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Chapter 2541: You Know Her?

Luo Qingxian laughed mockingly. Could it be that Wei Wucai left without even settling the bill? He was that "classy"?

Out of her suspicion about Wei Wucai's character, Luo Qingxian had decided to come out and take a look.

Unexpectedly, the moment she came out, she saw that Wei Wucai was actually standing at the door of a room nearby.

And he was with a woman, standing so intimately close to her.

That woman was standing right behind Wei Wucai, her face almost touching his back.

It was really very intimate.

Luo Qingxian was infuriated.

Since he was being romantic with some other woman, why did he even come for a blind date!

Looking at his stance, don't tell me he's being jealous of someone else!

Haha!

He was not capable career-wise, but he was quite capable when it came to being jealous of other people and playing around with women!

As their attention was on CEO Luo, when Luo Qingxian walked over, neither Wei Wucai nor Yan Zhiqing noticed her.

Yan Zhiqing's face was not facing Luo Qingxian either, so Luo Qingxian did not recognize Yan Zhiqing at first.

She simply heard a man screaming inside.

Yet when Luo Qingxian got close and saw it, she realized that the person lying on the floor at the door was actually her uncle!

Luo Qingxian asked reflexively, "Uncle?"

CEO Luo looked up. When he saw Luo Qingxian standing there, he instantly felt utterly embarrassed.

He actually let his own niece see how pathetic he looked right now.

"Uncle, what happened to you?" Luo Qingxian got a shock. "What's going on?"

CEO Luo felt too embarrassed to say that he wanted to take advantage of someone but ended up getting taught a lesson.

So he could only stand up with a dark look on his face.

At this moment, Wei Wucai and Yan Zhiqing both turned to look at Luo Qingxian.

"What exactly is going on?" Luo Qingxian looked at Wei Wucai reproachfully.

At the same time, she also saw clearly the person whom Wei Wucai was shielding behind him.

It was actually Yan Zhiqing!

That especially famous female celebrity.

If it was an average female celebrity, Luo Qingxian would really not think much about the person. That person would just be an actress to her.

But Yan Zhiqing was different.

Luo Qingxian was stunned. She did not expect that Wei Wucai and Yan Zhiqing were on such good terms.

These two were...

Wei Wucai then lazily looked behind him, his gaze landing on Yan Zhiqing's hand that was clutching his shirt tightly. He did not look away.

Yan Zhiqing even thought it was strange. What was Wei Wucai looking at?

After a long moment, she realized where he was staring and that she had been grabbing him subconsciously.

Yan Zhiqing froze awkwardly before quickly letting go.

But her palm still seemed to be able to feel the material of his shirt, as well as the warmth from underneath his shirt.

Wei Wucai was right in front of her, so the smell of cologne also wafted through her nose.

Yan Zhiqing's face could not help heating up right now.

"What's going on? You hit my uncle?" Luo Qingxian questioned.

Seeing how they were standing just then, Luo Qingxian was sure that it was definitely Wei Wucai who'd hit him.

CEO Luo frowned and walked over to Luo Qingxian's side and asked, "You two know each other?"

Yan Zhiqing glanced at Luo Qingxian and also asked Wei Wucai, "You know her?"

Seeing how arrogant this woman looked, it was really quite annoying.

Families like the Luo family could only be considered to have a normal family background to the eight great families.

Yan Zhiqing naturally did not know about Luo Qingxian's existence.

And her career was in the entertainment industry, not in business, so all the more she would not know about any Luo or Li.

"We met for the first time today. I don't know her well," Wei Wucai briefly explained.

"Oh." Yan Zhiqing nodded to show she understood.

Luo Qingxian felt that she was still his blind date.. Little did she expect that she would get slighted by Wei Wucai like this.

Chapter 2542: Everything in Life Depends on Acting

It was as if she was not even worthy of him. She instantly felt utterly infuriated.

After CEO Luo asked, Luo Qingxian said mockingly, "He's not anyone important. We're not close."

After saying that, Luo Qingxian felt that this was not satisfying enough, so she said, "Just now, he said he was coming out to take a call. I didn't see him come back in even after a waiting for a long time. I was wondering if he didn't settle the bill and just left on his own first, so I came out to take a look. Who knew he was actually causing trouble here."

Yan Zhiqing raised an eyebrow and understood what she implied.

She tiptoed and leaned close to Wei Wucai, whispering into his ear to ask, "You're on a blind date?"

Wei Wucai: "..."

Wei Wucai's ear twitched a little, but he did not reply.

Yan Zhiqing had suddenly leaned in so closely. Her breaths touched his ear, making the tips of Wei Wucai's ears redden a little.

"But why would she think you're someone who wouldn't even pay for a meal?" Yan Zhiqing asked, feeling confused.

She seemed to not notice at all that while she was speaking, her breaths constantly blew on Wei Wucai's

It's true that she always bickered with Wei Wucai and felt that Wei Wucai had low EQ and looked destined to be single.

But she did not think that Wei Wucai was a person who would not even want to pay the bill for a meal.

Anyway, he was the famous head of the Shadowless in Mount Lan Compound. How would he behave as Luo Qingxian had described?

Yan Zhiqing thought about it. Luo Qingxian probably did not know what Wei Wucai worked as.

Wei Wucai's eyebrow twitched slightly, and he suddenly turned around.

Yan Zhiqing did not expect him to suddenly turn around, so she did not manage to step back in time.

Her lips were still by the side of his ear, so the moment he turned his head around, their lips were at most only a centimeter apart.

They could feel each other's breaths. This distance was way too romantic.

Yan Zhiqing did not expect it at all and was stunned for a moment.

After a few seconds, she regained her senses and quickly stepped back.

Wei Wucai asked in a low voice, "And why do you trust me so much?"

"..." Yan Zhiqing said, feeling a little uncomfortable, "Besides saying nasty things, you don't do other things. Of course I can trust you with this."

The corners of Wei Wucai's lips curved up subconsciously, unknown to him.

Given the way the two of them looked when they spoke in hushed voices, coupled with the faint smile at the corners of Wei Wucai's lips, the relationship between the two of them looked way too intimate.

Luo Qingxian scoffed coldly. No wonder Wei Wucai was so nonchalant towards her. So he was already together with Yan Zhiqing.

"Mr. Wei," Luo Qingxian said in a cold voice. "If you're not willing to meet me, you didn't have to. Why do you have to still come and meet someone else and humiliate them when you already have a girlfriend?"

Luo Qingxian scoffed and said, "You're not accomplished in your career, but you're quite accomplished when it comes to having romantic relationships with women."

What did she mean not accomplished in his career?

Yan Zhiqing was dumbfounded by her words.

What did Luo Qingxian think that he did for a living?

Hold up!

Was this the time to be curious about why Wei Wucai appeared to be unaccomplished in his career?

Luo Qingxian already misunderstood that she and Wei Wucai were a couple!

Yan Zhiqing just could not stand Luo Qingxian's arrogant attitude.

Who did she think she was, putting on airs in front of her?

Yan Zhiqing suddenly pinched Wei Wucai on his elbow.

Wei Wucai got a shock. He clutched his elbow and stared at Yan Zhiqing, "What are you doing?"

He had just helped her, yet this girl just turned around and hit him in return!

"You still have the cheek to ask me?" Yan Zhiqing said angrily. "Tell me, what's going on between you and her? You dare to go on a blind date behind my back?"

Yan Zhiqing pinched him again.

Wei Wucai: "..."

Was Yan Zhiqing acting right now?

He really got to give it to Yan Zhiqing.

As an actress, she even brought acting into her own life.

Did everything in life depend on acting?

"Wasn't it just because I had a kissing scene with someone else in my previous film? You're not happy about it, so you came over on a blind date to make me angry?" Yan Zhiqing pinched him again and said, "Wei Wucai, do you still have a conscience?!"

Chapter 2543: It Was Yan Beicheng

Not only was Luo Qingxian stunned, even Wei Wucai was stunned.

Luo Qingxian really did not expect that Yan Zhiqing would like such a useless man like Wei Wucai and even treat him like treasure.

Seeing that Yan Zhiqing was about to pinch him again, he thought that this lass was not going to stop pinching him, so he quickly held Yan Zhiqing's hand, preventing her from messing around anymore.

In the end, when he glanced to the back, he instantly felt a sense of foreboding.

"Stop making a fuss," Wei Wucai said in a small voice to Yan Zhiqing and quickly let go of her hand.

Yan Zhiqing continued acting. "What do you mean making a fuss! I'm not making a fuss! You find me annoying now. You have someone new, so you think I'm making a fuss now, right?!"

"Zhiqing?" another man's voice sounded.

But this voice, Wei Wucai and Yan Zhiqing could not be any more familiar with it.

It was Yan Beicheng!

For the scene today, of all the people they could have met, why did they have to meet Yan Beicheng!

"Older Brother?" Yan Beicheng turned around and saw Yan Beicheng together with the General Manager of Sheng Yue, the manager, and a whole group of security officers. They were walking over.

Yan Zhiqing quickly let go of Wei Wucai's elbow.

Seeing Yan Beicheng walk over, Yan Zhiqing laughed awkwardly and asked, "Older Brother, why are you here?"

Yan Beicheng glanced at Wei Wucai. His gaze shifted back and forth between the two of them first.

Yan Beicheng's look made Yan Zhiqing feel guilty.

There was nothing going on between her and Wei Wucai, but Yan Beicheng's look made it seem as if there was something going on between her and Wei Wucai.

Yan Beicheng then said to Yan Zhiqing, "I heard that you were about to suffer some grievance here, so of course I had to come over and take a look."

It was also a coincidence. Yan Beicheng came over today to discuss business with someone.

Yet when Yan Zhiqing opened the door over here, the noise in the room became a little loud, so after the General Manager heard it, he quickly sent someone to inform Yan Beicheng.

He then brought some men to rush over here.

He happened to meet Yan Beicheng along the way, so they came over together.

Yan Beicheng looked at the room and asked, "What exactly happened?"

Yan Zhiqing was not some fearful person who was afraid of trouble. And anyway, the Yan Family was not afraid of trouble at all, much less Yan Beicheng.

She had her older brother standing up for her right here, so what did she have to fear!

Yan Beicheng even came over personally. If she still kept quiet about the matter, that would not be good.

Hence, she told him about the matter in complete and full detail.

Lu Xiuse hid in the room and did not dare to show her face.

She still could not be sure what Yan Beicheng's attitude would be like.

Could Yan Beicheng really enter into a direct conflict with Trubo just to stand up for Yan Zhiqing?

This was not just a matter with Trubo.

Trubo was a brand under the E.W. Corporation, and the E.W. Corporation had many internationally famous top luxury brands under its belt, as well as top-rated skincare brands and makeup brands.

These top luxury clothing and bags brands, as well as footwear brands, accounted for nearly one-third of the market share.

And of the luxury skincare and makeup brands that one could name right now, close to half of them all belonged to the E.W. Corporation.

Their scale and prowess were evident.

And at the helm of the E.W. Corporation was Country F's centuries' old ancient noble family, who still retained the title of Earl up until now.

It could be said that the E.W. Corporation was really not a company that could be casually confronted head-on.

Even the Yan Family would have to think twice before doing so.

Lu Xiuse thought about it. Going by international standards, the Yan Family might really not be able to confront them.

As a top-rated luxury jewelry brand, the E.W. Corporation would surely not let anything happen to Trubo.

They could not let this top luxury brand be ruined after all.

E.W. would surely support Trubo.. When that happened, it was really hard to say whether the Yan Family could really confront them head-on or not.

Chapter 2544: Did She Care About His Meal Money

So, Lu Xiuse wanted to see whether Yan Beicheng would really stand up for Yan Zhiqing.

She had attended all kinds of big and small dinners usually, just so that she could interact with potential "gold sponsors."

Lu Xiuse really knew quite a lot of big bosses now.

Anyway, up until now, the people whom she had met all put their interests above all else.

They would certainly not choose to do some crazy things even if it meant that they stood to lose some of their own interests.

So, Lu Xiuse wanted to see if Yan Zhiqing could really tough it out all the way.

If Yan Beicheng did not want to risk losing the interests of the Yan Family just to stand up for Yan Zhiqing, then there was nothing much for her to fear.

After he heard Yan Zhiqing's words, Yan Beicheng's face instantly fell.

"Nice to meet you all," Yan Beicheng said in a sullen voice. "I hope your business gets better and better from here."

But given how stern Yan Beicheng looked and how serious and fierce his expression was, he clearly was not wishing them well and sounded more like he was mocking them.

What was he mocking them for?

Lu Xiuse hid in the room and laughed scornfully to herself. It showed that Yan Beicheng was just standing up for Yan Zhiqing verbally and would not really take any concrete action.

Businessmen prioritized interests. Yan Beicheng would not be so foolish as to risk compromising the Yan Family's interests just for Yan Zhiqing's sake.

She thought that she understood Yan Beicheng's stance, so Lu Xiuse did not feel scared anymore.

"Let's go," Yan Beicheng said.

Before he turned around, he glanced at the room.

Lu Xiuse shivered all of a sudden.

That look of Yan Beicheng's felt as if he had seen her.

But she clearly hid herself well. Given where Yan Beicheng was standing, he would not have been able to see her at all.

Yan Beicheng just glanced over once before retracting his gaze. How could his attention possibly linger on a minor character like Lu Xiuse for long?

She really thought that just because she hid well, she would be able to get away scot-free.

When Luo Qingxian heard what Yan Zhiqing had said to Yan Beicheng and knew why CEO Luo looked so pathetic right now, her expression instantly soured.

She looked at CEO Luo and could not help feeling disdain for him.

She knew that these people would definitely not be very clean outside, but to be so licentious to this extent, it was really too embarrassing.

She saw that Wei Wucai was actually about to leave without even looking at her, so Luo Qingxian did not even think before she called him to stop him, "Mr. Wei!"

Wei Wucai turned around and actually looked really confused. "Yes?"

That face literally had the words "Why did you call me?" written on it.

Luo Qingxian was really infuriated.

He and Yan Zhiqing were behaving so ambiguously. Shouldn't he be the one explaining things to her first?

He actually wanted to just leave?

Luo Qingxian laughed scornfully in anger. Wei Wucai actually had the gall to ask her?

Seeing Luo Qingxian's expression, Wei Wucai understood and said, "Don't worry, I will settle the bill for the meal."

Luo Qingxian: "..."

Did she care about his meal money!

How much was a meal worth? Did she need to hold him back just for this pittance?

So, Wei Wucai felt that he did not need to explain anything to her and did not even need to apologize when he pretended as if nothing was wrong and came out on a blind date even while he was having such an ambiguous relationship with Yan Zhiqing?!

The corners of Yan Zhiqing's lips twitched.

Of course she knew why Luo Qingxian stopped Wei Wucai from leaving.

She had caught on to Luo Qingxian's words and purposely pretended to have an ambiguous relationship with Wei Wucai just then. She wanted to act in front of Luo Qingxian and disgust her.

She really thought she was so great and wonderful, looking down on this and that.

They were all from the eight great families, and Wei Wucai's character was not bad.

Yan Zhiqing naturally could not watch Wei Wucai being belittled by Luo Qingxian just like that.

She even felt puzzled. Wasn't Wei Wucai quite capable with words usually?

Chapter 2545: Let Me Go Right Now

How come he did not even retort when Luo Qingxian looked down on him so much?

Yan Zhiqing's expression was stunned for a moment. Could it be that Wei Wucai really liked Luo Qingxian?

Then did she actually do more harm than good?

If not, given Wei Wucai's temper, why would he not say anything?

She really did not expect it. Wei Wucai's taste was actually so bad?

Yan Zhiqing was afraid that she had done more harm than good, so she tried to explain, "Miss Luo, actually—"

"Let's go!" Wei Wucai pulled Yan Zhiqing away, cutting off Yan Zhiqing's words.

Yan Zhiqing was speaking halfway when she got dragged away by Wei Wucai, so she did not manage to finish what she wanted to say.

Yan Beicheng turned back and saw Wei Wucai and Yan Zhiqing holding hands.

"Let go of her hand right now! What are you doing!" Yan Beicheng scolded, pointing at their hands that were held together.

Yan Zhiqing had been hurriedly pulled away by Wei Wucai and did not realize that the two of them were actually holding hands.

The moment Yan Beicheng said that, Yan Zhiqing looked down.

She was actually holding hands so tightly with Wei Wucai!

Wei Wucai's hand was very big. It was mainly because his fingers were long that they almost covered her whole hand.

Yan Zhiqing's face instantly heated up. She quickly let go of Wei Wucai's hand.

When they reached the entrance of the hotel, Wei Wucai said, "Wait a moment."

Yan Beicheng and Yan Zhiqing stopped and saw Wei Wucai going to the front desk to report the room number and pay the bill.

When he came back, he explained, "Lest Miss Luo thinks that I will even try to avoid footing the bill for a meal."

Yan Zhiqing: "..."

Fine, she had misunderstood just then.

Wei Wucai was not playing dumb; he was really an insensitive dude.

After coming out of the hotel, they walked all the way out of Sheng Yue.

Along the way, Yan Beicheng said to the General Manager, "You go and deal with those people. Blacklist those who deserve to be blacklisted."

"Yes," the General Manager answered and went to handle the matter.

Because of that unhappy scene, after CEO Luo and the others returned to their rooms, the atmosphere remained unusually awkward for quite some time.

No one spoke a word first for quite a while.

Even Lu Xiuse did not dare to climb onto Edwood and just sat in her seat properly.

In the end, it was CEO Luo who could not hold it in and said, "That Yan Zhiqing is way too much! How can she be like this!"

Even if she could not stand it, who did not just suppress and bear with it?

For the sake of their own pride, they would not kick up such a huge fuss like she did and make everyone unhappy.

In this industry, connections were always interconnected in every small way.

If you offend one, you would naturally offend one whole bunch.

There were many circles within this industry, centered in each locale and forming their own sphere of influence.

Within this sphere of influence, there was another group of people banding together, sharing resources with each other and recommending each other.

At the same time, if you offend one, you could forget about getting the other resources.

Unless the other circles were willing to accept you and you could switch circles and connections where people were willing to introduce you to new resources...

The Yan Family was impressive, but they did not have a say over everything.

As long as they completely cut off this resource circle from Yan Zhiqing, even if Yan Zhiqing could find other resources, she would have already cut off one connection for herself and suffered major losses.

"Exactly. She would no longer have any part in this endorsement," Deputy CEO Zhang chimed in.

"Not only that." Edwood also made his stand clear as he said, "For all the brands under our corporation, I will go and put word to tell them not to work with Yan Zhiqing."

For these brands, being the brand spokesperson was not the only form of collaboration possible.

There were all kinds of events, such as award ceremonies and red carpet events.

Chapter 2546: Pay the Bill First

All kinds of brands would offer sponsorships for clothes, jewelry, and makeup.

When a celebrity's fame and status reached a certain level, they did not need to spend their own money for their getup when they attended these events.

The brand would go to them to sponsor their entire getup.

For instance, red carpet events where there would be great exposure. Netizens would see it and feel that it looked good, so this would be one effective way for the brand to raise its popularity.

But this was only one method.

The other method was casual shots of the celebrity's street fashion.

When a brand releases new products every season, they would package and send them to the celebrity.

The new products released every season would not be the design that would be released for that year but the design that would only be released for sale in the following year, and these would all be sent to celebrities first.

So that the celebrities could help them to promote their new products.

They could pose nicely when walking on the streets, but most of the shots would come from photos taken at the airport.

Netizens would think that those would be the clothes that the celebrities owned themselves, but they were actually all provided specially by the brand.

This was also a kind of partnership.

Celebrities themselves also really liked this method.

Because if the effects of their promotion were good, this would increase their chances of becoming the brand's spokesperson.

At the same time, it would also increase the number of fashion-related resources they had.

And another method would be the brand's fashion shows.

Every year, when brands across the world hold fashion shows, they would always invite celebrities.

The way in which celebrities participated in the fashion show was that they either became the spokesperson of the brand or they would be scouted by the brand and were about to become its spokesperson. They would then get invited by the brand's company to sit in the first row to watch the fashion show and interact with various famous international socialites, celebrities, and fashion editors-in-chief.

The first row was always the most difficult to get because it was the most prominent spot with the greatest exposure.

And there was also a method where they would develop better working relationships with the brand so they would also be invited by the brand.

But these two methods were in the minority.

The most common method was actually the invites they bought themselves.

The celebrities appeared as if they all glamorously went to watch the fashion show and sent wired copies of news about it to every outlet, but in fact, they actually bought a seat for themselves.

Similarly, since Yan Zhiqing had offended these brands, she would have no part to play at all in these resources from now on.

Whether it was walking the red carpet, other activities, or fashion shows, she could attend if she had the money to purchase her own tickets.

No matter who thought about this, it was Yan Zhiqing who was on the biggest losing end.

CEO Luo and Deputy CEO Zhang definitely thought so too.

When they heard Edwood make his stand, both of them heaved a sigh of relief.

As for Yan Zhiqing's matter, Edwood and Chanders both did not take it to heart.

As for CEO Luo and Deputy CEO Zhang, who had both provoked Yan Zhiqing first, the two of them did not blame them either.

The families behind those two people also had business ties with them. To make it easier for Trubo to develop within the country, they needed to work with the influential families here.

They could not pin their hopes on the eight great families, so they could only start looking from those who were beneath the eight great families.

So, CEO Luo and Deputy CEO Zhang would not be blamed by them at all.

And these two people were indeed quite capable in business. They really did not mind whether they were lustful in private or the like.

It was fine as long as they could promote their brand well.

Hence, everyone started drinking happily again.

Sheng Yue's General Manager did not chase them away immediately.

Since they came in and spent money, they could not chase their customers away.

And he had to let them pay the bill first.

When the group of people was done eating and drinking, Deputy CEO Zhang came over to foot the bill, which would all be paid for by the company.

The things they ate and drank were not cheap at all. They had drunk red wine and strong, Western liquor, and they'd wanted the most expensive ones for everything.

When the General Manager learned that they wanted to foot the bill, he especially brought along some waiters with him to the room they were in.

When CEO Luo and Deputy CEO Zhang saw the General Manager's smiling face, looking so welcoming to his customers, they even thought that the General Manager came personally to serve them because they'd spent a lot of money.

Chapter 2547: When Did You Get Together?

CEO Zhang felt especially grand when he paid the bill, signing with a magnificent flourish.

Upon ensuring that the bill was paid, General Manager smiled and said to his subordinates, "Blacklist these few people and Trubo. All our hotels and restaurants will not accept whoever it is as long as they're from Trubo."

The General Manager spoke in Mandarin, so Edwood and Chanders couldn't understand.

They only saw the GM speaking with a smile, having no idea he was speaking such words.

They might not understand, but they saw the sudden change in CEO Luo's and Deputy CEO's Zhang faces—looks of disbelief and shock.

CEO Luo stood. "What do you mean by this!"

The GM remained smiling.

All CEO Luo thought was, To hell with customers are kings!

What a wolf in sheep's clothing!

"I meant what I said. Our hotels and all the restaurants and bars within will no longer host any of you, including anybody from Trubo. Please go elsewhere for your business meetings in the future," the General Manager said pleasantly.

"You're kicking us out?" CEO Luo fumed.

"Oh no. Didn't I wait for you to be done with your meal and pay? I'm not kicking you out, just asking you to not come here anymore."

The most infuriating wasn't his words.

It was how he was speaking with such a pleasant demeanor.

If this was the usual, this polite smile would put customers at ease and made them feel at home.

But coupled with his words, it made CEO Luo and Deputy CEO Zhang feel mocked.

"You think you're the only hotel around?" CEO Luo seethed. "There are plenty of restaurants elsewhere, not only here!"

"That's right." The GM nodded, unfazed by his words. He gestured towards the door. "Please."

"Hmph!" Deputy CEO Zhang stood as well. "So? You guys can only use this method to stand up for Yan Zhiqing?"

Seemed like the Yan Family wasn't that great after all.

The General Manager only maintained his smile.

Just wait and see. Not long after, they'd know how Yan Beicheng was going to stand up for Yan Zhiqing.

But in the eyes of CEO Luo and Deputy CEO Zhang, the General Manager was merely putting on a pretense.

Only fierce on the outside but a coward at heart.

A facade to save face.

Seeing their expressions, Edwood questioned, "What is it? What did he just say?"

CEO Luo explained with a dark face, "He said Sheng Yue and all their hotels and restaurants won't host anyone from Trubo anymore."

Edwood scoffed. "So it's like that. I was wondering what major thing had happened. There's plenty of restaurants and cafes, not just them. That person just now didn't have the capability to take revenge for Yan Zhiqing so they can only use such childish methods. How laughable."

Chanders stood too. "Let's go, stop wasting time with them. A lousy place like this, we won't come even if they begged us to. They'll know their loss."

Thus, everyone left.

Lu Xiuse then worked harder at her charms, and seeing how much initiative Lu Xiuse had, Edwood brought her along with him.

Yan Beicheng and the others were waiting at Sheng Yue's entrance.

Yan Beicheng asked Yan Zhiqing and Wei Wucai directly, "What's with you guys? When did you get together?"

He just couldn't understand.

Chapter 2548: Why Do You Think I Like Her?

Wei Wucai spent most of his time on Mount Lan Compound.

Yan Zhiqing, on filming.

When did they have the chance to meet and fall in love?

Unless it was when Yan Zhiqing was attending events and filming at T City?

Wei Wucai felt it wasn't good to be denying it first as a guy.

He didn't have a low EQ.

Yan Zhiqing quickly waved her hands in denial. "It's not like that! It's just that someone..."

Yan Zhiqing turned to Wei Wucai. "I seem to recall you addressed her as Miss Luo, right?"

Wei Wucai nodded.

Yan Zhiqing then continued, "It's only that that Miss Luo was looking down on Wei Wucai! She said he was an unaccomplished and unambitious bum, even questioning his ability to pay for the meal! Coincidentally, she assumed I was Wei Wucai's girlfriend, and since the misunderstanding's already there, I had to put on an act for her! She can choke on her own spit for looking down on others!"

The corners of Wei Wucai's lips quirked up.

He had felt he was being protected by this lass back at Sheng Yue just now.

And it turned out to be true.

He was physically and mentally sharp, never requiring a lady's protection before.

This was the first time, and it's rather interesting.

He didn't dislike it, nor did he feel that Yan Zhiqing was a busybody or had fallen prey to his machismo.

Instead, Wei Wucai turned to gaze at Yan Zhiqing's side profile.

Who knew this proud and wilful-looking girl had a cute personality?

"Wait." Yan Beicheng was shocked. "Why did you stand up for him when he was being looked down on by that Miss Luo? He's a grown man who can handle himself, he doesn't need you to do it for him!"

Yan Zhiqing: "..."

Her brother made sense, and she'd only just realized it.

Yan Zhiqing threw Wei Wucai a look before saying, "I was curious too. He's so good with words usually and makes others speechless, never showing mercy no matter who they are. Why did he put up with Miss Luo for so long?"

Yan Zhiqing pursed her lips, muttering, "Hope I didn't mess things up with my goodwill?"

Yan Zhiqing turned towards Wei Wucai. "Unless you like that Miss Luo? If you like her, then I'm sorry for messing things up just now, I didn't know you..."

Wei Wucai frowned. What weird scenarios was she cooking up in her mind?

"Why do you think I like her? I don't like her at all," Wei Wucai said blandly. "I didn't say a thing before because you were being bullied. I was focused on protecting you, so I couldn't be bothered to answer her. And I'd already rebuked her until she's speechless back at the private room."

Yan Zhiqing never expect Wei Wucai's lack of response was due to his defending her.

Yan Zhiqing couldn't help but smile. "Then... thank you. I didn't know you were so righteous."

Yan Beicheng: "..."

Was it appropriate for them to be eyeing each other like this in front of him?

He looked at Yan Zhiqing questioningly. Based on her attitude, she seemed to like Wei Wucai?

Moreover, Wei Wucai even took the extra step to explain to Yan Zhiqing.

He wasn't someone patient enough to explain his actions to others.

These two...

Though Yan Beicheng had his doubts, he laid them aside temporarily. There were more important issues at hand.

He would ask Yan Zhiqing what was going on after he had finished dealing with Trubo's matters.

Chapter 2549: Deadly Serious

Right now, Yan Beicheng turned to Wei Wucai, saying, "Thanks for defending Zhiqing just now."

Wei Wucai smiled. "We're all friends. How can I not care when I saw it?"

Yan Beicheng replied, "I'll treat you to a meal next time. Now you can... do your own stuff?"

Wei Wucai understood Yan Beicheng, nodding. "Then I'll be going."

As Wei Wucai turned, Yan Zhiqing called out, "Thank you for this time!"

Wei Wucai smiled. "And thank you too, for helping me as well."

Yan Zhiqing felt slightly embarrassed, blushing as her help seemed somewhat redundant.

Yan Beicheng looked on from the side, wondering why that lass was blushing facing Wei Wucai!

When he left, Yan Beicheng then asked, "Where's your car?"

"I've sent someone to get it," Yan Zhiqing answered.

Soon, Yan Zhiqing's chauffeur drove the van over.

"Let's go, we'll talk in the car," Yan Beicheng said.

Hence, Yan Zhiqing, Mou Danqiong, and Yan Beicheng got in.

The van was huge, and the three sat as if having a meeting.

Yan Beicheng first called Han Zhuoli. "Zhuoli, can you help me check how many artistes from your company and other entertainment companies are vying to be Trubo's ambassador?"

Yan Zhiqing's eyebrow quirked and she guessed what Yan Beicheng was planning.

Who expected Yan Beicheng to go to such lengths for her?

She knew Yan Beicheng wouldn't let the matter rest easily, but she didn't expect such a large reaction.

Her parents were gone, and apart from her grandparents, only her brother was her closest relative.

She wasn't close to Yan Beicheng before she was 18.

They only grew closer in recent years.

And now, she could truly feel dependent on her brother.

It's great having a protective brother.

Han Zhuoli was surprised upon hearing Yan Beicheng's words. "Why? Any troubles with Trubo?"

Han Zhuoli thought, "Is Zhiqing competing to be a brand ambassador too?"

But Yan Zhiqing never let Yan Beicheng help fight for resources for her.

So Han Zhuoli found it strange that Yan Beicheng sought him out for this.

Yan Beicheng revealed all that had happened in the afternoon to Han Zhuoli.

Han Zhuoli understood in a snap. "Leave it to me, the artistes under our company won't take on any deals from Trubo. Most of the ones with Trubo have other jewelry brand sponsorships on hand. The ones without aren't good enough to disobey company orders.

"As for the artistes from other companies, I'll talk to them. Most companies will do me this favor."

But Trubo was linked to many profits, including companies and the artistes themselves, as well as long-term interests.

There would surely be some capable artistes and companies not cooperating.

The biggest reason for the Han Corporation's massive influence was they owned the industry's largest theater line and resources.

The resources of the eight great families and their dominance of the market made other companies wary of the Han Corporation.

Yan Beicheng said, "Tell me which ones will disagree. I'll speak with them. I'll compensate if required or exchange resources."

Han Zhuoli then knew Yan Beicheng was deadly serious this time.

"There won't be many, just the few exceptions. If a few of us exert pressure as one, they won't accept any Trubo offers even without your recompensation," Han Zhuoli said, smiling.

Chapter 2550: Have a Trick Up His Sleeve

Yan Beicheng laughed. "Pressure should be given, but so should compensation. I'm not unreasonable."

"Alright, leave it to me," Han Zhuoli said.

"Oh, is Lu Man beside you?" Yan Beicheng asked.

"Nope, she's at the theater," came the reply.

It's summer break currently, and Xu Jiashan was preparing for a new play, so he had contacted Lu Man.

Because of Lu Man's outstanding performance peviously, he gave her another important role this time.

So Lu Man went to the theater to practice.

"Right, I'll contact her later," Yan Beicheng said.

Han Zhuoli then knew Yan Beicheng was approaching Lu Man for issues regarding public relations.

Upon hanging up, Yan Beicheng then called Nan Jingheng.

"What's up, Brother Yan?" Nan Jingheng had picked up quickly.

Yan Beicheng didn't bother with courtesies and said straightforwardly, "Did Trubo contact you for publicity?"

"That's right, we're still in the talks. Trubo wants a few spots in Nan Yin magazine and its subsidiary magazines, including some of our news media."

"Have you all signed the deal?" Yan Beicheng questioned.

"No, but we're inclined to. But they don't seem satisfied with the price, they think it's pricey," Nan Jingheng answered.

Yan Beicheng quickly explained Yan Zhiqing's incident to Nan Jingheng.

Hearing it, Nan Jingheng slapped the table. "The bunch of idi*ts! How dare they think of harming Zhiqing! They really think we can't deal with them? A bunch of foreigners, who gave them the confidence?!"

Nan Jingheng fumed, "We have to let them know clearly whose territory they're on!

"Ha! They think Nan Yin's too expensive? Now they can only dream of publicizing under Nan Yin no matter how much they offer!"

Yan Beicheng smiled. "Thank you for this."

"No problem, Bro," Nan Jingheng said. "We're all brothers, why so polite?"

"Still, it's one less business for you."

"Nonsense." Nan Jingheng was unbothered. "It's always others who are clamoring for us. We've never been short of business opportunities. There are many others even without Trubo. Many others are queueing for the places Trubo wanted, so there's no lack."

"Be that as it may, I still owe you this favor. The more we're brothers, the more we should remember."

"Sigh!" Nan Jingheng was resigned.

He'd never suffered any losses every time he helped these brothers of his.

Nan Yin seemed to be on the losing end at first when helping.

But the compensation the brothers gave him at the end always outstripped the original potential profits.

Hence, he wasn't at a disadvantage.

Yan Beicheng didn't dial for Lu Man immediately after the call with Nan Jingheng.

Lu Man might still be rehearsing.

So he said to Yan Zhiqing, "You created quite a scene just now. I'm afraid they'd strike first and put you in the wrong."

"It's fine." Yan Zhiqing turned to Mou Danqiong. "Sis Mou, did you take the photos?"

"Yep." Mou Dangiong passed the phone to her.

Yan Zhiqing showed the pictures to Yan Beicheng.

He looked in surprise at her.

Yan Zhiqing raised her chin proudly. "I'm no fool, Brother. One has to be extra careful when in the entertainment industry. With so many devious people around, it's too dangerous without a few tricks up your sleeves."