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Chapter 421: A Love Letter?

Gu Qian finally stopped asking questions as he took a swig of the tea urn next to him. "Sit. You've already obtained 80 percent of the marks for your first semester, I'll give you the remaining 20 percent of your marks during your examinations."

Everyone present: " ... "

Zi Yi nodded her head and sat down with a calm expression.

Gu Qian looked at the other students and asked, "Who else wants to get their marks in advance like Zi Yi?"

Everyone buried their heads and remained silent.

What a joke! They haven't even understood the basics yet so how would they have the capability to get any marks in advance?

Gu Qian saw that everyone remained silent and shifted his gaze to Zi Yi. "You don't have to attend my lessons on usual days. But you need to be there when I bring the class out for practicals."

"Alright." Zi Yi did not find his stipulations to be a problem.

Gu Qian was satisfied with her response and started to teach.

In only half a day's time, the news of Zi Yi obtaining 80 percent of the marks of the Ancient Chinese Language module had spread throughout the entire school. All the teachers and students of the Archaeology Major had gotten to know about it.

Zi Yi and Li Xia went to eat lunch in the school canteen. Along the way, no matter if they encountered their classmates or seniors, they would all ask, "Student Zi, did you really get all the non examination credits for Ancient Chinese Language, for the first semester?"

Li Xia would actively reply on her behalf. "That's right, yes, yes."

"Wow, Zi Yi, you're amazing."

The School of Liberal Arts was the largest school in M.Uni. Not only were there many majors, but they also had plenty of students.

By the time they arrived at the school canteen, many people had already gotten to know of this.

Li Xia craned her neck to look at the numerous queues near the window and said to Zi Yi, "What do you want to eat? I'll go and queue. You can go and choose seats for us!"

Zi Yi did not have much of an opinion and after she told Li Xia what she wanted to eat, she thought of bringing a normal robot the next time to order their food in advance, so that there was no need for them to queue in the future.

Li Xia went to the queue, whereas Zi Yi found a four-seater table and sat down. She then put down her bag on the seat next to her.

She was just about to take out her phone when a male student came over with an unconcealed excited expression.

"Student Zi, is there anyone sitting opposite you?"

Zi Yi gave him an odd look. "No."

She swiped to open her phone and checked the message Dou Xiangling had sent to her.

Zi Yi's lips unconsciously curled up at the sight of the message and she typed a reply.

Zi Yi: [I don't have classes in the afternoon, but I'm heading to the biology lab shortly.]

Dou Xiangling: [What time will you finish?]

Zi Yi: [I can't confirm as of now yet.]

Dou Xiangling: [Alright, give me a call when you're done. We can go back together.]

Zi Yi: [Okay.]

She left their conversation chat room and she looked up to see the male student staring at her. She furrowed her eyebrows in displeasure.

Ji Tao did not expect to get caught red-handed, but instead of panicking, he smiled at her and politely asked, "Student Zi, do you want to drink anything? Shall I get you a bottle of water?"

The whole of the canteen had their attention on the both of them.

Zi Yi coldly answered, "No need, thanks."

She then looked at Li Xia who was still in the queue and continued to swipe across her phone.

While she swiped on her phone, she said, "Student, hasn't your teacher taught you that it's very disrespectful to stare at other people?"

Zi Yi's voice was not considered loud, but it contained traces of displeasure.

Those male students who were envious of Ji Tao suddenly felt better.

The expression on Ji Tao's face almost crumbled, but he definitely would not run with his tail in between his legs at this point in time. He naturally looked away and started to eat.

A male and female student sitting in a corner started to gossip.

The female student sneered. "See that? This person is very lofty and yet, you say you like her. See how awkward that male student seated opposite of her is. If you went over to confess now, you will be in the same state as him if you get rejected."

The male student ate his food with his head lowered and did not answer.

The female student suddenly became agitated. "Didn't you say you wanted to confess to her? Why are you still sitting here?"

After the male student swallowed his food he said, "I only said to come here and see what kind of girl she is. Neither did I say I would confess to her nor that I like her. Ning Xiangtong, why are you being so sarcastic?"

Ning Xiangtong was stunned momentarily before she said grumpily, "You boys specially come here to see her, doesn't it mean that you fancy her and want to confess?"

The male student found that she was being increasingly ridiculous. "Student Zi has a boyfriend. I do not have the habit of stealing someone else's loved one."

The male student added, "I'm going to the Student Union to discuss something with the President, don't follow me."

"Who wants to follow you?"

The female student started eating in an upset manner.

However, she was thinking deep down, "You're just refusing to admit it. If you don't like her, why would you specially make a trip down to see her?"

Back to Zi Yi's side.

Li Xia queued for around five to six minutes before she managed to order their food.

She came over and sat down next to Zi Yi and lamented. "Zi Yi, we usually get released from class early, so we should come here earlier next time. Otherwise, it's too tiring to queue for such a long time."

Zi Yi grabbed her chopsticks and agreed with her suggestion.

Li Xia was about to start eating, but she had subconsciously swept her gaze around her surroundings. She bumped her elbow against Zi Yi's. "Many people are stealing glances at you."

Zi Yi gave her a look and said, "Eat."

Li Xia grinned at her and said, "I suddenly feel that everyone is also looking at me."

After saying that, she took a bite of her lunch before she looked up and checked her surroundings.

However, her gaze landed on a female student who walked in through the main entrance and Li Xia could not help but mutter, "That female student seems like she's heading in our direction. She's holding onto something that looks like an envelope. Could she be coming here to look for you?"

As soon as Li Xia said that, the female student had really walked over.

Everyone's gaze fell on her.

The female student felt pressured by all the stares, but she still persisted and walked over to Zi Yi and handed the envelope to her. "Student Zi, I'm delivering this letter on behalf of someone else. You must read it."

She then put the envelope on the table and turned around to leave.

Everyone was looking at the envelope in front of her.

The envelope was the most basic design and there should just be a piece of paper inside, as it looked flat.

However, everyone felt that it was definitely a love letter.

Zi Yi glanced at the envelope and her powerful mental energy made her immediately sense something dangerous in it. She would be a fool to open it. Thinking of this, she lowered her head and started to eat.

Li Xia, who was seated next to her, got a little excited. "There are still people who send something so old-fashioned like love letters these days? Zi Yi, why don't you open it and take a look."

Zi Yi did not even bother to look up and she asked, "What if there is something that would cause harm to me inside?"

Chapter 422: Zi Yi, Where Did You Hide My Mother?

"Huh!" Li Xia was frightened at her words.

The way she looked at the envelope changed, as if she was looking at a timed bomb.

"Then what should we do? If it's really a dangerous item, we should hand it to the security."

The other students looked at Li Xia with a slight frown, as they heard what she said.

Who dares to bring a dangerous item into M.Uni?! What a joke!

Zi Yi saw Li Xia's reaction and motioned to her. "Let's eat. I know how I'm going to deal with it after we eat."

Li Xia responded with an ok. However, she was still worried and so, she glanced at the envelope from time to time as she ate.

After they finished lunch, Zi Yi threw the envelope into her backpack and headed out of the canteen together with Li Xia.

There were many people curious as to how Zi Yi would deal with that letter.

Zi Yi and Li Xia walked together for some distance and not before long, they were about to go their separate ways.

Li Xia was still worried and she said to Zi Yi, "Why don't you hand the envelope to the security to check if there's any problems with it? Or perhaps you can go to the Mechanical Department there to borrow a robot and have it open the envelope for you."

Zi Yi nodded her head. "Okay."

In fact, Li Xia wanted to tag along, but she was stopped by Zi Yi.

Thus, the two of them went their separate ways.

Zi Yi continued walking for a while when her phone rang. It was her Second Uncle, Dou Xiaoyong who called.

Dou Xiaoyong asked if she had time now to make a trip to the Science and Technology Building.

Zi Yi responded and just as she was about to disconnect the call, she saw a familiar figure running towards her in an aggressive manner.

The person in question was Zi Xuan.

After Zi Xuan ran over and stood before her, she looked at Zi Yi with a furious gaze as she gasped for air. "Zi Yi, where did you hide my Mother?"

Zi Yi looked at Zi Xuan standing in front of her, who was radiating an aura as if she was a resentful ghost, in a baffled manner. She then asked in an indifferent voice, "Your Mother disappeared, but what does that have to do with me?"

"The man who is backing you must have hidden my mother. Otherwise, she would not have disappeared all of a sudden."

Zi Xuan had an expression of being convinced and her voice became sharper. "I know you dislike me and my Mother, and feel that we have robbed Father away from you. Therefore, you got that triad boyfriend of yours to capture her while Father went abroad!"

Zi Yi's expression sank, "Who told you my boyfriend is part of the triad?"

"He is from the triad! Did I say anything wrong?"

By this time, there were already some passersby stopping from a slight distance away to look at them.

Zi Xuan had already believed that Zi Yi had entered M.Uni by using deceptive means and got in through the backdoor. She wanted to expose her in front of everyone and yet, she did not wish for others to know that they were siblings due to the exposure. Therefore, she gnashed her teeth and said in a low growl, "Zi Yi, other people might not know how capable you truly are, but we've lived together for dozens of years. How could I not know of your abilities?

You can't draw at all nor study. Don't tell me that you've suddenly received enlightenment. You're someone who is incapable of anything and how could it be that you're suddenly so skilled?

You must have gotten that triad boyfriend of yours to open the backdoor for you. Or perhaps you had gotten him to threaten the higher management of M.Uni. Otherwise, how could M.Uni accept a f*cking idiot like you, who is only capable of fooling around and spending your dad's money?!"

When Zi Xuan managed to get these words out, she felt that the stuffiness deep inside her heart had disappeared considerably.

This is what the truth is. Zi Yi is an idiot. She must have relied on that triad boyfriend of hers to fake her stellar grades and painting skills.

Zi Yi looked at Zi Xuan who was constantly deceiving herself. Her eyes contained a sneer and she asked, "Are you done?"

Zi Xuan stared at her angrily as if she wanted to pounce on her and gobble her up.

Zi Yi coldly looked at Zi Xuan and sneered. "Zi Xuan, you're so pitiful. Not only did you turn into an idiot from excessive studying, now you don't even dare to face reality. Since you're so fond of guessing how I have entered M.Uni, you can question the school management if you're so capable, or perhaps... you can head over to the Education Bureau to report me.

But don't approach me whenever you feel like it to act that you're better than me. Just like how you're not exactly fond of me, I've never liked you either.

Isn't it good that we stay out of each other's business? Yet, you insist on appearing before me every time to find your sense of existence and insist on me oppressing you. Is it that you'll only feel satisfied with that?"

Zi Yi looked at Zi Xuan's complexion that had turned paler every second. The mocking in Zi Yi's eyes intensified and what's more, she approached Zi Xuan step by step as she spoke.

Zi Xuan subconsciously took a step back.

"Ha!" Zi Yi noticed her reaction and stopped as she warned her. "Don't come over here as and when you like, just to call me names. If you're unwilling to accept it, we can have a competition with each other. Otherwise, if I were to see you being a b*tch next time, don't blame me for using my fists."

Zi Xuan looked at the increasingly unfamiliar and terrifying Zi Yi. Her lips trembled and in the end, she did not utter a single word.

Zi Yi looked at her timid appearance and walked away.

Zi Xuan clenched her fists and angrily glared at Zi Yi who had walked far away.

At a corner somewhere nearby.

Chu Xiang looked in their direction and said to Aisha standing next to her, who was also spectating the situation, "That is Zi Yi's half-sister, Zi Xuan."

Aisha looked away and said, "Their relationship seems to be very bad."

"It's indeed bad." Chu Xiang then told Aisha about everything she had investigated about Zi Yi's family.

Aisha was surprised after she heard that. "So you're saying, Zi Yi was a spoiled brat in the past and even liked to play around with all sorts of men?"

"That's right. Everyone in our circle knows of it."

Aisha looked a little furious.

Chu Xiang continued to say, "She's good at fooling around, racing and clubbing. On the other hand, that younger sister of hers was the top three in her class and top ten throughout the school ever since she was a young child. It is normal for someone like her to have a sense of superiority in front of Zi Yi.

Right now, Zi Yi has surpassed her in everything. Not to mention she doesn't believe it, but do you believe that Zi Yi had gotten into M.Uni through her own abilities? Moreover... their Mother has indeed disappeared.

Aisha looked at her in surprise.

"Zi Xuan's Mother had obviously offended people in the capital and was taught a lesson. She should have hidden herself now. Say, could the people who are trying to teach her a lesson be sent over by Second Brother?"

"How could that be!" Aisha did not believe it.

"How is it impossible? Zi Yi has fallen out with that mother and daughter and it's normal for Second Brother to teach them a lesson on her behalf."

Aisha lowered her eyes and remained silent.

Chu Xiang said, "In fact, if you want to deal with Zi Yi, you can find Zi Xuan's Mother and making use of the two of them will do."

Aisha shook her head. "No way, my brother won't allow me to do this."

Speaking of this, she grabbed Chu Xiang's hand and said, "Chu Xiang, why don't you help me?"

Chu Xiang originally had plans to introduce her brother to Aisha. She deliberately revealed an expression as if she was in a difficult situation. "I don't have that capability."

Aisha was a little disappointed.

Chu Xiang then added, "Why don't I get my brother to do it?"

Aisha's eyes brightened up, but she felt worried and said, "I'm afraid that Second Brother might know of it."

"What are you afraid of? As long as the three of us remain tight-lipped, no one will know."

Even though Chu Xiang said that, she was thinking of the opposite deep down. "When the time comes, I'll let Second Brother know of your actions and he will then get angry at you. You'll definitely feel disappointed and my brother will have a higher chance at pursuing you.."

Chapter 423: Zi Yi Visiting the Dou Residence

When Zi Yi arrived at the Science and Technology Building she called Shadow.

"Master."

Zi Yi passed him the envelope in her bag and said, "Check the contents inside the envelope."

Shadow took the envelope and his eyes turned red as a red scanning laser shot out. He then scanned the contents. "Master, other than a letter inside, there is a chip that will be stuck to one's skin upon contact."

Zi Yi said with a cold tone, "Check the properties of the chip."

"Chip properties: Locating, Surveillance."

"Ha." Zi Yi sneered and said, "What's written on the letter?"

"The contents are as follows: I have your old photos. You're not to tell anyone and come alone too. 8 Hexi Road. Or else, these photos will appear before Patriarch Lu tomorrow."

Zi Yi then thought about what kind of photos the original owner had in the past that were worth these people to threaten her with.

Even though the original owner liked to spend money, drive racing cars and show off her body, in fact, she did not have any bad habits.

After all, she was the child of a rich family. Therefore, she was proud, arrogant, liked spending money, and at the same time, was supercilious.

There were many people who wanted to hit on her back then, but they only had that thought. After all, the original owner was rich. Whoever dares to scheme against her, she would spend money to hire thugs and resolve them.

Zi Yi thought about it hard and the only photos that were out of line were when the original wore revealing clothes.

"Perhaps there might even be photoshopped photos."

Zi Yi's gaze turned chilly. "Since you wish to meet me, then don't regret it."

Zi Yi motioned for Shadow. "Change the function of the chip."

"I understand."

After she was done with these things, Zi Yi walked out and headed to one of the production rooms on the second floor.

There was basically no one on the second floor in the afternoon. When Zi Yi opened the door, only Dou Xiaoyong was there.

Zi Yi looked at Dou Xiaoyong who had his back facing her, as he was assembling one of the parts. She then called out. "Professor Dou."

Dou Xiaoyong heard her voice and he turned over to look at her. He said in a solemn voice, "There's no one here, you can call me Second Uncle."

Zi Yi immediately changed the way she addressed him. "Second Uncle."

Dou Xiaoyong could not maintain the solemn expression on his face as the corner of his lips slightly curled up. He nodded his head and put down the parts in his hands as he walked over he said, "Let's go, I'll bring you to B1."

Zi Yi tagged along with him.

On the other hand, Dou Xiaoyong was slightly surprised at her calm reaction. "You're not going to ask why I'm bringing you to B1?"

"Why are you bringing me there?" Zi Yi blinked her eyes, which seemed to be filled with curiosity, as she looked at him.

Dou Xiaoyong was silent for two seconds before he said, "The research lab is planning to develop a super robot and you have been designated to participate. I'm bringing you to B1 first to check the blueprints of the robot."

"Super robot?" In fact, Zi Yi had already more or less guessed what was going on.

Sure enough, when they went into one of the rooms in B1 and Dou Xiaoyong handed the blueprints to her, she straightforwardly said, "I provided the blueprint to the country."

Dou Xiaoyong had actually thought of this possibility previously, but he could not confirm his guess. Now that Zi Yi had admitted it herself, he could not help but show slight traces of pride on his face.

"You're very talented in robotics. It is a good thing that you already thought of handing the fruit of your research to the country. Only when the technology of the country advances, will we not be looked down upon by others."

In fact, Zi Yi did not think much about it, but since Dou Xiaoyong had already said that, obviously she would not say anything.

The two of them discussed what kind of materials they would need and what the core technology of the robot would consist of. After their discussion ended, Zi Yi still had to make a trip to the biology laboratory and she informed Dou Xiaoyong about it.

Dou Xiaoyong nodded his head and said, "Come back for dinner today. Your Grandfather misses you."

Zi Yi nodded her head and left the Science and Technology Building.

At 4:30 p.m in the afternoon, Zi Yi walked out of the biology lab and gave Dou Xiangling a call.

It just so happened that Dou Xiangling had also finished her work. They then arranged to meet at the entrance and disconnected the call.

It was not time for lessons to end and so, there were not many people around the campus grounds.

The School of Science was somewhat far from the School of Liberal Arts and Zi Yi was too lazy to walk over. She simply gave instructions to the car parked at the School of Liberal Arts to drive over.

While she waited for the car, she started checking out the school's forum.

Besides discussing studies, the most popular discussion post was about the upcoming campus belle election.

Zi Yi was not in the slightest bit interested and swiped away the post. Just then, two people who were walking over were chatting as they checked their phones.

"See, there are four candidates for this year's campus belle. Other than the previous winner, Murong You, there's also the freshman Zi Yi, the sophomore of the School of Economics and Management, Meng Xiaowan, and the last candidate is Xiao Lu, a freshman from the School of Foreign Languages.

"Eh? There are two freshmen candidates this year?"

"That's right. But if we base it solely on appearance-wise, I feel that Zi Yi completely wins."

"But the selection of M.Uni's campus belle isn't only dependent on their appearance, but also their capabilities. I feel that if I must choose, Murong You is still the most suitable. She has won several international awards."

"Zi Yi has also won an award though."

"She only won a Painting and Calligraphy competition. Can it be compared to all of Murong You's awards?"

"You're right."

The two of them walked further and further away from Zi Yi as they continued talking.

Just then, Zi Yi lifted her phone again and found the thread about the campus belle election, and opened it to check it out.

At the top of the thread were the photos of the four candidates.

The photos of the other three candidates were obviously carefully selected and there were no bad angles.

Only hers were obviously secretly taken. Even though it was rather clear, she was clearly unhappy at that point in time as her expression was tense.

Compared to the other three candidates who were smiling, she appeared to be rather fierce.

Zi Yi touched her chin and muttered, "Are they trying to use me to compare with them?"

Even so, she did not care about it at all.

After she checked the photos, she continued scrolling down with disinterest and her car had also just arrived.

By the time Zi Yi arrived at the school entrance, Dou Xiangling was already waiting for her there.

"Yiyi, let's go."

Thus, the two cars drove in the direction of the Dou residence.

The Dou residence was located in an old neighborhood in the south of the University Town. Those who stayed here were leaders of various schools and universities. The neighborhood was known as the 'Scholarly Community' in the outside world.

The security guards in the neighborhood were all retired soldiers and special security booths were set up at the front and back of the neighborhood. It could be said that the security here was pretty good.

Dou Xiangling's car had smoothly driven in with no problems. But when it came to Zi Yi, she was stopped.

Dou Xiangling could only park her car on one side and walk over to the security guard. "This is my cousin, my grandfather called her over to have dinner."

The security guard was firm in his stance. "Miss Dou, there are regulations here and non-registered cars can only park at the parking lot outside. I ask for your cooperation."

Dou Xiangling thought for a moment and looked towards Zi Yi.

Zi Yi nodded at her and drove the car to the parking lot marked next to the fence.

When she returned, she still had to head to the security booth to register herself before she was allowed inside.

Zi Yi and Dou Xiangling walked towards the latter's car and Zi Yi said, "It's better this way. As long as one is an outsider, everyone has to get down from their car and walk over to register with security.."

Chapter 424: Being Doted On

After they got back in Dou Xiangling's car, Dou Xiangling drove while Zi Yi took out her phone. She subconsciously checked the security system in the neighborhood and after detecting several system vulnerabilities, she decided to get Shadow to fix the loopholes later.

"Yiyi, we've arrived."

When the car drove to the entrance of the Dou residence, Dou Xiangling told Zi Yi, who was playing with her phone.

The houses in the neighborhood were all accompanied by a courtyard and each house was next to each other, separated by an ornamental wall.

The greenery here was good and there were plenty of large aged trees

The car drove straight into the parking garage of the house.

A large group of people walked out from the house the moment Dou Xiangling's car drove in and they were all headed in their direction.

Dou Xiangling smiled and said, "It has been many years since you've come here. Everyone has all come out to welcome you, don't be frightened."

Zi Yi looked over to her uncles, aunts, and cousins and shook her head. "I won't be frightened.

She unbuckled her seat belt, pushed open the door, and alighted.

"Little Zi, you're here."

Her Eldest Aunt was the first to welcome her. "We were still discussing when you would arrive. Your timing is impeccable and we're going to start dinner soon."

Zi Yi then greeted them. "Eldest Uncle, Eldest Aunt, Second Uncle, Second Aunt, Third Uncle, Third Aunt, Fourth Uncle, Fourth Aunt."

"Ai~ Our Little Yi is so sensible."

"That's right. She's also polite too."

"Little Yi, it has been a long time since you've come here. You should stay here tonight. Your Fourth Uncle and Aunt have even prepared your room for you."

All her four Uncles and Aunts treated her warmly.

Zi Yi unconsciously thought back to the original owner. The Dou Family members were all nice people, and all of them were involved in the education field while being reasonable people. The original owner was not influenced by these people and instead, got brainwashed by Zi Xu and Li Peirong. She honestly could not understand why.

Just then, the youngest of the family, Dou Yue'er stepped forward and asked, "Cousin, do you still remember me?"

Zi Yi nodded her head. "Yes, I do."

She then looked over to the remaining family members. Other than Dou Zerui, there were a few people who she was not yet acquainted with.

Dou Xiangling who stood beside her had noticed her thoughts and smiled as she introduced the rest of the family to her. "This is your Eldest Cousin, Dou Yunhao, Third Cousin, Dou Muyang, and Fifth Cousin, Dou Yurui."

Dou Zerui ranked second while Dou Xiangling ranked fourth, and Dou Yue'er ranked sixth among the cousins age wise.

Dou Yunhao, a refined and gentle reputable lawyer said, "Yiyi, if other people bully you in the future, I'll help you make them regret it for their entire lives."

Dou Muyang, who looked like someone who lazed about at home but was in fact a researcher of machinery weapons, said, "Yiyi, I'll gift you some good things later. If someone dares to bully you, you can just use those items to greet them."

Dou Yurui, a researcher in a biological laboratory said, "Third Brother's good items are all too ostentatious. Yiyi, if someone bullies you, tell me. I'll help you teach them a lesson."

Zi Yi smiled and answered all of them at the same time, "Alright."

After the youngsters greeted each other, Eldest Uncle stood out and said, "Xiangling, bring Little Zi to see your grandfather first. We will start dinner later."

Even though their grandfather had been discharged from the hospital for half a month, he could only lie on the bed and rest as of now.

When Zi Yi and Dou Xiangling entered Elder Dou's room, the currently resting Elder Dou suddenly opened his eyes.

"Grandfather." Zi Yi called out.

Traces of a hidden glint flashed past Elder Dou's eyes. "Yiyi, come over here."

He then asked her, "How have you been these days?"

Zi Yi told him about how she had gone abroad to compete in a competition.

Dou Xiangling looked at the both of them and smiled as she retreated from the room.

After Zi Yi finished talking, Elder Dou said approvingly, "Good."

He then went on to say, "Since you've chosen to major in Archaeology, you should study hard. There's no distinction between a good and bad major. As long as you study well, you will be a talent in any field."

"I know that," Zi Yi replied confidently. "I am very interested in the capital and the culture of the past dynasties. However, I've also taken many other majors. I will study well and excel in those majors too."

Elder Dou did not say anything negative and instead, he asked her about her study plans along with her views on these majors.

Zi Yi answered all his questions one by one.

Elder Dou was very pleased with her answers.

Just then, he suddenly asked, "Did Zi Xu come to look for you during this period of time?"

Elder Dou honestly disliked Zi Xu. That man knew nothing but how to sweet talk his daughter. He was not a good husband nor a good father. If not for the fact that Zi Yi insisted on staying together with him, he even had thoughts of taking custody of her.

Thinking of this, Elder Dou had always regretted not doing so.

Fortunately, the child had now thought things through for herself and left that family.

"He hasn't. He's away on business."

The news of Zi Xu leaving for business was something Lu Jingye had told her.

Of course, this was also arranged by Lu Jingye.

What he said was: "He's your father and as a daughter, since you're unable to deal with him like how you deal with other people, then let him stay on the other side of the world. This is good for everyone."

Zi Yi thought about it and felt that it was indeed good for everyone.

Elder Dou also thought that it was good. "It's good that he's not in the capital. What about that stepmother of yours? Are you still in contact with her?"

What Elder Dou was worried about the most was this.

Li Peirong was good at sugar coating her words to coax Zi Yi. Moreover, she was also good at alienating Zi Yi from the Dou family.

Zi Yi had noticed her grandfather's thoughts and said, "I've already seen through her evil intentions and I won't be in contact with her anymore."

"That's good."

The two of them chatted for almost half an hour before her Eldest Aunt and Second Aunt came in to serve and assist Elder Dou with his dinner.

Zi Yi's Eldest Aunt said to her, "Yiyi, you should go out and have dinner. Everyone is waiting for you."

"What about you guys?"

"Don't worry about us. We take turns to eat every day."

Zi Yi nodded her head and stood up. "Grandfather, I'll give you a full-body checkup after dinner and prescribe some medicine for you."

"Okay."

Elder Dou was not the only one who agreed, even her two Aunts were very supportive.

Her Eldest Aunt said, "Thanks to the medicine Little Zi prescribed, every time the doctor comes for a checkup, he would say that father's recovery speed is equivalent to that of a strong, adult man."

Her Second Aunt added, "That's right. I think that it won't be long before your grandfather will be able to get out of bed and walk around."

After hearing what they said, Zi Yi said, "If grandfather's body has recovered to the condition I expected, he'll be able to get out of bed and walk around after he finishes the next set of medicine."

"Really? Then that's great!"

One set of medicine she prescribed was for half a month's consumption. If Elder Dou was really able to get out of bed and walk in such a short period of time, then it was great news for the Dou Family.

The two of them then urged Zi Yi to have her dinner.

After dinner, Zi Yi gave Elder Dou a checkup and prescribed him medicine.

After she handed them the prescription, she said, "There are two medicinal ingredients that can't be found in stores. I'll buy them and after I receive them, you can start preparing the medicine for grandfather."

When her uncles heard what she said, they all looked at each other and were silent for a while before Dou Jingtong asked, "Those two types of medicinal ingredients must be very rare, right?"

Zi Yi thought for a moment and did not reveal the fact that she could only purchase them from the underground black market. After all, it was better that the Dou Family were unaware of such a place.

In the end, she said, "Yes, but I have connections.."

Chapter 425: Eldest Uncle Giving Pocket Money

Since Zi Yi said that she had connections, her uncles did not continue questioning.

Instead, Dou Jingning passed her a bank card and said, "Hold on to this card. After buying the medicinal ingredients, you don't have to return it to me. Just consider it as pocket money that we are giving to you."

Zi Yi looked at the card with a twinkle in her eye. Her lips slightly moved and she wanted to say that she was very rich already. However, when the words came up to her mouth, she changed her mind.

Not using the money was one matter, but the feeling of an elder giving her an allowance to spend felt pretty good.

Thinking of this, Zi Yi took the card and as she smiled her eyes became crescent moons. "Thank you, Eldest Uncle."

Dou Jingning's heart suddenly melted at her words and he felt that this decision of his was very well made.

He nodded his head and said, "You're living outside alone and you need money for everything. There is no need to save it up."

Dou Xiaoyong added, "Just buy whatever you like. You're still young now and there's no need for you to find a boyfriend right now."

His words caused the younger generation in the family to look at them with a glimmer in their eyes as they knew that Zi Yi currently had a boyfriend.

Unexpectedly, Dou Jingning also said something, "Girls will only be respected by others if they know how to respect themselves. Wealth is all external belongings and remember you have us. You are also capable of earning money with your own hands and you shouldn't casually use other people's money, otherwise it'll be easy to get yourself into trouble."

In fact, it was because Zi Yi's appearance was so outstanding that her uncles were afraid that she might get enticed and lose herself when rich people offered her money.

Zi Yi finally understood the meaning behind their words and said, "You can rest assured. I don't care about anyone's money."

Dou Zerui who was standing at the side could not tolerate it any longer and said, "The daily revenue of Yiyi's bar surpasses our whole family's monthly income. Eldest Uncle, Second Uncle, Father, Fourth Uncle, what are you worried about?"

Dou Yue'er also added, "Also, Yiyi's racing club will have a higher income when there is a racing competition."

Her four uncles looked at her.

Zi Yi put away the bank card in her pocket before she nodded. "That's right."

Everyone was amused by her small actions.

Dou Muyang told her, "Yiyi, don't worry. Eldest Uncle won't take back the card he gave you."

Dou Zerui teased her. "You're so rich yourself and yet you still want your Eldest Uncle's money. Aren't you embarrassed?"

The moment Dou Zerui said that, Third Aunt knocked on his head.

She then said to Zi Yi, "Little Yi, don't listen to Zerui. Since it has been given to you, you can use it at ease."

Zi Yi revealed a sweet smile. "Okay."

All of them chatted for some time and it was already quite late.

Zi Yi was about to go back but all the Dou Family members tried to ask her to stay.

However, Zi Yi said in all seriousness, "I have to go back and get in touch with my connections to find medicine for grandfather. If I can get it sooner, grandfather's body would be able to recover earlier. What's more, I'm sensitive to different beds."

Zi Yi's words had instantly blocked the words that they were about to say.

The original owner was indeed sensitive to beds and she would have insomnia when she was at a new place.

In the end, Dou Jingning said, "Yunhao, Zerui, the both of you shall send Little Zi back."

Everyone then sent Zi Yi to the courtyard and she did not say anything. She thought that it was easy to prevent both of them from sending her back.

Dou Yunhao went to fetch the car, while Dou Zerui walked over to her and grinned in an irritating way. "Yiyi, if you don't want us to send you home, you can stay here for the night."

Zi Yi glanced at him.

Dou Zerui deliberately said in a sincere tone. "You're a girl and everyone is worried about you going home. After you get married in the future, we won't send you home anymore."

Zi Yi: "…"

When Dou Zerui felt that she had no words to refute him, he was in a great mood.

Just then, Dou Yunhao just so happened to drive the car over. After they bid farewell to everyone, the both of them got in the car.

The car soon drove out the courtyard.

Zi Yi told Dou Yunhao where she had parked her car and the car drove out of the neighborhood and parked next to Zi Yi's ostentatious racing car.

Dou Zerui looked at it and said, "Yiyi, why don't you take this car while I'll help you drive yours back?"

Zi Yi said to him in a serious tone, "You're unable to drive my racing car."

"Don't underestimate me." Dou Zerui did not believe her. "Even though I've never driven a racing car, I know that it can still drive at low speeds. I don't believe I can't even handle the lowest speed."

"But this racing car of mine starts up at 0.001 seconds and the lowest speed is 350km/h."

"…"

Dou Yunhao who was seated in the driver's seat was amused by their conversation and he said, "Yiyi's car can travel at such a fast speed. It seems like if we want to send you back, we'll only be able to follow behind your car."

Zi Yi nodded her head. "That's right. So that's why I said there's no need for you to send me home."

"Sending you home is a must and this is our task," Dou Yunhao said, "Why don't we do this, Zerui shall take Yiyi's car while I'll chase behind yours. I'll then come over to Yiyi's house to fetch you."

Zi Yi tilted her head and asked Dou Zerui as her voice contained traces of provocation, "Do you dare to sit in my car? It runs a little fast, you might not be able to handle it."

Dou Zerui directly opened the door and said, "Of course I dare. I don't believe your car can compete with an airplane's speed. What's more, I'm alright with taking airplanes, so how could I be unable to handle your car?"

Zi Yi sent Dou Yunhao the exact location of her house and followed Dou Zerui, who was already next to her car, and walked over to her racing car. Both of them got in and Zi Yi looked at Dou Zerui who was wearing the seatbelt. "You better sit tight."

Dou Zerui stared at her and leaned against the seat leisurely. "You can drive with confidence."

Zi Yi looked away. She turned on the car and stepped on the accelerator.

VROOM...

Ten minutes later, Zi Yi parked the car at the edge of the road, only to see Dou Zerui crawling out of the passenger seat with a pale complexion. He went to find a trash can to vomit in.

Somehow Zi Yi felt guilty and glanced at her surroundings. They were somewhere remote with few passersby. However, there was a convenience shop.

She went to the shop to purchase a bottle of mineral water before she handed it to Dou Zerui who was weak from vomiting. "Have some water to cleanse your mouth."

Dou Zerui had vomited so much he had vomited out bile. He hastily took the mineral water to gargle his mouth out before he drank two mouthfuls. Only then did he feel slightly better.

Zi Yi looked at the time and said to him, "Eldest Cousin would need at least 20 minutes before he would reach us. Why don't we wait for him at my place?"

Dou Zerui refused to take Zi Yi's car no matter what. "No, let's wait. I need to rest."

"But I want to go back and sleep. I still have many lessons tomorrow and if I were to sleep late, what if I am unable to concentrate in class tomorrow?"

"..."

"Why don't you stay here and wait for Eldest Cousin? I'll take my leave first."

Dou Zerui said discontentedly, "If you leave, would that still be considered as us sending you back?"

"But I want to sleep."

"..."

Zi Yi saw that he was speechless and simply got back in her car and said, "If I activate flight mode and take to the skies, I believe you won't be worried anymore."

Having said that, she really activated flight mode and sped away in a flash.

Dou Zerui: "..."

As soon as Zi Yi's car flew out of Dou Zerui's line of sight, she made a turn and headed to No.8 Hexi Road.

Chapter 426: Beat Them Up Until They Start to Doubt Their Reason for Living

Zi Yi gave Dou Yunhao a call first when she arrived at Hexi Road.

Dou Yunhao had yet to arrive at the location Dou Zerui was left behind at and he was a little surprised to have received Zi Yi's call.

Zi Yi said to him, "Eldest Cousin, I've already reached home. You can head over to XX road to fetch Second Cousin."

Dou Yunhao was momentarily stunned before he asked, "Zerui didn't follow you back?"

"He didn't. He was feeling carsick and was unable to handle the speed of my car."

She then added, "Eldest Cousin, I still have many classes tomorrow morning and I want to take an early rest, so you don't have to come to my place. I'll invite you guys over next time, bye!"

Dou Yunhao had a blank face as he listened to the beeping sound coming from his car speakers that were connected to his phone.

Zerui had carsickness?

Moreover, he was left behind in the middle of nowhere by Yiyi?

When Dou Yunhao drove to where Dou Zerui was at, he looked at him squatting down as he held a bottle of water. The first thing he did when he alighted from the car was to slap his forehead.

Dou Zerui felt that his heart was feeling stuffy.

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Hexi Road.

No.8 Hexi Road was a rather famous botanical garden in the capital.

The place was in the outskirts of the city center where tourists mingled around during the day. However, it was very silent when it came to this time of night. At this time, not even a single car drove past.

Before Zi Yi headed to the Dou Family, she had gotten Little Loli to bring a few robots to survey the area and those people were already grasped firmly within her hands.

The car was parked at a distance from the entrance of the botanical garden.

Zi Yi was not in a rush to alight, so she took out her phone and connected to Little Loli. "Where are they?"

Little Loli gave her a precise location and said, "They are in the empty space on the left-hand side of the entrance. There are dozens of people and only one of them is waiting for you out in the open. The others are all hidden."

The corner of her lips curled up and Zi Yi responded with an ok. She was just about to expose the people hidden near the entrance, when her phone suddenly rang.

She looked at her phone which was ringing and saw that it was a call from Lu Jingye.

There were sounds of a car moving on his side and it was obvious that he had just come out from the residence.

He asked, "Yiyi, where are you?"

Zi Yi looked at the silhouette of the main gate of the botanical gardens and deliberately said, "Make a guess."

Lu Jingye did not guess. His voice tightened and there were traces of unconcealed killing intent. "I received a message earlier saying that you headed for the botanical gardens at Hexi Road. The message asked me to come over at once."

Zi Yi responded with a yes and told him about the incident that happened during the afternoon.

"I received a letter at school today. Inside the envelope was a surveillance chip that would enter one's skin the moment there is contact. In the letter, they told me to come alone to the botanical gardens. They have some indecent photos of me in the past and if I don't make my way there, those photos will be sent to your grandfather tomorrow."

Lu Jingye was not in a hurry and instead, he asked, "What did you do?"

"I stuck the chip on a mechanical dragonfly and it is currently flying over."

Lu Jingye was silent for two seconds before he calmly said, "Okay, I already know who the mastermind is. I'm coming over with him and we'll take care of them."

The 'him' Lu Jingye was referring to was the robot who was disguised as him. The both of them had clearly come out together and were making their way over right now.

Zi Yi asked, "There should be people following you, do you need me to do anything?"

Lu Jingye said, "Not for the time being. We'll let the opponent lower their vigilance."

"Alright."

After they hung up the phone, Zi Yi checked where the mechanical dragonfly was.

The mechanical dragonfly was about ten kilometers away and it would arrive in approximately a few minutes.

Zi Yi thought about it and deliberately let the other side notice that she had taken the wrong road, as to delay the timing.

Twenty minutes later, Zi Yi retracted the dragonfly and drove to the entrance of the zoo.

Her phone rang at the same time.

Zi Yi swiped the answer button and the other party's voice sounded through the phone. "Get out of the car and come directly towards the entrance of the botanical gardens."

Zi Yi spoke in a displeased tone. "Bring the photos to me, don't treat me like a fool. Why would I dare to make my way there alone even though I know you have something planned for me?"

The other party was also displeased and his tone of voice changed into one that gave an order. "Come when I tell you to. Otherwise, I'll immediately have the photos handed over to Patriarch Lu."

"Hmph, What kind of person is Ah Jing's grandfather? I don't believe you are able to pass him the photos as and when you like."

"Are you not coming? If you're not coming, you better not regret your decision."

"Regret?" Zi Yi's suddenly scoffed. However, the way she laughed was a little eerie.

The other side seemed to have been startled by her laugh and when he was just about to swear, there were suddenly sounds of screaming.

"Oww-"

The call was disconnected.

Shortly after, the caller and dozens of people hidden in the dark had been dragged out by several robots.

Little Loli was carrying the caller. She walked over to Zi Yi's car and stopped when she was about seven to eight meters away. "Master, how should we take care of these people?"

Zi Yi took out her phone and after she tampered with the nearby surveillance cameras, she said to them, "Beat them up. Beat them until they start to doubt the reason why they are alive."

"Oh, yeah!" Little Loli was very excited and she said to the other robots, "Let's start!"

Following that was a bloody and violent unilateral beating.

"AHHH-"

"Owww-"

"Stop hitting ... "

"I'm going to die if you continue..."

By the time Lu Jingye's car had arrived, the unilateral beating just so happened to have ended.

At the sight of his car approaching, Zi Yi alighted from hers and got in his car.

The one driving was the robot while Lu Jingye was seated in the back seat.

Zi Yi looked at Lu Jingye and she revealed a sweet smile. "Ah Jing."

Lu Jingye raised his hand and touched her cheeks. He suppressed his internal murderous aura and gently said, "It's the Dongfang Family who are behind this threat."

Zi Yi had already more or less guessed that it was them.

Lu Jingye then added, "The Dongfang Family has been in contact with Rick recently."

Zi Yi coldly snorted and was about to take out her phone. "Do they honestly think I'm an easy target to bully? Let's see what happens when I break their family's money flow. Who told them to come to find trouble for me whenever they feel like it?!"

Lu Jingye pressed her hand and said, "There's not much use in breaking their money flow. I'll handle this instead. I will definitely avenge you."

Zi Yi knew that Lu Jingye was still setting a net. She thought about it and did not reach for her phone again.

Instead, she said, "That Rick is too irritating. I really want to give him a beating."

Lu Jingye had once again stopped her. How could he let his girl do something like that?

"We'll send you back first. You can just sit back and wait for a good show."

Zi Yi looked at Lu Jingye for several seconds. She thought for a while and then nodded.

Lu Jingye said to the robot in front, "Drive."

Before the car drove off, Zi Yi said to Little Loli, "Drive my car back later."

Little Loli asked, "Master, then how should I settle these people?"

Lu Jingye answered on Zi Yi's behalf, "My men will come over and take care of them."

After she got in, the car had immediately driven off.

Dongfang Family.

By the time Dongfang Hong received a phone call informing him that the people he had sent were beaten up and taken away by a group of unknown people, one hour had already passed.

He had already gone to sleep and when he heard the news, he jumped out from his bed angrily and questioned, "How do you even do things? You can't even take care of a woman?"

Chapter 427: Rick Getting Rucksacked

"Did Lu Jingye head over?" What Dongfang Hang was concerned about the most was this. "Were those people the ones he brought over?"

The other party said something and Dongfang Hong's expression turned livid. He directly hung up the phone and grabbed his laptop. He intended to send the photos stored on his laptop to the person next to Patriarch Lu.

Dongfang Hong muttered to himself, "It doesn't matter... even if that woman isn't captured. Everything's still alright as long as you don't have time to take care of other matters."

His task was to make Lu Jingye distracted, no matter the means.

However, when he opened the drive where he stored those photos, there was not a single photo of Zi Yi. Instead, there were hundreds of photos of him where he was playing outside

He would not pay any attention to these photos if he were to see them on the usual occasion. However, since they had suddenly appeared on his computer, it meant that someone had hacked their way inside.

Dongfang Hong's heart clenched tightly and he hastily deleted all the photos.

By the time the drive was empty, and Dongfang Hong was just about to breathe a sigh of relief, his phone rang.

The phone call was from one of his followers.

The tone of his follower sounded anxious. "Brother Hong, something bad happened. The video of you playing in XX Club from the previous time was posted online, and... there are many other photos where we had fooled around in the past. The internet has exploded and the netizens are going crazy."

The more his follower said, the darker Dongfang Hong's expression became. He hung up the call and hastily made another call. "Hurry and think of a way to take down and delete all those pictures and videos on the internet."

The other party said, "We are unable to delete them. Our headquarters have been attacked by a group of hackers."

Dongfang Hong did not believe the other party. "The hackers dare to attack your place?"

"We are currently organizing our technicians to defend and pursue the attackers. However, these people are too skilled and we can hardly do anything to them."

The other party then suggested with kind intentions. "You had better think of how to explain this to the Minister. The crackdown has been rather serious in recent days and you might have to make a visit behind bars."

Dongfang Hong's expression was even darker and he said, "I understand."

Just as he was about to hang up the call, the sound of footsteps quickly approached from outside the door and it was followed by the housekeeper's voice. "Third Young Master, the Third Elder asks you to make a trip to his study room. You better be quick, he seems to be rather angry."

Dongfang Hong's hands trembled and he hastily left for the study room.

The moment the Third Elder saw Dongfang Hong, his expression was still considered calm. However, the tone of his voice was extremely stern. "What's going on with the information online?"

"It's..." Dongfang Hong explained the things that happened today.

The Third Elder's expression sank. "You can't even take care of such a small thing and you have even gotten yourself dragged into the muddy waters?"

Dongfang Hong quickly explained. "Father, I didn't expect this to happen. Lu Jingye must have been the one behind this."

"You didn't expect it?"

BAM!

The Third Elder suddenly slammed his hand against the table and Dongfang Hong dared not utter a single word.

He then suddenly asked him, "Do you know who has returned to the capital today?"

Dongfang Hong was alarmed. He recalled Lu Jingye's ruthlessness and widened his eyes. "Could it be that Lu Jingye got Lu Yunxiao to send people over to deal with my men?"

Only Lu Yunxiao's men were capable of doing this and remaining undetected.

"Hmph!" the Third Elder said in fury. You had better take care of this incident tonight. Otherwise, the only option for you is to stay behind bars."

Dongfang Hong was afraid. "Father, you must help me erase the pictures and videos online. I can't go behind bars, I'll be finished if I go."

The Third Elder had a livid expression. "Only now did you come to realize the consequences? Why didn't you think of the consequences when you did all those things previously? I've said it before, if you want to deal with the Lu Family, don't leave behind any traces. Now because you have done all these things outside, do you know how passive our stance is in this situation now?"

Dongfang Hong lowered his head and dared not utter a single word.

The Third Elder looked at his son and felt mentally and physically exhausted. However, he could not really let his son sit behind bars and he had to think of a way to stop Lu Jingye from pursuing this matter.

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On the other side, Rick was waiting for news from Dongfang Hong. Just then, he received a message on his phone.

[Mr. Rick, I've obtained the video you want. Please come to the back door to retrieve it.]

A trace of a satisfied smile flashed past his eyes.

As long as he obtained the video of Zi Yi's indecency, Patrarich Lu would never allow her to enter the Lu Family. In that case, his sister would not have to lower herself and become a dance teacher in M.Uni.

The more he thought of this, the more excited he became. Rick put away his phone and hastily made his way to the back door.

The Lu Family main residence was very large. It was already 11 p.m at night and most of the Lu Family had gone to bed.

Rick would only encounter one or two patrolling guards when he was making his way around the residence at this time.

The guards would ask, "Mr. Rick, it's late right now, where are you heading off to?"

Rick alway said the same thing in a natural manner, "My sister feels like eating the pastries from Yuan Fang Zhai and I had the staff order a food delivery from there, and asked them to deliver it to the back door. I'm heading over to fetch the food."

The guards hastily said, "Mr. Rick, why don't you go back and wait while we go out and fetch the food for you?"

"No need for that. I just want to take a stroll along the way. I've been rather busy with work these days and I rarely have time to exercise."

The guards did not say anything after that.

When Rick arrived at the back door, he got the guard to open the door as he made his way out.

In order to prevent other people from knowing what he was doing, he even deliberately walked for some distance until the guards were unable to see where he went. Only then did he stop and call the other party.

"Mr. Rick, head a little further ahead. I'm inside the forest."

There was an ornamental forest straight ahead.

Rick did not have the slightest trace of doubt and he continued walking ahead.

When he arrived at the forest, he said, "I've reached."

He then saw a man wearing ordinary sunglasses and holding onto a paper bag in his hand, heading in his direction.

The man in sunglasses came over to him and called out, "Mr. Rick."

"That's me." Rick stretched out his hand. "Give it to me quickly."

The man in sunglasses handed him the paper bag in his hand. However, the moment Rick reached out for it, the man's other hand moved, and a handful of powder was thrown towards Rick.

"Ouch..."

Rick immediately detected something amiss, but it was too late to block the powder when he wanted to use his hand to cover his eyes. He disregarded the pain in his eyes and ran.

Yet, at this moment, something suddenly covered him from above

It seemed like a rucksack.

The rucksack covered him from his head to his waist.

It did not give him the slightest room to struggle.

"Let me go! Who are you? OW-!"

Heavy punches came from all directions.

After howling loudly for a long time, what remained were muffled groans of pain.

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When Zi Yi woke up the next day and checked her phone, only then did she discover what Lu Jingye had done last night.

She originally wanted to give him a call, but after some thought, she decided to send a message instead.

[Ah Jing, were you the one who got people to release Dongfang Hong's videos?]

Lu Jingye: [Yes.]

Lu Jingye: [I'll come to find you at night. I have something to do now.]

After Zi Yi saw his second message, she knew that he should be rather busy right now, so she left their conversation page and went online to add oil to the fire.

At 9 a.m in the morning, the authorities visited the Dongfang Family's residence and took Dongfang Hong away.

Patriarch Dongfang was greatly infuriated by this..

Chapter 428: Ian's Credit

At the same time, after Patriarch Lu woke up and heard that Rick got beaten up outside the back door of their residence, he flew into a rage. He immediately sent people over to investigate.

Lu Jianlin called Lu Jingye over to his study room and he had a serious expression on his face. "You were too impulsive this time. The Lu Family does not get involved in politics and if this incident were to be blown up, the Lu Family will be standing against the Dongfang Family in an open manner. Do you know the consequences?"

Lu Jingye's expression was also rather serious.

He then said, "I can slowly plan things if it concerns other matters, but they wanted to scheme against Yiyi and I won't allow them to do so."

Lu Jianlin looked at his eldest son who had a firm expression and he asked, "You were the one who got people to beat Rick up?"

"Yes."

Lu Jianlin furrowed his eyebrows and reminded him. "Since you've done it, be prepared for your grandfather to find out the truth."

Sure enough, Patriarch Lu had found out about the incident with the Dongfang Family and he called Lu Jingye over.

As for what they had chatted about, only the both of them knew.

Zi Yi headed for M.Uni after breakfast.

Just as her car arrived at the main entrance, she received Dou Xiangling's call.

Dou Xiangling said in a joyous tone over the phone, "Yiyi, come over to the School of Fine Arts when you're free. Country X's Painting and Calligraphy Association has sent over the two paintings you completed during the competition. There's also the matter with the donation from the auction and there are a few electronic documents that require your fingerprint for confirmation."

Zi Yi checked the time. There was still half an hour before her first lesson started. Moreover, the classroom of her first lesson was rather near to the School of Fine Arts. In the end, she said, "Then I'll come over right now."

"Alright then, I'll wait for you in my office."

Zi Yi directly drove the car to the parking lot at the School of Fine Arts.

There were many art students currently making their way to the teaching building. When they saw Zi Yi, all of them were excited.

"Zi Yi has actually come to our School of Fine Arts today!"

"The three paintings she completed during the International Painting and Calligraphy Competition were honestly too shocking. Even until now, those three paintings are still in my mind."

"Me too, I feel that her painting skills surpass all of the teachers and professors of our school."

"If only she would come to our school to teach ... "

"She doesn't necessarily have to be a teacher. Giving a few lectures and teaching us her painting techniques is also good."

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It could be said that the students of the School of Fine Arts all adored Zi Yi. Whenever they saw her, they could not wait to introduce themselves to her, so as to leave a good impression.

However, Zi Yi was in a rush for time and she walked rather briskly. She did not give anyone an opportunity to strike up a conversation with her.

By the time Zi Yi arrived at the office building, she just so happened to encounter several professors and teachers walking out along the way. All of them would stop and ask if she was interested in coming over to the School of Fine Arts.

Zi Yi had rejected all of them.

When she had finally arrived at Dou Xiangling's office, a few minutes had passed.

The faculty office building of the School of Fine Arts had four floors.

Dou Xiangling's office was located in one of the rooms on the third floor and it was particularly spacious and bright. Half of the space was used for her office while the other half was where she kept her painting tools.

Unexpectedly, Zhang Hanyu was also inside the office.

Dou Xiangling was currently standing near her painting tools with her head lowered as she organized her equipment. Zhang Hanyu had his back towards the door as he leaned on her desk as he said, "Congratulations, you won second place in the International Painting and Calligraphy Competition this time. I didn't expect your cousin to be so amazing that she could win the first place position."

Dou Xiangling did not even raise her head, "Thank you."

She then added, "Your leg has yet to heal, it's best that you don't walk around too much."

Zhang Hanyu still had a plaster cast on his leg and his body was propped up by the desk, while his crutches were casually placed next to him. He smiled as he heard what Dou Xiangling said. "I only injured one of my legs and if I continue staying in the dormitory, I'll be suffocated to death."

Speaking up to here, he seemed to have sensed that someone was by the door and he turned around to take a look.

At the same time, Dou Xiangling had also looked over.

Zi Yi walked in and used her pair of bright eyes to stare at Zhang Hanyu's plastered leg. "How is Teacher Zhang's leg recovery going? When will you be able to remove the plaster cast?"

She had checked out Zhang Hanyu's injuries at that time and in reality, he did not have a leg fracture. One month had passed since that incident and there should have been no need for the plaster cast anymore.

Yet, he still had not removed it. Was he deliberately keeping it on to show her cousin?

Zhang Hanyu did not panic as he faced Zi Yi's gaze which seemed to have seen through his intentions. Instead, he answered with a calm smile, "Soon. But I feel that it's better to leave it on for a few more days, after all, I'm someone who can't control myself. The moment my leg recovers, I would want to go elsewhere to paint. I'm worried that I will leave some hidden injuries if I travel too much.'

Dou Xiangling agreed with his reasoning. "Harming muscles and bones requires rest for a hundred days. You had better not travel around right now. After you nurse your leg, you can go wherever you like."

Zhang Hanyu looked at her with a fiery gaze and said in a vexed manner, "I'm someone who can't stay idle for too long and I hope that someone would be able to look after me and remind me to do so. Xiangling, why don't you help me with that?"

Dou Xiangling was momentarily stunned at his words. However, at the thought that his injury was caused by her, she agreed to it.

Zi Yi looked at Zhang Hanyu but did not say anything.

Zhang Hanyu knew that Zi Yi had come for something and said, "Then I shall not bother you two."

Having said that, he took his leave.

Zi Yi kept her gaze on Zhang Hanyu as he left the office, before she turned her attention back to Dou Xiangling.

She was currently on her laptop as she searched for the email in her inbox.

While searching she said with a smile, "Yiyi, for the auction this time around, after paying taxes and donating half the proceeds, there is still 200 million left. It will be directly credited to your card."

Zi Yi responded with an ok.

Dou Xiangling had a complicated expression on her face and she said, "The compensation which you had entrusted a lawyer to get from those reporters is also here. It totaled up to more than 300 million."

More than a dozen media companies had slandered her and she had sued them all.

Dou Xiangling did not know what kind of methods Zi Yi used as those media companies had obediently paid the money.

At the sight of Dou Xiangling's expression, Zi Yi knew what she was thinking about. "This is all Ian's credit."

Ian was now a candidate for the Count's successor and as long as he said a single word, which media company would dare to offend him?

Dou Xiangling was stunned for a second and she laughed. "Mr. Ian should have gotten the position of a candidate successor by now, right? He still thought about our matter even though he is so busy. It's been hard on him."

Zi Yi did not think of it that way. After all, by doing this, it can be considered building a better relationship with Lu Jingye.

Zi Yi casually said, "At most, we can treat him to a meal when he visits the capital in the future."

Dou Xiangling laughed at her words.

Following that, they discussed donating the compensation money.

Dou Xiangling said, "Why don't we donate the money directly to impoverished mountain areas in the capital?"

Zi Yi did not have any objections.

After they chatted for a while more, Dou Xiangling found a fingerprint machine and connected it to the document she received.

After Zi Yi's fingerprints were retrieved, she left to attend her lessons..

Chapter 429: Zi Yi Is the Treasure to the Class

By the time Zi Yi arrived at the classroom, the teacher was already inside.

People would usually sneak in through the back door if they were in her situation.

But by the time she had walked over to the back door, she had been caught red-handed by the sharp eyed teacher. He was clearly paying attention to when she would arrive.

"Student Zi, come in from the front door."

The teacher was a middle-aged man in his forties, surnamed Zhou. He gave off the temperament of someone from an engineering background and he did not appear to be strict nor kind, but was clearly a man with a fair temperament.

Zi Yi walked towards the front door and everyone stared at her.

Teacher Zhou said, "I heard that you answered all of the questions the Ancient Literature teacher had asked and that he gave you the right not to attend class this semester?"

Everyone turned their attention to Teacher Zhou and subconsciously felt that he wanted to follow suit.

Zi Yi did not know the intentions behind Teacher Zhou asking that question. She merely nodded her head. "Yes."

Teacher Zhou praised her by saying, "Very good."

He then said, "You're late for my first lesson and I shall not deduct your marks. Instead, I'll ask you five questions and if you can answer all of them correctly, you are allowed to be late for my lessons in the future. Otherwise, it'll be one mark for every minute you are late."

Everyone present: "...!"

Teacher Zhou was so ruthless!

All of them looked at Zi Yi with a sympathetic gaze.

There was not the slightest change in Zi Yi's expression. "Please go ahead."

Teacher Zhou was satisfied with her answer. He did not directly allow her to step in and immediately asked, "The component was damaged under a change of force. What is the most effective and quickest repair method besides the one that everyone knows?"

Everyone present: "...!"

All of them knew that they had not learned of the method!

Just the first question alone was tough!

Zi Yi answered without any difficulty, "Other than the usual method, there is also..."

The more the students listened, the quicker their heartbeats became. Even though they were still unable to understand the knowledge at present, they subconsciously felt that it would be very useful for them in the future. Therefore, everyone quickly grabbed their pens and wrote down her answer, while some of them had simply taken out their mobile phones or laptops to record. Teacher Zhou was also surprised deep down when he heard Zi Yi's answer. The question he asked had far surpassed the scope of content a freshman would cover.

Just then, he swept his gaze across the class and nodded in satisfaction.

After Zi Yi answered the first question, Teacher Zhou immediately asked the second.

When the last question was answered, Teacher Zhou gave her a thumbs up. "Not bad, you have answered all the questions correctly. You're allowed to be late in future lessons. Right now we'll start the lesson, you can go and find a seat and sit down."

Zi Yi nodded her head and walked over to an empty seat.

There were fewer female students than male students in the engineering major and the moment Zi Yi sat down, all their gazes had subconsciously turned in her direction.

How could there be such a beautiful girl?

"All the male students, look in my direction."

Teacher Zhou tapped the table with a piece of chalk and straightforwardly attacked their confidence. "Two of the questions I asked earlier were junior knowledge level and I also asked questions where she gave additional knowledge. Zi Yi could easily answer the questions, so what rights do you have to sneak a peek at her instead of listening in class?

Only outstanding people have the right to befriend outstanding individuals. Do you think you are qualified to be friends with her?"

None of the students capable of entering M.Uni are bad in their studies. How could those favored students stand such a blow to their ego? They immediately looked away, and as if they had been injected with drugs, all of them swore to catch up to Zi Yi.

Teacher Zhou nodded his head in satisfaction and felt that his decision was extremely correct.

He would not allow Zi Yi to skip attending lessons like what the Ancient Literature Teacher had done because with Zi Yi around, the others would be able to study better.

Zi Yi was simply a treasure to the class.

After the class ended, Zi Yi had to return to the Archaeology Department.

When she walked over to the Chinese Literature Department, she heard tons of people talking.

"The Student Union is recruiting and there will be a recruitment fair in the following days. Do you want to give it a try?"

"Definitely, It's my dream to enter the Student Union."

"Unfortunately, the requirements to enter are too high. I don't think I can get in."

"The department heads of several important positions are vacant this year and I wonder who can successfully assume the position."

While chatting, they saw Zi Yi walking past them and started to discuss it again.

"Say, do you think Zi Yi would apply for the Student Union?"

"I think so? Being able to enter the Student Union proves one's ability. She's so outstanding and it doesn't make sense for her to not enter the Student Union."

"I wonder which position she would apply for."

"Perhaps she might apply for the Learning Officer position."

"The position of the Learning Officer is very popular and there will definitely be many outstanding individuals competing for it."

"It's more exciting this way. When they start competing, we'll be able to vote."

"Just the thought of it makes me feel excited. I wonder how Zi Yi will canvas for votes when the time comes."

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Half a day's time passed by very quickly. In the afternoon, Dou Xiaoyong gave her a call and said, "Little Zi, I'll be heading to the research lab in the afternoon, come with me."

Zi Yi thought about what lessons she had in the afternoon and realized that they were classes from different schools. "My lessons in the afternoon are rather scattered and it's not easy to request for leave."

Dou Xiaoyong had already thought of a solution on her behalf. "No worries, send me the lessons you have and I'll get the leave for you."

Zi Yi replied with an ok. After hanging up the phone, she sent her afternoon lessons to him.

Zi Yi was currently walking towards the canteen together with Li Xia.

Li Xia asked her, "Zi Yi, the Student Union seems to be recruiting these days, do you want to try it out?"

"What positions are there?" Zi Yi casually asked.

"The Learning Department, Entertainment Department, External Relations Department and Technical Department's officers are all seniors and they will be stepping down."

In fact, all the departments were recruiting but Li Xia felt that Zi Yi might not necessarily apply to be a member.

"I'm not interested in these positions." Zi Yi had said so in the past that if she were to apply, it would be for the Student Union President position. She was disinterested in other positions.

Li Xia was surprised. "Why? Being able to enter the Student Union of M.Uni is everyone's dream. As long as you are able to enter the Student Union, be it applying for jobs outside in the future or other things, you'll be able to receive an advantage over others."

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"Since there's an advantage, you should go and apply for it."

"Mmh, I'm planning to apply for the position of a member of the External Relations Department. I've already inquired about it. They are recruiting eight members this year and the chances of getting in are higher than that of other departments."

Zi Yi said, "Good luck."

Li Xia was immediately full of confidence, but she still pressed on and asked, "Zi Yi, you really don't intend to apply for the officer positions?"

"Nope."

While talking, they arrived at the entrance of the canteen.

The other students were also discussing the news of the Student Union recruitment.

After they entered, Li Xia had actively gone to get food for both of them while Zi Yi occupied their seats.

Just as Zi Yi found a seat and sat down, a female student with a high ponytail and a heroic appearance came over to her direction.

"Zi Yi."

When the female student stood next to Zi Yi, everyone present looked towards the both of them.

Some people had recognized her and were particularly surprised.

"The department belle and genius of the Economics Department, Chen Yuying came to find Zi Yi? Could it be due to the campus belle election?"

Chapter 430: I Plan to Compete With You For the Same Position

Zi Yi coldly looked at the female student standing before her. "What's the matter?"

The female student stared at her and asked, "What position will you run for in the Student Union?"

All of them looked at her in slight surprise.

Zi Yi was also a little surprised and she asked instead of answering, "This seems to have nothing to do with you?"

"How does it not have anything to do with me?" The female student laughed. Her laughter was very confident and provocative. "Because I intend to compete with you for the same position."

"You're here to provoke me?"

"You can think of it in that way."

Chen Yuying put her hands on the table and leaned down as she looked into her eyes.

"Aren't you very outstanding? I like competing with outstanding people. My name is Chen Yuying, I'm a sophomore in the Department of Economics and Management. I was awarded the first-class scholarship

in my freshman year and have participated in all sorts of competitions of different scales. I think I am qualified to run for several of the officer positions in the Student Union.

Also... you're too high-profile. To the extent that I very much wish to let you have a taste of experiencing a setback, and let you know that there are hidden tigers all around M.Uni. You're not the best."

Zi Yi looked at Chen Yuying's arrogant yet firm gaze. She did not get angry and instead, she calmly nodded. "What you said is right. I recommend you to run for the External Relations Department."

"You are running for the External Relations officer?" Chen Yuying subconsciously asked.

Zi Yi pursed her lips and did not answer her question.

Chen Yuying felt that she must be applying for the External Relations officer position.

She then stood up straight and said confidently, "Then listen up, we'll soon be competitors."

She left after having said that.

As soon as Chen Yuying left, the crowd started to discuss in low voices.

"I've heard that the department flower of the Economics Department is very straightforward and has a temper. I didn't expect her to be so straightforward though?"

"She actually came and issued Zi Yi a challenge. Say, who do you think will be elected as the External Relations officer?"

"Who should I choose when the time comes?"

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Li Xia who came back from getting the food subconsciously asked in a low voice, "Zi Yi, didn't you say you would only run for the position of President?"

"Shhh." Zi Yi placed a finger on her lips and told her not to mention this anymore.

She then asked, "Have I ever said that I will be running for the External Relations officer position?"

Li Xia: "..."

You didn't say anything! So... Zi Yi casually said that to chase Chen Yuying away?

The news of Zi Yi running for the External Relations officer position soon spread through M.Uni's school forum.

Inside the Student Union's President office.

The Officer of the External Relations Department, Tang Yue swiped his phone as he clicked his tongue. "President, look at the forum. It's pretty lively on here right now."

Nangong Yu was currently replying to an email from a university abroad. He did not even bother lifting up his head as he asked, "What happened?"

Tang Yue said with a boastful tone, "Among the positions of the four officers who are stepping down, do you know which position is currently the most popular?"

Nangong Yu was thinking to himself, "Based on your tone of voice, is there still a need for me to guess?"

"The External Relations Department."

"Haha... President, your guess is very accurate. It's indeed the External Relations Department."

"What happened?"

He had thought that the Learning Department ought to be the most popular, as it had been in the past few years.

"The genius of the Department of Economics and Management, Chen Yuying, went to the Chinese Department canteen in the afternoon and questioned Zi Yi face to face about what position she would be running for. Zi Yi mentioned the External Relations Department and Chen Yuying issued a challenge."

Nangong Yu was momentarily stunned at his words, before he smiled and shook his head.

"President, what's with that reaction of yours? You don't believe it?"

Nangong Yu said with certainty, "Zi Yi will only run for the President position. She should have casually mentioned a position, so as to chase Chen Yuying away."

"Ah?!" Tang Yue widened his mouth and only recovered his senses after a long time had passed. He felt that he had heard the most fantastic tale in the world. "Zi Yi is actually thinking of running for the Student Union's President? She is very ambitious!"

Nangong Yu glanced at him and remained silent.

However, Tang Yue stood up due to excitement and walked over to his table. "Boss, how do you know that Zi Yi is intending to run for the position of President? You're only in your junior year and you didn't exactly say you're going to give away your position yet."

Nangong Yu stopped the work he was doing and leaned against the chair. He looked at the excited Tang Yue and said, "As long as Zi Yi has the capability, even if I hadn't said I will be stepping down, she is still able to issue me a challenge."

In fact, he was rather looking forward to Zi Yi issuing him a challenge.

Even though the exact words she said before were that she would only run for the President position if she were to enter the Student Union.

Tang Yue shook his head. "Tsk tsk, how does that saying go? Newborn calves are not afraid of tigers. This Zi Yi isn't even a newborn calf. She's simply overconfident and arrogant to no end."

Nangong Yu looked at him and asked, "You think that she doesn't have the capabilities?"

"Isn't that obvious? Disregarding her results, she has only won a single International Painting and Calligraphy Competition. There's simply no way of comparison to you. What does she have to compete with against you?" Nangong Yu tilted his head and thought for a while but did not say anything else.

However, Tang Yue sat on the table and asked, "Boss, weren't you selected as a volunteer to receive foreign guests? When are you going? After that event, you'll be plated with another layer of gold and by that time, all the more so that Zi Yi will not be able to catch up to you."

"Next week."

Nangong Yu started to chase him away after that. "You can leave now. Since you're stepping down, you should do your job well before you go."

Tang Yue stood up and said, "Alright then."

After the door of the room was closed, Nangong Yu sat there and pondered for a while, before he continued replying to the emails.

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After lunch, Zi Yi went to meet with Dou Xiaoyong.

Dou Xiaoyong drove Zi Yi to the national research lab.

The research lab was located in the northern suburb of the capital and occupied an area of tens of thousands of acres. It has the most advanced buildings, the tightest defense system and it is under the management of the military. It was impossible for most people to even come close to this place.

When Dou Xiaoyong drove the car to the main entrance, he first showed his work permit before the both of them then alighted and were inspected, before they were allowed to enter.

After entering, Dou Xiaoyong said to Zi Yi, "There are many different areas here and we are headed to the mechanical robot R&D center. When the time comes, don't wander about or look around carelessly. There are many things in this area that need to be kept confidential."

"Alright."

The car continued driving for almost twenty minutes before it stopped at a particularly high-end building.

The moment the car stopped, two guards walked over to them.

Dou Xiaoyong and Zi Yi alighted and one of the guards drove the car away, while the other guard led them towards the gate.

Dou Xiaoyong said to Zi Yi, "I'll first bring you to meet some of my colleagues. They should be in the manufacturing room right now."

When the three of them entered the hall, the guard stopped and did not follow.

Dou Xiaoyong and Zi Yi continued heading forward and walked through several doors, where they needed to verify their identities, before they managed to enter a particularly large manufacturing room.

There were many high-end robots being assembled and developed, most of which were not available on the market..