Physician Wife 981

Chapter 981: A Wealthy Wedding

Zhong Nuannuan was moved to tears. She reached out to hug Chi Yang's neck and buried her head in his chest.

Chi Yang knew that the little girl, who was deprived of love and affection since she was young, was now overwhelmed by her emotions again. He did not say anything and just gently stroked her hair.

No matter what she went through, his girl was for him to spoil.

On the 12th of the twelfth lunar month, Ruiyu Hotel was crowded with guests. All the major media outlets were fighting for the opportunity to cover this event.

It was Zhong Qianqian, the little princess of the Nangong family, and Gu Mingzhe, the young master of the Gu family's wedding day.

Apart from the Gu family's relatives and friends, anyone who had any form of connection with the Gu family fought to get their hands on the wedding invitation.

Those who could not get a wedding invitation had two choices—firstly, request those who had a wedding invitation to bring them in so that they could get to know the up-and-rising Gu family. Secondly, those who could not do that yet still wished to network with the wealthy could only wander around the periphery, hoping to bump into a bigshot they were familiar with and beg to follow them in.

There were also a few business partners who had backed out of the deal with the Gu family under Selina's threat. They were afraid that the Gu family would take revenge on them after the wedding. They looked like they rushed over to attend a funeral. With a bitter expression on their faces, they begged their guests to bring them in to apologize.

However, everyone avoided such a crowd as far as they could. Why would they bring them in to see the Gu family?

Ruiyu Hotel was a six-star hotel that was about to be award seven stars. Even in a place like Emperor District where every inch of land was worth its weight in gold, the hotel stood tall in its grand and massive architecture.

Zhong Qianqian's wedding was to be held in the largest hall on the third floor of Ruiyu Hotel.

This hall could accommodate 2000 people and still would not seem crowded. It was enough for the Gu family to show off.

Although the wedding was organized in a rush, many wealthy families had voluntarily joined the wedding preparations after learning that the Gu family's Young Lady was the Nangong family's little princess.

Take the Huang family, for example. They had practically sent all of their elites to help out with the wedding.

The Nangong family revealed that they would be heading to Ruiyu Hotel. Since there would be too many guests, especially during the wedding, the Gu family was afraid that problems with food, alcohol, and security would arise. Therefore, they spent a large sum of money to acquire the services of a security company parked under Shengyang Group.

Shengyang Group's security company was extremely famous in Camino. This was because the employees of the security company were all retired super-soldiers from the special forces. There were even a few extremely abled First Sergeant.

That was the reason behind Shengyang Group's overpowering dominance that allowed it to stand shoulder to shoulder with the Four Dominant Families as a corporation. Everyone guessed that Shengyang Group was highly affiliated with the military.

However, it would require a lot of money to hire the security company under Shengyang Group.

However, just to ensure that this wedding to be a perfect and beautiful affair, and for people to take delight in it, the Huang family had also invested heavily in the Gu family.

Since the Gu family was in a financial crisis, nearly everything for the wedding was paid for by the Huang family.

However, as a second-tier wealthy family, the Huang family could still afford to spend this amount of money.

To ensure that every guest received the best care, there would be people inquiring if the guests were there for the wedding banquet, starting from the entrance of Ruiyu Hotel.

If that was the case, the guests would be asked to show the wedding invitation.

After confirming that the guest had the wedding invitation, only then would someone brought the guest to the banquet hall on the third floor.

Simultaneously, an X-ray detection device had been set up outside the banquet hall. Anyone who entered the third floor would have to go through the scanner to make sure they did not have guns, pistols, bombs, or any form of weapons on them.

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After confirming that they had no weapons on, the guests were allowed to pass through the second checkpoint. They scanned the guests' wedding invitations to confirm their authenticity.

Needless to say, just to sneak in and network with the prestigious and influential families in Emperor District, some went out of their way to forge fake invitations. However, they were all caught and asked to leave.

The guests' monetary gifts and presents were sent to the concierge's department to be registered on the spot. According to the status of the guests and the value of the gifts, there were people whose job was to categorize the guests.

This stirred up a lot of dissatisfaction among some of the guests. After all, some of them attended this wedding to congratulate the couple sincerely since they had known each other for so long. They had never thought of currying favor with the Gu family. Yet, since the gifts they brought were not enough to curry favor, they were assigned to somewhere out of sight.

Today, only the groom, Gu Mingzhe, and a group of groomsmen welcomed the guests. The bride, Zhong Qianqian, and a group of bridesmaids stayed in the presidential suite in the hotel.

Zhong Qianqian was dressed so beautifully today that her beauty mesmerized Jiang Shuwan. She had never seen her own daughter dressed up so beautifully.

"Gosh, Qianqian, you're so beautiful! When other women get married, they only wear a wedding dress looking like their normal self. Yet, you're truly meant to wear a wedding dress. You have no idea how beautiful you look in a wedding dress!"

Zhong Qianqian was also happy to hear Jiang Shuwan's praises. "Really?"

Jiang Shuwan nodded strongly. "Yes!"

Huang Yuhan could not stand listening to them anymore. She held Zhong Qianqian's hand with a smile and said to Jiang Shuwan, "Of course Sis Qianqian is beautiful. She's always been beautiful. My mother ordered this custom-made wedding dress for Sis Qianqian by hiring Vivian, a renowned wedding gown designer. Other women may only wear wedding dresses that cost less than a thousand at the minimum, and maybe wedding dresses that cost more than a few hundred thousand. Even if a young lady from a wealthy family gets married, their wedding gowns will only cost less than three million yuan. However, Sis Qianqian's wedding gown costs 37 million, and there are 108 diamonds on it!"

The socialites and bridesmaids invited by the Huang family were all extremely envious. They felt that if they put the wedding gown on themselves, they would be many times more beautiful than Zhong Qianqian.

However, when in the presence of Zhong Qianqian, who was now considered the top socialite of Camino, nobody dared to show their dissatisfaction on their faces at all. Even Huang Yuhan, who had such a bad temper, treated Zhong Qianqian like Buddha the whole time, did she not? She herself was willing to be fangirling over a woman who had nothing to her name. She truly went all out on this one.

"Wow, really? No wonder this wedding dress is so beautiful and expensive!"

"Qianqian, you're so lucky. The Gu family and the Huang family are both so good. You're so lucky to have married into the family!" This compliment not only praised Zhong Qianqian, but also the Gu family and the Huang family.

However, Zhong Qianqian was unhappy.

"It's a wedding dress that costs a mere 37 million. I heard that my younger sister's gown was worth more than 70 million."

Zhong Qianqian was still brooding over this matter.

She had been face-smacked at the auction last time, and she had always wanted to make a comeback.

Now that she was the granddaughter of the Nangong family, think about all the benefits that she would bring to the Gu and Huang family in the future! Yet, they actually dared to dismiss her with a wedding dress that cost 37 million. She had been unhappy about that.

"Tsk tsk, look at how arrogant you are! A mere 37 million! If you think you're that great, why didn't you ask your mother to fork out this sum of money? Why didn't you let the Nangong family fork out this sum of money? You even claimed to be the little princess of the Nangong family. Did the Nangong family give you a single cent for your wedding?"

Chapter 983: Miss Shi

"You don't even have a single cent in your dowry, yet you still have the cheek to complain that the gown the Huang family custom-made for you is cheap. If you're so great, go to the Nangong family and get you a custom-made gown worth 70 million!"

At the door, a socialite wearing a couture gown sashayed in. However, when she saw Zhong Qianqian, her expression was cold and disdainful.

Zhong Qianqian was now the granddaughter of the Nangong family. According to her understanding, from now on, she would be the top socialite in Z Country. Her status was even higher than that b*tch, Zhong Nuannuan.

Therefore, why should she bear with such provocation?

Could she not see that the entire Z Country, be it the rich or powerful, started to bow down to the Gu family? For what did they bow down? It was because she, the daughter of a wealthy family, had gone to the Gu family to be the Young Lady!

Can't you see that the entire Camino Country, be it the rich or powerful, has started to bow down to the Gu family? Why are they bowing down? Isn't it because she, the daughter of a wealthy family, has gone to the Gu family to be the Young Madam!?

"Who do you think you are? What right do you have to talk to me like that? If you don't want to attend the wedding, then scram. A woman who spits foul nonsense like you aren't welcome here!"

The woman obviously did not expect Zhong Qianqian to not give her face so blatantly. Zhong Qianqian scolded her directly and so harshly, too. The expression on the woman's face appeared twisted.

Huang Yuhan was also shocked. She was about to say something but Jiang Shuwan interrupted her.

Jiang Shuwan had always been very protective of her own daughter, Zhong Qianqian, and Zhong Qianqian was now recognized as the little princess of the Nangong family. She had nothing to be afraid of. "Which b*tchy family are you from? What a b*tch! Did your parents feed you sh*t? Why do you have such a foul mouth? Do you know who the Nangong family is? How dare you talk so arrogantly here! I'm counting to three, and you'll get out of here right now, or I'll ask the security guards to kick your family out and ruin your reputation! I'll make all the rich and powerful families cut off all businesses with you!"

The foul-mouthed woman, "..."

The bridesmaids, "..."

Huang Yuhan, "...!!!"

Seeing the rising green in Shi Yalin's angry face tinged with utter disbelief, Huang Yuhan felt like strangling Jiang Shuwan.

Afraid that these two country bumpkins would say something irreversible one more time, Huang Yuhan could only shout, "It's a misunderstanding! It's a misunderstanding! It's all a misunderstanding!"

Then, she scuttled over to Shi Yalin.

Compared to offending Zhong Qianqian, she was more afraid of offending Shi Yalin.

Therefore, Huang Yuhan could only hold Shi Yalin's hand affectionately and introduce her to Zhong Qianqian. "Sis Qianqian, don't be mad. This big sister here is the daughter of the Shi family, Shi Yalin. Her father is the eldest son of the Shi family, the CEO of Fortune Group. The two of you are the daughters of first-tier wealthy families!"

Hearing that the woman was the daughter of a first-tier wealthy family, Jiang Shuwan turned pale as she recalled what she blurted out in anger just now.

Obviously, the difference between a real lady from a first-tier wealthy family and a fake lady like Zhong Qianqian was apparent.

Zhong Qianqian's face was also pale from fright, and her eyes were obviously filled with guilt.

However, it was obvious that she was not as smart as Jiang Shuwan. She thought that the Nangong family, the Ning family, and the Xiao family were the top four families in Emperor District, while the Shi family was ranked the last one. Although her Grandpa treated her badly, he should die soon. After that, the world would be under her Nangong uncles' control.

She could tell that her uncles really doted on her a lot. There were also her brothers from the same generation who had such fervent gazes when she visited the Nangong family with Gu Mingzhe previously.

Chapter 984: First-tier Versus First-tier

Thus, whenever she thought of that, Zhong Qianqian straightened her back and sternly rebuked, "So what if you're the Shi Clan's young miss? Does being the Young Miss of the Shi family mean you can disregard the Nangong family just like that? Does the Shi family's Young Miss have the right to come and wreck my wedding? You're not welcome here. Get out!"

The hint of guilt that rose in Jiang Shuwan grew hostile along with the rise of Zhong Qianqian's anger. Although it was not enough to make Jiang Shuwan continue acting like a shrew, she still managed to calm herself down.

"Miss Shi, you're the daughter of a first-tier wealthy family, and our Qianqian isn't bad either. The only reason why you can insult our Qianqian so arrogantly is that you've always been living in a better environment than our Qianqian. If you were also lost when you were young and separated from your family, you might just fare worse than our Qianqian. So, Miss Shi, please grant us some verbal mercy. After all, today is our Qianqian's wedding day."

"That's enough, Auntie Jiang. Can you just stop talking?" Huang Yuhan was about to cry.

Although the Shi family was ranked last among the Four Dominant Families, the Shi family had started to climb the ranks abruptly in the past few years. Even the Nangong family was often at the receiving end of their provocation.

Nangong Ze was the perfect example. After he left the Medic Association Hospital temporarily in anger, the Nangong family did not seem to be doing anything to the Shi family either.

The current Shi family was no longer the same as before.

Shi Yalin was totally displeased. As the Young Miss of the Shi family, who was also spoiled by a group of men at home, she never expected to be scolded by this country bumpkin.

All of a sudden, she could feel anger flaring. However, a true lady would never be like Zhong Qianqian and Jiang Shuwan even in anger. They would not call others 'b*tch' so easily.

Shi Yalin had received all sorts of elite education since she was young, thus she could never say such crude things.

However, the Shi family was no longer a family that had to act around the Nangong family. Furthermore, she was here today solely to provoke them. Thus, she would jab wherever Zhong Qianqian cared about.

"Tsk tsk, you're really uncouth. Insults poured out so naturally from your lips. As expected of the country bumpkins from a small town. When I heard that the Nangong family found their granddaughter, I thought she'll be someone who will act like a princess, but she's just a pheasant. Speaking of which, Nangong Yu was so haughty back then, and admittedly, she carried herself as royally as a phoenix. How could she have given birth to a pheasant like you? Could it be that you reported wrongly? Did the Nangong family put you through a DNA test?"

Zhong Qianqian, "..."

Jiang Shuwan, "..."

Both of them looked nervous, but they quickly recollected themselves.

Zhong Qianqian sneered. "Do you think that if a child from your family is wandering outside, any Tom, Dick, and Harry can join your family? I'm sorry to disappoint you, Miss Shi. I'm the Nangong family's Young Miss. I'm the real deal!"

"Since you're the little princess of the Nangong family, why is the Nangong family letting you get married first before accepting you into the family? Based on my understanding of Grandfather Nangong and the other Nangong uncles, they care too much about your mother! Why did they marry you off so easily? Putting aside the fact that they didn't give you any dowry, just the fact that they chased you out of the house without even acknowledging you as their granddaughter is enough to show what kind of status you have in the Nangong family!"

Although Shi Yalin's words were not vulgar, each and every word pierced straight into Zhong Qianqian's heart.

It was not just Zhong Qianqian and Jiang Shuwan, but even Huang Yuhan turned pale.

No way...

Chapter 985: Dissatisfaction

It would not turn out to be a disaster, would it?

"Sis Yalin, Uncle Nangong treats Sis Qiangian quite well."

"Hehe, the noble little princess of the Nangong family can't even afford a mere 70 million gown, and she demands that the groom's family pay for it. She clearly knows that the groom's family is in a financial crisis that they have to borrow money just to hold the wedding, yet she didn't even say a word. Lil Sis Huang, this sister-in-law of yours might not be capable of bringing you guys to greater heights as you expect! I suggest that you guys give the Nangong family a call first! After all, the guests are already here. If the Nangong family doesn't come by then, that will be very embarrassing."

After saying that, Shi Yalin did not bother talking to Zhong Qianqian anymore. She turned around and left, leaving a figure that was as proud as a peacock.

Zhong Qianqian was shaking with anger.

"Sis Qianqian, you should rest here for a while. I'll check in on Sis Yalin. Don't be too angry, okay? I heard that the relationship between the Shi family and the Nangong family is rather delicate recently, so she probably dissed you because she wants to provoke the Nangong family."

Huang Yuhan then rushed out after Shi Yalin.

In truth, Huang Yuhan went to look for her mother instead.

Honestly, although the familial ties in the upper-class society were mostly indifferent, the Nangong family's intentions were dangerously ambiguous. This not only made Huang Yuhan feel uneasy, but it also made the Huang family feel uneasy.

However, the Gu family had indeed benefited quite a bit from the Nangong family while the Nangong family had not mentioned anything about the Gu family profiting under their banner.

Therefore, things seemed to appear more and more uncertain to Huang Yuhan and she quickly went to her mother.

Although Zhong Qianqian and Jiang Shuwan took comfort in Huang Yuhan's words, they still felt uneasy. Realizing that even the bridesmaids fell silent after a whole day of flattering and gaining Zhong Qianqian's favors, Zhong Qianqian felt a looming sense of unease.

After a while, Mrs. Gu came up, followed by Gu Mingyan and Huang Yuhan.

"Qianqian, it's already 12pm. Almost all the guests are here. Even the Ning, Xiao, and Shi families are here. Why don't you call your uncle and ask him the time of their arrival?" Mrs. Gu's eyes were filled with panic.

Upon hearing that three out of the four major families had already arrived, leaving the Nangong family being the only one absent, Zhong Qianqian's blood froze.

They were not here yet?

Why were they not here yet?

The other three families among the Four Dominant Families had already arrived. Why was the Nangong family not here yet?

Did they find out that she was an imposter?

Or could it be that... the Nangong family had no intentions of acknowledging her at all?

Impossible, right...?

She received the DNA test report from the last time too. The test conducted by the Nangong family proved that they were related by blood!

"Qianqian, what are you waiting for? Hurry up and call your uncle!"

"Oh... okay."

Zhong Qianqian's body was frozen and her scalp was numb.

This was her grand wedding. Nothing must go wrong!

As Zhong Nuannuan dialed Nangong Qin's number, she prayed in her heart.

"Put it on loudspeaker, so that Mommy can hear what's going on too."

Zhong Qianqian bit her lower lip and turned on the loudspeaker.

The phone rang for a long time and nobody picked up. Zhong Qianqian was so scared that it felt like her blood was starting to flow backward. She stood there, stunned.

After ringing for a minute, the sound that signified it was an unanswered call blared. Everyone's expression darkened instantly.

"What's going on? Call him again!"

Even Gu Mingyan—Selina's biological mother—who was always known for her patience and gentle temperament, spoke in an authoritative tone.

Chapter 986: Joyous Day

Today, the Ning, Xiao, and Shi families had come to Zhong Qianqian and Gu Mingzhe's wedding uninvited. That itself gave them a lot of face. However, if any problems arose on Zhong Qianqian's side, Gu Mingyan would never forgive Zhong Qianqian and the Gu family.

Zhong Qianqian was so scared that she dropped her phone. The phone crashed onto the ground at an unlucky angle, and cracks that formed a spider web appeared on her phone screen.

Gu Mingyan could no longer keep a straight face and berated Zhong Qianqian sternly, "Zhong Qianqian, did you do it on purpose?"

Hearing that, Jiang Shuwan was upset, but she did not dare to say anything.

Zhong Qianqian was so frightened that her eyes were brimming with tears. Just as she was ready to wail to gain their pity, the phone on the floor suddenly rang.

Everyone gathered around to take a look. The words 'Second Uncle' appeared on the phone.

Zhong Qianqian was delighted. She quickly snatched up the phone and answered the call. Then, she gave Gu Mingyan a displeased glance that was meant to provoke her. Gu Mingyan instantly felt guilty.

"Hello, Second Uncle, why aren't you here yet? Just now, Brother Mingzhe's mother, Mrs. Gu, already started telling me off..."

Hmph, she wanted to see if Gu Mingyan still dared to yell at her like that in the future.

As expected, Gu Mingyan shuddered and quickly snatched the phone from Zhong Qianqian's hands. She immediately explained, "Oh, dear. Hello Uncle-in-law, our time together isn't even enough for us to dote on Qianqian yet. So, how could we possibly get angry at her? Just now, it was simply because the Ning, Xiao, and Shi families came uninvited. We were in a hurry to get you to come over to get a hold of the situation, so we asked Qianqian to give you a call. Unexpectedly, she smashed her phone by accident. We simply said that she was being careless. Uncle-in-law, may I know when you are coming over?"

On the other side, Nangong Qin said, "We're on our way, why are you in such a hurry? Today is a joyous day—the Old Master is leading everyone from the Nangong family to welcome our little princess back home. Tell the media that everyone will definitely enjoy themselves to the maximum today."

"Ah!!!" Gu Mingyan clutched her chest. She practically worshipped Nangong Qin to death. If not for the fact that Nangong Qin despised her, she would definitely bow down to Nangong Qin's imposing and domineering attitude.

After all, Nangong Qin was the target of her unrequited crush 20 years ago!

"Okay, okay, okay. We'll definitely explain that to the guests outside. Even if they're from first-tier families, we'll ask them to wait for the upcoming show."

On the other side, Nangong Qin merely grunted in acknowledgment before hanging up.

It was Zhong Qianqian's turn to boast.

She snatched the phone from Gu Mingyan's hand and glared at her. "Are you satisfied now?"

Gu Mingyan laughed awkwardly and hurriedly removed the bracelet from around her wrist and placed it in Zhong Qianqian's.

"Qianqian, I was simply a little too anxious just now. Don't be angry with me. When the wedding's over, I'll ask Yuhan to go shopping with you. How about that?"

Zhong Qianqian finally saw through the Gu and Huang families. Other than Huang Yuhan, she disliked everyone else.

"Alright then. But since my uncle said that it's going to be a big event today, stop nagging at me."

"Okay, okay, okay. I understand. I'll go down now and inform everyone to wait for the Nangong family's grand entrance."

Gu Mingyan and Mrs. Gu went downstairs in high spirits. Zhong Qianqian also felt bored sitting here, so she suggested, "I'll go down too. It's so boring sitting here."

Afraid that Zhong Qianqian would be dissatisfied with their Huang family in the future, Huang Yuhan immediately said, "Sis Qianqian, let me accompany you."

Chapter 987: How Lucky

Although Jiang Shuwan had seen Huang Yuhan's true colors, it was not the time for her to butt in. Once Qianqian gained a foothold in the Nangong family, she would teach the Gu family and the Huang family a lesson.

Hmph, how dare they criticized her daughter.

After Gu Mingyan and Madam Gu left, they informed Gu Mingzhe's father, Mr. Gu, and her husband respectively what Nangong Qin said just now.

After stabilizing their own emotional state, only then did they apologized to the guests for the delay.

Of course, they claimed to be apologizing when the truth was that they wanted the opportunity to show off in front of the guests—not just because Zhong Qianqian was confirmed to be the Nangong family's little princess. They wanted everyone to know that the patriarch of the Nangong family would personally attend Zhong Qianqian's wedding even though he was severely ill.

This made the guests very happy.

After all, the Nangong family valued Zhong Qianqian very much, and they expected to be in good hands since they had a good relationship with the family Zhong Qianqian belonged to.

However, the members of the first-tier wealthy families, who were originally here to watch these people get embarrassed, felt their moods sinking into the depths.

Especially the Shi family. Recently, just to find out more about the Nangong family, they had provoked the Gu family several times. Shi Yalin never thought too highly of Zhong Qianqian anyway, so she had insulted her.

However, if Zhong Qianqian was really the little princess that the Nangong family cared for... Did that not mean that her actions just now were akin to plucking the whiskers on a tiger's face?

Just as she brooded about it, Zhong Qianqian descended. She wore a glamorous wedding gown, but her figure and appearance were so ordinary.

Amidst the constant showers of congratulations and praises, Zhong Qianqian slowly strolled to Shi Yalin's side like a proud peacock. Although she was facing the crowd, her words were targeted at Shi Yalin.

"Oh, well. To be honest, I never planned to make this too grand, but unfortunately, Uncle said that Grandpa's illness improved a lot after hearing that I'm getting married. Thus, he insists on making his grand entrance here and holds a grand ceremony to officially acknowledge me. Everyone knows that my Grandpa's health isn't great recently and it's inconvenient for him to travel. Please forgive us."

Hearing Zhong Qianqian's words, Shi Yalin fumed internally, but she could not refute Zhong Qianqian openly.

After all, the Gu and Huang families did not dare to spread any news about the Nangong family yet.

Now, it seemed like Zhong Qianqian was truly the Nangong family's granddaughter.

Unbeknownst to everyone, not long after the phone call, more than ten black Rolls-Royces arrived at Ruiyu Hotel.

Strings of security clad in suits, fully equipped with earpieces, alighted from the Rolls-Royce Phantoms.

Two of the Rolls-Royce Phantom extended wheelbase stopped, but the doors remained shut.

Soon enough, security guards who alighted from the other Rolls-Royce gathered around the two cars. Then, someone opened the door.

The people who were left outside because they did not have the wedding invitation to enter the banquet hall, or the many people from the media that could not enter, remained outside. They all wanted to get first-hand news.

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As soon as the Nangong family appeared, they were drowned in the sea of camera flashes.

"I guessed right! Zhong Qianqian is the little princess that the Nangong family accidentally left outside!"

"The Gu family is really lucky. Young Master Gu simply found his first love, and she turned out to be the little princess of the Nangong family."

"Previously, the Nangong family kept their mouths tightly sealed. I even thought there was some mistake in between. I didn't expect that even Old Master Nangong would show up today!"

The crowd that had not been able to enter the wedding banquet began to discuss animatedly amongst themselves. They were all regretful that they were not capable of entering the hall and gaining the Gu family's favors.

Chapter 988: Coming

"Mr. Nangong, are you here to attend Miss Zhong Qianqian's wedding banquet today?"

"Mr. Nangong, may I ask if Miss Zhong Qianqian is indeed the long-lost little princess of the Nangong family since many years ago?"

"Mr. Nangong, why didn't the Nangong family respond to Miss Zhong Qiangian's matter?"

"Mr. Nangong, may I ask if all the men in the Nangong family are mobilized today to acknowledge the granddaughter of the Nangong family?"

Almost as soon as the men from the Nangong family walked out of the car and gathered together, the reporters surrounded them and started to ask questions.

However, the Nangong family's hired security guards were professionals. The reporters could only ask questions from the periphery and could not approach the Nangong family at all.

Only when everyone stood still did Nangong Ze raised his hands protectively over the roof of the car. A girl wearing a pair of large sunglasses and a baseball cap crawled out of the car with a boy in her left hand and a girl in her right.

The two children looked to be about five years old, but the girl's slender body supported their weight easily.

Even though these two children rarely appeared in front of the camera, it was obvious that they were the little young prince and little young princess of the Nangong family.

When everyone looked at Zhong Nuannuan, Nangong Shu suddenly spoke.

The reporters immediately turned their attention to Nangong Shu.

"Later, there will be an official announcement on the Nangong family acknowledging their long-lost little princess."

"Did the Nangong family approach another media company on their own? Which company?"

"Are we from the entertainment column included?"

"We're invited too! Are we considered the official media company for that?"

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The media blew up.

After all, they had already entered the venue of the wedding banquet by pulling some strings, but the Nangong family mentioned having an 'official announcement'. So, they were all wondering if they were part of this 'official announcement'.

However, the Nangong family was no longer concerned about this issue. This was because Zhong Nuannuan had already walked into the group of men from the Nangong family with two children in her hands. Then, under their strong protection and isolation efforts by the group of security guards, she walked into Ruiyu Hotel without obstacles.

"Who was that girl earlier?"

"The nanny for the two children...?"

"Why is their nanny so pretty?"

"Why can't she be pretty? After all, this is the Nangong family. There's nothing to be surprised about even if they hired a celebrity to be the children's nanny. She's carrying the little young prince and little young princess of the Nangong family after all!"

"But... why do I find that girl so strangely familiar?"

"Hey, Old Li, the Nangong family is here. Hurry up and get the cameras rolling. I can't come in."

Just as everyone was discussing Zhong Nuannuan excitedly, they suddenly heard a reporter secretly making a call to his colleague inside. They then realized that they had put the cart before the horse. They had forgotten to inform their colleagues who were inside to quickly receive the Nangong family.

Then, everyone put aside the strange familiarity they felt toward Zhong Nuannuan and quickly called their colleagues currently in the wedding venue.

Almost all the reporters' phones in the banquet hall vibrated at the same time.

Then, the guests realized that almost all the reporters had rushed up at the same time to block the door.

"They're coming, they're coming! It must be the Nangong family!"

One of the guests exclaimed, sending all the guests turning to look at the door.

Zhong Qianqian, the Gu family, and the Huang family were originally showing off over here. When they heard everyone's voices, they all started tidying up their attires. Gu Mingzhe and Zhong Qianqian held hands and walked to the door in their best postures, ready to welcome the Nangong family.

Chapter 989: Welcome, In-laws

Mr. Gu and Mrs. Gu, as well as Gu Mingyan and the head of the Huang family, stood in a row at the utmost front. With bright smiles on their faces, they were all staring in the elevator's direction.

Mr. Gu asked one of the reporters in spite of himself, "Are they coming?"

The reporter nodded. "Yes."

Another reporter added, "I heard from my colleague that the Nangong family is here. Even Old Master Nangong is here."

When the Gu and Huang family heard this, a satisfied expression bloomed on their faces. Huang Yuhan said enviously, "Sis Qianqian, your grandfather really adores you. He's still so sick, yet he came all the way to attend your wedding banquet."

Zhong Qianqian smiled proudly.

18th floor, 19th floor... 21st floor...

When the elevator reached the 22nd floor, the six of them stepped forward with bright smiles.

However...

The elevator did not stop on the 22nd floor. Instead, it shot up from the 22nd to the 66th floor.

Meanwhile, the elevator on the other side remained immobile.

"Eh? Didn't you say that our in-laws are coming? Don't tell me they haven't gotten into the elevator?" Mrs. Gu looked at the media behind her in confusion.

The media was also dumbfounded.

"Our people clearly said that they were already here!"

Zhong Qianqian was slightly baffled. She could not help but complain, "Maybe they've just entered the hotel, not the elevator yet! What a scam!"

That was Zhong Qianqian's nature—she could act like a pretentious little innocent flower when she was not powerful. Once she gained power, she would be super disgusting.

The reporters at the receiving end of her insult, "..."

The heck? What did this have to do with them? Why did she insult them? It was not as if the reporters were the ones who announced that the Nangong family had entered the elevator and requested the Gu and Huang family to wait here. They were the ones who rushed forward and waited in front of the elevator themselves. Only then did the reporters followed them here to try and get first-hand news.

There was no reason for Zhong Qianqian to insult them. What a lunatic!

"The elevator is coming up."

A random voice rang. The group of people from the Gu family immediately went to the front of another elevator that was ascending up the building, smiling happily.

When the elevator reached the 22nd floor and stopped, everyone rushed forward.

The security guards hired by the Huang family immediately blocked the media and guests from closing in, clearing a path for only the Gu family and the Huang family.

Ding!

The elevator door opened.

Mr. Gu laughed and called out, "Welcome, in—"

Before he could say 'laws', his smile froze.

"Where are they? Why is it empty?"

The Gu family, the Huang family, Gu Mingzhe and Zhong Qianqian were all dumbfounded.

"Big Brother, there's no need to rush. The in-laws must be getting ready to come up, but something came up. Perhaps that's why they haven't entered the elevator after pressing the button."

Gu Mingyan smiled sweetly and consoled Mr. Gu.

Everyone thought about it and agreed.

What kind of family was the Nangong family? Their presence was usually limited to appearing on the news. With the promise of seeing everyone from the Nangong family arriving in the flesh, how could anyone miss this opportunity to approach them?

With that thought, the awkward feeling dissipated.

"The elevator is coming up again!"

Jiang Shuwan and Grandma Jiang called from behind them. Thus, the welcoming party moved to the other elevator at once.

Thankfully, there were only two elevators at the entrance of this door, and the remaining elevators were in another direction. Otherwise, the group of people would be running around like crazy.

Yet, just like its predecessor, the elevator stopped on the 22nd floor.

However, after everyone was done prepping themselves and put on their widest smiles, the elevator door opened to emptiness once more.

The guests were fine. However, after going through this two or three times, the reporters, especially the ones with large cameras, were rendered speechless.

Chapter 990: Face-smacking

The same vicious cycle repeated itself over and over again. The Nangong family had already entered the place ten minutes ago. Why had they not come up yet?

The elevator door opened again and again on the 22nd floor. It was an absolute monkey show!

Suddenly, some of the more quick-witted reporters started gossiping.

Could it be...

They did not dare to make wild guesses. They could only sneakily take out their phones and ask their colleagues who were still outside—the Nangong family entered the building or ascended the building?

Their answer was that some of them witnessed the Nangong family heading up a long time ago.

Their colleagues even questioned them back. Did they not see the Nangong family?

For the sake of the Gu and Huang families' comeback, they invited all the well-known media companies in the country.

These gossipy people's sense of smell was almost on par with a bloodhound's. In an instant, their noses told them that this would be an explosive selling point.

Could all of this be... a joke?

Everyone started to engage in their own private conversations and ask their colleagues what was going on outside. The answer they got was what Nangong Shu told the media to wait for the official announcement!

Instantly, the gossip columnists could not hold back anymore.

Official announcement by the official media?

Were they not the official media hired?

They were the official media invited by the Gu and Huang families!

After the Gu family and the Huang family fell for the elevator trick several times, their hearts turned cold as the elevator doors to an empty elevator opened up on the 22nd floor once more.

"Go down and find out who's behind the prank! Then, go find out why the Nangong family hasn't come up yet."

Mrs. Gu looked at the security guard unhappily.

Since they paid an exorbitant fee for security, of course the security guards would do whatever they commanded.

He immediately went down to check on the elevator.

An elevator operator from Ruiyu Hotel stood at the entrance of the two elevators. Whenever the elevator came down, he would step into it dutifully and press the button for the 22nd floor before exiting.

"What are you doing?"

The security guard was not displeased. After all, he was a member of Shengyang Group. All he needed to do was to follow his employer's orders.

Of course, as one of the people in charge of the security this time, he was also aware of what was going on with the Young Lady of the house. Therefore, he knew that his Young Lady had already gone up to the 66th floor with the Nangong family.

When the elevator operator saw that a security guard from the wedding banquet came down, he thought that the man was from the Gu family or the Huang family. He gave the man a polite bow and said, "Hello, I've been given orders to press the elevator here."

"Orders? Whose orders?"

"Our Little Miss has ordered me to take over the elevator and press the button to the 22nd floor."

"Is she the Little Miss of the Nangong family?"

"Yes."

"Noted."

Then, the security guard took the same elevator upstairs.

When they saw the elevator open on the 22nd floor again, the members of the Gu family and Huang family stopped smiling.

However, when they saw a pair of long legs inside, everyone immediately broke into smiles.

"In..."

He only said one word, and before he could finish, he saw that there was only one person in the elevator, and it was the security guard that they had sent down.

"Why did you use this elevator?"

"It's quick. Convenient," the security guard answered simply.

The people from the Gu family choked, but they did not continue to ask this question. After all, there was something more important.

"What's really going on?"

"It's the Nangong family's Little Miss who asked the elevator operator to press the elevator button. Her reason is unclear. The Nangong family has already arrived at Ruiyu Hotel, but we don't know where they went. The workers down there didn't say anything about that."