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Chapter 2311 Take the initiative to attack

"Sigh, Yin Heng has the elegant demeanor and the looks, and he's also the future successor of the Yin family, so it's really hard to compete with him..."

"Heh, take a look at Director Si. He chased after Miss Qin Xiyuan for a long time, but she completely ignored him. In the end, it was Yin Heng who succeeded. Director Si must not feel good having to watch Qin Xiyuan and Yin Heng dance, right?"

"Didn't you see? Si Yehan knows he doesn't have any hope with Qin Xiyuan. He couldn't even win against Yin Heng but actually wanted to befriend Yi Yunmo just now!"

"Haha, what ridiculous joke is that? Even Miss Qin Xiyuan looks down on him, not to mention someone of Yi Yunmo's status. Does he really think he can make every woman fall in love with him relying solely on his face...?"

It wasn't just women; men could also be jealous.

Si Yehan usurped such a high position in the Arbitration Council out of nowhere and became the youngest director in all of the Arbitration Council's history, and his looks had captured nearly all the hearts of every socialite in the city. Moreover, Si Yehan always traversed alone and didn't befriend anyone, so there were naturally many people who secretly disliked him.

Now that those people saw how Qin Xiyuan was stolen from him by his brother, they were naturally rejoicing in his misfortune.

"I doubt Yi Yunmo considered him a person at all. Someone with her kind of personality considers themselves a god and looks down on everyone. Even now, not a single person dares to invite her to dance with them."

It wasn't that no one wanted to befriend Yi Yunmo and share a dance with her. It was just that no one had the guts. Yi Yunmo's aura was too overbearing and apathetic to the extreme.

A person like Yi Yunmo was disdainful of even conversing with other people. So wouldn't they be asking for humiliation if they invited her to dance?

Soon, Yin Heng and Qin Xiyuan started whirling around the dance floor. The handsome couple attracted nearly everyone's attention, eliciting envy in their watchers.

Yin Heng imperceptibly glanced at Si Yehan, provocation in his eyes.

On the other hand, Qin Xiyuan's gaze toward Si Yehan was filled with derision, clearly asking: "Do you regret it now, Director Si?"

"Sigh, what an ideal couple they are. They seriously match each other perfectly."

"How nice would it be if it were me who was dancing with Eldest Miss Qin..."

"I actually want to dance with Miss Yi more!"

"Keep dreaming!"

"Hahaha, I also think I'm dreaming!"

Following everyone's chatter and admiration, someone noticed Yi Yunmo suddenly slowly walking toward the alone Si Yehan.

When Si Yehan noticed the approacher, he imperceptibly peered up, his icy gaze shooting toward the girl, but he promptly looked away as if he didn't notice.

Everyone thought Yi Yunmo was merely passing by on her way to the desserts.

However, what caused their jaws to drop was...

When Yi Yunmo reached Si Yehan, she stopped and sat down on the high stool next to Si Yehan.

The corners of Si Yehan's eyes turned up minutely.

At that moment, there were many empty spots around Si Yehan.

With Yi Yunmo's personality, she was fully capable of going to an empty spot without anyone around, but she just had to sit next to Si Yehan.

Perhaps she randomly found a place to sit?

As everyone thought that, the girl unabashedly looked at the man next to her and greeted him aloofly, "Director Si, nice to meet you."

The attention focused on Yin Heng and Qin Xiyuan dissipated almost instantly and latched onto Ye Wanwan instead.

Everyone was astonished. Yi Yunmo... initiated a conversation with Si Yehan just now?

A glint flickered and quickly disappeared in Si Yehan's eyes. He opened his mouth and replied, "Nice to meet you."

Si Yehan didn't say anything else and probingly assessed the girl as if wanting to figure out her intention.

The girl retained her indifferent expression and tone. "Do you know how to dance, Director Si?"

Si Yehan was startled. "A little."

Ye Wanwan expressionlessly continued, "Let's dance together?"

Si Yehan: "..."

Everyone: "...???"

If people were able to forcefully explain this situation as Yi Yunmo casually greeting Si Yehan earlier, they were now uniformly dumbstruck.

The condescending Yi Yunmo took the initiative to invite Si Yehan to... dance???

Chapter 2312 The true domineering CEO Wanwan is online

Nearby, Yi Lingjun's face was as dark as the underside of a pan. "Couldn't she have lasted a little longer?"

The sight of Ye Wanwan's shattered table surfaced in Medusa's mind and she cleared her throat. "She lasted a few minutes at least and controlled her expression. It was very difficult already..."

Yi Lingjun: "..." How hard it must've been on her!

No one had a stronger reaction than Yin Heng. He missed several steps and accidentally stepped on Qin Xiyuan's feet.

Qin Xiyuan bore the pain and glared at Yin Heng. Only then did Yin Heng listlessly look away, but his mind had evidently drifted from the dance.

He never would've expected Yi Yunmo to start a conversation with Si Yehan...

She even... invited Si Yehan to dance!

Si Yehan seemed to be stunned by the girl's invitation and turned silent without answering.

Ye Wanwan wasn't impatient though and maintained her icy face.

Not a flaw or emotion could be seen from the duo's faces, and the originally outspoken crowd fell into a strange silence.

A moment later, Si Yehan finally responded, "Apologies, Miss Yi, but I don't feel well today."

Everyone: "...!!!"

He... he rejected her?

Si Yehan actually rejected her???

Was he mad?

"Is Director Si serious? He actually rejected Yi Yunmo?"

"If he even looks down on the President's daughter, just how high are his standards?"

"Only a goddess could obtain his liking, right?!"

When Yin Yuerong saw his son rejecting Yi Yunmo, she nearly spewed out blood in her anger.

She was blasé when his son told her he didn't like Qin Xiyuan and thought he was merely young and ignorant. She never expected him to dislike Yi Yunmo too.

Everyone's eyebrows were raised.

"It's obvious Yi Yunmo isn't someone to be trifled with! I wager Si Yehan is probably in trouble this time!"

"My popcorn is ready!"

Forget about them, but Lin Que and Yu Shao were also drenched in sweat.

They might suspect this woman's identity, but her current identity was Yi Lingjun's daughter and she wasn't a benevolent character.

Yu Shao didn't dare to watch anymore while Lin Que secretly pounded his chest and stomped his feet. "Ninth Brother, h-h-he... he actually rejected her this publicly? Couldn't he have showed her an ounce of courtesy? Anyway, Ninth Sister isn't here and won't see or know!"

Everyone waited for Yi Yunmo to blow her fuse and humiliate Si Yehan, but Yi Yunmo didn't appear to be angry in the slightest regarding Si Yehan's rejection. She merely nodded lightly in understanding before asking, "You don't mind me sitting here, right?"

"Of course not."

Ye Wanwan then raised her hand and a nearby waiter quickly sprinted over and cautiously asked, "Miss Yi, what is your request?"

It was over, it was over! Miss Yi was surely about to erupt in rage!

Ye Wanwan glanced at the red wine in front of Si Yehan. "Take away Director Si's wine."

The waiter was bewildered. "Eh, Miss Yi, you're saying..."

What did she mean by taking away Director Si's wine?

Ye Wanwan's domineering tone didn't allow any room for objection. "Replace it with a calming remedy ginseng soup."

The waiter: "..."

Ye Wanwan frowned and added, "The temperature is too low. Director Si doesn't feel well, so bring a blanket over."

The waiter: "..."

Si Yehan: "…"

Everyone: "..."

Ye Wanwan's series of signature, domineering CEO maneuvers successfully dumbfounded everyone.

Chapter 2313 Must be a goddess

Qin Xiyuan finally couldn't keep dancing due to Yin Heng constantly stepping on her feet, and she fiercely glared at him.

However, Yin Heng didn't have any presence of mind to comfort the complaining Qin Xiyuan and was incredulously staring at the duo in the distance.

Under the resplendent lights, the girl's eyes were as gorgeous as the Northern lights. Sitting next to the aloof Si Yehan, they enhanced each other's beauty.

Two similarly icy people should be awkward when placed together no matter how you looked at it, but they gave others a sense of inexplicable harmony.

Just what in the world did Yi Yunmo mean?

Didn't she think it was beneath her to speak to Si Yehan earlier?

Why did her attitude toward him change so drastically all of a sudden?

Of course, Qin Xiyuan was nowhere near pleased. She just made the claim that it was Si Yehan who chased after her and she didn't like him.

Now though, Si Yehan rejected even the President's daughter.

How could anyone with a pair of eyes believe her words now?

As Qin Xiyuan expected, some people realized the inconsistency.

"Actually, there were rumors that it was Qin Xiyuan who pursued Si Yehan but was rejected. I originally didn't believe it and found it impossible, but now I kinda believe it!"

"After all, he rejected even Yi Yunmo... Say, do you think Director Si doesn't even like women?"

"I don't think so. I heard he has a fiancée; she's the Second Miss of Yun City's Nie family!"

Other people became reverent. "That Second Miss must be a goddess, right?!"

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The waiter finally shook off his stupor and didn't dare to delay it anymore. He quickly left to prepare the ginseng soup and blanket.

Ye Wanwan was about to say something when Yi Lingjun walked over with a fatherly expression on his face. He lightly laid his hand on Ye Wanwan's shoulder and said, "Yunmo, come with me. Father will introduce some friends to you!"

Yi Lingjun: Little girl! If you don't restrain yourself, you'll seriously drop your disguise!!!

Ye Wanwan unhappily clicked her tongue internally but knew she shouldn't overdo it.

And so Ye Wanwan turned to Si Yehan and apathetically said, "Excuse me, Director Si."

Soon, she followed Yi Lingjun and left.

Not long after Ye Wanwan left, Lin Que and Yu Shao came running over.

Lin Que still looked frightened. "D*mn! That scared me to death, that scared me to death! Ninth Brother, what's going on?"

Yi Yunmo's reaction was scarier than her losing her temper on the spot.

Yu Shao furtively suggested, "Perhaps she purely wanted to show some concern?"

Lin Que looked at Yu Shao like he was an idiot. "If it was someone else—if it was anyone else here today—that might be possible. But it was Yi Yunmo. Look at her condescending demeanor and how she won't even waste her words on anyone—do you think she would show concern for a person out of boredom?"

Yu Shao stared at him. "What do you think was the reason then?"

Lin Que: "..." He... he didn't dare to say ...

Lin Que turned to Si Yehan. "Ninth Brother, say something!"

Si Yehan glanced at Lin Que from the corner of his eyes. "Say what? Yi Yunmo took a liking to me?"

"U-uh... you said it yourself, alright... I didn't say anything..."

It's the truth that your face attracts too many admirers. You can't fault me for thinking wildly...

Lin Que took a gulp. "Ninth Brother, I'm about to go crazy. Just how is this woman connected to Ninth Sister? How about you give her a call right now and ask?"

Si Yehan glanced at Lin Que again. "If Wanwan is sincerely trying to conceal herself from me, she would've made preparations beforehand, and we couldn't weasel out any truths even if we called her."

Chapter 2314 Attracting admirers again

Si Yehan paused and continued, "If Yi Yunmo isn't Wanwan, then my phone call..."

Sweat drenched Lin Que when he heard that. "If she isn't, then you'd be startling the snake! Ninth Sister will find out you're attracting admirers again! You'll be dead for sure then! Ninth Brother, you're far better at thinking ahead! You're too impressive!"

When Yu Shao heard this, he also nodded frantically.

"However, sir, what should we do now?" Yu Shao cautiously inquired.

"Director Si..." The waiter's footsteps were heard at this moment.

The waiter was very efficient indeed and quickly sent over the ginseng soup and blanket.

"I'm truly sorry, Director Si. There wasn't any ginseng soup prepared for this banquet, so we sent our people to the best hotel in Tianshui City to obtain some!" The waiter's attitude toward Si Yehan had completed a 180, and he spoke attentively.

Si Yehan nodded and dismissed the waiter.

After the waiter left, Si Yehan flicked open the lid of the ginseng soup before glancing at Yu Shao and saying, "We'll wait and see."

They did have a few methods to test who she actually was...

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On the other side, Yi Lingjun finally Ye Wanwan dragged away. To shift her focus and prevent her from flying around unrestrained, he led her around a gathering of higher-ups.

Although Yi Yunmo's attitude just now made everyone slack-jawed, it also ignited many people's hopes again.

It turned out Yi Yunmo wasn't ignoring everyone.

It meant they also had a chance.

In addition, Yi Lingjun was personally introducing people to her and creating opportunities, so many people approached her again.

A director furtively offered an invitation: "Miss Yi, you seem to like dancing. May I have the honor of dancing with you?"

"I'm uninterested," Ye Wanwan replied.

The director was startled, embarrassment creeping onto his face.

But you personally invited someone to dance with you minutes ago? Why are you uninterested now?

He thought Yi Yunmo liked to dance at least, but who would've expected her to straightforwardly say she was "uninterested" and regain her haughty demeanor...

Wasn't this preferential treatment too obvious?

Currently, Ye Wanwan was thinking: Like your a**! What I like is the person who'd dance with me, alright?

An older higher-up led a fair and pretty youth over to Yi Lingjun and said with a grin, "President, this is my son. He's a devoted fan of yours and attends every seminar you hold."

"Miss Yi, you've just returned to Tianshui City and don't know many people. If you get bored, you can call him anytime. My son might not be good at much, but he's attentive and thoughtful..."

Ye Wanwan reflexively surveyed the youth. He was a clean-shaven, fairly young man. He seemed fairly innocent in the ways of the world, so his eyes were very clear and his appearance comforted the viewer.

However, as the youth listened to his father, his eyes brimmed with despair and humiliation. He was clearly forced and was unwilling to do this.

When Ye Wanwan saw the youth's gaze, she inexplicably felt something was amiss...

Why was this scene so familiar?

At a banquet, an immoral father tried to send his daughter to a domineering CEO's bed in order to gain said CEO's favor...

Did she grab the wrong script?

Ye Wanwan was aghast and hastily halted those terrifying thoughts.

Nearby, Si Yehan also watched this scene of men of all sorts surrounding Ye Wanwan and courting her...

Chapter 2315 What if I do have that kind of intention?

When the higher-up saw Ye Wanwan's gaze landing on his son and surprisingly not looking displeased, hope ignited in his heart, and he advertised his son with increased enthusiasm.

"Ah-Yang, hurry and introduce yourself to Miss Yi!" The higher-up shoved his son.

The youth named Ah-Yang had his lips tightly pursed and his complexion looked ghastly pale as he stood unmoving in his spot.

The higher-up turned anxious. "Why are you foolishly standing there?"

The youth pushed his father away. "Sorry, I have something to do. Please excuse me!"

"You..." The higher-up nearly stomped his feet in anger upon seeing his son dashing away.

He hastily turned to Ye Wanwan and apologized, "I'm truly sorry, Miss Yi. This child is a bit introverted and shy with strangers."

Ye Wanwan casually replied, "He has quite the character."

Someone who could remain this frank in the Independent State and especially within a circle like the Arbitration Council was truly a rare sight.

The higher-up didn't know whether Ye Wanwan's remark was a compliment or an insult, so he laughed it off and kept apologizing.

However, seeing that Miss Yi didn't look angry and said his son had character, she probably was satisfied to some degree, right?

That punk was too impertinent, but the higher-up had plenty of methods to make him submit.

He just had to tie that punk up later and send him over to Miss Yi!

His term of office was nearing its end and he might be replaced next term. It would be difficult to ingratiate himself with President Yi, but if he could gain Yi Yunmo's favor, he'd be able to rest easy.

Throughout the entire night, in order to ensure that Ye Wanwan didn't have time to seek out Si Yehan, Yi Lingjun acted like a butterfly. He forcefully pulled her and fluttered all over the venue.

Ye Wanwan finally made it to the end of the banquet.

Luxurious cars filled the entrance of the venue and all the prominent figures and higher-ups began to leave.

Ye Wanwan looked around the crowd, but there were too many people, and she couldn't find a trace of Si Yehan.

Ye Wanwan angrily glared at Yi Lingjun.

Yi Lingjun raised his brows. "Why are you glaring at me, huh? Look at how pitiful you are. He publicly rejected you earlier, alright?"

Ye Wanwan wasn't irked by that and started gloating instead. "So what if he rejected me? My darling is seriously too handsome when he rejects me, alright?"

Yi Lingjun: "..."

Although he couldn't stand watching his little disciple being utterly bewitched by and infatuated with a man, Si Yehan performed rather well tonight.

He actually declined such an alluring temptation. Yi Lingjun saw him in a new light.

They had to act out the whole play, so Yi Lingjun had arranged a place for Ye Wanwan to stay already. Ye Wanwan was waiting for a car to pick her up as she searched for Si Yehan.

In the night, she was merely standing there casually, but she was dazzling like the sun, making people unable to look away.

"Miss Yi..."

A man's voice drifted from behind Ye Wanwan, and she reflexively looked behind her. Yin Heng was standing there.

When faced with people the girl didn't care about, she didn't seem to have the desire to utter a single word.

The ignored Yin Heng's expression quickly returned to normal. He began: "Hello, Miss Yi, I didn't have time to introduce myself earlier. I'm Yin Heng, Director Si's adopted brother."

At the sound of "Director Si's adopted brother," the girl finally spared him a glance.

Yin Heng apologized. "Miss Yi, my elder brother has a peculiar personality and is hard to get along with. If he offended you in any way earlier, please forgive him, Miss Yi!"

Yin Heng's tone shifted, and he explained, "My elder brother has a fiancée already. I heard she's very controlling and also has a disagreeable disposition, which is why my elder brother rejected your invitation—to avoid causing a misunderstanding."

Yin Heng chuckled and added, "Heh, of course, my elder brother was overthinking too much. Why would you have that kind of intention toward my elder brother..."

Before Yin Heng could finish speaking, the girl nonchalantly glanced at him. "What if I said I did?"

Yin Heng: "..."

Chapter 2316 Isn"t that too coincidental?

Late at night, in the ancestral Yin residence:

After arriving home, Yin Yuerong stripped off her jacket and entered her bedroom.

"Madam, you're back." The housekeeper quickly welcomed her and took the jacket from her before pouring her a cup of tea intended to dissipate the effects of alcohol.

Yin Yuerong normally had a very old-fashioned style of dress and perpetually wore the same outfits. However, since tonight's function was fairly important, she dressed a little more ceremoniously and donned a black evening gown.

Although her outfit was extremely simple and she didn't adorn any accessories, it didn't affect her beauty and elegance at all.

The housekeeper looked at her master and inwardly sighed. If it weren't for her master's obsession running too deep, with her master's qualities, she could be protected and cherished by someone, possessing a fulfilling marriage.

"Madam, what happened?" The housekeeper couldn't help but inquire with great concern when she saw Yin Yuerong remaining in deep thought ever since her return.

Yin Yuerong took a sip of the tea before replying, "President Yi introduced a person to us today."

"Who?"

"His daughter, Yi Yunmo."

"What? Daughter? President Yi has a daughter?" The housekeeper was astonished.

Yin Yuerong explained the night's situation simply and revealed an amused expression as she asked, "What do you think?"

The housekeeper looked bewildered. "So you're saying, Madam, that President Yi's' daughter actually resembles Worriless Nie that closely? How could such a coincidence occur in this world?"

After the housekeeper said that, she recalled that Yi Yunmo was personally brought there and introduced by President Yi and became uncertain. She hesitatingly asked, "However, their demeanors are utterly different and it was President Yi who personally announced this, so there shouldn't be anything off about this. Perhaps they merely resemble each other? That's not impossible!"

Yin Yuerong chuckled. "What you're saying is correct. Hence, no one doubted that woman's identity during the banquet tonight. Even Ah-Jiu thought she was Yi Yunmo."

The housekeeper turned to her master. "Madam, could it be you're saying... you don't think that woman is Yi Yunmo and she's..."

And she's being impersonated by Worriless Nie instead?

The housekeeper didn't dare to finish her sentence.

Yin Yuerong's eyes glinted. "First, I saw Worriless Nie myself. The fact that there are two such similarlooking people in this world and these two people just had to be Worriless Nie and Yi Yunmo—isn't that too coincidental?"

"Second, President Yi said that he lost contact with his daughter for many years and only reunited with her recently. So how does he know whether Yi Yunmo is being impersonated by Worriless Nie or not?"

The housekeeper turned uncertain after hearing that. "But... impersonating the President's daughter? Does that woman truly have the guts? Moreover, this isn't an easy matter. You can't just impersonate the President's daughter simply because you want to!"

Yin Yuerong snorted. "Auntie Qiao, I'm afraid you're underestimating that woman too much. She's disguised herself under so many identities and each identity has a fairly decent status. Plus, she managed to coax and deceive Ah-Jiu so much that he completely obeys her. Do you really think she's merely an impulsive and brainless girl?"

The housekeeper was incredulous and exclaimed in shock, "Could it be that Worriless Nie saw you were trying to stop her marriage with Young Master, so she conjured this plan and transformed into President Yi's daughter...?"

Yin Yuerong snorted again. "I'm afraid her ambitions aren't solely limited to Ah-Jiu!"

The housekeeper shook with fear the more she listened and asked, "Should I immediately send people to investigate her?!"

Chapter 2317 Officially pursuing Director Si

Yin Yuerong shook her head. "Since she dared to impersonate Yi Yunmo and deceived even President Yi, she naturally made flawless preparations. Even if we investigated her, we probably wouldn't discover anything. Furthermore, I think it's extremely possible there's a powerful person acting as a correspondent for her behind the scenes."

The housekeeper bobbed her head in agreement. "That's right. Otherwise, how could President Yi also be deceived?"

Yin Yuerong's gaze shifted. "Hence, this matter is of paramount importance, and we need to plan carefully. However, don't panic. Even the tightest scam has a flaw, and we'll eventually make her reveal a flaw. Don't act rashly and wait for my instructions..."

Worriless Nie, we'll take our time playing ...

"Yes," the housekeeper responded.

Yin Yuerong said darkly, "Heh, that girl is seriously gutsy for daring to do something like this. I don't believe Ah-Jiu will remain unmoved when he discovers the truth!"

Judging from Ah-Jiu's attitude tonight, he probably didn't recognize that woman and seriously thought she was President Yi's daughter.

In that kind of situation, Si Yehan rejecting that woman was the same as rejecting President Yi's daughter, which was why Yin Yuerong was so incensed.

Thankfully, the more she thought about it, the more suspicious she found it. This woman was most likely an impostor...

At the thought of gaining leverage against that girl, Yin Yuerong's mood improved a lot.

At that time, Yi Lingjun absolutely wouldn't spare her. Impersonating the Arbitration Council president's daughter—that was simply provoking the entire Arbitration Council's authority. Yi Lingjun and his power alone would bring retribution on her.

For this crime, the entire Nie family would also be ruined!

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At Tianshui City's expensive Shan'nan Manors:

Medusa guided Ye Wanwan to where she would be staying.

Before the banquet, Ye Wanwan had settled things with Big Dipper and the others already. She told them she'd return to Yun City first and ordered them to remain in Tianshui City to continue scouting for information.

Medusa showed her around the house. "Little Junior Sister, rest well! Call me if you need anything, alright?"

Tonight, Ye Wanwan's acting skills were epic and she exhausted too much energy, so she did feel a bit exhausted right now.

Ye Wanwan yawned and hugged Medusa. "Alright, Senior Sister. You should go to sleep early too; you've also had a tiring day."

Medusa exasperatedly responded, "It was mainly from fright due to you! I was seriously afraid you'd let the cat out of the bag earlier!"

Ye Wanwan chuckled. "How about it? I performed quite well, right?"

Medusa also smiled. "You were truly fearsome, and I bow to you. You're clearly the same person, but you give off a completely different feeling. I think even Director Si didn't recognize you!"

Ye Wanwan was filled with relish. "Of course! I'm a professional actor, after all!"

She was so tragically deceived by Si Yehan back then. Now, she could finally give him a taste of his own medicine.

"I think Yin Heng is beside himself with anxiety. He actually tried to drive a wedge between you two in front of you!"

Medusa seriously looked down on men like Yin Heng. They were willing to advance by hook or crook and had no scruples about relying on women to elevate themselves. Afterward, he'd even swagger around and gloat.

A cold glint flitted through Ye Wanwan's eyes. "However they slapped my baby's face before. I'll get payback all for him!"

"How are you planning to deal with him?" Medusa asked.

Ye Wanwan blinked. "Who said I'd do anything to him? I don't have any free time."

A foreboding feeling crept up on Medusa for some reason. "Then you're going to...?"

Ye Wanwan rubbed her chin. "Mm... Starting tomorrow, I'll officially pursue Director Si!"

Medusa: "..."

This was freaking crueler than doing something to him, wasn't it?

Yin Heng would probably be angered to death...

She could already imagine the incoming uproar...

Chapter 2318 Reception party

At a bar:

Yin Heng chugged glass after glass of liquor.

Tonight was supposed to be his show. It was supposed to be his moment to mercilessly suppress Si Yehan. He didn't expect everything to have been disrupted because of Yi Yunmo's appearance.

Due to Yi Yunmo's ambiguous words and attitude toward Si Yehan and her invitation, everyone's attention centered on Si Yehan.

Behind Yin Heng's back, some people even said it was because Si Yehan ignored Qin Xiyuan that she settled for second best and sought Yin Heng out!

Also, Yi Yunmo's final words tonight—"What if I said I did?"

I did? I did what?

Could it be Yi Yunmo seriously bore those kinds of intentions toward Si Yehan?

Why?!

Yin Heng heavily slammed the glass onto the bar with a bang.

Upon seeing that, the confidant next to him quickly comforted him. "Young Master Yin, I think it's very possible you're overthinking. After all, Miss Yi didn't sound certain either..."

"For someone of Miss Yi's status and background, her actions and speech aren't that simple or ordinary. How could she casually take a fancy to a man she just met at a banquet? I don't think we should mess ourselves up!"

Yin Heng glanced at his confidant and hummed. "Then what... do you think Yi Yunmo really meant?"

The confidant provided his analysis. "Young Master, I understand women like Yi Yunmo too well. They're conceited and look down on everyone from the depths of their hearts. They're both cold and haughty and probably feel repulsed and disgusted by men. You can tell from her attitude toward those men tonight."

Yin Heng asked, "Then how would you explain her attitude toward Si Yehan?"

She had the waiter switch his wine with ginseng soup and also had him bring Si Yehan a blanket.

It was precisely because Yi Yunmo was too cold and haughty that her special attitude toward Si Yehan especially incentivized people to dive deeper into its meaning.

The confidant replied, "Young Master, your vision is hazed because you're in the midst of it. I think that Miss Yi's attitude toward Si Yehan tonight was merely a little more polite and doesn't prove anything. She probably took preserving face for President Yi into consideration and tried to befriend and win over Si Yehan out of President Yi's admiration for Si Yehan."

Although this explanation also dissatisfied Yin Heng a lot, it was better than Yi Yunmo taking a fancy to Si Yehan.

"So, Young Master, it's most important for you to grasp onto Miss Qin tightly right now. If you evoke Miss Qin's wrath, that'd be the true disaster!" the confidant advised.

Yin Heng finally calmed down a smidge now. "You're right!"

He easily lost control whenever he encountered matters related to Si Yehan. Carefully thinking back on it now, he didn't overreact a bit.

After all, there wasn't a whiff of anything concrete with Yi Yunmo yet, while Qin Xiyuan already belonged to him. He also had Qin Xiyuan arrange a position for him during this year's summit so he could attend it.

He might not have any real power in this position right now, but it was a good stepping stone. After the summit concluded, Qin Zong would arrange for him to enter the Arbitration Council.

He had no idea how Si Yehan managed to snake his way into a position as high as Director and hold a position on equal status with Yin Yuerong. This caused all his hard work over the years in the Yin family to be washed down the drain. No matter how hard he worked, he was a joke when compared to Si Yehan.

He must seize this opportunity and absolutely couldn't allow a millimeter of error.

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The next day:

The Arbitration Council Summit officially convened and the entire day was overtaken by intense meetings attended by every single higher-up and director.

That night, Yi Lingjun held a party for his precious daughter to both welcome her and to help her befriend more people.

A party held by Yi Lingjun for his daughter was absolutely an event people wanted to attend even if they had to bulldoze each other.

Chapter 2319 Can absolutely seduce him

Thankfully, Yi Lingjun was probably in a good mood from being reunited with his daughter, so he invited his disciples and some higher-ups from the Arbitration Council. Nearly all of the well-known members of Tianshui City also attended as well.

Qin Xiyuan and Yin Heng naturally attended.

Several socialites were gathered together and brimmed with stunned admiration as they examined the sumptuous setting of the venue and the long line of prestigious guests.

"Wow! What an enormous procession!"

"Right? It's just a normal party, but it's more extravagant than Qin Xiyuan's coming-of-age ceremony back then!"

"After all, she's the daughter of Sir President. Even though there's just a single-word difference between president and vice president, the differences are mammoth, alright?!"

"Shhh, tone it down! Don't let Qin Xiyuan overhear you!"

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Discussions similar to this hadn't ceased since yesterday night, so how could Qin Xiyuan be ignorant to thoughts like this? However, due to Father's instructions, she repressed herself from erupting.

She seriously couldn't understand how President Yi suddenly gained a daughter, especially one so similar looking to Worriless Nie. What was more coincidental was that Yi Yunmo also seemed to have taken a fancy to Si Yehan!

Qin Xiyuan secretly sent people to investigate her, and there didn't seem to be any flaws regarding Yi Yunmo's identity. She was indeed President Yi's daughter, but Qin Xiyuan still felt like something was off about it.

Was there some issue there?

Yin Heng's attitude today regained its previous gentleness and consideration. He accompanied her the entire time and took care of her attentively.

"Yuanyuan, what did Vice President Qin say about me entering the Arbitration Council?"

"Don't worry. I've already mentioned it to Father, and there won't be any problems. There happens to be an opening for a Director position and requires someone suitable to take it."

Joy took over Yin Heng's face. "Seriously? That's great! This way, I can do my dues for Vice President Qin and help him more by his side."

As for Ye Wanwan, she was about to break down because of Yi Lingjun. She had finally waited until today's meetings concluded and was prepared to launch her plan to find Si Yehan. However, to her surprise, Yi Lingjun planned some kind of party and invited a bunch of people, dragging her and introducing her to every single person.

Judging from his behavior, he wanted nothing more than to brag and show to everyone that he had a daughter...

Ye Wanwan was so exhausted she didn't want to tread another step. "Say, Master..."

Yi Lingjun's expression dropped instantly. "What did you call me?"

Ye Wanwan could only correct herself. "Sir Father... I have business to take care of, so can I leave now?"

Yi Lingjun rolled his eyes at her. "You're the main star today, so how could you leave now? Anyway, what business could you possibly have?"

"To find my man, of course! I was planning to ask him out on a date tonight, but you ruined all my plans!" Ye Wanwan said righteously.

Yi Lingjun's expression darkened. "What do you want to seek him out for, huh? You want to seek him out, but he doesn't care about you, let alone go on a date with you! I also invited that guy to tonight's party, but he's the one who didn't want to come! He must not like you, so you should stop chasing after him, or else you're going to end up like Qin Xiyuan! I can't lose face!"

Ye Wanwan peered at him from the corner of her eyes. "Are you kidding me, Dad? Forget about me switching disguises, but even if I stuffed myself into a turtle shell, if I wanted to seduce him, I could absolutely seduce him!"

Yi Lingjun had nothing but disdain on his face, his disbelief clear as day. "I don't think so. He didn't want to come despite me personally inviting him, so he probably doesn't want to be connected to you in any way or fashion!"

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Ye Wanwan was rendered speechless by Yi Lingjun, her feelings complicated!

From Worriless Nie's viewpoint, she should be happy that Si Yehan didn't come. However, from Yi Yunmo's viewpoint, she was a bit angry.

Freaking! Who cared who she was?! She just had to become connected to him!

Ye Wanwan occasionally glanced at the entrance but still didn't see Si Yehan's figure. However, the people hitting on her came one wave after another.

In some nearby corner:

The director, who brought his son to gain favor with Ye Wanwan last time but had his son run off on him, was also in attendance today.

"Xu Yang, if you dare to run away again today like last time, you don't want to know how I'll punish you!"

"Dad... Could it be that you brought me back here simply to make me do this kind of thing? To seduce and curry favor with a woman?" The youth was infuriated, his eyes scarlet.

The director snorted. "Why else? Your martial arts skills are the same as a crippled person! Aside from having a decent-looking face, what use are you to the Xu family?"

"Dad..." The youth was incredulous.

"If you dare to be disobedient again this time, pack your bags and leave the Xu family!" The director handed a room card to him. "I've arranged everything already, so immediately get your ass in this room. As long as you can make Miss Yi happy, I'll consider the matter of bringing your mother back to the Independent State!"

The youth tightly clenched the room card, his eyes gradually becoming resigned.

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Ye Wanwan's attention was wholeheartedly focused on the entrance, so she was ignorant to the events occurring in the dark.

It was halfway through the party, and the one person who should've come still wasn't here.

Ye Wanwan lost all patience and was about to leave since she was selling an apathetic and haughty persona anyway.

However, she had just taken a step when she saw a familiar figure appearing at the entrance with Lin Que and Yu Shao trailing behind him.

Since today's party was more private and less official, Si Yehan was dressed slightly more casually. He was wearing a loose-cut casual outfit with a windbreaker over it. His pale complexion caused his self-restrictive demeanor to lose some of its harshness and look a little more harmless. It was harder for people to look away.

D*mn! He finally came!

Ye Wanwan wasted half a night waiting, so she was rather resentful.

"Director Si, welcome!" Yi Lingjun walked over and greeted him with a wine glass in hand. He said with a concerned tone, "If you truly felt unwell, you didn't need to come."

As soon as Si Yehan came, his daughter had no time to pay attention to him, her dad.

Si Yehan politely said, "It was just some mild illness. How could I pass on the President's invitation? Furthermore, I would like to discuss the proposed law from last time with you in detail."

Ye Wanwan's expression darkened when she heard this from nearby.

Don't tell me he came here despite not feeling well purely because of Yi Lingjun???

Yi Lingjun glanced at Ye Wanwan, clearly rejoicing in her misfortune. He passionately received Si Yehan. "Great great great, we'll talk over there!"

He dragged Si Yehan away immediately.

The utterly ignored Ye Wanwan: "..."

Medusa walked over and whispered to Ye Wanwan, "Little Junior Sister, Si Yehan really seems to be completely uninterested in you!"

Ye Wanwan: "..."

Was she seriously old and unable to lift a backsword anymore?

She actually couldn't seduce him...