

Work Hard 571

Chapter 571: The Entire Hai Rui Won't Be Playing Nice !

Mo Ting had laid out such a perfect game of chess and waited so long for the right timing. Just as the Fei Tian Awards decided to give up on Tangning, Mo Ting helped Tangning fight for her last chance.

The media did not even consider the Fei Tian Awards yet. They had no idea that the only reason why Mo Ting tolerated Tang Xuan, Ye Lan and Yang Xi for so long was because of the way that everything interconnected.

If everyone thought that he was turning a blind eye to the actions of these three women...

...then today was the day that he was going to make them pay everything back at once!

"Everyone knows, at the time that Tangning announced her retreat, she was being slandered for meeting with an American director. During that incident, things got out of hand and plenty of actors and directors teamed up against Tangning and insulted her. At that time, Tangning already discovered she was pregnant. So, she had no choice but to temporarily retreat from the industry."

"In the past, Tangning retreated from the modeling industry when she was one step away from being an international supermodel to pursue the path of an actress. After three films, acting had become a part of her life. But, at this time, her own peers decided to team up against her."

"As a pregnant woman, she had no choice but to retreat for the sake of her child and her innocence. But, the most disappointing thing is, the people that had teamed up against her back then, are still making things difficult for Tangning today."

"Today, you all got to witness how the sinister Yang Xi treated a pregnant woman. But, at the time that Tangning announced her retreat, her situation was even worse than it was this time."

"At that time, her own sister, Tang Xuan, was involved in planning the meeting with the American director. Her intention was to destroy Tangning's reputation and make her lose everything. Worst of all, this was not the first time she had schemed against Tangning."

After speaking, Han Xiner placed all the information that Lu Che had previously gathered, onto the screen...

She was revealing a personal family matter to the entire entertainment industry. Of course, the media didn't mind that Hai Rui was creating more news for them to write about.

"A while ago, Tang Xuan found out she was pregnant. To prevent Tangning from also having a child and competing against her for inheritance, she conspired with the hospital to tell Tangning that there was a problem with her uterus. She then paid the doctors to secretly remove Tangning's uterus. Luckily, God was watching over Tangning and she managed to escape this horrible fate due to a check up that she had done earlier on with a friend. But, to make matters worse, Tang Xuan decided to leak the information about Tangning's inability to bear a child, to the public..."

"This resulted in the news that you all saw not too long ago!"

“As her own sister, Tang Xuan had consistently been a threat to Tangning’s safety. So, to prevent Tang Xuan from hurting the child in her stomach, Tangning had no choice but to keep her pregnancy a secret and to retreat from the industry. It’s not that she didn’t want to act anymore, nor did she want to give up on being an actress. She had simply been hurt and was suffering from the pain produced by her own relative and peers.”

“Now, a few months down the track, we see the same thing happening again. Using similar methods, Miss Yang Xi almost made Tangning and her child disappear from the face of the earth. But, how did she know that Tangning was pregnant? Especially since Hai Rui had completely kept this information under wraps...”

Han Xiner’s expression understandably turned cold as her volume increased with her anger.

“It’s because, Tang Xuan had failed multiple times at scheming against Tangning, so she decided to sell this information for \$2 million to an actress by the name of Ye Lan!”

“Everyone must have heard about the slight encounter between Tangning and Ye Lan during the selection process of the Fei Tian Awards. But, Ye Lan was obviously smarter than Tang Xuan. Because after she got hold of this information, she immediately passed it on to the infamous Yang Xi.”

“And that’s how we ended up with the spectacular show that we had today.”

The reporters’ eyes almost popped out of their sockets in shock...

Han Xiner had managed to implicate two more people: Tang Xuan and Ye Lan!

Everyone was familiar with Tang Xuan. After all, the battle at Tang Corps had always been very entertaining. But, Ye Lan...

Although a lot of people knew that she had a history with Tangning, they never imagined that she’d be so evil.

Han Xiner had a decent amount of evidence, so it took a while for the reporters to take it all in. They never expected that Tangning’s retreat involved so many secrets and schemes behind-the-scenes.

“Tangning had been bullied by her peers in the past. This time, are you guys going to stop her from living her life freely?”

Faced with Han Xiner’s questioning, the reporters were speechless.

When they thought about the way that Tangning consistently dealt with things, if they had been in her position, they would have gone crazy already. Yet, Tangning was determined to protect her child.

“If Tangning wanted to create hype, she’d have a thousand methods to do so. If Tangning wanted to go against someone, she’d have ten thousand ways to make it happen. She has no reason to make a move against someone while they are overseas because it’s not worth it.”

“So, is it time that you put your assumptions about Tangning aside? Can you look at Tangning fairly? Regardless of the past or in the future, she simply wants to be an actress and a loving mother. She has never initiated harm on others!”

“Today will be the last time that Hai Rui emphasizes the pureness of Tangning’s character. From now on, if anyone dares to create false rumors about her again, then I’m sorry, the entire Hai Rui will not play nice!”

“I hope the media and other related individuals act accordingly!”

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Tangning was undoubtedly mysterious. For everyone in Beijing, she had practically encompassed all the hottest topics. But, the weird thing was, she had already retreated from the industry for a good few months.

It turned out, behind-the-scenes, she had such a tough time. Especially since she was already 6 months pregnant!

Those that were mothers could immediately relate. Being pregnant was difficult to begin with, yet Tangning was continuously scolded and insulted by the netizens.

They couldn’t believe that everyone had so many misunderstandings towards her.

“Tangning must have been forced into a dead end. That’s why she had no choice but to ask Hai Rui to step out and reveal her embarrassing family incident to the public.”

“People were pressuring her when she was an actress, then they pressured her when she became pregnant. I don’t think I’ve seen a more unfortunate actress!”

“I simply hope that the judges of the Fei Tian Awards act fairly. Not only does Tangning deserve sympathy, she is also capable enough to receive an award.”

Han Xiner had already laid the entire situation out in front of the public. Everything related to Tangning’s retreat, Tangning’s ‘inability to have children’ and Tangning’s multiple rumours were all explained by Hai Rui in one go.

Of course, the three women involved in this incident was about to experience some not-so-good days ahead. However, the first to experience it was not the evil Miss Yang, but someone else!

Who could forget? Elder Xu was about to leave the Xu Household!

And Xu Qingyan was already prepared to send someone packing.

Chapter 572: The Worst Form of Punishment

Ye Lan never expected that Yang Xi would sell her out so easily and quickly...But, if she thought about it carefully, the two of them had no real ties. Did she really think that Yang Xi would let her off at the most critical of times?

So, after the press conference ended, Ye Lan immediately received a phone call from her agency, “Pack your bags and leave Beijing. Even the agency can’t protect you this time.”

“If you had merely gone against Tangning, then the issue may have been easy to resolve. But, she also has a child in her stomach, yet you caused such a huge problem with the news of her pregnancy. I suggest you hideout overseas for a while. Once the news has settled, you can try to make a comeback.”

Overseas!

But, she knew this meant that if she returned in the future, her position would be overtaken by a new bunch of rookies. After all, this was the reality of the entertainment industry!

“No, I refuse to leave!” Ye Lan replied directly, “My husband still has business with the Tang Family. If I get him to help me, Mo Ting will definitely let me go for the sake of Tangning.”

“Are you sure?” her manager asked with doubt, “Even if Hai Rui are willing to let you go, did you think public opinion would let you go? Did you think that the mess you caused this time is small?”

“To be blatantly honest, if anything had happened to Tangning’s child this time, the three of you would have been buried with it.”

But, nothing actually happened. So, did that mean she was fine? Ye Lan wondered.

“This is how the situation currently is, you have no choice but to leave,” the manager sounded frustrated and angry.

Ye Lan put down the phone, unwilling to accept defeat. Just as she was about to make a phone call to her husband, Xu Qingyan appeared in front of her with her arms crossed. Her expression was cold and filled with ridicule.

Ye Lan straightened her body and put down the phone in her hand. Even at a time like this, she refused to let Xu Qingyan overstep her. So, she raised her chin high and looked at Xu Qingyan with a cold and heartless glare.

“I get along quite well with Tangning. Do you want me to speak to her on your behalf?” Xu Qingyan asked casually.

“Xu Qingyan, we both know why you are standing here! Stop putting on an act! Don’t forget, your good days are coming to an end. After all, the old man is leaving today...”

“Grandfather left already...” Xu Qingyan said in a congratulatory manner, “I’m sure this is what you wanted.”

Ye Lan stared coldly at Xu Qingyan, trying to decipher if her words were true. She then headed straight for Elder Xu’s bedroom. After confirming that the room was tidy and the old man’s luggage was gone, she returned to Xu Qingyan and glared at her, “Since your grandfather is gone, how dare you act so arrogantly in front of me?”

“Because I’m waiting for dad to come home,” Xu Qingyan replied calmly.

Ye Lan thought that Xu Qingyan had already accepted her fate and had given up fighting.

However, she had no idea that the show that was about to play out would teach her that ‘every dog had his day’...

The two women did not continue arguing; there was no point. So, they both returned to the sofa and sat down. At this moment, Ye Lan made a phone call to Father Xu in front of Xu Qingyan, "Hubby...where are you? Will you be able to leave work early today? Your father has already left..."

"Really?" After hearing this, Father Xu's mood obviously lightened.

But, this was because he had not seen the news yet.

"What time will you be back?" Ye Lan glanced at Xu Qingyan as she asked.

"I can't tell you right now. But, I will try to get back as soon as possible."

With this satisfactory answer, Ye Lan's chin pointed even higher. It seemed, even though she was about to suffer, she was going to drag someone down with her...

Xu Qingyan did not say a word as she remained quiet. Of course, she couldn't turn to her father for comfort and help. She simply had to contact her lawyers and Tang Jingxuan and everything would be fine.

So, the two women looked deep into each other's eyes...

They did not say a thing, but their eyes seemed to contain the harshest of words...

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[Hai Rui reveals shocking inside story: Tangning's retreat caused by scheming!]

[Real-life 'Game of Thrones': Tangning exposed to a succession of schemes. Almost lost her uterus!]

[Shocking industry news: who was behind it all]

[Fei Tian Awards thrown into another predicament: Tangning disregarded because she had no choice but to retreat]

After the press conference, a flood of headlines followed. Mo Ting comforted the sleeping Tangning as Lu Che stood in front of him, reporting the latest news regarding the Fei Tian Awards.

"I heard that there have already been changes amongst the judges," Lu Che explained gently, afraid that he would wake up Tangning, who was currently asleep on Mo Ting's lap. It wasn't easy for her to fall asleep, so Mo Ting couldn't bear to wake her up.

"This means that the Fei Tian Awards can still be saved!" Mo Ting replied with a slight coldness to his voice.

The news of Tangning's name being officially removed from the nomination list was about to be announced. But, Mo Ting had grabbed onto the right timing to turn the tables. Now, everyone had found out that Tangning had no choice but to retreat and most people were on her side. If the Fei Tian Awards decided to remove Tangning's name from their nomination list, there was no doubt that they'd be drowned by the complaints from the public.

"In regards to Yang Xi and the other two women. What should we do with them now?"

"Have you found Tang Xuan?" Mo Ting asked.

“That woman has too much ambition. It won’t be hard to find her...” Lu Che replied.

“Great...” Mo Ting nodded. “As for Yang Xi, we can leave her with the police. I’m sure that will be the worst punishment for her!”

Needless to say, Lu Che understood what Mo Ting meant. The fact that Master Ni had a complex background, if Yang Xi was seized by the police, he wouldn’t just sit idly by. What if she happened to reveal one of his secrets? Although Master Ni had already made precautionary arrangements, Yang Xi slept next to him every day, so it wasn’t hard for her to get a hold of sensitive information that she could hold against him. He couldn’t fight with the police out in the open, so the only thing he could do, would be to get rid of Yang Xi...

As for how he was to do this, it would be dependent on how ruthless he was.

Mo Ting felt that the result was worth anticipating for. After all, his woman and child was schemed against...

...so, he was going to pay them back a thousand-fold.

Of course, the most important 7 month pregnant Tang Xuan failed to escape in the end...but Mo Ting had no intention to deal with her straight away. He wanted to let her see Yang Xi and Ye Lan’s fate first.

Sometimes, paranoia and fear were the worst forms of punishment for a person.

Chapter 573: You Have No Right To Make Me Leave !

The Xu Household.

5pm.

The two women waited patiently in the living room for Father Xu’s return. Following on, another huge family battle was about to ensue...

10 minutes later, Father Xu walked into the living room with his briefcase. Perhaps it was because he knew that Elder Xu had left, his footsteps were a lot faster and lighter than usual. As he put down his briefcase he also removed his suit jacket. In his eyes, Xu Qingyan did not exist, so he directly walked over to Ye Lan, wrapped his arms around her and kissed her like no one was watching.

“Don’t be like this, Qingyan is here,” knowing that her husband’s heart was on her side, Ye Lan pretended to be shy. In reality, she was reminding him that Xu Qingyan was standing right there and it was time to deal with her.

Xu Qingyan looked at the couple coldly. It seemed, she had already become accustomed to Ye Lan’s tricks. The only problem was, she had always allowed Ye Lan to bully her in the past.

“Father...”

Xu Qingyan called out in a gentle voice. Of course, her words contained no emotions, but Father Xu still assumed that she was trying to plea for mercy. So, he placed his arm around Ye Lan’s shoulder and sat down on the sofa, pointing his chin as he looked at Xu Qingyan, “You finally know how to plea?”

Xu Qingyan looked at Father Xu's arrogant expression, but did not respond.

"Qingyan, it's not that I want to lecture you, but you should learn how to distinguish whether your father is closer or your grandfather. No matter how much your grandfather dotes on you, he is over half a century old; he won't be able to protect you for the rest of your life. So, it's only right for you to side with your father. How could you drive a wedge between us and make us go up against each other? You shouldn't have done what you did..."

"An unfilial child is complete rubbish! When will you be able to bear me another one?" After yelling at Xu Qingyan, Father Xu turned to question Ye Lan instead, "Since you created a big mess today, you should just stay at home and focus on trying to get pregnant."

"I need someone to take over my inheritance."

Hearing this, Ye Lan looked at Xu Qingyan with an amused smile, "What about Qingyan?"

"I've given her a place to eat and sleep, and I've given her the identity of the Big Miss of the Xu Family. This is already a huge gift to her..." Father Xu said. "Haven't you heard that a daughter that is married out is like water that has been poured? Right now, she is already conspiring with outsiders, I wonder how much of the Xu Family assets she still plans to pocket. That's why I've decided to directly kick her out of this household."

He wanted to kick her out...

He said it so blatantly to Xu Qingyan's face. As her father, he treated her completely like trash; like someone that was disposable at any time.

Although Xu Qingyan had gotten used to it over the years, every time she heard words like this from Father Xu's mouth, she could never understand how a father could abandon their daughter like this.

"Get lost...it's not too much to ask of you," Ye Lan and Father Xu were completely in sync, because they both wanted to step all over the person in front of them.

"When you were telling your grandfather to come teach me a lesson, you should have expected a day like this to come," Father Xu said as he stared ruthlessly at Xu Qingyan. "The old man has never treated me like this before. I'm your father!"

"Since you are so capable, then get lost. I want to see you leave without taking even a single leaf from the Xu Family."

Xu Qingyan stared coldly at Father Xu; at the face that got uglier by the day. She found that she still felt a slight sense of fear. After all, this face had left quite a traumatic impression on her...

Everyone around her encouraged her not to be afraid and not to back down. She did not deserve to be bullied, even if the person that was bullying her was her father.

So, Xu Qingyan focused her gaze and let out a cold laugh, "You want me to leave? I'm afraid I don't have any intention on doing that any time soon. Plus, if Mr Xu wants to talk about what we owe each other, then let's calculate it clearly."

Father Xu never expected that Xu Qingyan would refute against him. Not only that, her eyes seemed to be completely void of fear...

"Do you think that you deserve to be a father? No, let me rephrase. Do you think you are still human?" Xu Qingyan laughed. It was like she was looking at a wild dog and a stray cat.

"After all these years of being hit and scolded by you, I've long cursed at you with every single swear word I know. I bet you didn't know this, right?" Xu Qingyan continued. "Sometimes, I even wonder if God is blind. How could he allow a monster like you to act so freely. Many times after you hit me, I even prayed that you'd get hit by a car."

"Actually, I should have known long ago that I couldn't put any hope in a person like you."

"You're finally telling me what you really think," Father Xu had never seen Xu Qingyan go against him in such a way. Nor had she ever spoken to him in such a disrespectful manner. Finally, he felt that she was quite interesting. "But, there's nothing you can do about it. I am your father and you deserve to be bullied and abandoned by me..."

"There's actually a few words that I've wanted to say for a long time. How could you dream of still having a child. Even if you still have the ability, Ye Lan may not want one. Haven't you considered that she is younger than I am? When the day comes that you can no longer satisfy her, what do you think she would do?"

"Xu Qingyan, shut your mouth," Ye Lan immediately warned.

"She must know better than I do, how important it is to give you a child. But, for some reason her stomach hasn't made any response..."

"Don't you understand what's going on? Why should a young and beautiful woman like her, follow an old bull around for the rest of her life?" Xu Qingyan laughed.

"Hubby, don't listen to her provoking words!" Ye Lan felt a little guilty as she turned to comfort the man beside her.

"Ye Lan, are you brave enough to swear that you do not have another man?"

"I..."

Ye Lan wanted to explain herself, but Father Xu took a deep glance at Xu Qingyan and said, "Hurry and leave!"

"You have no right to make me leave," Xu Qingyan shook her head at Father Xu.

"Do you think your shares will come of any use?" Father Xu mocked. "If I wanted to, I could immediately gift Ye Lan 10% of my shares."

However, Xu Qingyan did not waste any more time on arguing as she directly said to the housekeeper, "Prepare the luggage and bring it out."

Hearing these words, Father Xu assumed that Xu Qingyan had given up and was ready to leave.

But, Xu Qingyan did not move at all as she smiled and waited for the housekeeper to bring the luggage to them...

Xu Qingyan then pointed to the luggage and said to Father Xu, "I've helped you pack everything. Now, get lost!"

Chapter 574: What Hai Rui Will Do To You

Hearing this, Father Xu and Ye Lan were shocked. They then burst out laughing like they had heard a ridiculous joke.

"Xu Qingyan, have you gone crazy? I was the one that told you to leave..."

"I know," Xu Qingyan remained calm as she smiled, "But, what right do you have to make me leave?"

Hearing this question, Father Xu retrieved his smile and let go of Ye Lan as he approached Xu Qingyan in a dominant manner, "With the fact that I am your father and everything you own was given to you by me. This includes your prestigious identity and everything that the Xu Family has provided you. Even your right to live in this household was given by me."

"Qingyan, I don't mean to lecture you, but your father is currently furious. You should move out for a little and come back when your father is no longer angry..." Ye Lan said, pretending to be nice. "I'm sure you know how his temper is like. Be good, stop joking...otherwise, who know how much you may need to suffer again..."

"Who's joking?" Xu Qingyan growled as she looked at Ye Lan in seriousness.

"Xu Qingyan, you are shameless! Hubby, let's not waste any more time on her. Let's get the housekeeper to kick her out!"

Father Xu glanced at Xu Qingyan before he turned to the housekeeper and said, "You heard what the Madam said..."

The housekeeper looked at Ye Lan and then turned to look at Xu Qingyan. He then shook his head, "Sorry Master Xu, I don't have the right to go against Miss Xu's orders..."

Father Xu was surprised, but suddenly came to a realization, "Did my father give you instructions before he left?"

"Housekeeper, throw their stuff out!" Xu Qingyan yelled as she pointed to the luggage before the housekeeper got the chance to respond.

The housekeeper glanced at Father Xu before he walked over to the luggage and started dragging them towards the door. But, at this time, Ye Lan ran over and blocked his path, "Do you not know who owns this house?"

"He obviously knows. That's why he knows who's orders to listen to," Xu Qingyan responded.

"What do you mean?"

Xu Qingyan did not waste any more time on the couple as she pulled out the deeds to the house as well as other related documents, "Have a close look and see for yourself who's name this house is under!"

Father Xu snatched the documents out of Xu Qingyan's hands and quickly flipped through it, "This is impossible. Xu Qingyan..."

"Grandfather personally signed these papers in front of the lawyers. Perhaps, you would like to speak to them?" Xu Qingyan crossed her arms as she spoke. "Xu Zhenqing, after all the years of abuse you have given me, you must have never expected this day to come. Grandfather didn't want to see the Xu Family's inheritance fall into the hands of a sl*t, so he changed the ownership of the house to my name."

"So, tell me, who owns this house now?"

After hearing Xu Qingyan's words, Ye Lan snatched the documents from Father Xu's hands and had a look, "What's wrong with your father? Is he old and senile? Fathers always dote on their sons, I've never seen a father skip a generation and dote on their granddaughter instead?"

"You've never seen it before? I've never seen a father abuse his own daughter, yet the man in front of you has done exactly that," Xu Qingyan mocked. "Let's stop wasting each other's time. Housekeeper, throw their stuff out!"

Father Xu fell into a panic, so he immediately grabbed the documents and tore it to shreds, "This doesn't count!"

"You've simply torn up a copy. The original is with grandfather. Regardless of whether you acknowledge it or not, this document is already recognized in the court of law. Therefore, you have no choice but to follow it!"

Father Xu was so angry that his veins began showing. It was obvious that he was trying to control his emotions.

"By the way, there's one more thing I almost forgot to tell you. Due to the fact that Xu Corps' performance has been plummeting, I have decided to dismiss you from the position of CEO. Of course, whether you can still keep your position on the board of directors is dependent on my mood..."

"...because grandfather has combined his, my mother's and my shares together and placed them all under my name."

"In other words, I am currently the main shareholder in Xu Corps."

"As for why you have been dismissed, I think the fact that Ye Lan's scandal with Tangning has caused the company great embarrassment, is enough of a reason, don't you think? Former CEO?"

"Since you like this woman so much, you can both be destroyed together."

"I would like to see, when you are left with nothing, whether this woman would stay by a 50-something-year-old man's side for the rest of her life!"

Not only had he lost his house, he even lost his majority shares. Father Xu did not know how to accept this reality. So, he immediately rang his assistant to confirm the situation.

“Xiao Yang, has anything happened over the past couple of days?”

“Well...President Xu...Because of what happened with the Madam, both Tang Corps and Hai Rui have been placing pressure on us and the entire board of directors has been asked to hold responsibility. To resolve the issue, the chairman has already released an official notice: you have been dismissed from your role.”

“Everything was still fine when I left work today!”

“I received the notice after you left. I even called to hold you back, but you said you had something urgent at home and not to bother you unless someone was dying,” the assistant replied helplessly.

After hearing his assistant’s response, Father Xu directly threw the phone on the floor and glared at Xu Qingyan.

“Hubby...what happened?” Ye Lan asked as she ran over and clung to his arm.

However, Father Xu brushed her arm away and pointed at her angrily, “Don’t touch me, you s!t!”

Ye Lan was stunned by Father Xu’s reaction...

“Hubby...”

“This is all because of you.” Father Xu could no longer contain his anger as he kicked Ye Lan’s stomach. “If you didn’t go cause trouble with Tangning, I wouldn’t have lost my position as CEO!”

Seeing the couple turn on each other, Xu Qingyan looked at Ye Lan and laughed, “This is your first time experiencing this, isn’t it? Your day has finally come.”

Ye Lan fell to the floor as tears rolled out of her eyes in pain...

How could she endure a kick like this?

“Hubby, what did I do? Why would you treat me this way...?”

“I told you long ago not to provoke Tangning. Yet, you didn’t listen to me. Even if Tangning is easy to bully, she still has Mo Ting backing her. He has always been wise, ruthless and heartless to outsiders. Did you think he would let you off the hook for scheming against his wife?” Xu Qingyan laughed. “Would you believe me if I told you this is just the beginning?”

“Once you’ve left the Xu Household and lost your last layer of protection, just wait and see what Hai Rui and President Mo will do to you!”

“Above all, don’t forget that Tangning always gives an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth!”

Chapter 575: If You Want To Die, Then Go For It

Ye Lan lay helplessly on the floor. As she listened to Xu Qingyan’s words, a cold chill spread from her back to her limbs...

“Think about it in detail. From the time that Tangning announced her comeback to the present day – from Mo Yurou to Yang Xi – Tangning has always been a winner. She likes to fight and she’s not afraid of fighting. If something doesn’t belong to her, she won’t want even a tiny slice of it, but...if someone crosses her bottom line, then sorry, she will fight with you until you are left with nothing!”

“Tangning has never lost!”

Previously, because of support from Father Xu, Ye Lan acted with no fear. After all, everyone that managed to survive in the entertainment industry had support of some sort. Plus, when competing for an award, the winner always took all.

For the sake of glory, other filthier methods existed in the industry. Most importantly...

...Ye Lan never expected that Father Xu would ever be left with nothing.

Realizing that she no longer had Father Xu’s protection and that she had to face Tang Corps, Hai Rui and the heartless Mo Ting on her own, a sense of panic slowly overcame her...

In fact, she was filled with fear!

“No, this can’t happen hubby. You can’t treat me like this...I know that I was wrong,” Ye Lan groveled at Father Xu’s feet. But, for someone that just lost his position of power, Father Xu was not in the mood to care about anyone else but himself. So...

...he simply kicked her away and added a few stomps on her stomach to satisfy his anger.

Ye Lan cried in pain as she pleaded, “Hubby, I won’t do it again. I really won’t...”

Seeing this, the housekeeper wanted to step forward and put a stop to the abuse, but Father Xu immediately warned, “If you dare to step in, I will make you disappear from sight.”

To prevent the housekeeper from being implicated, Xu Qingyan instructed, “Leave first.”

But, the true meaning in her words was evident: she wanted him to immediately seek Tang Jingxuan for help.

The housekeeper understood as he nodded his head and left.

Meanwhile, Ye Lan did not give up pleading, “Hubby, my stomach hurts...it hurts...”

But, Father Xu no longer held regard for anyone in his eyes. So, he directly walked over to Xu Qingyan and grabbed her by the shoulders, “Call your grandfather immediately and tell him to return my house and shares!”

“Return? This stuff has always belonged to my mother and I. What do you mean return?” Xu Qingyan asked coldly. “Xu Zhenqing, I think, at a time like this, you should turn to your amazing wife. Since you are both so loving, I’m sure she will do anything to help you...”

“Otherwise, how would she be able to pay you back for all the love you have shown her?”

“After being abused by you for 20 odd years, I have long hoped for you to lose everything. So, there’s no point speaking to me about it.”

Father Xu glared at Xu Qingyan. The endurance in his eyes seemed to have reached its limit as he roared, "Return Xu Corps to me! Otherwise, don't blame me for being ruthless. Did you think, by telling your grandfather to strip me of my position and to take away my belongings, you'd be free from me? You must be dreaming! Let me tell you Xu Qingyan, I gave birth to you, so I am your father. You will never be able to escape me in this lifetime!"

Xu Qingyan looked into Father Xu's eyes; the eyes that were filled with anger. There had been many times in the past when she was terrified frozen by this look in his eyes, but now, she now longer feared it. Perhaps it was because she now had the means to fight back, or perhaps she was no longer afraid of anything. After all, a courageous person was impenetrable!

"I know..."

"I know you gave birth to me. But, when have you treated me like a human being?" Xu Qingyan asked as she raised her voice. "If you want to hit me again, then go ahead. If you want to yell at me, then yell all you want. Do you know how long I have waited for this day?"

"There have been times in the past when I dreamed of dragging you down to the grave with me, especially during times when I was hit. But, when I came to my senses, I would ask myself why I would sacrifice my life over a jerk like you?"

"Now that I've seized control of Tang Corps and become the owner of this house, I can do whatever I want to you. I can watch you beg for mercy and I can step all over you. I can watch you live your life like a beggar and watch you suffer the consequences of revenge. I can watch you being bullied and watch you die all alone in bed the way that mother did!"

"Xu Zhenqing, there have been multiple times in the past when I could have told grandfather about what you've done, but I held back because we are blood-related. However, this time, I will not hold back at all!"

"There are too many people in this world that put up with domestic violence, but they have no way of escaping from this nightmare simply because the person abusing them is a family member..."

"But, from today onwards, I want you to know that not only can I free myself from you, I can also make the rest of your life a living hell! Xu Zhenqing, your life is over!"

"Completely over!"

After saying these words, Xu Qingyan looked like she had released all the pain she had endured over the years. Her eyes ended up turning red in anger...

"So, take yourself and your beloved wife out of my sight!"

"From today onwards, everything you once owned, is now mine!"

After hearing Xu Qingyan's words, Father Xu was so angry that he couldn't control his emotions. As a result, he reached out his arms and started strangling Xu Qingyan...

However, Xu Qingyan did not fight back. She simply smiled as she reminded her father, "Aren't you going to check on your wife? Have you not noticed the blood coming from her body? From the looks of it, you haven't realized that Ye Lan is pregnant."

Xu Zhenqing turned his head and looked at Ye Lan. She was indeed sitting in a small pool of blood. For a short moment, he was a little surprised, but, before long, he returned his angry gaze to Xu Qingyan as his right hand remained wrapped around her neck, "Give me back Xu Corps! Otherwise, no one will be leaving here today!"

However, Xu Qingyan was no longer afraid as she directly said to Xu Zhenqing, "You want it back? Do you really think that's possible?"

"In that case, go die!"

"If you want to die, then go ahead, why should I die?" After speaking, Xu Qingyan turned to the doorway and yelled, "Jingxuan..."

Tang Jingxuan had been nearby the entire time, so as soon as the housekeeper stepped out, he immediately found Tang Jingxuan's location. Tang Jingxuan and a few bodyguards waited by the door until they heard Xu Qingyan's cry for help. They immediately rushed in to find Father Xu strangling Xu Qingyan. Tang Jingxuan directly threw a punch at Father Xu, forcing him to let go...

"Little Monkey, are you OK?"

Xu Qingyan was angry and in pain as she turned around to hug Tang Jingxuan, "Jingxuan, help me..."

"Leave the rest with me!"

Chapter 576: Who is More Hated ?

Tang Jingxuan shielded Xu Qingyan as he glared coldly at Father Xu. At this moment, he was like a powerful lion that had just been awoken, "If you dare to touch a single hair on her body, I will make you wish you were dead!"

Xu Zhenqing covered his cheek as he glared back at Tang Jingxuan. The dangerous aura emanating from Tang Jingxuan's eyes actually made Xu Zhenqing hesitant to do anything for a moment.

A bodyguard took this opportunity to walk over and press Xu Zhenqing against the floor. At the same time, the housekeeper called the ambulance after seeing the amount of blood that Ye Lan had lost.

A moment later, Xu Qingyan finally calmed down. Looking at the restrained Xu Zhenqing, she closed her eyes and said to Tang Jingxuan, "Let him go for now. Our main priority is to get Ye Lan to the hospital."

Tang Jingxuan turned and looked at Xu Qingyan. Even though she told him to let her father go, he could still see the hatred in her eyes. In the end, he nodded his head. But, he was definitely going to avenge the little monkey today. Otherwise, the wound in her heart would never heal.

"Take her to the hospital."

The ambulance arrived swiftly. By this time, Ye Lan had completely lost her usual arrogance as she lay weakly in the stretcher until they delivered her to the hospital and carried her into the emergency room.

Outside the room, Tang Jingxuan and Xu Qingyan stood to the left of the door, while Xu Zhenqing stood to the right with complex emotions.

10 minutes later, the doctor came out and said apologetically to Father Xu, "It's a shame. She was already 2 months pregnant."

Pregnant!

She was actually pregnant! Xu Qingyan had no idea that Ye Lan was actually pregnant. She simply took a guess when she saw all the blood that Ye Lan had lost. Who would have thought that she'd be right.

Father Xu supported himself against the white hospital walls. The words that he heard made him subconsciously retreat a few steps.

"Your violent nature has caused the death of your own child," Xu Qingyan said in mockery. "That's great, Xu Zhenqing. You are truly left with nothing now."

"Little Monkey..." Tang Jingxuan said comfortingly. He wondered how much suffering she must have gone through, for her to have hidden so much hatred.

"Jingxuan, would you believe that he would be even more pitiful after Ye Lan wakes up and finds out that she has lost her child?"

Tang Jingxuan took a deep breath. He suddenly didn't know what to say.

"Which one of you is Ye Lan's family member? The patient has woken up and would like to see Mr Xu Zhenqing. Which one of you is Xu Zhenqing?" a nurse asked as she stepped out of the emergency room. Xu Qingyan responded by pointing coldly to her father.

Xu Zhenqing pushed open the door without a word. However, before he reached Ye Lan's bedside, a heavy item hit him in the head as he heard the shrill cry of Ye Lan's voice, "Xu Zhenqing! You're worse than an animal! Get lost! I want a divorce!"

Hearing the cries coming from the room, Xu Qingyan's lips curved upwards in mockery, "What a joke! This woman once thought that she could inherit everything owned by the Xu Family. But now, she will simply be seen as an old man's toy that has had a miscarriage."

Tang Jingxuan did not get a chance to respond, because at this moment, Father Xu rushed out of the emergency room with blood dripping from his head as he glared at Xu Qingyan.

After quite some time, he finally said, "Did you have to force me to act so ruthlessly?"

"When you used to humiliate me in the past, did you ever wonder if you were acting too ruthlessly at that time?" Xu Qingyan replied with a slightly emotional tone, even though her words were firm.

Xu Zhenqing raised his thumb at Xu Qingyan without saying another word nor pleading for mercy. He simply pushed the two aside and walked out of the hospital. As she looked at him from behind, Xu Qingyan noticed that he suddenly looked like he had aged. It was like he was a frail old 70/80-year-old man.

Needless to say, with Xu Zhenqing's dismissal and Ye Lan's miscarriage, Xu Corps had successfully helped Mo Ting make his first move.

“Everything is yours now. You need to stay strong and welcome a new beginning,” Tang Jingxuan said as he patted Xu Qingyan on the shoulder.

“I will prove to everyone that I am better than Xu Zhenqing!” Xu Qingyan said confidently. “From today onwards, I am President Xu: the new person in charge of Xu Corps.”

“Let’s go, I’ll take you home,” Tang Jingxuan said as he shook her body.

“By the way, I’ve decided to sell the Xu Family Home so Xu Zhenqing can never return home,” Xu Qingyan revealed.

With that, not only did Xu Zhenqing lose his home and company, he also lost the woman that was supposed to stay by his side.

As for Ye Lan, it was obvious what happened to her.

Her name immediately appeared on the hottest search rankings. After all, she was hit by her own husband and ended up with a miscarriage. Plus, she was directly pulled down from her role as the first lady of Xu Corps and returned to nothing...

But, the weird thing was, no one felt any sympathy for her. After all, she had schemed against Tangning first. She tried to harm others, but in the end, she was harmed instead; wasn’t it karma for her to be hit by her husband and to suffer a miscarriage?

Of course, everyone was well aware of why Xu Corps had gotten rid of Xu Zhenqing so easily. There was no doubt that it was because of Mo Ting and the pressures from Hai Rui and Tang Corps.

Out of all the people that Ye Lan could have schemed against and played tricks on, who told her to mess with the child in Tangning’s stomach...

As a result, the internet was flooded with heated discussion...

“Tang Xuan betrayed her own sister and sold the news of her pregnancy to Ye Lan for \$2 million.”

“But, Ye Lan simply wanted to sit back and observe instead of making a move herself. Therefore, she passed the information onto Tangning’s competitor for the Fei Tian Awards, Yang Xi.”

“In the end, Yang Xi shot herself in the foot instead and ended up at the police station. Of course, she almost succeeded in hurting Tangning and her child.”

“Let me ask, which woman out of three, is the most hated?”

“Is this even worth asking? Of course it’s Tang Xuan! She is, after all, Tangning’s actual sister!”

“I personally think that Ye Lan is the most sinister. She wanted to mess with others, but ended up causing her own miscarriage. What a satisfying result!”

“I still feel that Yang Xi is the worst. You all saw the video. She actually asked her bodyguards to kill Tangning’s child...”

“I think it doesn’t matter who is the worst. At least everyone can clearly see their fate. After all, who did they think they were scheming against?”

As soon as everyone saw the discussions, they quickly responded with one simple emoji: a thumbs up!

It was Tangning...

The person they schemed against was Tangning!

Everyone was well aware that Ye Lan was only the beginning.

"I originally thought that Yang Xi would be the first to be dealt with. Who would have thought that the least significant Ye Lan would be the first victim."

"If Ye Lan was dealt with in such a ruthless way...I wonder how Yang Xi and Tang Xuan will end up..."

It seemed, everyone was waiting to see their fate. After all, the remaining two women had done something that even the Gods would be angered by...

How pitiful could these two evil women end up?

Chapter 577: There Will Be Plenty Of Chances For You To Cry

The media swarmed towards the news of Ye Lan being admitted to the hospital due to domestic violence. Normally, the hospital would put in security measures for things like this, but, as the media surrounded the hospital, the hospital chief did not do a thing. As for Ye Lan's management agency, they also turned a blind eye...

As a result, Ye Lan's helplessly ill and ugly state was revealed to the cameras and the public.

"Doesn't Ye Lan appear quite beautiful on screen? Who would have thought that she'd look like this with no makeup..."

"They've packaged her for the cameras, after all. In reality, her skin is actually worse than mine!"

"What an embarrassment! Who's going to want her from now on? If I was her, I'd kill myself!"

Ye Lan was surrounded by the media, but not a single person dared to step out and help her. Every now and then, one of the young nurses wanted to help, but they were too weak, so their tiny voices were quickly drowned out by the crowd...

Ye Lan was forced to hide in fear. Finally, under the cover of the cleaner, she managed to escape the media by huddling up in the bathroom.

After quite some time, the hospital room returned to its usual peace and quiet. At this time, the slight sound of someone crying could finally be heard.

After crying for half an hour, Ye Lan finally composed herself. At this time, a chubby female nurse pushed open the bathroom door and helped Ye Lan up as she said in a gentle voice, "Come out, the reporters have left..."

"Thank you."

Ye Lan became even more emotional. After all, someone was offering her a helping hand during one of her toughest times. So, the precautionary wall in her heart immediately came crashing down.

However, before Ye Lan could fully express her gratitude, she froze in place as soon as she stepped out of the bathroom...

The figure standing beside the hospital room window was the nightmare that she tried so hard to escape!

"Tangning...it's you. Of course. Otherwise, why would the media leave," Ye Lan said in self-mockery.

Amongst the dull lighting, Tangning turned around and looked calmly at Ye Lan. Her intimidating elegance made Ye Lan feel a sense of inferiority.

"You can leave," Tangning said to the head nurse.

The nurse nodded her head, but was still a little worried. After all, Mo Ting had emphasized for her to take care of Tangning, "Mrs Mo, I will be outside. If you need anything, just give me a call."

Tangning nodded her head as she waited for the nurse to leave. After she was gone, Tangning calmly walked over to Ye Lan.

"I have no history with you. Why would you use Yang Xi to go against me?"

"I...I wasn't in my right mind." Ye Lan and Tangning had never even met before. Now that Tangning was finally standing before Ye Lan, Ye Lan was completely shocked by the calmness on Tangning's face. Because she knew...

...the calmer that Tangning appeared, the more dangerous of a situation she was in.

It was impossible to see what Tangning was thinking; she was impenetrable.

"You may have been out of your mind for a moment; I understand that people can easily make mistakes because of greed. But...this wasn't the first time that you went against me."

"I can ignore small incidences. I can treat it like a game if I don't make much of a loss. But...did you know that I only have two bottom lines in my life, and you have crossed both of them!"

"I...I..."

"Regardless of your reason, if you've worried my husband and threatened the safety of my child, I will not let you off. Understood?" Tangning asked as she glared at Ye Lan.

"I..." Ye Lan stuttered in fear.

"Children are gifts from God. You schemed against another person's child, so it is only fair for God to take away your child in return. This is what you call karma..."

As Tangning spoke, her voice was calm. It was so gentle that Ye Lan was quite surprised...

The way that she spoke like a lecturing senior, sent chills down Ye Lan's spine.

"From now on, it's best if you do more good deeds."

“What...what do you exactly want from me?” Ye Lan could no longer hold in her curiosity as she asked.

But, Tangning did not respond straight away. After quite some time, she finally said in a quiet voice, “I don’t want anything from you. I simply wanted to visit you.”

“You’ve just had a miscarriage. Don’t cry too much, it is bad for your body.”

“After all, after you recover, there will be plenty of chances for you to cry...”

Hearing this, Ye Lan suddenly looked up at Tangning. She wanted to plead for forgiveness but her eyes revealed a sense of resistance.

“Get some rest...” Tangning said before turning to leave. But, at this time, Ye Lan suddenly knelt down on the floor, “Tangning, I know I have been wrong. Could you please let me go?”

Tangning did not turn around. To be exact, she couldn’t be bothered to turn around as she replied, “I’ve accepted your apology. But, you will still get what you deserve.”

“Tangning, aren’t you afraid that people would say that you are cruel?”

“You’ve yet to see the truly cruel side of me!” After speaking, Tangning turned slightly, revealing only one side to Ye Lan.

However, this was already enough to make Ye Lan tremble in fear. Tangning wasn’t easy to convince like everyone else in the entertainment industry. If it was someone else, Ye Lan could have offered them a small benefit and it would have been enough to get away with what she had done. But, this was Tangning...

No one could influence the way that she thought, so no one knew how she planned to seek revenge.

Tangning always knew how to hit her enemies where it hurt, and Ye Lan was no exception.

But, where did it hurt for Ye Lan? Everyone had inner demons lurking somewhere inside their heart, so for Ye Lan...

[Exposed: After her miscarriage, another crime is added to Ye Lan’s name with the revelation that she has a history of going to jail for stealing!]

[Actress image destroyed: Thug Ye Lan’s private photos revealed]

It turned out, she was a thief!

The humiliation experienced when a person’s deepest, darkest secrets were revealed, was enough to destroy a person’s will to live. Especially when the entire nation now knew that Ye Lan was a dirty thief that had her eyes on others’ belongings.

“People like this are disgusting!”

“We thought she was temporarily blinded by greed, but it turns out that she has been a thief all along!”

“How could a criminal become an actress? Could someone enlighten me?”

This time, not only the public, but even the nurse that had previously wanted to help Ye Lan, felt like they had been given a sharp slap across the face.

“I thought I was standing up for justice, but it turns out I was sticking up for a piece of crap!”

Of course, after the news was exposed, Ye Lan no longer had the courage to stay at the hospital. So, the second day after the exposure, she completely disappeared from sight. The way that everyone looked at her was shockingly profound; the expressions of ridicule tore at her flesh, one inch at a time.

The reason was simple for why Tangning handled things this way. She wanted Yang Xi and Tang Xuan to experience the feelings of fear. She wasn't afraid that others would call her cruel. In reality, she had never hidden that fact that she would seek the ultimate revenge on anyone that dared to cross her bottom line...

As for the judges of the Fei Tian Awards, what were their thoughts on the entire incident?

Chapter 578: I Want To See Tangning !

Apparently...

...the organizers of the Fei Tian Awards had already canceled the decision to remove a 'particular' person's name from the nomination list and pretended like it had never happened.

After all, everyone was currently siding with Tangning and knew the secret behind her retreat from the industry. If they still went ahead with removing her from the nomination list because of the reasons they previously had, then they were being too heartless.

“Although Tangning had a reason for retreating from the industry, this entire incident has gone out of hand and has had a negative impact on the awards...As a result, regardless of whether we give the award to her or not, the public already has their doubts towards us.”

“Now that Yang Xi has been eliminated, we only have 4 nominees. We need to be careful with our selection.”

In the end, the judges were worried about how the public would react.

Of course, they would never let someone as evil as Yang Xi off the hook. But, someone that stirred up trouble like Tangning, was also not favored by them.

At this time, someone suddenly pointed out, “I feel that you have all forgotten the meaning of the Fei Tian Awards. Why aren't we basing the award on acting ability and instead focusing on news and gossip?”

Hearing this, everyone lowered their heads in shame. They realized they had placed their focus on the wrong things...

They should be focused on acting!

The agencies for the other three nominees of the Fei Tian Awards, did not partake in any secret dealings; they knew where they stood and depended on true capabilities. But, of course, after all that

Mo Ting had done for Tangning and all the obstacles he had swept aside, everyone expected that the award was already Tangning's to take.

As a result, the public began to lose interest in the winner of the award.

After all...the award had already undergone too much drama...

But, at this time, Han Xiner once again represented Hai Rui and accepted interviews from the media, "Whether you believe it or not, Hai Rui has no control over the judges' decisions."

"Nor does Tangning have such a strong influence. She is simply resting at home and has never said that the Fei Tian Awards will definitely be hers."

"I hope everyone doesn't focus on the wrong things. The winner of the award will eventually be dependent on acting ability and not popularity or schemes."

"Also, don't hype up Tangning too much. She believes that the Fei Tian Awards is just and fair and that everyone has their own opinion. So, she is sure that the result will be one that everyone is satisfied with."

"She has never forgotten the fact that she is a newcomer that wants to be treated fairly."

"Dear MoTang fans, if you want Tangning to feel comfortable, please stop saying that the award has to go to her. She wants her abilities to be judged sincerely."

"Also, please give the Fei Tian Awards the mystery it deserves, the winner has not been pre-determined."

Finally, Han Xiner projected a video from her phone onto the screen behind her. The video was only 20 seconds long and Tangning appeared in the video with no makeup. Of course, her protruding belly did not make an appearance.

"Hello everyone, it has been a long time. Firstly, I would like to thank everyone for your concern. The baby in my stomach is good and healthy and is already 7 months old."

"I am aware that there has been a lot of news about me during this time, but because of this, it has made me too afraid to leave the house..."

"I would like to ask everyone to have faith in the judges of the Fei Tian Awards and give them the respect that they deserve. I believe that the Fei Tian Awards will definitely provide a satisfactory reason for their final decision that everyone can accept."

The video was short and only contained a few points.

But, Tangning actually made an appearance and asked everyone not to treat the awards like some kind of gossip. She asked them to view the prestigious international award from a professional viewpoint and to have faith in the organizers and judges.

Most importantly, she reminded everyone that presenting the award required a sufficient reason.

This was how the Fei Tian Awards kept its authority in the industry. It allowed everyone to see a clear comparison and presented to them true capabilities!

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Meanwhile, Yang Xi was not in a great position.

She was currently being detained by the police, but no matter how she tried to contact Master Ni, he did not offer her any help. Instead, he sent her a warning, "If you dare to speak recklessly to the police, I will kill you and make sure that your corpse is never found."

On top of everything, the police did not act hastily. It wasn't easy for them to get hold of someone close to Master Ni, so they weren't going to let her go that easily. They were hoping to get insider information from Yang Xi about Master Ni, but Yang Xi expressed her loyalty from the start. However, how could Master Ni be at ease when he knew she was currently being detained in a holding cell at the police station?

Master Ni had always been a paranoid person. After being with him for so many years, Yang Xi did not get hold of any information that she could use against him. It was clear to see how cautious of a person he was.

Through the television in the police station, Yang Xi saw what had happened to Ye Lan. Mo Ting and Tangning did not go easy at all as they directly destroyed a person's self esteem and willpower. They exposed the ugliest side of Ye Lan to the public. It was almost like they had stripped her naked and thrown her into light for everyone to see.

So, Yang Xi was of course frightened...

Especially since she had held Tangning captive and tried to threaten her. Ye Lan had merely passed on a message and her fate was already so grim, what would happen to her?

She was too afraid to imagine it.

Yang Xi had no family and, of course, no friends. She came from a bad background and grew up on the streets. If Master Ni was to abandon her, her fate would be much worse than Ye Lan's.

Ye Lan simply had nowhere to turn to...

Whereas, Yang Xi had been the woman of a gangster boss for so many years. If he was to abandon her, how many people were on the standby to go against her?

Yang Xi thought to herself for a while and finally turned to the police in tears, "I know you want to get some useful information from me. I can promise to be honest with you, but..."

"...I have one condition."

"I want to see Tangning."

The police did not expect for Yang Xi to make such a request. But, in order to get information about Master Ni, they agreed "We will contact her on your behalf. But...whether she will agree to meet you is beyond our control."

"She will definitely agree," Yang Xi said in between tears, "How could she miss a chance to see me in such a pitiful state?"

“We’ll let you know when we’ve come in contact then.”

However, before Yang Xi managed to see Tangning, Master Ni’s lawyer arrived first.

To be exact, this man wasn’t just any lawyer. Yang Xi was well aware that this man was Master Ni’s most capable right-hand-man. Whenever he appeared, it wasn’t to deal with a simple incident – but to deal with life and death!

Chapter 579: I Don’t Play Mind Games

Yang Xi was so terrified that her entire body began to tremble. Especially when the man returned her gaze.

The darkness that seeped out from the depths of his body made one’s blood freeze.

Yang Xi’s lips twitched a little, but no sound came out. She remained silent until half an hour later when the police came to release her, “Yang Xi, you have been bailed out. You may leave.”

Leave...

Hearing this, Yang Xi froze in place, unable to take a single step.

“Officer, can I wait until Tangning arrives?” Yang Xi asked.

The young officer glanced at Yang Xi and laughed, “When you were locked up, you wanted to leave so badly. Now that we’ve decided to set you free, you don’t want to leave anymore. What’s wrong with you?”

“No...it’s just...” Yang Xi couldn’t get her words out properly.

“Are you going to leave or not?” the police officer asked impatiently.

Yang Xi looked at the officer, unsure whether to tell the truth. A few moments later, just as she was about to speak, Master Ni’s assistant walked over to her, holding a briefcase and dressed in professional business attire, “It’s time we leave. Master Ni is waiting for us.”

Yang Xi was helpless as she tried to signal to the officer for help. But the young officer had absolutely no idea what Yang Xi was trying to gesture.

The cold assistant allowed Yang Xi to walk ahead. He knew how terrified she was of him, but, after being in the underworld for so many years, apart from completing his mission, he didn’t care about anything else.

Yang Xi walked slowly and repeatedly turned her head to sneak glances at the police officer. Only after she stepped into the elevator did the cold assistant finally say, “Don’t be afraid. It won’t hurt a lot.”

Hearing this, Yang Xi felt chills down her spine as she clasped her hands together and waited for the elevator to stop. As soon as she heard it ring, she wanted to run away, but the assistant quickly blocked her path and said, “Be careful, don’t run around recklessly...”

Yang Xi closed her eyes in despair; she no longer held any hope for the future.

Just as they were about to leave the police station, a black Lincoln Limousine suddenly pulled up in front of Yang Xi...

Afterwards, Tangning was seen stepping out of the car, supporting her stomach. Next to her stood the almighty king-like Mo Ting and the trustworthy Lu Che.

Tangning saw that Yang Xi was being directed towards the car, so she directly walked over and ignored the cold assistant as she said, "Didn't you ask the police to contact me? How come you're leaving before we've spoken?"

Yang Xi finally saw a glimpse of hope. Just as she was about to speak, the assistant stopped her and said, "Sorry Miss Tang, Master Ni needs to urgently see Miss Yang. We will first make our leave."

"I'm pretty sure Master Ni needs to show me some face. After all, there are plenty of reporters waiting to surround this place. Did he want me to chat to Miss Yang right here? I mean, I don't mind...but, I'm afraid..."

On the surface, Tangning's words didn't seem to mean much. But, in reality, she was threatening and warning Master Ni that she was going to speak openly to Yang Xi in front of the media if he didn't hand her over. If that was to happen, she wouldn't be able to guarantee who was to suffer a loss.

Master Ni wasn't stupid, he of course understood what she meant. So, he had no choice but to compromise as he told his assistant over the phone, "Let them speak to each other in private."

In the end, the party of five headed to a nearby cafe. To ensure that Yang Xi was comfortable enough to speak, the men stepped aside and did not enter the private room, allowing the two women to have plenty of space.

Faced with dejavu, the same two women were all alone in a private space. But, this time, the situation was very different.

"Every dog truly has its day, I never thought that the person to save me today, would be you..." Yang Xi said in self-mockery as she sat down on the sofa. "If you hadn't appeared today, I may already be a corpse. By the time I got discovered, days or even years from now, I would already be a part of the soil."

"Tangning, I must truly bow down to you," Yang Xi said in seriousness. "I shouldn't have schemed against you. I overestimated myself. As long as you don't hand me over to Master Ni, I am willing to do anything for you."

"You will still need to pay back for what you have done. After all, I've never been one to show mercy and I'm sure you are aware of this. But, I don't need to go as far as to take your life," Tangning said calmly.

"But, there's nothing you can do. Even if I am sent to jail, Master Ni will still find a way to get me killed. There's no way he will set me free. Every second that I am still alive right now, is a bonus," Yang Xi gave a cold laugh. "Because of my stupidity, I made Master Ni feel threatened. The fact that I've entered the police station once, is already enough to make him lose trust in me. Master Ni is a paranoid man, he will be worried that I've teamed up with the police."

"This is the reason why I was so anxious to receive the award. I thought I'd be given the right to speak up a little more. But, it was all just false hope."

“What if I told you that I could save you?” Tangning suddenly asked.

Yang Xi did not say a word as she stared at Tangning. After a little while, she finally let out a laugh, “Tangning, you seem to be well-skilled at dealing with enemies. Not too long ago, I heard how you managed to turn Reporter Lin over to your side.”

“So, do you want to live?”

“Of course,” Yang Xi replied firmly, “I’m just worried that this may be a part of your revenge. Will you give me hope before you throw me into despair?”

“I have always been a straightforward person...Whether out in the open or behind closed doors, I don’t play mind games.”

“That’s true!” Yang Xi nodded furiously. After all, all she had left now was just one lousy life. Why would Tangning bother to trick her? However, she couldn’t quite understand Tangning’s train of thought. Logically speaking, Tangning should be the one that wanted her dead the most.

Yet...

“You don’t need to look at me with suspicion.”

How did it feel to be saved by one’s enemy? One look at Yang Xi’s complex expression was enough to answer this question. But, the thing that made Yang Xi feel most defeated was the fact that Tangning’s every word made her trust in her wholeheartedly.

She had previously fought this woman with all her life, yet in the end, everything she had done meant absolutely nothing. Yang Xi felt pity on herself.

Of course, she also sighed as she accepted reality. In this lifetime, she was more than willing to do anything for Tangning as long as she could save her life.

“No one has ever been able to save anyone from Master Ni’s hands. Why do I still feel that I won’t be able to escape my fate?”

Yang Xi was indeed domineering, but she was different because she wanted to be free from her fate. However, this didn’t mean that Tangning felt pity on her.

Some people didn’t seem to ever learn their lesson, for example, Tang Xuan and Ye Lan. But, when it came to Yang Xi, Tangning felt the impulse to save her.

Because she understood, saving Yang Xi would mean that she’d win over her soul.

Chapter 580: Snatched

“I have my ways,” Tangning replied calmly.

But, even though Hai Rui was the leader of the industry and Mo Ting was the King of Entertainment, Master Ni was still someone from the underworld. So, Yang Xi knew as well as everyone that Master Ni

appeared clean on the surface, but was involved in plenty of illegal activities. It's just a shame that she couldn't get a hold of any evidence against him.

That's why the police were so excited when they first captured her, expecting that they'd get something out of her.

Unfortunately for them, Yang Xi had nothing. She simply lied to them, hoping for a chance at life. Because for some reason, she felt that the Tangning that despised her, wouldn't truly hurt her and would instead help her...

Of course, Tangning's way of helping Yang Xi wasn't merely to keep her alive. She was going to make Master Ni completely disappear from the underworld. Otherwise, with Master Ni's temper, he would definitely seek revenge on Tangning and Mo Ting. Someone as smart as Tangning would never expose herself to any risks; it wasn't in her character to do so.

"Actions speak louder than words. You have an obstacle right before you. How are you going to stop that cold-blooded killer from taking me away?"

Tangning simply looked at Yang Xi without responding straight away. After a few minutes, she finally asked, "Does that person kill people on behalf of Master Ni?"

"I'm not entirely sure. All I know is, he's helped him conceal a lot of illegal activities."

After this, the two women did not say any more. Yang Xi simply watched as Tangning made one phone call after another. Finally, the assistant lost his patience and began knocking on the door, "Xiao Xi, Master Ni has made a few phone calls and told you to hurry!"

Yang Xi looked towards the door, but Tangning held down her icy cold hands and shook her head calmly, "Ignore him."

At this moment, Yang Xi had no idea what Tangning was thinking. She was simply terrified.

"Xiao Xi, Master Ni is on his way. He is personally coming to pick you up..."

After a few moments of silence in the private room, Tangning finally stood up and walked over to the door. As she opened it, she took a quick glance at Mo Ting.

"Let's go, Xiao Xi..."

"Since Master Ni is already on his way. I would like to give my greetings," Tangning offered.

"Miss Tang, please don't test your limits," the man's words obviously contained a sense of warning. "We are from different sides of the fence, let's not make things difficult for each other. There's no need to put yourself in danger over someone that once tried to hurt you."

"It's because she tried to hurt me that I want to personally deal with her."

Hearing this, the man felt that negotiating with a woman was a waste of his energy. So, he turned to Mo Ting instead, "President Mo..."

"My wife is the boss," Mo Ting sat to one side with a king-like presence that could not be ignored. Yet, when he spoke, the assistant didn't know whether to laugh or cry.

He was willing to support Tangning no matter what she wanted to say or do.

In other words, even if Tangning wanted to kill someone, he would be there to help her bury the body.

A moment later, the cafe became even more crowded with the addition of Master Ni; making the atmosphere quite tense.

"It seems like we have quite a crowd today. Does President Mo also have an interest in Yang Xi?"

With the appearance of Master Ni, Yang Xi hid in the corner with a bitter smile. It seemed, she couldn't escape her fate. Even if Tangning tried to protect her, there was no use.

"Master Ni must be kidding. I'm simply out for a stroll with my wife," Mo Ting smiled.

"Since that's the case, why is Mrs Mo holding onto my Xiao Xi and not letting her go?" Master Ni asked with a forced smile. "Here I was, waiting at home for her to return. If I had known, I would have arrived sooner."

Tangning did not say a word.

"Mrs Mo, let's each watch over our own territory and not step over the border. I'm sure you're smart enough to know what I mean," Master Ni continued to smile. "Otherwise, regardless if it is Tang Corps or Hai Rui, I have plenty of time to play games with you. I would like to see if the entertainment industry is more powerful than my thousands of brothers."

"Is Master Ni trying to threaten me?"

"You have no choice but to accept my threat," Master Ni smiled arrogantly before he pulled Yang Xi behind him. "Let's go home, precious...I have something I want to speak to you about."

"So you're actually trying to threaten me, huh?" Tangning laughed. "I hate it when people threaten me."

"But, there's nothing you can do about it. Even if you can protect her today, will you be able to protect her in the years to come? Or could you guarantee her safety for the rest of her life?"

Yang Xi closed her eyes and took a deep breath. She was already in the hands of the devil and felt that death was merely on her doorstep.

But, just as Master Ni was about to take Yang Xi away, the door to the cafe suddenly flew open. Standing in the doorway was a person that even Master Ni had to bow down to.

It was the chief of the Beijing police!

"Chief Li, are you here to have some coffee?"

The middle-aged man had a tanned and healthy complexion. As soon as he saw that Master Ni had Yang Xi in his arms, he replied, "I'm here to take my goddaughter home for dinner."

Master Ni was a little confused by Chief Li's words, "Your goddaughter is..."

"Yang Xi is my new goddaughter. Didn't you know?" Chief Li pulled Yang Xi to his side. "My wife loves watching her films. When she saw her at the police station earlier, she was excited by the rare opportunity and begged me to take her home so she could satisfy her star-chasing dream."

Initially, Tangning snatched Yang Xi from the assistant's hands...

Afterwards, Master Ni snatched her back from Tangning's hands...

Just as Master Ni appeared to already be the winner, the chief of police suddenly appeared.

Master Ni glared angrily at Tangning. He never expected that Tangning's scheming would reach this level.

Now that Yang Xi was the goddaughter of the police chief, if he was to make a move on her, he would be making a move on the police chief's family member. This was a crime on a whole new level. More importantly, this new identity now gave Yang Xi an impenetrable form of protection from all dangers.

Because, everyone knew the real meaning to this relationship! It wasn't hard to understand the motive.

The police were obviously fighting with the underworld for control of their witness!

This was where Tangning showed off her intelligence. All three parties had nothing that attracted doubt and her entire plan was flawless.

If Master Ni still wanted to get rid of Yang Xi, he would need to put himself through 100 times the risk. This was like gambling with everything he had.

If he didn't get rid of her, he'd have no choice but swallow his anger and pretend that Yang Xi never existed...

But, how was he to swallow something so big?