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Chapter 1811 So handsome he shatters the earth's shell

Gong Xu grunted and continued to say to the phone, "They're incredibly loving, and the most important point is that Brother Ye's boyfriend is so handsome he shatters the earth's crust! A single hair from him could blow you to smithereens!

"Who wants you more than life itself? Who's deeply in love with you? Who's playing hard to get? You're the freaking embodiment of a drama king, alright? You're seriously too good at creating scenes for yourself! How could ugly swine like you dare to covet my Brother Ye?"

Everyone at the table, except for Big Dipper, Seven Star, and Fu Mingxi, had seen the "so handsome he shatters the earth's crust" boyfriend that Gong Xu mentioned.

Seven Star imperceptibly furrowed his brows and automatically glanced at Ye Wanwan.

Meanwhile, Big Dipper quietly blurted out, "Sis Feng has a... has a boyfriend in China?"

Fu Mingxi asked, "Boyfriend? What boyfriend?"

After Gong Xu finished his tirade in one breath, Gu Yueze's expression darkened as he listened to Gong Xu's voice on the other end.

Gu Yueze had people privately investigate the matter and hadn't discovered that Ye Wanwan was dating anyone during this period of time.

Hence, to him, this was merely a charade from Ye Wanwan.

As for artists like Gong Xu, Luo Chen, and even Fu Mingxi, he had never taken them seriously.

Soon, Gu Yueze responded with a voice message.

"Heh, Wanwan, I thought you were a clever girl and would know how to choose, but it appears I've overestimated you. I think you should know that there's no one in Imperial City who's worthy of you rejecting me."

Gu Yueze's strange words rang again, but this time, Big Dipper, Seven Star, and Fu Mingxi's attention wasn't focused on him anymore.

"You're awesome, Brother Ye! You have a boyfriend in China too?" Big Dipper zealously asked.

Ye Wanwan:"..."

How in the world does Big Dipper manage to do this? Why do his words cause misunderstandings every time so easily? What does he mean I have a boyfriend in China too?

Do I have many, many boyfriends?!

Unfortunately, while Seven Star was able to successfully block out Fu Mingxi, he couldn't do anything about Big Dipper. "Please erase the part 'in China too'! Thank you!"

"Hey! Who's Brother Ye's boyfriend in China? Is he really that handsome?" Big Dipper was already akin to a wild horse broken free of its reins and eagerly pulled on Gong Xu to inquire.

Gong Xu nodded. "Although I don't want to admit it, he really is very handsome..."

Fu Mingxi protested, "Gong Xu, aren't you exaggerating too much?!"

In the end, the meal wrapped up amidst everyone's insults for Gu Yueze and gossip about Ye Wanwan's Chinese boyfriend.

After the meal concluded, they exited the hotel to return home individually and were about to enter their cars when a dark hoard of reporters rushed up.

Fei Yang's expression instantly changed. "What's going on? Did our itinerary get leaked? Let's go!"

Any single person from their group could evoke a commotion, let alone so many gathered together.

To their lament, there were too many reporters and they were tightly blocking the hotel entrance, so Ye Wanwan and her group were stuck and unable to leave for the time being.

Thankfully, Big Dipper and Seven Star were martially inclined and stopped the crowd from pressing too close.

"Miss Ye Wanwan, regarding the rumors circulating around the internet about you and Mr. Gu, is there something you would like to say?"

"When you tearfully agreed to break the engagement back then, did you consider it your lifelong regret?"

"Did you publicly expose Ye Yiyi's background to make Mr. Gu turn around and rekindle his old flame with you?"

Question after question was launched at Ye Wanwan like a series of cannonballs, causing Ye Wanwan to unwittingly scratch her ears. She felt like she was about to go deaf.

Chapter 1812 My taste isn't that awful

Ye Wanwan, who was walking forward while protected from the reporters, suddenly stopped and turned to one of the reporters.

A second of silence enveloped the scene.

When that reporter saw Ye Wanwan looking at her, she excitedly asked, "CEO Ye, I heard good things are coming for you and Mr. Gu? Will Stars Corporation collaborate with the Gu Group due to this relationship?"

Ye Wanwan humorously swept her eyes across all the reporters. "Gu Yueze and I? Apologies, but you seem to have misunderstood something."

The reporters were bewildered. "Misunderstood something?"

Ye Wanwan aloofly replied, "My taste isn't that awful."

All the reporters were stupefied.

D*mn!

This Ye Wanwan is seriously arrogant"

With the Gu family's power in Imperial City and Gu Yueze's looks and character, he was the golden husband candidate for numerous socialites and heiresses. Otherwise, Ye Yiyi wouldn't have done everything she could to steal him from Ye Wanwan.

Back then, everyone in the industry witnessed how Ye Wanwan made a fool of herself to chase after Gu Yueze.

"Ahem, Miss Ye, your words..." The reporter was at a loss for words...

"Back then, my taste... yes... it might've indeed been rather weird... Now though, I have a boyfriend, so I'd like to request all my media friends to refrain from believing the rumors," Ye Wanwan interrupted the reporter and dropped another atomic bomb.

What?!

Ye Wanwan has a boyfriend already?

The reporter and their fellow reporters had been digging for so long but hadn't been able to fish out any gossip like that!

Could it be someone in the industry too?!

"Miss Ye Wanwan, you already have a boyfriend? May I ask who he is? Is he from the entertainment industry?"

"Could it be a member of the Age of Immortals?" someone guessed.

Listening to the reporters' ardent inquiries, Han Xianyu, Gong Xu, and the others were also surprised.

Ye Wanwan had always been very low-profile, so they didn't expect her to publicize her romantic relationship so directly this time.

However, considering how revolting Gu Yueze's actions were, it wasn't strange that she would publicize her relationship.

Ye Mufan was also fairly astonished since he thought his sister had broken up with that pretty boy already.

After all, such a serious ordeal occurred in their family and his sister hadn't mentioned that man after returning to the country, so he didn't dare to mention it in fear of saddening her. He didn't expect her to suddenly bring it up out of her own initiative.

Ye Wanwan frankly answered, "He isn't from the entertainment industry. He's a businessman, and you all should know him too."

A businessman and also someone they knew?

Just who was it?!

"Could it be YL's CEO? I think he publicly declared he was a fan of Ye Bai earlier, and gossip about them circulated for some time!"

"YL's CEO is already more than 50 years old, no? He's been divorced twice too..."

"It can't be an artist under her, right?"

Amidst the intense discussion and pressing inquiries, Ye Wanwan nonchalantly continued, "His name is Si Yehan."

All the reporters:" ... "

Ye Mufan: "..."

Gong Xu:"..."

Luo Chen:"..."

Fu Mingxi:"…"

Aside from Big Dipper and Seven Star, who didn't recognize the name "Si Yehan," the rest of their group and all the reporters were flabbergasted.

Ye Mufan nearly bit his tongue as he stared at his sister, stupefied. He quietly cursed, "Sh*t! Wanwan, wh-who did you say? You clearly didn't drink at all tonight!!!"

Chapter 1813 No way she would give him an official status?

After a brief moment of shock, an uproar snaked through the crowd.

None of them ever expected Ye Wanwan to utter this name!

They weren't just familiar with this name!

It was akin to thunder to their ears!

Gong Xu dazedly stood there, thinking he heard wrong. "S-Si Yehan...? Isn't... isn't it Ninth Si?"

Fei Yang exclaimed: "Oh my god!!!"

No one expected the biggest gossip of the year to come out from Ye Bai instead of an artist.

Luo Chen was also astonished. No matter how much you didn't pay attention to gossip and news, you still knew the name "Si Yehan" despite the fact that he never appeared in front of any media outlet or in public.

Han Xianyu was first shocked before peering down in contemplation, finally understanding something...

No wonder he kept feeling like that man's aura indicated an extraordinary identity...

Perhaps it was because Ye Bai truly gave him too many surprises that while this matter might be shocking to everyone, Han Xianyu found it to be within reason.

Moreover, Ye Bai was different from how she was before; as the owner of Stars Corporation, she carried a status and background that wasn't inferior to the Si family's in China at all.

It was Gu Yueze who thought too highly of himself and ignorantly wanted to "charm" someone way out of his league without any self-knowledge.

A sense of crisis appeared on Fu Mingxi's face for the first time. I knew it!! I knew it!!!

How could a man that the President took a fancy to be so simple?!

It's our President's nature to only do challenging things!

B-but...what can I do?!

Wait, no... calm down! Calm down! Si Yehan is Chinese!

The Independent State absolutely prohibited its residents from marrying outsiders, so the President could only have fun with him in China and there was no way she would give him an official status! That was right!

Realization dawned on Big Dipper. "No wonder Sis Feng ordered us to secretly look into traces of the patriarch of the Si family after we came to China! She has a thing with him!"

Seven Star frowned and sighed with exasperation. As they said' the mighty dragon was no match for the native serpent The Si family possessed immense power in China, and as the patriarch of the Si family, Si Yehan absolutely wasn't one to be trifled with.

He was truly afraid of the President stirring some sort of trouble like willfully forcing Patriarch Si to be her boyfriend or something.

If Ye Wanwan knew Seven Star's thoughts, she'd definitely spit in his face. She was the forced one, alright?!

Of course, she absolutely wouldn't mention this kind of dark history.

Meanwhile ...

At a certain secluded manor in Imperial City:

Lin Que finally returned to his original appearance and was gleefully browsing through gossip with his laptop in hand.

In front of the fireplace, a man was sitting on the sofa with his head propped on one hand while holding a book with his other hand, but his attention clearly wasn't on the book.

As Lin Que browsed, he kept vocalizing his thoughts: "Tsk tsk tsk, look at your woman, Ninth Brother, she hasn't simmered down for a second since she's returned to China and keeps causing trouble every day..."

"Tsk tsk tsk, isn't Fu Mingxi the grandson of that Second Elder from the Fearless Alliance? He looks like he has ulterior motives toward that ugly freak! Nice. Ninth Brother, how are you managing to ignore this?!" "Tsk tsk tsk, Gu Yueze is rather shameless! The ugly freak already announced her identity as the big boss of Stars Corporation, so how could she have her eyes on a mere member of the Gu family? Does he think ugly freak is still the brain-dead teenager from back then?! His intelligence is simply beyond words! How can you stand this, Ninth Brother?"

"Tsk tsk tsk..." Lin Que kept prattling on when his eyes suddenly shot open upon seeing something. "Sh*t! Ninth Brother! Hurry and look at this!"

Chapter 1814 Knew the truth bes

"Ninth Brother! Hurry and watch this video! That ugly freak actually ... "

Si Yehan turned to look at Lin Que instead of the notebook he brought toward him.

A chill ran down Lin Que's back at once, and he gulped. "I was wrong, I was wrong... I misspoke! It's Ninth Sister, Ninth Sister!"

No matter what Ye Wanwan looked like now, her eyesore appearance from back then was deeply engraved into his soul.

It was only after Lin Que changed his form of address that Si Yehan graciously looked at the laptop.

Lin Que immediately restarted the video from the beginning.

The video captured an interview, and Si Yehan recognized the girl surrounded by people at a single glance.

The reporters kept grilling Ye Wanwan about her relationship with Gu Yueze and whether she wanted to get back together with him.

"My taste isn't that awful." Ye Wanwan's voice arose from the clamor.

When the reporter raised another question, the girl continued: "Back then, my taste... yes... it might've indeed been rather weird... Now though, I have a boyfriend, so I'd like to request all my media friends to refrain from believing the rumors."

Lin Que finished watching the video earlier, so he excitedly watched his Ninth Brother's expression turn awful and he intentionally taunted him: "Hehe, Ninth Brother. Guess the identity of the boyfriend Ninth Sister's talking about?"

Si Yehan ignored him.

"He isn't from the entertainment industry. He's a businessman; you all should know him too," the girl in the video continued.

A businessman... the reporters know him too...

"His name is Si Yehan."

When Si Yehan heard his name, his unfathomable eyes contracted immediately.

Lin Que saw Si Yehan's astonished expression as expected and was instantly satisfied. He excitedly exclaimed, "It's all over the internet now! Ninth Sister has publicized it to the world!"

Before, Ye Wanwan always adamantly cut a clear line between herself and Si Yehan, afraid that other people would learn about her relationship with Si Yehan. To their surprise, she actually admitted Si Yehan was her man in front of so many reporters this time.

Si Yehan's slender fingers touched the laptop screen and the video replayed Ye Wanwan's lines "I have a boyfriend" and "His name is Si Yehan."

Ye Wanwan's interview spread through the internet like wildfire as soon as it was uploaded and rapidly entered the headlines of the major news outlets.

One of the main leads of this rumor featured the behind-the-scenes boss of Stars Corporation who just revealed herself while the other was the mysterious patriarch of the Si family who had never revealed his face. This rumor was a hundred times more explosive than the exposure Gu Yueze spent a large sum to buy.

Gu Yueze naturally saw this interview instantly.

Not a long time had passed since he sent a message to Ye Wanwan inviting her to dinner before being rejected. He didn't expect her to appear in an interview a few hours later and publicly say something like that.

Si Yehan... was her boyfriend?

If the old Ye Wanwan publicly said something like that, she would've probably been submerged in laughter and ridicule. Now though, as the behind-the-scenes boss of Stars Corporation, her words gained a few degrees of credibility.

However, he knew the truth best: She and Si Yehan were friends with benefits at most.

If they shared a respectable boyfriend-girlfriend relationship, why would Si Yehan have imprisoned her at Jin Garden like a slave and why would she ask Shen Mengqi to help her plead for him to rescue her?

Si Yehan merely treated her as a toy...

Chapter 1815 Swindling both money and sex?

Later, Shen Mengqi told him that Ye Wanwan didn't follow him because she was discovered by Si Yehan midway and she wanted him to rescue her again.

However, he was engaged with Ye Yiyi by then and Ye Wanwan had lost all value to him, so why would he take a risk again and offend Si Yehan just for her?

Despite knowing this period of Ye Wanwan's dark history, Gu Yueze was still willing to forget the past and accept her, so she should be content.

However, the current Ye Wanwan was indeed a lot smarter than the old Ye Wanwan.

If she intentionally used this move to provoke him, then she succeeded. She had indeed evoked his interest and desire to conquer.

Regardless of which man it was, they wouldn't be able to tolerate their woman declaring another man as her boyfriend to the outside world.

He understood very well why Ye Wanwan did this.

He originally didn't want to waste too much effort on Ye Wanwan, since this woman would come to him at a single hook of his finger. However, it now appeared he needed to take her more seriously.

The Stars Corporation that stood behind her was worth his effort too...

Due to Ye Wanwan suddenly announcing this sort of explosive news, none of them returned to their respective homes, and they all followed Ye Wanwan to Little Rose Garden in the end.

Their objective was to get firsthand gossip, of course.

"Wanwan, i-is your boyfriend really Si Yehan?" Ye Mufan anxiously asked while rubbing his hands.

Ye Wanwan answered, "Yes, so what?"

Ye Mufan solemnly said, "Hm, Wanwan, I think this brother-in-law candidate is rather... nice. You must tightly clutch onto this chance and not miss it! Your temper is getting more and more violent nowadays, and it's fine if it's me, your brother, but you can't treat your boyfriend like that. You'll scare him off. You must treat your boyfriend more gently. If you don't know how, Brother can teach you!"

"..."That's enough!!!

Ye Wanwan was exasperated. "Didn't you previously say he was a pretty boy who swindled both money and sex?"

"Nonsense. If there's someone swindling both money and sex, it's you!"

Ye Wanwan really had nothing to say...

This was clearly the line she said to Ye Mufan back then, but Ye Mufan now used it to thwart her...

"Brother Ye, aren't you too awesome?! How did you get your hands on the CEO of the Si Corporation so inconspicuously?!" Gong Xu bounced up and down next to her with admiration on his face.

Ye Wanwan felt her head pounding from the noise. "What do you mean inconspicuously? Didn't I introduce him to you guys a long time ago?"

"But you didn't say he was Si Yehan back then!" Gong Xu wanted to sweat when he recalled how he almost tried to provoke the other man when they first met.

"What does Si Yehan look like? How handsome is he? Do you have photos?" Big Dipper anxiously yammered.

"That I don't! But either way, he's really handsome—so handsome he can bend you the other way!" Gong Xu answered.

Big Dipper raised his eyebrows. "So handsome he can bend me? There really aren't many people who can do that in this world!"

The only people he could think of who were handsome to that degree were Lord Asura and Emperor Ji...

Actually, Piece of Sh*t was rather handsome—the kind that was seductively handsome—but that man wouldn't bend him with his handsomeness. Instead, he would bend him with his fists...

Big Dipper seemed blase about Gong Xu's words. "I think you're all just too sheltered. I'll show you genuine handsomeness next time!"

"You can't treat me like this, President!" Fu Mingxi couldn't hold it in anymore and shot up with a slap on the coffee table.

Chapter 1816 Kicked by the?

"President? What President?" Gong Xu twisted his head to look at Fu Mingxi like a curious child.

"Nothing. He drank too much. Big Dipper, Seven Star, escort Mr. Fu back." Ye Wanwan signaled Seven Star and Big Dipper.

If Gong Xu and the others learned she was the leader of bandits, her persona would collapse.

And so, before Fu Mingxi's grievances had time to erupt, he was securely carted off by Big Dipper and Seven Star.

"Let go! Release me! I want to see the President! I'm the President's official fiance!" Fu Mingxi shouted as he wildly struggled.

Big Dipper rolled his eyes at Fu Mingxi. "Enough already!"

Fu Mingxi angrily cried, "What do you mean enough? The president said it herself! She praised me as good-looking after seeing my photo and agreed to an engagement to me with my grandfather!"

Big Dipper was rendered even more speechless. "Alright, alright, you've said it 800 times already! Please, have you never seen the President drunk? How can you believe anything she says when she's drunk? She'd hit on anyone remotely good-looking when she's drunk! If she took responsibility for all of them, she'd have married 100 men by now!"

Seven Star looked at Big Dipper with a frown. He didn't think Big Dipper should smear the President's image like this. Even if it seemed like the truth...

Fu Mingxi flung off Big Dipper's hand, dark emotions flickering through his eyes. "I don't believe it! I don't believe it! Doesn't Si Yehan just have a little bit of lousy power in China? How dare he steal the President from me?! I'm gonna wreck the Si family and see how he'll steal the President from me!"

Big Dipper nodded. "I agree. Go! This way, you can turn around and get kicked by the President!'

Fu Mingxi became teary-eyed.

Within days, Ye Wanwan's interview rapidly spread like a virus and became the prime material of postmeal conversations.

As everyone gossiped about Ye Wanwan and Si Yehan, they undoubtedly paid close attention to Gu Yueze's reaction. Previously, Ye Wanwan being head-over-heels in love with Gu Yueze was the talk of the town, but then she turned around and said she had a boyfriend already and that boyfriend was Si Yehan. Didn't Gu Yueze's earlier words seem to be rather wishful thinking then? However, a few days later, Gu Yueze posted a Weibo post that riled up a storm again.

[Before, it was me who didn't know to cherish you, so I only have myself to blame for your anger. This time, allow me to pamper you instead, @Ye Bai]

Gu Yueze's Weibo post obviously hinted that Ye Wanwan intentionally said she already had a boyfriend because she was angry at him.

To this, Gu Yueze graciously expressed his forgiveness and understanding.

Realization dawned on everyone after seeing this post.

So it was like that! After all, based on the glorious history of Ye Wanwan chasing after Gu Yueze back then which was circulating through the internet, she did appear to love Gu Yueze to death.

Even after Gu Yueze got engaged to Ye Yiyi, Ye Wanwan's pursuit merely became more intense and she even antagonized Emperor Sky Entertainment and Ye Yiyi at every turn she could for Gu Yueze.

It all made sense now; Ye Wanwan merely said what she did in front of the media to intentionally provoke Gu Yueze.

Moreover, the rumors always said Si Yehan kept his distance from women, so how did he obtain a girlfriend all of a sudden?

The matter had occurred several days ago now, but there was only word from Ye Wanwan without any reaction from the Si family, so who knew whether what she told the truth?!

This Weibo post from Gu Yueze instantly shifted the direction of public opinion.

Ye Wanwan's public announcement of a relationship turned into what looked like a couple's bantering and her throwing a tantrum at Gu Yueze. As for Si Yehan, a figure who solely belonged to legends, they didn't dare to imagine it at all...

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Chapter 1817 Boss hasn't spoken yet

Several days later, evidence of Huang Mingkun and Liang Meixuan being the murderers was found and the duo was forced to confess and admit their guilt.

Under the enormous pressure of public opinion, Ye Hongwei and the board immediately relieved Ye Yiyi of her position, and Ye Mufan officially took over Emperor Sky Entertainment.

After learning the truth, Ye Hongwei became seriously ill, and Tan Yilan accompanied him at the hospital and took care of him the whole time.

As soon as they thought about how their youngest son actually died at the hands of their most favored daughter-in-law and most trusted steward and how their most beloved granddaughter wasn't related to the Ye family by blood, the duo was immersed in painful regret and washed their faces with tears all day long.

When they recalled the eldest branch's good qualities, it was too late. Their past actions already caused them to become emotionally distant from the eldest branch, and they couldn't return to the past anymore.

Regardless of how Ye Hongwei and Tan Yilan treated Ye Wanwan and her family, they were their seniors, so Ye Wanwan and her family couldn't abandon them. Hence, after Ye Wanwan discussed it with her father and brother, they made proper arrangements for the two elders and merely didn't permit the two elders to interfere with the company's affairs.

As for Liang Meixuan and Huang Mingkun, they kept searching everywhere for connections to lessen their sentences. Unfortunately, the wheel of fortune had turned on them, and everyone couldn't be more eager to avoid them.

This included Liang Jiahao and his family, who previously curried favor with Liang Meixuan like she was his real sister. Now, they frantically hid from the duo like the duo was an epidemic.

How could they have expected the princess they always buttered up to be a b*stard?!

Instead, it was that uneducated wench, Ye Wanwan, who became the owner of Stars Corporation, someone they couldn't hope to touch...

The chairman of Stars Corporation was his niece! If he didn't listen to his wife and treated his sister, Liang Wanjun, so terribly, he wouldn't have to worry for the rest of his life, relying on this level of relationship alone.

Now though, it would be useless even if he drowned in regret.

At Stars Entertainment's reception parlor:

Gu Group's vice president, Qiu Likuan, sat in his spot with a big grin. "Director Zhou, have you finished reading it?"

Zhou Tao read the proposal that Qiu Likuan handed to him and carefully deliberated his following words before speaking. "If I remember correctly, your company submitted this project proposal last month already, but regrettably, your company doesn't satisfy our needs."

Qiu Likuan chuckled and said with a meaningful expression. "We didn't suit your needs last month, but it doesn't mean we can't meet them this month!"

Gu Yueze and Ye Wanwan's gossip dominated the news this month...

With this layer of relationship present, their supposed desires weren't important anymore.

Zhou Tao naturally caught Qiu Likuan's hint and hummed. "Um... The boss hasn't spoken yet, so I wouldn't dare to decide without approval."

Qiu Likuan snorted. "Heh, Director Zhou, you truly don't know how to be flexible. The couple is just having a minor argument, but you're holding up this project. When the couple makes up in the future, wouldn't you be making things difficult for yourself, stuck in the middle?"

Zhou Tao's eyes shifted. This Qiu guy wasn't wrong.

However, what was tricky right now was that big boss's affairs, especially her private affairs, couldn't be questioned by a person on his level.

He didn't dare to lightly make a decision without getting a good sense of the big boss's wishes.

Zhou Tao mulled it over before deciding to neither accept nor decline. He would drag it out first and observe the situation.

Hence, Zhou Tao chuckled and said, "Ah, I'm just an employee, so I'm only doing things according to the rules. How about this, Vice President Qiu—leave the information here, and I'll help you ask again."

Qiu Likuan looked confident, traces of triumph leaking through. "Thanks for the trouble!"

After saying that, the man left haughtily.

Chapter 1818 Publicly propose

Cold derision flickered through Zhou Tao's face as he watched Qiu Likuan leaving.

Who did he think he was? Qiu Likuan was just a petty vice president of a lousy company and he dared to imperiously threaten him? If Zhou Tao didn't take big boss's face into consideration, he wouldn't have met with this man after he came running here without making an appointment.

The big boss hadn't even admitted her relationship with Gu Yueze yet and he dared to posture himself as the "husband"?

Zhou Tao seriously hoped big boss didn't take a liking to someone like Gu Yueze as the rumors claimed...

That day, at Stars Corporation's headquarters, Ye Wanwan had a meeting with the higher-ups.

Ye Wanwan originally didn't want to interfere with Stars since it was Second Elder's asset, but Second Elder kept calling her several times a day, insisting her to go to the headquarters. She didn't have to do anything and just had to show her face, as though Second Elder would gain a lot of pride simply from her visit.

Ye Wanwan had no choice but to go to Stars' headquarters and hold a meeting.

Everything at the meeting proceeded as normal, but the branch directors wore strange expressions on their faces and looked at her like they wanted to say something.

"Speak your minds frankly," Ye Wanwan said.

"Ahem..." In the end, Director Zhou, the one who received her initially, considered his words for a moment before asking, "Boss, the Gu Group has been frequently contacting us with an intent to collaborate with us. What are your thoughts on this, boss?"

The gossip had truly evolved to all sorts of versions recently, so they didn't know who to believe anymore.

"Didn't I publicly talk about this a few days ago? Do I need to make another announcement?" Ye Wanwan answered.

The directors below all looked at each other blankly. Was their boss's boyfriend really that person from the Si family?

Although Ye Wanwan gave her answer, the people seated still weren't certain since romantic matters weren't clear cut. The boss might be their boss, but she was also a woman. Who knew whether she really wasn't acting rashly out of spite as Gu Yueze said?

Hence, they should sit back and observe a little longer...

They would first hold the Gu family at bay first or else they would end up in a ditch after offending Gu Yueze if he really turned around and became their boss's husband.

Ye Wanwan didn't pay attention to their thoughts and was absentmindedly pondering over something unknown.

When the meeting finally ended, Ye Wanwan made a trip to the Age of Immortals.

The second she arrived at the company, Gong Xu hastily slammed into her, saying he possessed new information related to Gu Yueze.

"What news?" Ye Wanwan asked.

Gong Xu quickly replied, "Brother Ye, I heard Gu Yueze has been secretly contacting some wedding companies these past few days. I also heard he met with the owner of Victory Hotel! Also, also, I heard he recently ordered a super expensive diamond ring from CL recently."

Ye Wanwan clapped Gong Xu on the shoulder and solemnly said, "Baby Xu, you can switch careers and become a member of the paparazzi. Really, it's a waste of your talents for you to be an artist."

Gong Xu became joyous upon hearing that. "Of course! I'm talented all-around! You seriously got a bargain signing me on, Brother Ye! Wait no, don't go off-topic, Brother Ye! Compliment me later; I'm talking official business with you!

"I'm telling you, that's not all! That fool, Gu Yueze, also secretly contacted all the well-known reporters in the industry and invited them to go to Victory Grand Hotel tomorrow night at 8!"

Ye Wanwan was exasperated. "Just what are you trying to say?"

Gong Xu revealed emotionally: "Isn't all of this obvious enough, my Brother Ye?! Every sign indicates that Gu Yueze has been plotting for a long time and wants to publicly propose to you tomorrow at 8 pm!!!"

Chapter 1819 Truly boring?

As Gong Xu torrentially unloaded his hypothesis onto Ye Wanwan, Lin Que was saying nearly the same thing at a certain manor in Imperial City.

Lin Que said, "Ninth Brother, based on everything I said, Gu Yueze, that idiot, is probably preparing to propose to Ninth Sister!!! How can you tolerate this???"

If he could tolerate even this, wouldn't it be a bit illogical?

SiYehan:"..."

Ye Wanwan frowned. Propose to me...? What the heck?!

Just as Gong Xu finished telling her the gossip, Ye Wanwan's phone started ringing, and the caller was coincidentally Gu Yueze.

"Brother Ye, answer it, answer it!" Gong Xu urged anxiously, his face almost plastered to her phone screen.

Ye Wanwan pressed the answer button and carelessly held it up. "Hello?"

Gu Yueze seemed to be pleased by Ye Wanwan picking up the phone. With a gentle but also self-assured tone, he said, "Wanwan, meet me at Victory Grand Hotel tomorrow night at eight. I have something important to tell you."

Gong Xu immediately mouthed: "See! See! I was right!"

Before Ye Wanwan could respond, Gu Yueze interrupted her and continued: "Don't reject me, Wanwan. Believe me—I know what you want and I can afford it."

Then Gu Yueze hung up, brimming with confidence.

Ye Wanwan mockingly glanced at her phone. "Heh, you know what I want?"

Gu Yueze probably thought she wanted him to marry her openly?

This would be correct if she was the previous Ye Wanwan. If Gu Yueze was willing to bestow her with such a grand proposal, she would've probably fainted from happiness.

Hence, Gu Yueze matter-of-factly thought he had an accurately grasp of Ye Wanwan's mind, so he employed this "ultimate finishing move" on her.

"Brother Ye, are you going?" Gong Xu asked with a blink.

Ye Wanwan looked at him cheerfully. "Do you think I'm that free?"

Randomly taking him out for a walk was fine, but she didn't have time to keep playing with him.

"Don't, Brother Ye! You're not free, but I'm free! Let's go and have some fun! How satisfying would it be to publicly reject that idiotic jerk and slap his face?!" Gong Xu enthusiastically suggested.

Ye Wanwan glimpsed at him dryly. "It's satisfying to slap the face of someone like him?"

She wasn't interested in doing something so easy.

"Fine, fine, it'd be kinda boring..." Gong Xu pursed his lips in disappointment.

"Stop thinking about having fun all day long. Let's get down to business."

She still had other important things to do during her trip in China, so she didn't have time to waste on these petty matters.

Soon, she would have to return to the Independent State, so she had no time to lose and had to swiftly take care of her business here.

Ye Wanwan ignored Gong Xu and entered Fei Yang's office. "Brother Yang, have you finished preparing for the press conference?'

Many things had happened recently—the switching up of Emperor Sky Entertainment's management, the redistribution of the Age of Immortals, and Stars Entertainment's upcoming plans and collaborations. They needed to hold a press conference to officially announce it.

Fei Yang looked up from his computer. "It's all done. I've reserved the Gold Hall at Yunfan Conference Center, and I'm currently drawing up the guest list."

"Great. Thank you for your hard work."

After drawing up the guest list, Fei Yang immediately invited all the major media outlets and reporters to their press conference. Meanwhile, Ye Wanwan sought out Ye Mufan to discuss the general outline of the press conference...

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At the Gu Group:"..."

Qiu Likuan, the vice president, cheerfully said, "What a clever move, CEO Gu! At that time, you'll create a giant surprise and stage a magnificent proposal that will stir the whole city! There won't be a single woman who can resist it!"

Gu Yueze leaned back on the sofa and sipped on his glass of red wine with a smirk. "I know Ye Wanwan too well. In the end, she's just a woman! The reason she's playing hard to get and is mad at me is merely because she wants an official status!"

"Brilliant, CEO Gu! There's no way that girl will escape from your clutches, CEO Gu!" Qiu Likuan fawningly piled praise on Gu Yueze. "Oh right, I went to Stars Entertainment to meet with their Director Zhou. That Director Zhou has always acted haughty but had to treat me politely this time!"

Gu Group chuckled. "When I marry Ye Wanwan, the whole Stars Corporation will belong to the Gu Group, let alone Stars Entertainment. How could he dare to treat you with anything but politeness?"

Qiu Likuan burst into laughter. "You're right, CEO Gu!"

At that moment, knocks were heard on the office door, and a junior assistant entered.

"CEO Gu..." The junior assistant looked hesitant to speak.

"What is it?" Gu Yueze asked.

"It's Miss Ye... She wants to see you..." the junior assistant reported.

Gu Yueze's eyes brightened before promptly dimming. "Miss Ye... Ye Yiyi?"

"Yes. She's been waiting outside for a long time and won't leave no matter what I say," the assistant answered, troubled. "Then have her keep waiting," Gu Yueze indifferently said and resumed his conversation with Qiu Likuan.

The junior assistant had no choice but to exit.

She quickly returned to the reception area of the Gu Group and coldly said to Ye Yiyi, "Please leave, Miss Ye. CEO Ye really isn't available."

Ye Yiyi immediately slapped her. "B*tch, you're just an assistant! How dare you speak to me like this?! It was me who arranged for your position at Gu Group back then! How dare you block me?!"

The junior assistant's face became swollen at once. Grievance overwhelmed her, and she indignantly yelled, "Who do you think you are, Ye Yiyi? Do you still think you're the future young madam of the Gu Group? You're just hogwash that CEO Gu doesn't want anymore! Where did you get the guts to act mighty in front of me?!"

"W-what did you say? How dare you..." Ye Yiyi flung another slap at her.

The junior assistant didn't cower and rolled into a scuffle with her. "What? Am I wrong? You're in the wrong here! Our CEO Gu is going to propose to the owner of Stars Corporation, Miss Ye Wanwan, tomorrow! Who do you think you are?!"

"B*tch! You're lying to me!" Ye Yiyi was startled, disbelief filling her face.

"I'm lying? Go read the news yourself! The entire Imperial City knows about this!"

The quarrel finally ended when security arrived to pull the duo apart and toss Ye Yiyi out of the building.

In front of the Gu Group's building, Ye Yiyi's expression was immensely dark. Her hair was messy as a rat's nest, and tears from the tussle littered her clothes.

"Gu Yueze is going to propose to that little b*tch, Ye Wanwan...? Impossible... How could that be possible...?"

This piece of news completely shattered her last bit of hope. "Gu Yueze... Ye Wanwan... You want to kick me away and get together...? No... absolutely no way! I absolutely won't allow you to be together!"

The next morning, Ye Wanwan's press conference at the Gold Hall of Yunfan Conference Center officially began. The management of Emperor Sky Entertainment, the Age of Immortals, and Stars Entertainment all attended.