

Physician Wife 1871

Chapter 1871: Bullying The Shi Family

Shi Yalin shook her head furiously.

"N-no... I don't know anything... I don't know anything..."

"You don't know? What don't you know?"

"No... I don't know anything..."

"Then... does your family know?"

"No... I don't know."

"Is that so? Then why do I feel like they know something?"

"No... no... They don't know... They don't know..."

Wen Wan despised her weak body.

Before this, if Nangong Nuannuan dared to come so close to her, she might have already made a move.

However, her body now had no chance of outdoing Nangong Nuannuan. She was afraid that if she upset Nangong Nuannuan, she would kill her.

"I... I beg you... Sob sob sob sob..."

"Then... can you promise that you will forget everything that happened?"

"I-I promise... I promise!"

Shi Yalin's head felt heavy. All she wanted was to get away from Nangong Nuannuan.

She really could not stand being so close to her.

"Chairman Nangong, what are you doing?"

Suddenly, a group of people appeared at the entrance of Deputy Hall.

Shi Yalin's father, Shi Maude; her mother, Pei Jiyun; her eldest brother, Shi Zhongyu; and her second brother, Shi Zhongxiao, all glared at Nangong Nuannuan warily. No one dared come forward to help Shi Yalin, though.

Shi Yalin was now sitting on the ground pitifully, her makeup smeared from her tears.

Meanwhile, Nangong Nuannuan had placed her strong hands on the steps around her, not giving Shi Yalin any room to breathe.

If they were a man and a woman, they would be assumed to be a couple.

The two women were so intimately arranged. However, one of them had her hand planted on the steps while the other was sitting on the ground crying. It was obvious that Lady Shi was being bullied!

Nangong Nuannuan stood up and smiled at Shi Maude. "Chairman Shi, we meet again."

Shi Maude gave her an ugly smile. It was obvious to everyone that he was angry, but he still remained courteous.

"Haha, that's right. Chairman Nangong, we do meet again."

"Miss Nangong, what did you do to my sister just now?"

Shi Zhongyu could not help but ask the question, even though he was aware that the lady before him was a murderous she-devil.

"Lil Yu!" Shi Maude shouted, "Chairman Nangong is so noble. How could she have argued with Yalin? Yalin must have just fallen, and Miss Nangong is just about to help her up."

After all, even though the Shi family was sure that Nangong Nuannuan was KE's Queen, they had no evidence. Confronting her without evidence would just be alerting the enemy, and he did not dare to gamble with the lives of the hundreds of people in the Shi family.

"Yes, Miss Shi fell just now, and I was just about to help her up—but she said there was no need for me to."

Nangong Nuannuan played along with what Shi Maude said and added her own explanation, but it was clearly disingenuous.

Shi Maude suppressed the anger and fear in his heart and said, "Yalin, how could you be so clumsy? Quick, go with your mother to reapply your makeup. You're the star of today's banquet!"

Pei Jiyun hurriedly walked forward to help Shi Yalin up, maintaining a certain distance from Nangong Nuannuan.

"Chairman Nangong, just now, my father heard from Grand Marshal Chi that you were at the Shi family residence. He wanted to speak with you. Would it be okay for us to move to the front hall?"

Chapter 1872: Nangong Nuannuan Is Extremely Intimidating

"Of course," Nangong Nuannuan answered with a smile.

Shi Maude chuckled and gestured to the exit. Nangong Nuannuan then gracefully walked towards the front hall.

The front hall was where the host, Old Master Shi, was currently hosting Old Marshal Chi, Old Master Ning, and some other old masters who had retired from the executive hall, previously having been heads of various levels.

Nangong Nuannuan, the granddaughter who had been living on her own for so many years and was only just recently recognized by the Nangong family and asked to change her surname, had actually been invited to the front hall by Shi Maude, the chairman of the Fortune Group.

The socialites and young masters who were peeping from the corridors were all shocked.

Before this, Nangong Nuannuan's name had always been the stuff of legends. Everyone was very curious about the rich young lady and the kind of opportunities she had been given. Even after being sold to human traffickers by her stepmother at the age of three, Nuannuan had still been able to become the chairman of Tianheng Holdings, Duke Eton of Luntan's daughter, and Chi Yang's fiancée. Eventually, when she reunited with the Nangong family, she was able to concoct medicines that even experts and professors were unable to come up with.

Finally, today, they were seeing Nangong Nuannuan in person.

She was stunning, with a good figure and an imposing aura.

However, after seeing this, the confusion in everyone's heart regarding Nangong Nuannuan remained. In fact, their doubts only grew larger.

Tianheng Holdings had developed very well in Camino as well as in other countries. It had become one of the top 50 international groups in the world.

However, no matter how powerful Tianheng Holdings was, it was not comparable to the Fortune Group.

The Fortune Group was also a large financial group. Not only did it have many listed branches in Camino, but it was also closely associated with many other large international financial groups.

The consortiums of the four great families all held international rankings—with the Fortune Group ranked higher than Tianheng Holdings. It was ranked 37th internationally, much higher than Tianheng Holdings' 49th.

These things were difficult for a young master from a wealthy socialite family to understand.

Since the Shi family had previously shown that they had the courage to go up against the Nangong family, how come they did not dare go up against Nangong Nuannuan now?

Shi Yalin was so arrogant and despotic—who would not grow quiet in her presence? Why was she so afraid of Nangong Nuannuan?

Then, they realized that not only was Shi Yalin afraid, but the entire Shi family was too.

Even a pig could see that Nangong Nuannuan was bullying Shi Yalin, but Shi Maude would rather have his daughter suffer than stand up against Nuannuan.

After all, that was Shi Yalin! The daughter that the Shi family loved so dearly! Before this, anyone who dared to offend Shi Yalin would be forced to pay dearly. If they dared resist, the Shi family would definitely get their revenge on her behalf. They would make the other person's family suffer unspeakably or even completely disappear.

However, the Shi family and Father Shi, who loved their daughter Shi Yalin so much, merely watched the pitiful Shi Yalin helplessly right now. They even suggested that she had fallen and that Nangong Nuannuan was helping her.

On the other hand, Nangong Nuannuan did not care at all about the fact that the Shi family had caught her bullying Shi Yalin?red-handed. She even took advantage of the situation.

Still, the Shi family treated her as a distinguished guest and even had Shi Maude personally lead her to the front hall.

The socialites and young masters who were witnessing this scene were all drenched in a cold sweat.

Nangong Nuannuan was so unbelievably intimidating!

Chapter 1873: The Birds and the Beasts Scatter

Earlier, they had actually followed that idiot and worked with her.

Who knew if she would be angry enough to go after them to settle the score afterward?

Shi Yalin nestled into her mother's embrace. Her previous arrogance now dissolved into self-pity. She looked like a little white flower struggling to survive in a raging wind.

She was curled up for a long time before Nangong Nuannuan's figure completely left her peripheral vision. Only then did the fear in Shi Yalin's eyes shift to hatred.

She hated Nangong Nuannuan.

Nangong Nuannuan was the person she despised most in the world.

However, no matter how powerful she was, she would never figure out that the person she so wanted to kill had been standing right in front of her.

If one day, Feng Shengxuan passed the news of Viper's death onto her, she would be in such disbelief that she had actually been so close to her!

Nangong Nuannuan, just you wait. I'll always find a way to kill someone and deny them a burial!

Shi Yalin's lips curled up into a cruel and bloodthirsty smile. In an instant, her character underwent an earth-shattering change. She was no longer the little white flower she had been just now.

Shi Yalin turned around and walked past them. The socialites and young masters who were watching her from afar had already buried their heads, not wanting any part of Shi Yalin's bad luck.

However, sometimes, there was a price to pay for gossip.

Seeing that Shi Yalin was about to leave, everyone heaved a sigh of relief, and their hearts lifted. However, a sudden cold, bone-chilling voice rose from behind them.

"I've already taken note of the few of you. If what just happened is ever brought again up in the future, even if it comes from someone else's mouth, I will ensure you learn the consequences of gossiping. When push comes to shove and your families either go bankrupt or are destroyed, don't say I didn't warn you."

Upon saying that, Shi Yalin left without looking back—leaving behind a group of pale-faced socialites and young masters.

Just a moment ago, they thought that Shi Yalin had completely regressed to being a small white flower. However, they now realized that this was not the case. She was still domineering—it was just that Nangong Nuannuan was even more domineering than she was.

Originally, they had been excited to spread the news of what they had just seen and let the others know that Nangong Nuannuan was the one that they really should not provoke.

However, Shi Yalin's warning would forever seal their lips and prevent them from gossiping.

After all, compared to a bit of gossip, the rise and fall of a family was much more important.

The group of socialites and young masters looked at each other for a while before dispersing.

Even though they did not discuss it, they all saw each other's fearful eyes.

The understanding between them was that despite her power, the Shi family's eldest daughter was afraid of the Nangong family's eldest daughter. Even the entire Shi family was afraid of the Nangong family's eldest daughter! However, they could not tell anyone about this!

"Yalin, what did Nangong Nuannuan say to you just now? Did she want to kill you?"

Pei Jiyun asked this anxiously once they returned to the main building.

Shi Yalin sneered. "Mom, don't worry. I begged her to let me off so pitifully just now. Given the Shi family's attitude toward her, if she thinks that we're aware of her identity, she'll think we're afraid of who she is. She'll think we wouldn't dare do anything to her."

Chapter 1874: Shi Yalin Is Exposed

"Even if I still remember everything, I've already told you about her identity. Since she's from a prestigious family, we cannot accuse her without evidence. When we do decide to confront her, we have to be prepared to face her wrath. Thus, she has no reason to fear me or the Shi family. Didn't you see her contemptuous attitude towards us?"

Pei Jiyun clutched her chest, her body heaving with fear.

"Just let it go! Just let it go! This Nangong Nuannuan is too formidable! She's actually a king of international mercenaries! A she-devil who kills without batting an eye! The Chi family must have accumulated 800 lifetimes' worth of bad luck to have gotten such a venomous snake!"

Shi Yalin held Pei Jiyun's hand and gently comforted her. "Mom, don't be afraid. No matter how powerful Nangong Nuannuan is, your daughter isn't some weakling! Furthermore, she's in the public eye, while I'm in the dark. Once I finish my experiment, I'll be queen of the world. When that time comes, I'm sure no one will dare to oppose me even if I appoint Big Bro as president.

Shi Yalin's words worked on Pei Jiyun. Her eyes flashed with anticipation.

In Pei Jiyun's heart, her son Shi Zhongyu was her most outstanding child.

Even if she allowed Shi Zhongyu to take over Shi Maude's position of chairman in the future, Pei Jiyun still felt that he would be overqualified.

If he could really control the entire country like her daughter just suggested, or even just the people in the executive hall, then would the country not be completely under their control at that point?

However, Shi Yalin did not expect Nangong Nuannuan to specially come to meet her today.

If she continued to act arrogant, cold, and disdainful in front of her, then Nangong Nuannuan would definitely become much more suspicious of her.

However, she did not expect Nuannuan to even suspect her of anything at all.

Perhaps, it was not that Nuannuan was suspicious of her, but that Nangong Nuannuan was overconfident in her medical skills, especially acupuncture.

No one could suddenly recover so well after having their nerves damaged.

There had to be something fishy going on.

She also did not expect that the smile on her face when she woke up would make Nuannuan suspect her true identity.

Shi Yalin did not realize that it had been a while since Nangong Nuannuan supposedly walked out. As her expression shifted while Nuannuan walked away, a string of red agate crystals fell off Nangong Nuan's wrist. She backtracked half a yard and squatted down to pick up the crystals. When she put them back on her wrist, she glanced at Shi Yalin with her X-ray vision and just so happened to see Shi Yalin's expression slowly shift from fear to a cold smile. Afterward, the sneer turned into a bloodthirsty hatred.

At this point, what did Nangong Nuannuan not know?

Shi Maude, Shi Zhonglei, and Shi Zhongxiao did not bat an eye when Nuannuan dropped something on the ground. After she refastened her bracelet, they continued to walk to the front hall.

Coincidentally, at this moment, Chi Yang and Lu Guangsheng just finished talking. Just as they were about to go to the front hall to greet the old men and then go find Nuannuan, they saw her, Shi Maude, Shi Zhongyu, and Shi Zhongxiao walk in together.

"Chairman Shi?"

Shi Maude saw Chi Yang and greeted him politely. "Chi Yang, why haven't you gone to the main hall yet?"

Chi Yang did not answer Shi Maude's question, but instead asked, "Why is Chairman Shi with my fiancée?"

Chapter 1875: Meeting The Elders

Shi Maude felt his heart ache when he saw that Chi Yang's fiancée was as delicate as a little white rabbit. 'Don't bully my rabbit,' he could hear Chi Yang thinking.

Yalin had told them that Chi Yang once went with Nangong Nuannuan to kill her master but ended up only seriously injuring him.

From this, it was clear that Chi Yang knew Nangong Nuannuan's true identity.

However, not only had this muddleheaded fool not immediately drawn a line between himself and Nangong Nuannuan, but he even went on to treat her so delicately.

Was there something wrong with this man's brain?

Even as he thought about this, Shi Maude maintained a cordial attitude when faced with Chi Yang's question.

"Our old man knew that Chairman Nangong was in attendance and wanted to thank her for sparing the Shi family. Coincidentally, I bumped into Chairman Nangong, so I invited her to the front hall to meet with the old men."

While Shi Maude was speaking, Chi Yang had already walked up to Nangong Nuan and reached out to hold her hand. His initially serious expression instantly softened when he looked at his wife.

"Is that so?"

Seeing Chi Yang's expression of disbelief, the Shi father and son were speechless.

This was Queen!

Even if they wanted to make things difficult for her or kill her, they might not be able to.

Thinking back to how Nangong Nuannuan had bullied their Yalin so arrogantly, compared to how Chi Yang was now protecting her like she was a fragile porcelain doll, the Shi father and son felt extremely uncomfortable.

"Yes." Nangong Nuannuan nodded and said, "Let's go over there and sit with Grandpa."

"Okay." Chi Yang was relieved upon receiving an affirmative response from his wife. He held Nangong Nuannuan's hand and followed her lead.

The father and son of the Shi family, "..."

In the front hall, Old Master Shi, Old Master Chi, Old Master Ning, and a group of old masters who had retired from the position of chief executives of the executive hall were sitting together and chatting and laughing. Grandma Pei, Lan Huifang, was sitting beside Old Master Chi. Despite being an old lady, she could not help but show off in the presence of her big brother, trying to curry his favor.

Before Nangong Nuannuan even walked into the front hall, she had already sized up the situation.

Grandpa Chi was sitting next to Old Master Shi and not saying much. Nuannuan could sense that Grandpa was probably uncomfortable due to Lan Huifang's presence.

However, Lan Huifang did not feel uncomfortable at all. She kept pouring Grandpa Chi tea and peeling oranges for him. She even piled pastries onto his plate, pastries that Grandpa Chi liked eating.

However, no matter how hard she tried, Grandpa Chi remained unbothered.

Amid these elders, the fourth son of the Shi family and the 13th chief executive of the executive hall, Shi Maowen, was preparing tea for all the elders and old ladies around. He was gentle, refined, and well-respected by the group of elders.

Chi Yang held Nangong Nuannuan's hand and walked toward the front hall. When Lan Huifang saw him, she immediately took the initiative to stand up and warmly welcome them.

"Ah, Chi Yang, Nuannuan, you're here. Quickly come and sit by my side. Come, come, come!"

Lan Huifang stood up courteously and gestured for the servant to bring two more chairs to be placed between her and Old Master Chi.

A retired chief executive of the executive hall who wanted to get close to Old Marshal Chi was already unhappy that Lan Huifang, who ranked far lower than himself, was sitting in his seat of honor. Now, Lan Huifang dared to ask for two more chairs to be added in between them... pushing him even further away from Old Marshal Chi?!

Chapter 1876: Old Master Chi Still Despises Grandma Pei

However, when he realized that it was Chi Yang who was sitting in front of him, he calmed the seething anger in his heart.

Old Master Chi, who had been sulking silently, suddenly spoke up. "Old man Guo, please take this seat. My Chi Yang doesn't want to sit next to another woman. If he sits next to a woman for too long, his skin will have an allergic reaction."

The eyes of the retired executive hall official, who was still concealing his anger at the moment, suddenly lit up. He immediately stood up and said, "Okay, okay, okay."

While Lan Huifang stood up and beckoned for a chair, the executive hall chief, old man Guo, promptly moved over to the chair that Lan Huifang had just been sitting on.

Although the lingering warmth of Lan Huifang's butt on the chair made him feel nauseous, he had always held a grudge against her. Lan Huifang once used the Chi family's name to make the Guo family suffer a great loss, so Chief Guo was happy to be able to make Lan Huifang suffer now.

When Lan Huifang saw that Old Master Chi did not plan to give her face, she instantly felt a sense of gloominess.

Ever since Old Master Chi cut relations with the Pei family over 10 years ago, the Pei family's wealth had declined drastically despite the best efforts of their eldest son, Pei Jitong. Their wealth declined irreversibly from the class of a second-rate wealthy family to the bottom rungs of that. Even though the Pei family was still ranked as a second-rate wealthy class due to Chi Yang's biological mother, Zhou Ruxue, they themselves knew that the Pei family would not be able to hold on for much longer.

Without Old Master Chi's help and support, the Pei family would not be able to get far even if no one came over to kick them while they were down.

Therefore, over the years, Grandma Pei had seized every opportunity to try to improve her relationship with Old Master Chi. She had even proposed to Old Master Chi that Pei Jitong and Chi Yang's mother could get a divorce.

However, Old Master Chi had completely ignored her. If not for Chi Zeyao saying that even if Pei Jitong and Zhou Ruxue divorced, his father would not change his mind, when Old Master Chi officially announced that he was severing ties with the Pei family, Grandma Pei chased Zhou Ruxue out.

In her opinion, Zhou Ruxue was the root cause of the Pei family's decline. If not for Zhou Ruxue, the most Old Master Chi would do would be to scold her regardless of how she used the name of the Chi

family to cause trouble in the outside world. He might threaten to do so, but he would still never truly sever ties.

In the blink of an eye, 17 years had passed. Regardless of whether she begged for mercy, cried, threatened suicide, or recommend Old Master Chi improve his public reputation, he always ignored her. He neither praised nor belittled her—truly treating her like any other stranger.

This was the first time Old Master Chi was attending such a banquet in 17 years. It was also the first time in 17 years that she had the opportunity to sit with her brother.

However, she had not even sat for five minutes when Old Master Chi proved his disdain for her. He asked old man Guo to sit beside him, Chi Yang, and Nangong Nuannuan, while Grandma Pei had to sit beside old man Guo herself.

Initially, she had been seated close to her brother. All of a sudden, there were now three people between them. This made Grandma Pei, who always prioritized others' perceptions of her, lose face even though it had been 17 years since she last had any relation to the Chi family. She still kept calling her brother Chi Yuansheng.

"Big Brother, how could you do this? I've raised Chi Yang since he was a child. He used to call me his great aunt! Hasn't he grown up into a lovely young man? I know you're mad at me, but it's already been 17 years. Can you get over it already?"

Chapter 1877: Exposing Grandma Pei

Upon saying this, Lan Huifang tried to pull on Old Master Chi's sleeve like a little girl. However, she was blocked by Chi Yang and Nangong Nuannuan, who were sitting between them.

"Grandma Pei, my grandfather doesn't like others touching him. If anyone touches him, he's prone to break out in a rash," Chi Yang said coldly.

Nangong Nuannuan smiled and added, "Grandma Pei, my grandfather is old. Even though the rash won't be serious, it'll take at least one or two days for it to subside. Since we're no longer relatives, can't you just leave it?"

"You're..."

Before she could say 'finished', Grandma Pei suddenly remembered that Nangong Nuannuan was the chairman of the Imperial Phoenix Group. She only wanted to repair her relationship with her elder brother to obtain more benefits from the Imperial Phoenix Group.

She had almost been blinded by anger.

"I'm Big Brother Chi Yang's fiancée, Nangong Nuannuan. Didn't Grandma Pei stop me from speaking to your daughter-in-law just now? How could you forget about that so quickly?"

When Chi Yang and Old Master Chi heard this, their brows furrowed.

"Little girl, what did they say to you just now? Did they bully you?"

When they heard that Lan Huifang and Zhou Ruxue were looking for Nangong Nuannuan, Old Master Chi and Chi Yang roughly guessed what had gone down.

Lan Huifang was upset by this.

“Big Brother, Nuannuan is Chi Yang’s fiancée. So, I’m basically Nuannuan’s great-aunt. What’s wrong with me talking to her? Do you have to act so nervous? It’s as if you think we’re going to eat Nuannuan!”

This was simply their way of humiliating her. She was being treated like an outsider—no, someone even worse than an outsider. She was being treated like a thief whom they had to be protected from.

No matter what, she was a reputable figure at the military base. Was there a need for them to behave like this?

Nangong Nuannuan looked at Old Master Chi. She held his hand and said, “Grandpa, it was nothing. Grandma Pei just accompanied Young Madam Pei to come and apologize to me. Don’t you remember that before the Spring Festival, Young Madam Pei threw a check for five to six million yuan at me, asking me to take the money and leave Big Brother Chi Yang? Today, she accompanied Young Madam Pei to apologize to me.”

When the people at the table heard that Zhou Ruxue had done such a thing, they all cast incredulous looks at Grandma Pei.

After all, due to Shi Gen’s propaganda, all the big shots present knew who Nangong Nuannuan was. She was the chairman of the Imperial Phoenix Group and the chairman of Tianheng Holdings.

She was the chairman of the Imperial Phoenix Group, one of the top three super corporations in the world. Had this bitter old lady actually made her daughter-in-law throw five million yuan at her to make them leave her fiancée?

Why did she have to throw that at the Chairman of the Imperial Phoenix Group? Why did she have to use money? Throwing a stone would have been better than money.

The person she ended up humiliating was not Nuannuan, but herself!

Shi Gen also knew about Zhou Ruxue finding Nangong Nuannuan. After all, he was the one who asked his in-law’s mother to do this. At that time, he still wanted his granddaughter to marry Chi Yang. He felt that Nangong Nuannuan was not worthy.

Now that he knew Nangong Nuannuan’s identity—not only was she the chairman of the Imperial Phoenix Group and Tianheng Holdings—but she was also Queen, who could kill without batting an eyelid. He never further entertained the thought of letting his granddaughter compete with Nangong Nuannuan over a man.

To them, Nangong Nuannuan was even scarier than the plague.

This Grandma Pei had lied to him! She told him that the Pei family had given Nangong Nuannuan 50 million yuan to leave Chi Yang. She then made them think that Nangong Nuannuan had shamelessly accepted the 50 million yuan but not left Chi Yang.

Chapter 1878: Anger

This caused the Pei family to suffer some heavy losses. In the end, they shamelessly took over the Shi family's 80-million-yuan project and earned a net profit of 30 million yuan.

After hearing what Nangong Nuannuan just said, he knew that Zhou Ruxue had actually only given her 5 million yuan.

Shi Gen instantly felt his blood boil. His gaze was as sharp as a blade when he shot a threatening glance at Grandma Pei.

Grandma Pei never expected Nangong Nuan to reveal what happened back then. Not only had she revealed what happened, she even specifically stated 'five million yuan'. Grandma Pei was so angry she felt like she was about to explode. Shi Gen's furious gaze made her even more worried that her in-law would completely ignore the Pei family in the future. She was so upset that she shouted, "What five million yuan? Our Ruxue definitely gave you 50 million!"

Grandma Pei's face alternated between pale and flushed. She gathered all her strength to look Nangong Nuannuan in the eye, hoping she would understand the hidden meaning behind her gaze.

Who knew? Maybe she would be able to.

"Grandma Pei, perhaps your memory is faltering. After all, despite only just seeing me, you asked who I am. Given that it was quite long ago, you may be misremembering 5 million as 50 million. Regardless, you'd be happy. In short, I only took 5 million from you. If you don't believe me, you can go find out how much your daughter-in-law gave me."

Madam Pei was so angry that her blood pressure shot through the roof.

Zhou Ruxue had given her 5 million at first. When that did not work, she gave her another 5 million. By the end of it, she had given ten million yuan to Old Master Chi and Chi Yang. Until now, the money had not been returned to them yet.

However, Nuannuan was alluding to a robbery by saying that she only received 5 million yuan. What would this make her in-laws think?

In her entire life, only she, Lan Huifang, had ever conned others for their money. This was the first time she was being conned by someone else. It made her feel utterly miserable.

Not only had she lost a lot of yuan for nothing, but she also damaged her reputation in her in-laws' eyes.

Lan Huifang hung her head and sat down gloomily. She did not want to say anything else.

She was so furious that her blood pressure remained at an all-time high.

Seeing Lan Huifang look so pitiful, Grandfather Chi, who was gloomy upon arrival at the house, perked up. He was amused by his upset granddaughter-in-law.

Chi Yang's eyes were also filled with glee.

"They are indeed in the wrong, Nuannuan. Grandfather has already told you that there's no need to take this matter to heart."

"Um."

Nuannuan nodded obediently like a little girl, making the corners of Shi Gen's mouth twitch involuntarily.

Not only was Nangong Nuannuan powerful, she was also adorable. The word 'shameless' was an understatement when describing how despicable she could be. She was simply invincible.

However, what Nangong Nuannuan said next truly allowed Shi Geng to see the true nature of this demon.

"They must have felt like they did something wrong, so that's why they came to apologize to me today. They felt like they shouldn't have used Big Brother Chi Yang's or his mother's name to separate us."

When the old man heard this, his expression seemed to relax.

Madam Pei's high blood pressure, which had been shooting through the roof, also went down quite a bit upon hearing this.

"Big Brother, it was indeed Ruxue who was in the wrong before this. I've already talked to her about it after we got back. You know that Ruxue has never suffered, even as a child. She's simple-minded and takes things for granted. That's why she did such a thing. After I went back, I scolded her harshly. That's why she went to Nuannuan today to apologize."

Although Old Master Chi was still angry, he felt that Madam Pei was right to criticize Zhou Ruxue.

Chapter 1879: "I'm Useless."

"Mm, I also believe that everyone makes mistakes. So, when she asked me to forgive her, I did. But once I forgave her, she immediately asked me to call her 'Mom'. She said that I was Big Brother Chi Yang's fiancée, so since Big Brother Chi Yang was her son, I should call her Mom."

With that sentence, the old man's temper, which had only just mildly subsided, immediately rose again. Now, his rage was even more intense than before.

Madam Pei, "...!!!"

"Nuannuan, when that woman betrayed Chi Yang, I publicly announced that I was severing ties with the Pei family. At that time, you weren't around, so you wouldn't know about this. Now, in front of all these people, Grandpa is solemnly telling you that the Chi family and Pei family have no ties at all. Chi Yang also broke off his mother-son relationship with Young Madam Pei 17 years ago. Therefore, no one in this world can be considered to be your mother-in-law. Do you understand?"

Nuannuan smiled and leaned into Old Master Chi's embrace. She nuzzled her head against his shoulder and said endearingly, "Yes, Nuannuan only has Grandpa, Second Uncle, and Big Brother Chi Yang. That's why when Young Madam Pei asked me to call her Mom, I refused. I won't let her take advantage of me! Grandfather, when I was abroad, people said that it was difficult to be a daughter-in-law in Camino because most of the time, mothers-in-law were not very accommodating. I'm so happy that Big Brother Chi Yang doesn't have a mother. This way, there's no evil mother-in-law who will try to control me."

"Hahahaha..." The old man's depressed mood was lifted as he witnessed Nuannuan's malice disguised by her cute mannerisms. He could not help but laugh out loud. As he laughed, he touched Nuannuan's head and praised, "My Nuannuan is the most obedient! Grandpa loves her most!"

Beside them, Madam Pei's fury grew even more intense.

Shi Gen, "... He watched helplessly as this she-devil transformed into a little white rabbit and started behaving coquettishly.

Zhou Ruxue, who happened to be walking past the entrance of the front hall alongside Pei Jitong, wanted to enter and take the opportunity to talk to Chi Yang.

Zhou Ruxue's heart ached terribly due to her husband's difficulty in moving. She initially wanted to go to the front hall whilst there were still many people there in an attempt to repair her mother-son relationship with Chi Yang and convince him to help her. However, before she had even walked through the door, she heard Nuannuan's words—making her stop dead in her tracks.

Zhou Ruxue was almost angered to death by her words.

What did she mean by being glad that Big Brother Chi Yang did not have a mother, so that way, she would not have an evil mother-in-law to control her?

Chi Yang did not have a mother?

She was an evil mother-in-law?

The natural relationship she and Nangong Nuannuan should have had should not be reversed, right?

Right now, it was clearly the mother-in-law who was begging the daughter-in-law for approval. As long as she could do well, the Pei Corporation would be able to thrive.

How dare she offend her mother-in-law?

Pei Jitong, who was listening from the side, took Zhou Ruxue away the moment he heard this.

Nangong Nuannuan glanced in the direction they had just been standing, her gaze cold.

Sensing that someone was looking at her, Nangong Nuannuan swept her gaze over. Shi Gan was so scared that he quickly retracted his gaze, his heart beating rapidly.

He had seen Nangong Nuannuan's gaze.

It looked terrifying!

Zhou Ruxue, who was being taken away from the situation by Pei Jitong, could not help but cry in her husband's arms.

"I'm sorry, Jitong, I'm sorry! I'm useless! Chi Yang hates me, so even his fiancée doesn't take me, her mother-in-law, seriously. You're so busy and tired, but I can't help you at all. I'm sorry... Sob sob sob..."

Chapter 1880: Earning Chi Yang's Favor

Pei Jitong gently embraced Zhou Ruxue. His eyes were filled with contempt and disgust, but his words were as gentle as wool.

"It's fine, Ruxue. It's not your fault! It's all because I couldn't control myself back then. I had sex with you in the back of Chi Zehao's mourning hall, and we were even caught by Chi Yang. Of course he hates us.

But you have to remember that the human heart is made of flesh and blood. After all, you're still his biological mother, and blood is thicker than water. Chi Yang is a straightforward guy. As long as you treat him better and care for him more, he will definitely accept you again."

Zhou Ruxue said aggrievedly, "It's not like I haven't tried before. No matter how close I get to him, he just ignores me. He treats me like a complete stranger. I call him, and he blocks my phone number. Even if I use another phone, the moment he hears my voice, he immediately hangs up and blocks that number. I went to the Chi family to look for him, but I couldn't even get past the gate to their neighborhood. I went to the Eagle Special Forces to look for him, but again I couldn't even get through the gate to them. How do you expect me to start treating him well?"

Pei Jitong was also extremely frustrated. He said, "Everyone has someone that they care about deeply. The only people that Chi Yang cares about are the old man, his second uncle, and Nangong Nuannuan. If Chi Yang doesn't accept your kindness towards him, then treat the old man well. If the old man doesn't accept it, then treat Chi Zeyao and Nangong Nuannuan well.

"Human hearts are made of flesh and blood. Back then, we hurt Chi Yang's heart. Now, we must try every method we can think of to make up for what we did to him. If he sees that we treat Chi Zeyao and Nangong Nuannuan well, perhaps he'll begin to warm up to us."

Zhou Ruxue's eyes lit up. "Then, what should I do?"

Pei Jitong smiled and said, "You just need to follow your heart. I want to see you and Chi Yang's relationship improve. I don't want him to help the Pei Corporation, so don't feel pressured. You can do whatever you want."

"How can this be happening?" Zhou Ruxue said angrily. "I'm Chi Yang's biological mother, yet he treats me so poorly. Jiadong and Jialiang are just my step-sons, but they treat me like their biological mother. Jitong, in my heart, you're my only husband, and Jiadong and Jialiang are my only sons. Building a good relationship with Chi Yang is just a way to get more benefits from the Chi family and the Imperial Phoenix Corporation. So, I either don't do it, or I do it to help you. Why else would I try to mend our relationship? If he dares to ignore me in the future and doesn't support me, I'll sue him."

"Don't!" Pei Jitong helplessly scratched Zhou Ruxue's nose and rebuked her lovingly. "You have such a childish temper. It's okay to say this in front of me, but don't you dare speak like this in front of Chi Yang. If you do, given his iron-blooded temper, he may despise you for the rest of his life."

"I know! I'm just complaining to you. I'll definitely handle this matter well in front of him. Although I can't guarantee how long it will take to earn their favor, I'll do my best."

Only then did Pei Jitong feel relieved. He smiled and said, "I'll do it with you. If there's anything you need me for, don't hesitate to ask."

"Jitong, you're amazing! You're the only person who treats me so well. You're really the best man in this entire world!" Zhou Ruxue once again nestled into Pei Jitong's arms.