu Man." Fang Jialin chuckled as he walked down and sat on the empty seat beside Han Zhuoli.

"I think, be it the audience who are with us here or the audience behind the screens watching, they would all have gotten a shock from both of you," Fang Jialin said. "You both really managed to hide it well."

Han Zhuoli gave a faint smile as Fang Jialin said to Lu Man, "Lu Man, how does it feel like to have a big boss like this at home?"

Lu Man smiled. "I don't feel like he's a big boss. He's just my husband."

Fang Jialin laughed. "It's probably because Lu Man's attitude is like this that she can be with Young Master Han. However, both of you can really hold your temper."

What Fang Jialin meant was that there were several times when Lu Man had been attacked by people in the industry, but Han Zhuoli did not come out to defend her. Instead, Lu Man dealt with them all by herself.

Han Zhuoli could really hold back his temper.

However, since many of those who'd had a conflict with Lu Man were present, it was not appropriate for Fang Jialin to give such examples either.

Fang Jialin could only ask, "When Lu Man was giving her acceptance speech just now, she briefly explained why you both did not reveal your relationship. However, it was not very detailed, so most of us did not really understand."

Fang Jialin stared at Han Zhuoli cautiously as he said, "I wonder if both of you can tell us more about it in detail?"

Even Fang Jialin felt a little scared deep down.

If there was someone who would dare not to give face in such a situation, it was Han Zhuoli.

Yet, even if he did not show face, there was nothing much one could say about it.

Fang Jialin, who was feeling a little jittery, added timidly, "Of course, this is a private matter between the two of you. If you feel like it is not appropriate, you don't have to say it. Although we are curious, we also know that both of you have the right not to tell us about your private affairs."

After Fang Jialin said that, he even smiled widely in embarrassment at the camera.

Although he was timid, his expression was still quite funny.

The venue was filled with joking catcalls mocking him for being too timid.

There was no such thing when it comes to interviewing other people.

Fang Jialin did not feel like it was embarrassing at all. He was asking about Han Zhuoli's private affairs right now!

Whoever's asking would be afraid!

If they were so capable, they should come and ask themselves!

However, he did not know that Han Zhuoli was rubbing his palms right now, excited to show off his romance.

He was afraid that people would not ask!

He had been enduring it for so long. All along, he had been Lu Man's husband, but he could not say it. Keeping it to himself had nearly driven him crazy.

Now that he could finally reveal it and they no longer needed to hide, Han Zhuoli had so much to say.

"There's nothing that can't be said." Han Zhuoli smiled. He naturally pulled Lu Man's hand onto his lap and held it. "Ever since Man Man and I started dating, I knew I was going to marry her. I was very sure early on that she was the woman I was going to marry. However, this little lady never liked to rely on others and is not in the habit of doing so."

Han Zhuoli turned and looked at Lu Man with a gentle gaze that brimmed with a warm smile.

"Perhaps it had to do with her experiences. I think many people already know what she has been through. Hence, she had already been used to relying on herself for everything. Even with me around, she would never ask me for help. This made me, as a boyfriend, and even until now as her husband, feel a little helpless, especially since I could actually help her with those things."

Chapter 1313: Is Han Zhuoli Bearing Grudges or What?!

Han Zhuoli laughed. "However, I just like this temper of hers. Furthermore, she really is capable and doesn't need my help. She would always be able to solve the problem on her own even before I stepped in. In the past, she had conflicts with Director Zhang Lun, Director Liang Chengbing, and other artistes within the circle, like Qiao Luna and many others."

The people whom Han Zhuoli had named all shuddered inwardly.

Was Han Zhuoli bearing grudges or what?!

He actually named them right there and then!

Fang Jialin was also a little stunned. This was a live-stream!

If Han Zhuoli just said it right now, there was no way they could cut it out. It would all be broadcasted.

"However, she relied on herself to resolve all those conflicts. She did not need me to intervene at all," Han Zhuoli said with a smile. "It is precisely because of this that I did not disclose our marriage. Because once I've stated it, there would definitely be many people who'd feel that all her accomplishments were because of me. In actual fact, this is not true. Such malicious rumors are totally unfair to her.

"I know how much hard work and effort she has put in so far on this journey. I don't want it all to go to waste. She clearly did not rely on me for much, yet other people will still point fingers at her and reject all her hard work and effort. This would be totally unfair to her.

"That's why I decided to keep it a secret." Han Zhuoli held Lu Man's hand and said, "However, I also had a hard time. After all, it was not easy for me to finally marry her, yet I could not tell other people about it. This made my heart really anxious as well."

Even though everyone was still in a state of shock, when they heard Han Zhuoli's words, they still could not help but laugh.

Han Zhuoli stared at Lu Man and smiled with exceptional affection as he said, "But she also told me that, regardless of whether those words were good or bad, she was not afraid. I can choose not to announce our marriage because I did not want her to get hurt, but she can also choose to go public with our relationship for me, so that I can be by her side openly in public."

Fang Jialin sighed and said, "So, both of you are thinking for each other."

Thinking of Han Zhuoli's concerns, Fang Jialin no doubt had high EQ as he smoothly continued to say, "I think everyone wouldn't deny all the accomplishments and hard work Lu Man has achieved and put it. All of her past accomplishments came from her own effort. This is something we can all tell. We can't deny her efforts just because her husband is called Han Zhuoli.

"Ever since Lu Man first entered the entertainment industry, even if one might not think well of her in other aspects, when it comes to her acting skills, there is really nothing to pick on. From *Greedy Wolf Operation* to *Red Tiger*, and then to the acting segment in *Classic X Files*, she always used her own capabilities to prove her solid acting skills. That is why, today, it was natural for her to win the Best Newcomer Award."

Fang Jialin took the chance to speak up for Lu Man. "Young Master Han's identity is something that cannot be changed. It was just such a coincidence that he is Lu Man's husband. This is not a bad thing, but to deny Lu Man's accomplishments and her capabilities because of this would be doing a great injustice to Lu Man.

"I believe everyone has basic skills to judge for themselves and will not refute Lu Man's achievements just because of this," Fang Jialin said with a smile.

Han Zhuoli was smiling unusually often tonight.

After his relationship with Lu Man went public, the smile on his face almost never left.

Aside from staring at Lu Man, when his face would be all smiles, he would also give a faint smile to other people at least.

Chapter 1314: Crazy About Pampering His Wife, Overbearingly Protective of His Wife

The Han Zhuoli now was brimming with gentleness in his eyes.

Fang Jialin could not help but think that even if he said something to make Han Zhuoli angry now, he probably would not be too bothered by it.

However, no one would be so stupid as to deliberately get on Han Zhuoli's nerves.

"This reminds me of the three Weibo posts that Young Master Han previously posted. The first post mentioned that he got engaged. Right after that, Lu Man also said that she got engaged," Fang Jialin said, smiling.

The director's reaction was very fast. He had already asked someone to dig up the post that Lu Man and Han Zhuoli had posted back then and now projected them onto the big screens. "At that time, everyone thought it was a coincidence. Who knew that you both were really engaged to each other?"

Han Zhuoli chuckled and said, "I know. People even thought that Lu Man was trying to ride on my fame back then. Why didn't they think about whether I was the kind of person who'd casually let other people ride on my fame?"

Back then, Han Zhuoli did and said nothing. That had been an obvious sign that something was off.

However, many people did not want to think along those lines and would not think along those lines no matter how they thought about it.

Who would have linked a small-fry newcomer to the entertainment industry with a big boss like Han Zhuoli?

Even if they had such a great mind, they would not dare to!

The moment Han Zhuoli said that, many people watching the screens who once said Lu Man was trying to ride on Han Zhuoli's fame and was shameless instantly felt their cheeks burning.

Han Zhuoli was bearing that grudge after enduring for so long and not going public, wasn't he?!

Now that they finally went public, he was starting to settle scores.

He wanted to air those past grievances all at once.

The insults were non-stop!

Fang Jialin did not know whether to laugh or cry. No one dared to laugh, or else they would definitely offend a lot of people.

The netizens who were watching the live-stream kept scrolling through Weibo as they did.

"The people who once called Lu Man out for being attention-seeking, are you guys all right?"

"Han Zhuoli is just crazy about pampering his wife and is overbearingly protective of his wife!"

"He did not speak a word back then because it was not convenient to disclose his relationship with Lu Man. Now that they've gone public, Han Zhuoli is on a roll, dishing out insults non-stop."

"Oh my gosh, from the moment they went public tonight up until now, our CEO Han has not stopped once in dishing out insults. He started off with the very first Zhang Lun, and up until now, he doesn't even let the netizens who mocked Lu Man before off. This kind of solid wife-protecting style, I like!"

"CEO Han is too cool! AHHHH! How cool! How can there be such a good man on earth?! Lu Man is really way too lucky!"

"Only Han Zhuoli would dare to directly name people in a live-stream. The next time Han Zhuoli names someone, can the production director just cut to show the face of the person, please? I really want to see the expression on that person's face!"

"2333, you're so wicked! But I can tell that Han Zhuoli is really angry. He should be. His wife had been bullied, yet he could not openly defend his wife previously. Now that they've gone public, he has no need for reservations. CEO Han is bent on venting his anger all at once!"

"Openly naming and shaming people in the live-stream seems strangely cool of him."

"Keke, those who say that Lu Man did not rely on Han Zhuoli, are you guys for real? Even if you believe that, I won't believe that Lu Man did not receive a single bit of help from Han Zhuoli."

"Yeah, just like last time, when Greedy Wolf Operation and Fighting Hero were up against each other, and when Red Tiger was up against Attack Force, the Han Corporation refused to give the opposing film showtimes. You call this Lu Man not relying on him? Keke, how would Lu Man have gotten such good results otherwise?" Online, there were those who congratulated Lu Man and Han Zhuoli, but there were also those who kept dissing Lu Man.

Negative opinions kept surfacing as well.

At the awards ceremony, Fang Jialin smiled and said, "Today can be considered a very memorable day. This is the first time Young Master Han and Lu Man have appeared in public together, and it's also the first time they officially announced that they are married. It is very much an honor to be able to witness this at this event right here."

Chapter 1315: Really Impressive Carrying the Certs Everywhere with Him

"I remember Young Master Han's second Weibo post was when he's announcing his marriage." Following Fang Jialin's words, the screen showed another picture.

It depicted Han Zhuoli and Lu Man holding the marriage certificate together, though in the photo, only their hands wearing the wedding rings were shown. It appeared especially warm and romantic under the lights.

"Would the two of you be willing to take the exact same photo again? With your faces revealed, of course," Fang Jialin suggested. "You guys didn't reveal your faces in that previous photo because of various concerns. But now that you've gone public, we'll take one with your faces shown, how 'bout it?"

"But we don't have our marriage certs with us!" Lu Man laughed; who brings their marriage certs with them everywhere they go?

Cough. Han Zhuoli cleared his throat all of a sudden, looking at Lu Man incredulously.

Lu Man: "..."

Judging from his reaction, could he have brought the marriage certs with him?

He didn't, right?!

"Jaw-dropping. Does Young Master Han really bring his marriage certs everywhere he goes?"

"If it's true, it's really too mushy!"

"They've been married for some time, don't tell me he's been carrying it with him?"

"Impossible, that's too much!"

But immediately, Han Zhuoli stoically took out a small red booklet from the inner pocket of his suit.

Everyone at the venue: "..."

Netizens watching the live-stream: " ... "

"Haha, I've learned something new today."

"Never knew you're actually like this, Han Zhuoli."

"This old guy's heart can't take the abuse from their love anymore. Really impressive, carrying the certs everywhere with him!"

"Did he prepare to declare their relationship tonight?"

"There's still no need to carry the certs around with him even if they're going public! It's too much!"

"I'm so envious of Lu Man. How did she catch such a cute guy like Han Zhuoli?!"

"I'm believing in love again."

Only Lu Man, Fang Jialin, Han Zhuoling at the side, and the people behind them saw Han Zhuoli's ears redden despite his calm facade.

"..." Fang Jialin could not believe his eyes, only chuckling a few moments later. "Young Master Han, you really bring the certs everywhere you go, eh?"

Who knew Han Zhuoli would actually nod seriously? "This is concrete proof of my marriage."

Everybody: " ... "

Fang Jialin glanced at the wedding ring on his ring finger. You've posted on Weibo and wear the ring; who'll doubt your marital status? he thought.

And to carry the marriage certs around with him, that's just crazy!

The crazy Han Zhuoli showed his marriage certs and grabbed Lu Man's hands, both of them holding the cert.

Two hands formed a heart and took a photo together.

This time, Lu Man revealed her face, including the ring on her ring finger.

The gossip regarding Han Zhuoli and Lu Man tonight was more than enough. Fang Jialin smiled as he wished Han Zhuoli and Lu Man all the best.

"We gained something unexpected from tonight's award ceremony." Fang Jialin smiled and moved towards Wang Juhuai. "Not only did Young Master Han reveal his relationship with Lu Man, but we also managed to catch a glimpse of Mr. and Mrs. Wang."

"Ever since Mr. Wang returned, he'd attended only one public event, and this is the second. We can't let go of this opportunity, can we?" Fang Jialin said gaily.

Wang Juhuai was graceful and gentlemanly, smiling good-naturedly and holding Xia Qingwei's hand while looking warmly at her.

"From what I've gathered from Lu Man's speech just now, it seems both of you have known each other for a long time?" Fang Jialin inquired.

Wang Juhuai knew the purpose behind Lu Man's words just now, so he did not mind explaining the matter further. "Qingwei's my first love."

Chapter 1316: Got Uncomfortable Under His Gaze

"What happened back then was like a soap opera, so I won't go into details. To put it simply, a misunderstanding caused our separation. And the person who caused this misunderstanding was my ex-

wife, Lin Jinshu. She set me up and lied to Qingwei, breaking us up using the most underhanded and despicable means.

"Of course, I bear some responsibility for what happened back then, I was too easily tricked. If I'd been more careful, if I'd discovered her plans earlier, Qingwei wouldn't have been hurt. Then I divorced my ex-wife exactly because I discovered the truth. But after the divorce, I did not seek out Qingwei. I thought she was happily married and did not know that she was betrayed by her ex-husband and had divorced long ago. And as such, after many twists and turns, I finally got reunited with her after so many years."

"Then could you tell us, how did you reunite?" Fang Jialin was moved.

"It's still thanks to Lu Man and Han Zhuoli. They were engaged by then, and Lu Man and Qingwei went over to the Han Family home during New Year's. I was also there to pay my respects after returning from abroad, and so we met."

Wang Juhuai sighed. "After regretting it for so many years, I didn't want things to stay that way. Hence, we got married."

Fang Jialin exclaimed, "Who could have guessed that you'd both never have a change of heart after so many years? It's just as Lu Man said, it is never too late when it comes to love, as long as you and I are together in the end."

Though Wang Juhuai had said it simply, who couldn't guess what methods Lin Jinshu had employed back then?

They were likely those most often used by third-parties.

If not, why would Wang Juhuai marry then divorce her?

Lin Jinshu had claimed that Xia Qingwei was the third party previously, but it turned out she herself was the mistress.

Wang Juhuai once again gave Lin Jinshu one tight slap over the air.

Even more vicious than the one before!

Lin Jinshu's face contorted in anger as she looked at the screen.

Getting slapped by Lu Man was not enough, Wang Juhuai still had to step up the game.

Did they think they're a real father-daughter pair?

Wang Qianyun felt similarly.

To see Han Zhuoli shower public displays of affection on Lu Man, and see him carrying the marriage certs around with him...

He just loved Lu Man that much, didn't he?!

Because there was a time limit for the award ceremony, Fang Jialin could not spend all the available time on Han Zhuoli, Wang Juhuai, and the others, even if he still had plenty of questions to ask. Hence, he continued with the rest of the show.

But the cameras still filmed Han Zhuoli and Lu Man once in a while.

Now that they had gone public, Han Zhuoli was no longer hiding his love. His eyes never once strayed to the stage; they stuck resolutely on Lu Man.

Lu Man wished to watch the proceedings properly, but Han Zhuoli was looking at her so lovingly, his eyes burning and piercing with such passion that Lu Man could not ignore it at all.

She started to get uncomfortable under his gaze.

Because she really could not disregard his stare, she turned to look at him.

Only to see Han Zhuoli's lovey-dovey eyes and his face full of happiness.

She had seen this foolish look during the few days after they'd registered their marriage, and she never thought that she would get to witness it once more today after they announced their relationship publicly.

Lu Man lost any thoughts of watching the stage and smiled sweetly at Han Zhuoli.

And the world narrowed until they were the only ones left in each other's eyes.

Han Zhuoli held her hand and squeezed it sporadically.

"So good to finally hold your hand out in the public like this," Han Zhuoli said joyfully. Feeling dissatisfied, he held up her hand and kissed her knuckles before putting them to his chest and patting them as if they were a cat.

Lu Man: "..."

Chapter 1317: The Poor Award Winners

The director had already dedicated one camera to film Lu Man and Han Zhuoli.

Seeing that scene, he urged, "Quick! PD switch cameras! Show them Han Zhuoli and Lu Man!"

As such, the netizens in front of their screens got bombarded with another round of PDA.

Han Zhuoli did not care if the cameras were filming since he was being himself, not putting on a show for others.

Thus, Han Zhuoli was extremely natural.

One look and the audience would know that he was not pretending.

He did nothing else beyond clutching Lu Man's hand.

The director then let the PD change scenes.

Alas, after a while, Han Zhuoli went on to lightly pinch Lu Man's ear lobes, having fun by himself playing with it.

The director instantly asked the PD to switch to the couple.

This frequent switching almost dizzied the viewers.

Finally, the whole award ceremony ended and most of the celebrities left, though the popular ones stayed back for a backstage interview segment.

Needless to say, Lu Man and Han Zhuoli were included in this segment.

Wang Juhuai never liked such interviews. The organizers had asked him during the invitation if he was willing to accept the backstage interviews.

The organizers were not surprised when Wang Juhuai had rejected back then and did not press further.

Lu Man had an interview for being the winner of the Best Newcomer Award, and now that her and Han Zhuoli's relationship status had come to light, the interviews were rolled into one.

The main stars of this award ceremony were supposed to be the Best Director, Best Male and Female Leads, and Best Supporting Male and Female Leads.

But none could beat the news sensation of Lu Man and Han Zhuoli making their relationship known.

The reporters were eager for the interview segment to start and swamped the couple for questions, the winners for Best Director, Best Male and Female Leads, and Best Supporting Male and Female Leads long forgotten.

Crowds upon crowds of reporters surrounded Han Zhuoli and Lu Man, countless microphones and cameras shoved into their faces.

Han Zhuoli carefully protected Lu Man, blocking the crowd away from her, not letting them anywhere near Lu Man.

The security guards for the award ceremony also came over to maintain order and make sure the couple did not get trampled on.

"I've said what I wanted to say just now, there's nothing else to add." Han Zhuoli's arm went around Lu Man's waist. "I just want everyone to know that Lu Man's my wife. We're going to appear in other events together from now on, and you all will be sick of seeing us then."

The reporters didn't know about the future, but they knew for sure that that's not the case right now.

There were still plenty of questions for the couple.

But sadly, Han Zhuoli refused them the chance.

He only showed his face with Lu Man for a while before being escorted away by security.

Both of them were soon completely gone from sight, and the reporters then went to interview the other winners dejectedly.

The most explosive news of the night was about Han Zhuoli and Lu Man.

Compared to them, the award winners seemed lame.

The reporters tonight had had their appetites whetted.

The award winners were small news.

Poor award winners, encountering Han Zhuoli and Lu Man making their relationship known at this time.

They could have made the headlines by winning major awards from a film festival.

Yet now, the reporters had already decided on the headlines and none of them were related to the award winners of the film festival.

Moreover, as if afraid of being slow to publish their news, the reporters all hurriedly interviewed the winners before rushing off.

Chapter 1318: No Need to Tell Her If You're Dead or Alive

Leaving a bunch of award winners with darkened expressions.

Sun Yiwu and Ji Cheng laughed and shook their heads. "Fortunately, we didn't win any awards or we'd have been embarrassed."

Though both their works got nominated, in order to prevent rousing suspicion, they'd decided to remove themselves from the competition since they were a part of the film festival's judging panel.

Such an award had lost its appeal to both of them, but there were many other more prestigious awards waiting for them in the future; they had many more opportunities next time.

Over at the Lu Family.

Lu Qiyuan had been out of the hospital for a month and was recuperating at home currently.

He was extremely fortunate, even if his anger previously hindered whatever small progress he had made.

After the surgery, he recovered and was almost as good as new, his speech and mobility unhindered.

But the doctor advised against returning to work soon. He might not need to be hospitalized, but he was still expected to stay and rest at home for a few months.

Lu Qiyuan was worried about his company after being hospitalized for a long time, so he ordered all the work accumulated or settled during his stay at the hospital to be compiled and reported to him at home.

One had to praise He Zhengbai's ability, and he also told his family of Xia Qingyang's and Lu Qi's plans.

Since taking over a company was a major process, he himself could not handle everything alone, so obviously, he had to tell his family.

He Zhengbai's father, He Qingyang, and big brother, He Zhengsong, were bold too, agreeing to the plan without any hesitation.

Hence, with He Qingyang's and He Zhengsong's help, the accounts of Lu Qiyuan's company were tweaked without being suspicious.

Even now, as Lu Qiyuan was hearing the report, he could find nothing wrong with it.

With nothing to do at night, Lu Qiyuan used the tablet to project and watch the award ceremony.

He had no idea why; he just wanted to.

He'd heard that Lu Man was attending.

Lu Qi was watching at the side. She'd had no roles for a long time, so she had no chance of attending such film festivals.

She could still walk the red carpet when it started.

But she's not involved at all in the award ceremony.

Now, she could only sit in her living room and watch it with Lu Qiyuan and Xia Qingyang on the TV.

When the red carpet segment played and Lu Qi saw Lu Man walking down the red carpet smugly, she gritted her teeth in anger.

Xia Qingyang said saltily, "Lu Man's walking the red carpet and didn't even invite Qi Qi. Now that she's so great, she doesn't even care about her blood, ignoring her family to curry favor from Wang Juhuai."

Lu Qiyuan's face darkened, and he asked suddenly, "Does Lu Man know about me being hospitalized?"

Lu Qi said hurriedly, "She knows. I told Big Sister the moment Dad fell ill. But... But she said..."

"What did she say?" Lu Qiyuan said darkly.

"She said it's none of her business, that there's no need to inform her whether you're dead or alive, she wouldn't care," Lu Qi said softly.

Xia Qingyang sighed and sobbed. "Qiyuan, don't blame me for not liking her. I think I treated her okay when she was young, treated her like I would Qi Qi. I felt sorry for her and wanted to treat her especially well, even better than Qi Qi. But she's always hated me and stayed away from me, and when you're not around, even bullied..."

Xia Qingyang shook her head. "Whatever, there's no use speaking of these now. All in all, that's how our relationship deteriorated. Then I reckoned that there's no point expending so much energy on her. As long as we could live together peacefully, I wouldn't care about her. I know that she hates me and Qi Qi. But how could she even not care about you? Calling Wang Juhuai 'Dad' left and right as if he's her real dad, did she really think she has no biological dad that she'd treat Wang Juhuai as her blood?"

Chapter 1319: What's Lu Man Doing?

Xia Qingyang wanted to say that you raised a daughter and gave it freely to another person.

But she dared not, for fear that Lu Qiyuan would scold her for going overboard.

"Forget it, Mom." Lu Qi shook Xia Qingyang's arms, putting on an act. "She never treated us as her family. Didn't we know this already? Why bring this up again?"

"I'm just feeling sorry for your dad," Xia Qingyang said. "Look, when your dad was sick, Zhengbai helped us tremendously even though he's not yet fully a proper son-in-law. But look at Lu Man, she never informed us when she got married. Not just us both, she never even told your dad. We had to find out through the Internet.

"And she didn't show her face when your dad is sick, her husband as well," Xia Qingyang complained.

"Maybe she's afraid her in-laws would be upset?" Lu Qi said gently. "Goes to show that her in-laws are not as magnanimous as the He Family. She said that they're rich, but they're probably not that impressive anyway, going by their stingy ways. Big Sister's afraid that doing so would upset her in-laws, so she's trying to dismiss our relationship."

Xia Qingyang loved hearing Lu Qi's words.

So what if Lu Man's doing better than before?

Her career might have surpassed Lu Qi's, but wasn't her man still worse than He Zhengbai?

Xia Qingyang could only comfort herself this way.

The award ceremony officially started, and the three of them desperately wanted to know if Lu Man won any awards.

Lu Qi acted like she knew what was going on, saying, "I guess Lu Man's not likely to win. Both her movies might have done well, but the results were the movies', nothing to do with Lu Man's character. She does have a big part to play in the movies' doing well, but that's because of her public relations skills, not because of her acting skills."

Lu Qi smiled. "But this is judged based on acting skills, and she can't depend on her PR skills. To judge based on acting and roles, both her roles are insufficient."

"That's what I feel too. Since there are so many better actors than her, why would they choose a greenhorn? What would the more hardworking actors think then? Wouldn't it be unfair?" Xia Qingyang said in a similar vein.

Lu Qiyuan said lowly, "She's totally not suitable for winning. Might as well let her know her worth this time around."

Lu Qi said softly, "I'm just scared that she wouldn't admit it and still think that she's very good."

Hence, the three of them started a discussion.

Of course, they were all bad things about Lu Man.

Indeed, there was no nomination for Lu Man before the Best Newcomer Award.

Lu Qi and Xia Qingwei were elated.

But instantly, they heard the announced names of the nominated that were shown on the screen, and Lu Man was among them!

Xia Qingyang laughed awkwardly. "Oh, well. No matter what, Lu Man has two movies that did well under her belt. It'd be too weird for her not to be nominated."

But winning it would be too far-fetched.

Both Xia Qingyang and Lu Qi thought so.

And in the end?

Lu Man still won the Best Newcomer Award!

Lu Qi felt her whole body stiffen.

Despite entering the entertainment industry such a long time ago, she'd never won a prestigious award even once. But Lu Man was such a newbie and yet she won an international film festival award!

The three of them thought this was the most surprising thing of the night.

Alas, they saw Han Zhuoli and Lu Man hugging immediately after.

"What's Lu Man doing?" Xia Qingyang shrieked. "Is she shameless or what?!"

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Lu Qi actually wanted to say that Lu Man did not want to live anymore!

She actually dared to use this chance to hug Han Zhuoli!

Lu Qi also thought that Lu Man was doing this for the attention and to rake up some reports and topics about herself.

"Lu Man is really unscrupulous when it comes to creating buzz about herself. She would make use of anyone." Lu Qi scoffed. She did not even think about who she was trying to use; she'd end up not even knowing how she died.

Han Zhuoli would not care whether it was a live-stream or not.

Lu Qi watched in anticipation, waiting for Lu Man's downfall.

Who knew that, right afterward, she'd actually see Han Zhuoli cupping Lu Man's head and kissing her?!

Lu Qi was dumbstruck. She felt like her mind just exploded.

Xia Qingyang screamed in a hoarse voice and shouted, "This is crazy, absolutely crazy! This is impossible! Could Lu Man and Han Zhuoli really be together?"

Lu Qi recalled the suspicion that she refused to acknowledge and said timidly, "In the past, there were rumors in the school that Lu Man's husband's surname was Han. Back then, I already guessed that it might be related to Han Zhuoli. However, I did not dare to think about it. After all..."

After all, it would be too scary.

Who'd have guessed that it was actually true?!

Xia Qingyang did not dare to believe what she saw. The TV was still showing Han Zhuoli and Lu Man.

It focused on Lu Man all the way until she went up on stage to give her acceptance speech and admit that Han Zhuoli was her husband.

Xia Qingyang screamed, "Her husband is really Han Zhuoli?!"

At first, she still thought that there was one thing where Lu Man fared in worse than Lu Qi, which was that Lu Man's beau was definitely not on par with He Zhengbai.

And now?

Lu Man's husband was actually Han Zhuoli!

Forget about the entertainment industry or B City. There was no one in the whole country that could hold a candle to Han Zhuoli.

Internationally, there were only so few that were comparable to him.

To compare He Zhengbai with such a person?

That was impossible!

Xia Qingyang was about to go crazy from rage.

It was as if everything started going downhill ever since that time when they failed to frame Lu Man.

At first, the advantages were all with her and Lu Qi. Lu Qi's career was improving by the day and she had a rich, tall, and handsome fiance like He Zhengbai.

She and Lu Qi were the real winners in life.

But ever since they failed to frame Lu Man, there was a turn of events.

Lu Man's career got better and better. Xia Qingwei's illness got better, and she even got back together with Wang Juhuai!

Lu Man herself got married to Han Zhuoli.

It was as if she struck the lottery!

How could Lu Man's luck be so good?!

Xia Qingyang said coldly, "Lu Man hid it from us so painstakingly. She had been with Han Zhuoli for so long, yet she didn't even breathe a word about it.

"Haha, if Lu Man was willing to let Han Zhuoli help, why would our family still need to worry? Your dad's company can resolve its troubles. Would any roles that you want not be available to you?" Xia Qingyang said angrily. "Your dad was hospitalized; could the Han Family still lack that pittance? Forget about the Han Family, even Lu Man herself won't lack that amount of money. Yet she had not even come back to see your dad once. Now that she's Mrs. Han, all the more she wants to cut off ties with us."

Xia Qingyang side-eyed Lu Qiyuan and said, "I think Lu Man just can't wait for our family to all go and die!"

Lu Qiyuan stood up in anger, but because he had just recovered, he had not fully recuperated.

He stood up too suddenly and swayed twice before almost collapsing again.

Lu Qiyuan steadied himself and said in a sombre voice, "Since Lu Man has made a name for herself, all the more she should spare a thought for this family. No matter what, the Han Family is also our in-laws."

At the same time, at Lin Jinshu's home.

Wang Qianyun was facing the television, but she was not in the mood to continue watching the livestream anymore.